

A DEVOTED LIFE

WINTER SERMON SERIES



"A Seat at The Table"

January 24, 2021

Text: Exodus 25:23-30 & 30:1-10

Part 5 of "A Devoted Life"

Review

1. The Golden Altar and Incense Offering

- a. The Altar of Incense represents our _____
and _____ rising before the Lord.

- b. We remember that the Lord has _____ us to
himself for a _____ purpose.

- c. We remember that the Lord _____ our
hearts to always be _____ to Him.

2. The Table and Bread of Presence

- a. The Table and Bread represent _____ with God and _____ on Jesus, the Bread of Life.

- b. We need not _____ because the Lord will provide for our _____ needs.

- c. We need not _____ because the Lord has provided for our _____ needs.

ACTIVITY & DISCUSSION FOR FAMILIES

What are some of your favorite smells? What are some things that smell horrible? God has saved us to show and tell others what Jesus is like. Talk together about words and actions that are a pleasing aroma to God. Take a moment to pray and ask the Lord to give an opportunity to show and tell someone about Jesus this week.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Dig Deeper: Grab a good study Bible that has notes, a concordance, or a cross-reference system and study ideas, words, and themes from this sermon deeper.

Take a moment to look back on your week! Have a couple people share: what are some highs, lows, and/or buffalos? (Highs=highpoints, Lows=low points, Buffalos=interesting)

What part of the sermon jumped out at you this week?

What interested you or surprised you?

What was confusing or you would like to learn more?

How's your prayer life these days? What successes are you experiencing? What challenges are you experiencing?

Go back and review the elements of the Tabernacle discussed thus far...what they are, and what they lead us to in prayer as we consider their eternal significance.

The Altar and Incense represent the praises and prayers of the people rising before the Lord. What has helped or might help you live your day devoted to the Lord? How does it help knowing that Jesus is interceding on your behalf?

The Table and Bread represent fellowship with God and dependence on God for our needs. What are you presently grumbling about or despairing about? How can trusting in who God is and what God has done in Christ help you find contentment and hope?

This week, take some extra time to practice these truths in your prayer life, to grow deeper in your devotion to the Lord. Utilize the Tabernacle bookmark to help you.

Father, you have revealed your heart to us in your Word and in Christ, the Living Word. You are working redemption in this world, inviting all peoples to yourself through Christ and by your Spirit. We praise you and devote ourselves again to you. We surrender our lives to your purposes. Holy Spirit, fill us by the power of your grace, in Jesus' name, Amen.