

## Exodus 36:20-34 **Boards for the Tabernacle**

20 For the tabernacle he made boards of acacia wood, standing upright. 21 The length of each board was ten cubits, and the width of each board a cubit and a half. 22 Each board had two tenons for binding one to another. Thus he made for all the boards of the tabernacle. 23 And he made boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards for the south side. 24 Forty sockets of silver he made to go under the twenty boards: two sockets under each of the boards for its two tenons. 25 And for the other side of the tabernacle, the north side, he made twenty boards 26 and their forty sockets of silver: two sockets under each of the boards. 27 For the west side of the tabernacle he made six boards. 28 He also made two boards for the two back corners of the tabernacle. 29 And they were coupled at the bottom and coupled together at the top by one ring. Thus he made both of them for the two corners. 30 So there were eight boards and their sockets--sixteen sockets of silver--two sockets under each of the boards. [\[see also Exodus 26:15-25\]](#)

31 And he made bars of acacia wood: five for the boards on one side of the tabernacle, 32 five bars for the boards on the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the tabernacle on the far side westward. 33 And he made the middle bar to pass through the boards from one end to the other. 34 He overlaid the boards with gold, made their rings of gold to be holders for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold. NKJV [\[See also Exodus 26:26-30\]](#)

### 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