Exodus 26:15-30 Boards and Sockets

¹⁵ "And for the tabernacle you shall make the boards of acacia wood, standing upright. ¹⁶ Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a half shall be the width of each board. ¹⁷ Two tenons shall be in each board for binding one to another. Thus you shall make for all the boards of the tabernacle. ¹⁸ And you shall make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards for the **south** side.

19 You shall make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards: two sockets under each of the boards for its two tenons.

20 And for the second side of the tabernacle, the **north** side, there shall be twenty boards 21 and their forty sockets of silver: two sockets under each of the boards.

22 For the far side of the tabernacle, westward, you shall make six boards.

²³ And you shall also make two boards for the two back corners of the tabernacle. ²⁴ They shall be coupled together at the bottom and they shall be coupled together at the top by one ring. Thus it shall be for both of them. They shall be for the two corners. ²⁵ So there shall be eight boards with their sockets of silver--sixteen sockets--two sockets under each board.

²⁶ "And you shall make bars of acacia wood: five for the boards on **one** side of the tabernacle, ²⁷ five bars for the boards on the **other** side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the far side **westward**. ²⁸ The middle bar shall pass through the midst of the boards from end to end.

²⁹ You shall overlay the boards with gold, make their rings of gold as holders for the bars, and overlay the bars with gold.

³⁰ And you shall raise up the tabernacle according to its pattern which you were shown on the mountain. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ☆ The boards are made of Wood representing humanity, encased in Gold representing Divinity.
 ◇ This would be significant of Jesus who became human and yet was still God, the God man.
 - ♦ It is also significant in that there are many boards but only one Christ Jesus, that the boards being many would stand for the Church both Jew and Gentile, who being in Christ, make up the Body of Christ which God uses individually as He sees fit. [1 Corinthians 12:27]
- ☆ The Silver Sockets represent the Redemption of God that supports the Church while it is still in the sand of the world and prevents it from sinking down into the ways of the world.
 - ☆ For we were redeemed from our former worldly ways and bought back to God by the precious blood of the Lamb our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. [1 Peter 1:16-21, Galatians 3:13-14, Revelation 5:9]
- The Rings that couple it all together are made of Gold which represents Divinity. God is the only power strong enough to hold all the members of the Church together so the bond is of God and not of man.

♦ Men simply make up the members of the body of Christ, the Church. [1 Corinthians 12:12-27]

☆ The bars are made of Wood, overlaid with Gold, signifying the ministries and gifts of the Spirit appointed by God for the benefit of all as God wills. [1 Corinthians 12:4-28]

☆ And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; [Ephesians 4:11-14] NKJV