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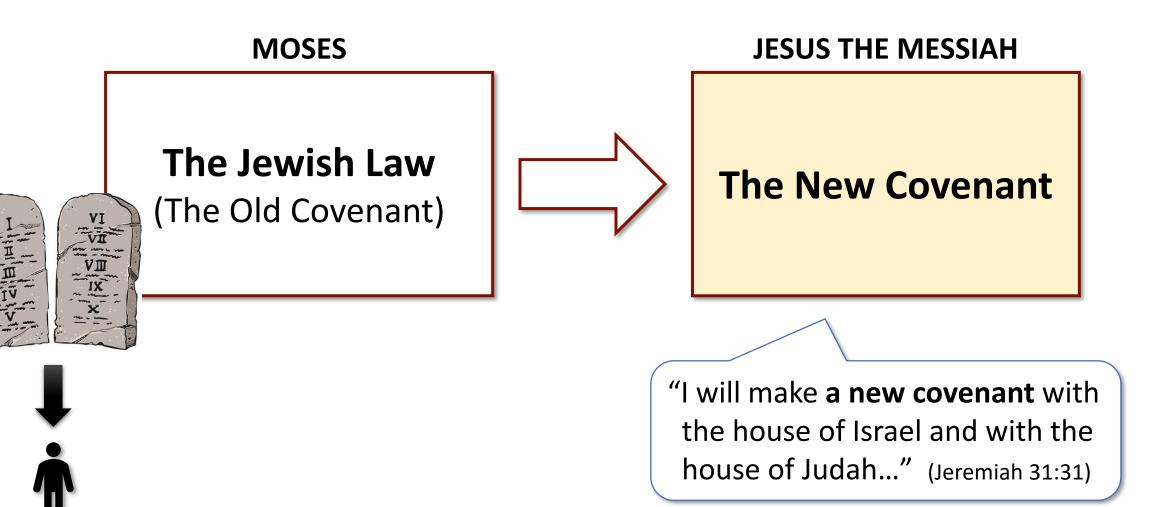
LET US GO ON TO MATURITY (Hebrews 6:1)

