



# **GATES OF LIGHT AND LIFE**

**SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2016**

# THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. What are the 7 F's (The Bricks of What we building as a Church): Follow the Message ( God's Agenda) , Family Up, Feature the Story, Face Your Problems, Farm Your Land, Find Your Purpose, Fulfill Your Mission.
2. What are the Basics of the Faith ( The mortar that Holds the Bricks together): Knowledge and application of the Bible, Knowledge of the Trinity Including the Spirit, Prayer, Worship, etc.
3. What is **God's Message- Agenda...** Demonstrate What it looks like when God is King.
4. **What is Love...(How we Family Up..)** Love is Being Determined to Benefit (care ) for others even at our own expense.
5. What are FIGS- Fear, Insecurity, Guilt and Shame... Things that impact **safety in our Family (up),** and how we face our Problems.
6. 7 Parts of the Bible: Featuring the Story | Creation, 2 Rebellion, Exile, 3 Israel, Rebellion, Exile, 4 Messiah, 5 Resurrection, 6 Church, 7 Eternity

# OT Bible Literacy Pretest

## Take home:



*No notes, no help, This is not graded, but these will be collected and honest answers are appreciated.*

- 1 . How many books are in the Bible ?
2. Who was Abraham?
3. What books did Moses write?
4. Which person is David most famous for defeating?
5. What is a prophet?
6. Where is Canaan (describe briefly and don't look up)?
7. Name 3 of the tribes of Israel:
8. Where was Jesus Born (what city/town)?
9. What is a Covenant?
10. Which prophet was swallowed by a big fish?
11. What was the significance of Noah cursing his grandson?
12. What was in the Ark of the covenant?
13. How many of each animal did Moses take on the Ark?
14. What did Elijah and Enoch die of?
15. What is a Tabernacle?

# **THE MORTAR OF THE BIBLE**

**\* KNOWLEDGE (ACCESSIBLE /RETAINED INFORMATION)**

**\* UNDERSTANDING (PROPER INTERPRETATION OF KNOWLEDGE)**

**\* WISDOM (PROPER APPLICATION & PRIORITIZATION OF UNDERSTANDING)**

## Old Testament

- The Story of Creation, Man, Israel/ Jews- Law.
- Written in 39 Books-
- Law, History, Poetry/Wisdom, Prophecy
- 1 Creation, 2 Rebellion, Exile, 3 Israel, Rebellion, Exile, 4 Messiah
- Major Theme- Laws show need for Sacrifice & The Temple
- Simplified- Man made in God's image, Given a choice of Will- Fails, God's plan to fix man comes through Faith choices of a chosen people. Choices impacted by sin, consequences and promises occur.

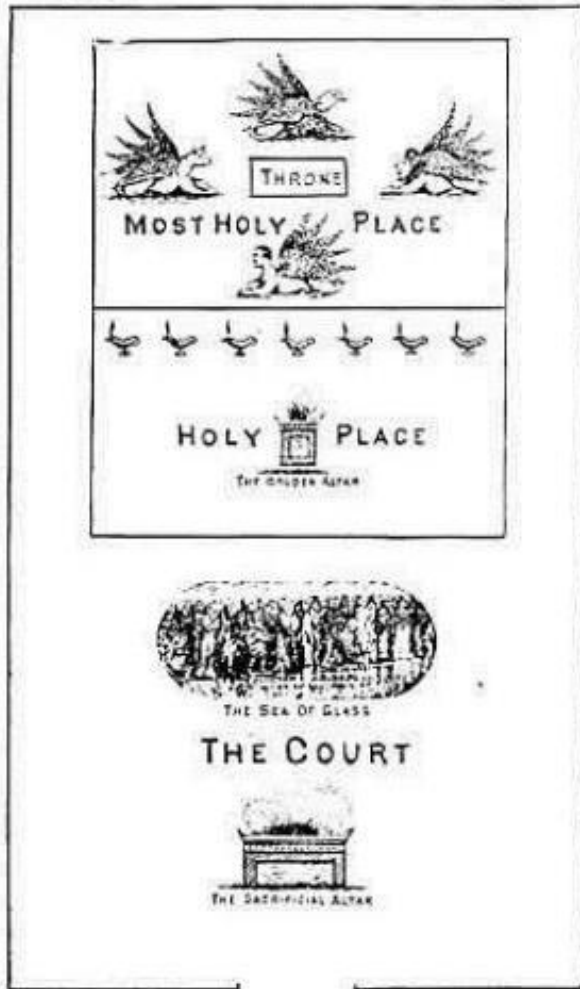
## New Testament

- The Story of Jesus and the Early Church, Fulfillment of the Law
- Written in 27 Books-
- Gospels, History (ACTS), Letters, Prophecy/End times (Revelation)
- 4 Messiah, 5 Resurrection, 6 Church, 7 Eternity
- Major Theme- Sacrifice made so we can be portable Temples.
- Simplified- Good news via promise of a Messiah God fixes the hearts of those who choose Him via His Son's Choice of Sacrifice.



