

PRAYING, GIVING AND CLEANSING

EXODUS 30:1-38

The Altar Of Incense (v.1-10, 22-38)

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Jesus, Our Intercessor

ISAIAH 53:12b; ROMANS 8:31-34; HEBREWS 7:23-25; HEBREWS 4:14-16

Praying "In Jesus Name"... In Jesus...

- I have been _____.
- I have _____ that God will _____.
- I rest _____ that God is _____.

The Census Tax (v.11-16)

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By paying this tax the Israelites were acknowledging that they belong to God. They aren't paying for forgiveness.

2 Purposes For The Tax

1. _____ the work that takes place at the tabernacle.
2. Symbolically remind the Israelites of their _____ for atonement and _____ before God.

Everyone pays the same thing because everyone has the same need and, now, has received the same salvation.

MATTHEW 20:26-28

The Bronze Basin (v.17-21)

This washing station was used both for practical and worshipful purposes. Practical, because of the work they are doing in making sacrifices, and worshipful, as they are washed clean before they enter into the service of God.

- **As our Great High Priest, Jesus has no need for this cleansing ritual, as He is _____ and _____.** (See Hebrews 7:22-28)
- **In Christ Jesus, you and I have been spiritually _____!**
1 JOHN 1:9; EPHESIANS 5:25-27; TITUS 2:11-14
- **Jesus, our _____, has paid our _____ and _____ us from all our _____!**

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- I have been invited in.
- I have confidence that God will hear and help.
- I rest assured that God is working for my good.

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1. Support the work that takes place at the tabernacle.
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