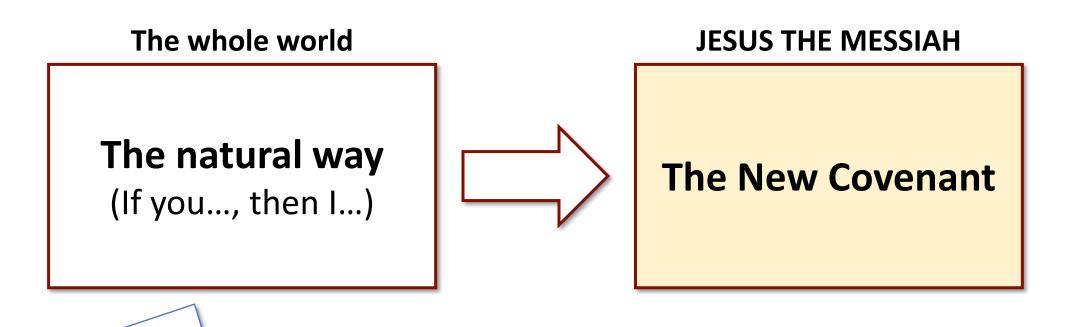


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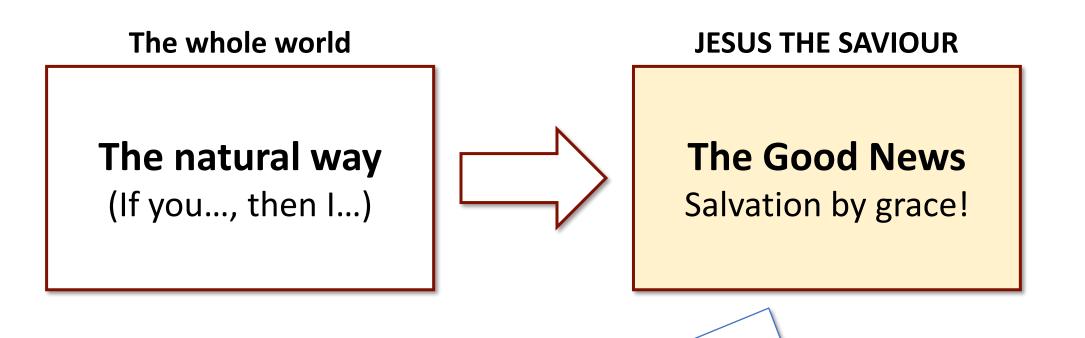
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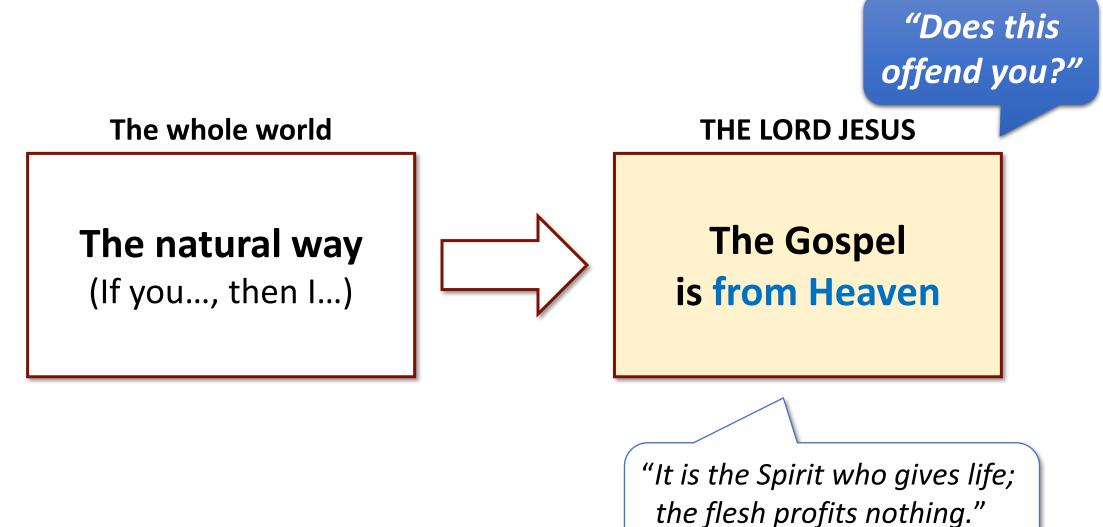
Gentiles, who do not have the law... show the work of the law written in their hearts...

(Romans 2:14-15)