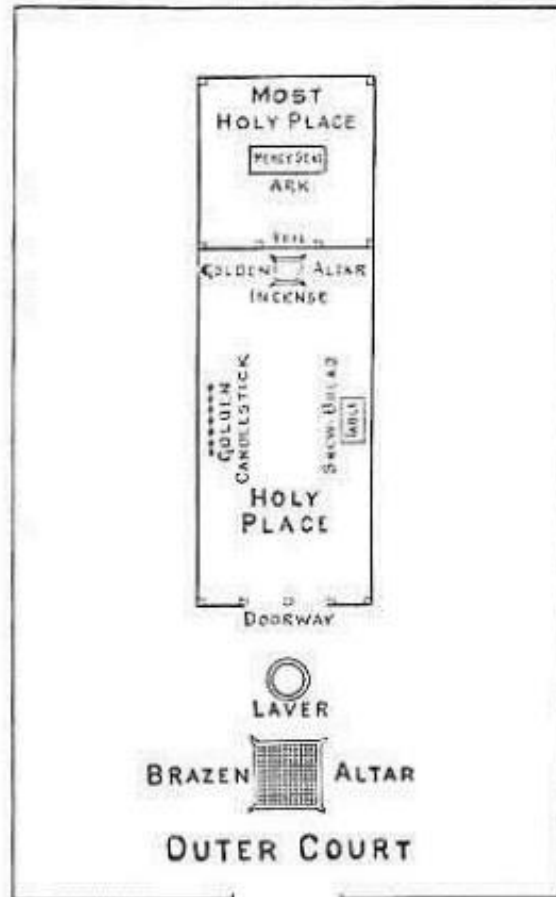
# OT AND THE TEMPLE

## THE HEAVENLY TABERNACLE

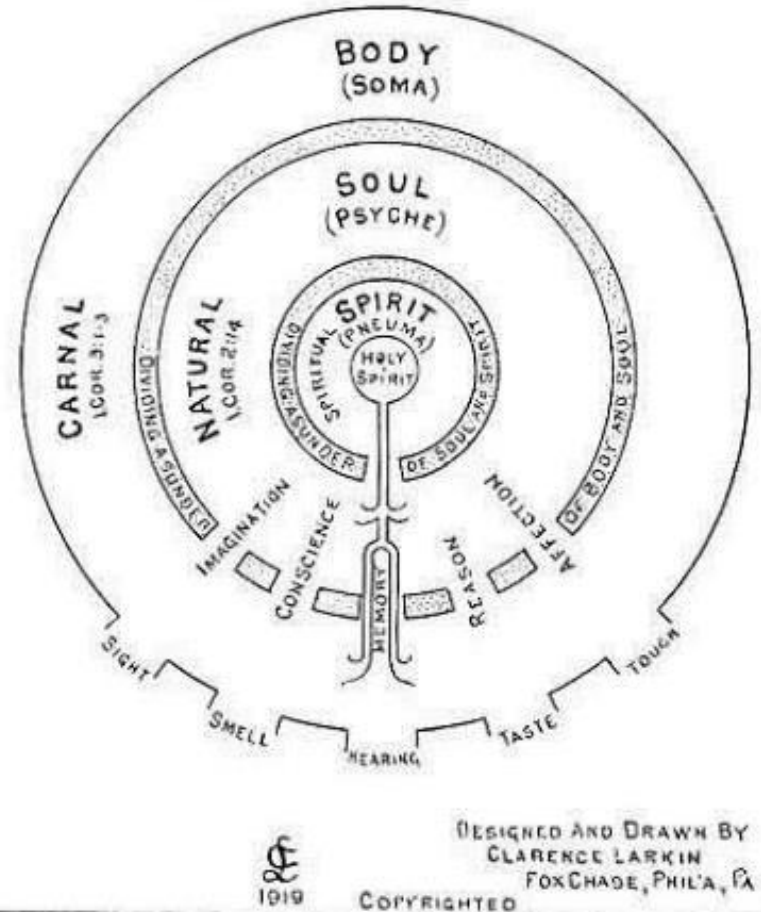


## THE THREE TABERNACLES

### THE EARTHLY TABERNACLE



### THE TABERNACLE OF MAN



# WHAT DOES THE TEMPLE TEACH US?



## THE TEMPLE GIVES INSIGHT TO NATURE OF GOD AND HEAVEN

**ALL Holy...Triune-**

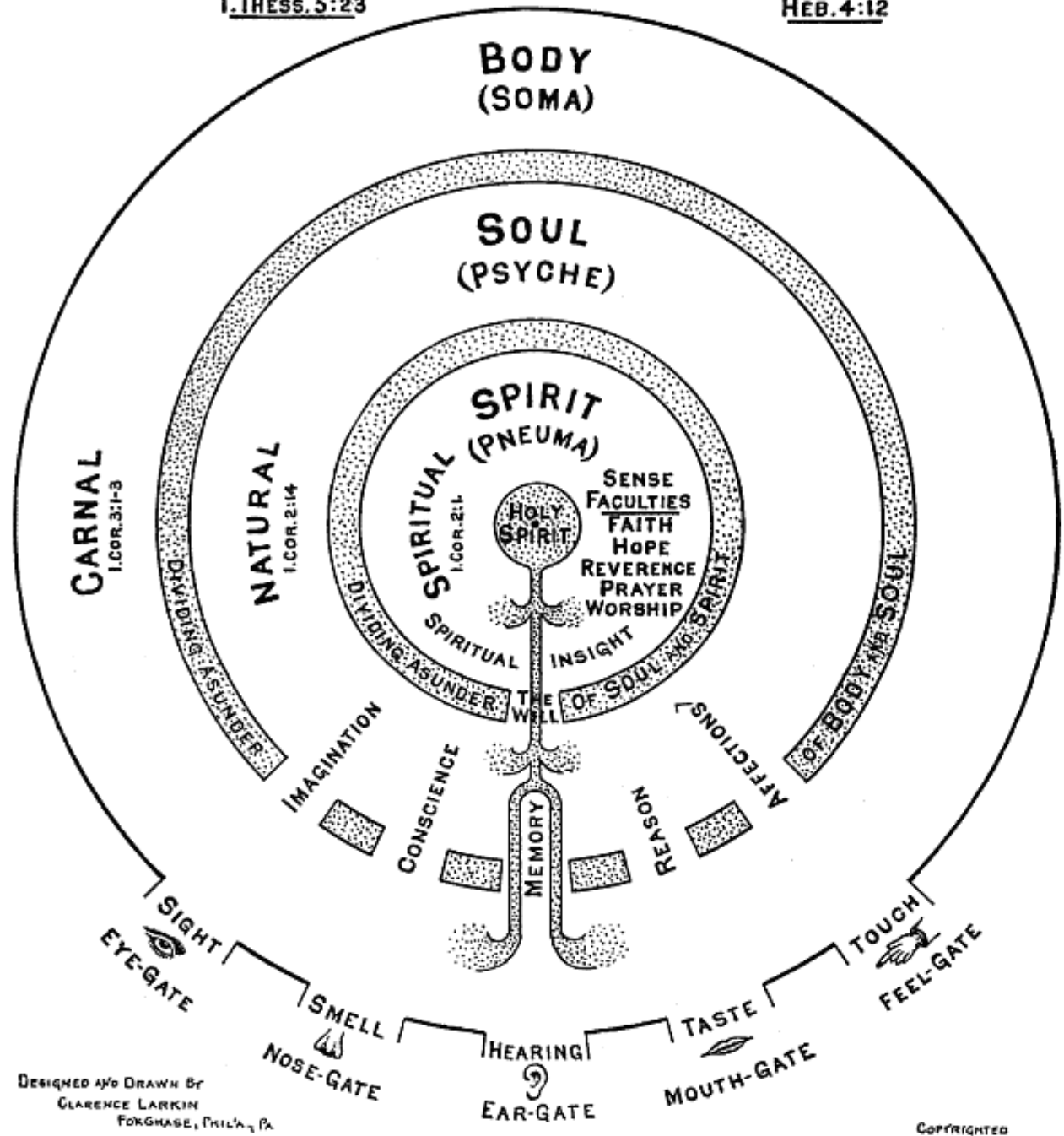
- 1. Father ( Ancient of Days)- A Spirit, able to sit on a Throne, seen by Moses- except His Face, presence judges sin.**
- 2. Holy Spirit- Knows His Mind- Soul and has God's Power and Essence, and**
- 3. the Son- a Physical being like Man who can connect with man in the physical- We could behold his Face!**

# WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN IMAGE BEARER OF GOD?

## THE THREEFOLD NATURE OF MAN

I. THESS. 5:23

HEB. 4:12



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**The Will- Where we make our Choices: We have been given opportunities to choose...fixed points in time where we have to make decisions... We will have future decisions as well but those choices impact our trajectory in God... How do we become Children of God- by our Choice... He stands at the door and knocks... We have to open the door daily... in every moment. The more we choose him, the more we His light shines through. The world is fighting for our attention... We get to choose what we focus on, but to do that requires quiet space to hear from God... and to prioritize His will over ours.**

**Ephesians 5:15-17 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>15</sup> Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise,<sup>16</sup> making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.<sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but **understand what the Lord's will is.**

**Romans 8:19-21 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>19</sup> For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.<sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to frustration, **not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it,** in hope <sup>21</sup> that<sup>[a]</sup> the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

# THE TEMPLE GIVES CLARITY ABOUT WHO WE ARE AS IMAGE BEARERS

1. Triune- Body(our gates to our Soul), Soul ( Our gates to the Spirit), & Spirit (Relates to God, released by choices made in faith, choices that play themselves out in our actions)
2. Have a Free will to make Choices- The Gate to the Spirit, widened by Faith choices and actions.
3. Have Gates into our soul and Spirit that we must protect, and enable to let the Light of the Spirit out to become bubbles of Grace enabled by being Temples.

# THE TEMPLE GIVES CLARITY ABOUT OUR SERVICE

- 1.To Serve the Temple
- 2.Guard our gates
- 3.Evangelize- by helping others to make Faith Choices regarding the Good news.