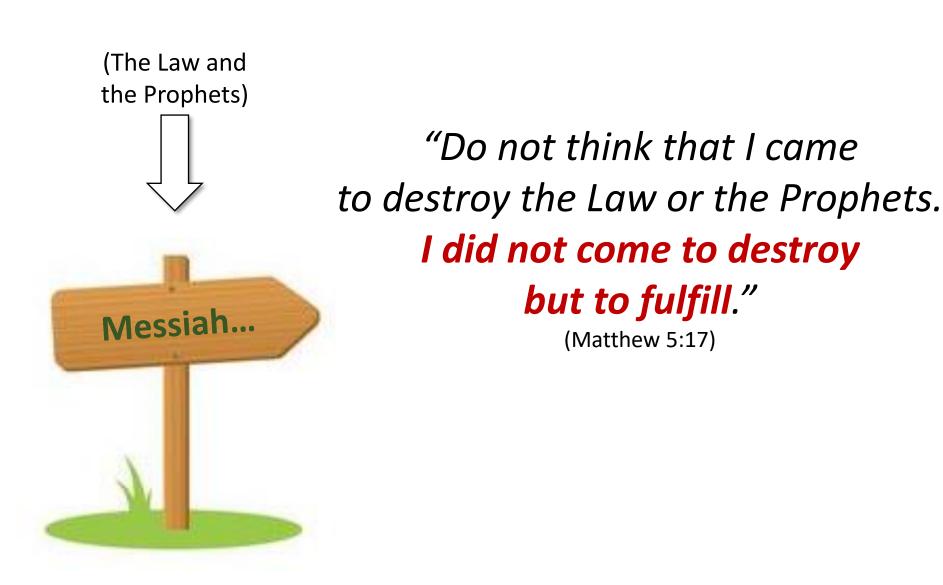


By grace you have been saved through faith... **it is the gift of God**...

(Ephesians 2:8)



(John 6:63)

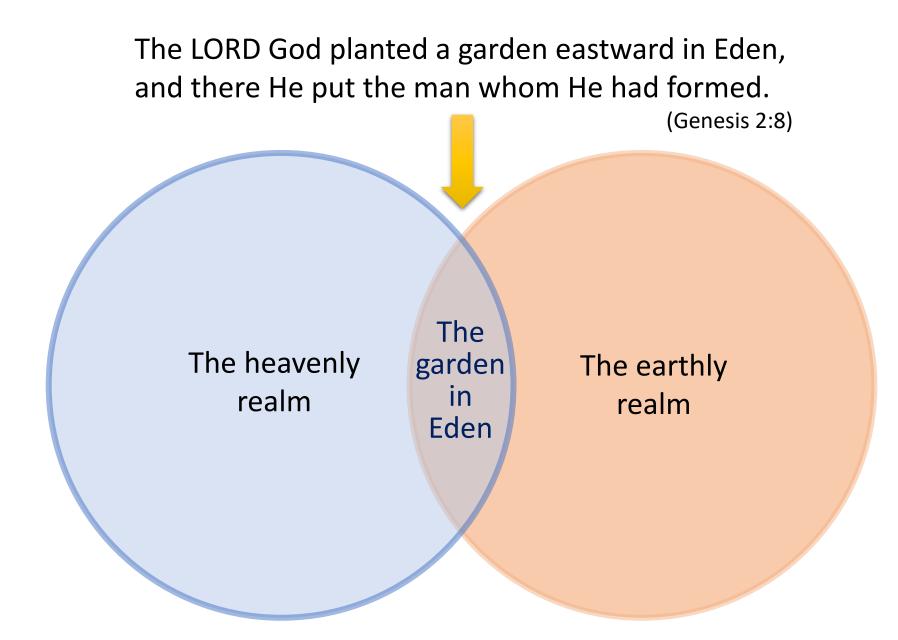




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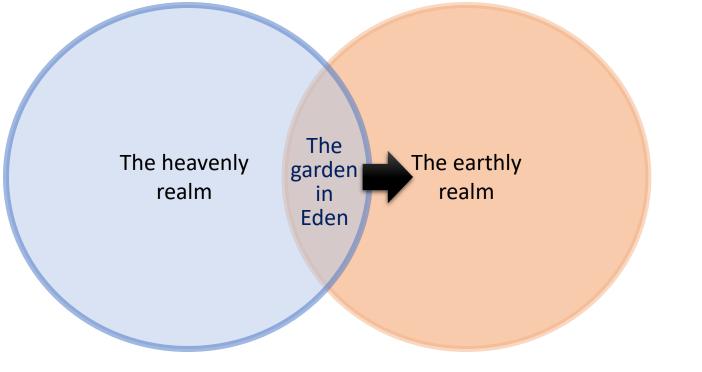
3. The Tabernacle is a parable

In the beginning...



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And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day... (Genesis 3:8)



The man and woman expelled from the garden

Fallen humanity

The heavenly realm

The earthly realm Fallen humanity The man and woman **expelled** from the garden

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...filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness ... whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful... (Romans 1:29-31)



How ever will the new morality, climate action, progressive government, economic prosperity, better health care, or any other similar program, **remove the darkness in the human heart?**

How can someone like me ever be reconciled to God?

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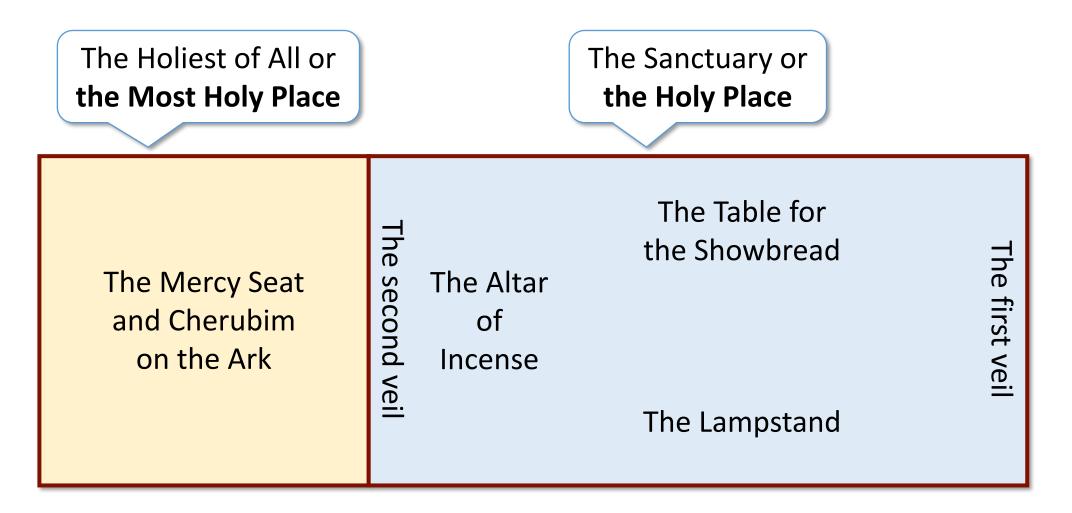
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"Let them make me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them"

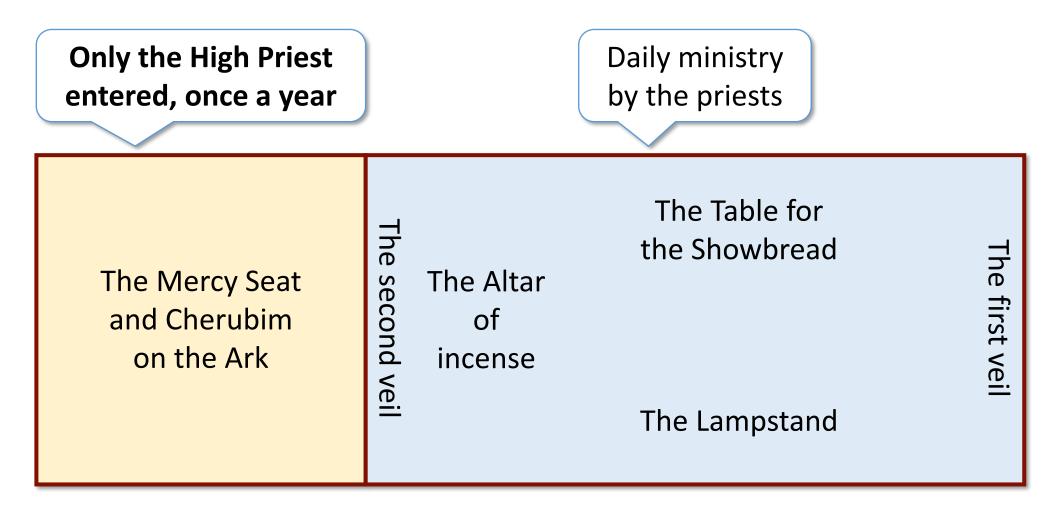
(Exodus 25:8)

There I will meet with you,

and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which are on the ark of the Testimony... (Exodus 25:22)



In the Ark: The pot with manna, Aaron's rod, the Ten Commandments on tables of stone.(Exodus 16:33)(Numbers 17:10)(Deuteronomy 10:5, 1 Kings 8:9)



The veil – "blue, purple, and scarlet thread, and fine woven linen." (Exodus 26:31) = "**His flesh**" (Hebrews 10:20)

Into the second part the high priest went alone **once a year**... (Hebrews 9:7)

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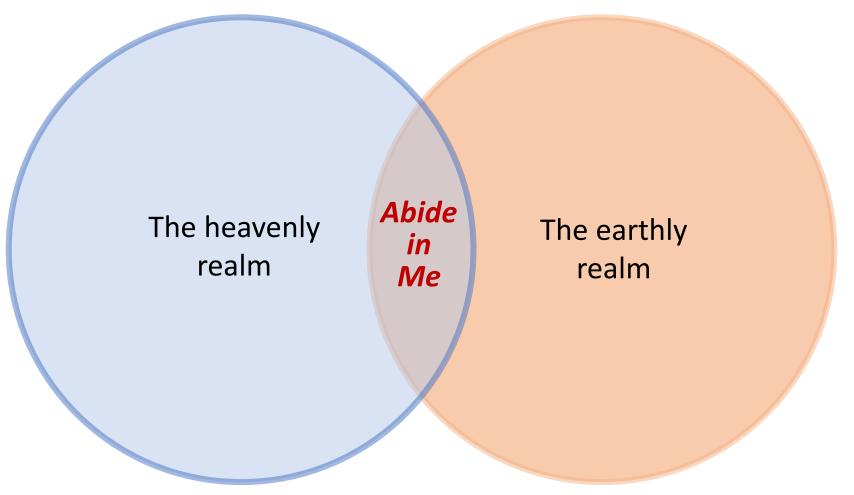
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> This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. (Hebrews 6:19-20)

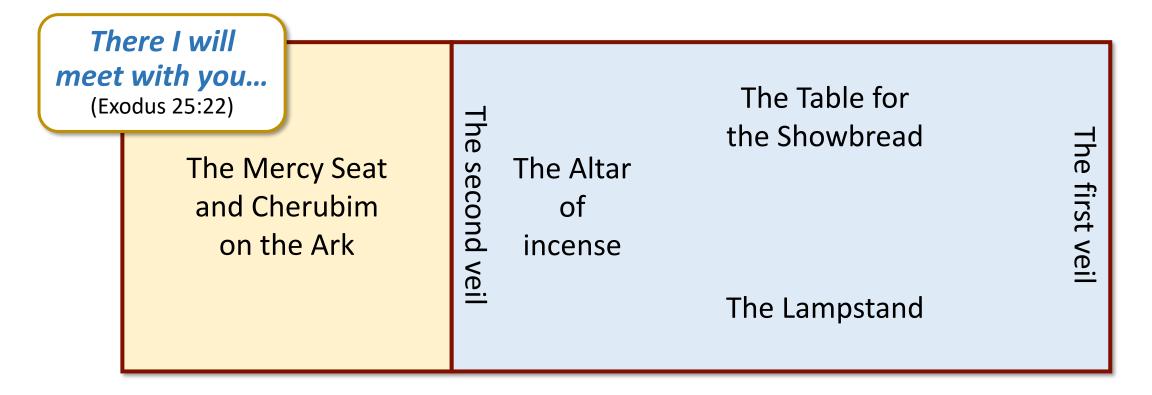
What are we called to? Where are we headed? What does God want?

The Mercy Seat and Cherubim on the Ark	The Altar of incense veil	The Table for the Showbread The Lampstand	The first veil
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Conscience...

"perfect in regard to the conscience"

(Hebrews 9:9)

> A sinner before God

• "You who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:13)

The sins we have committed

- "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)
- The awareness of our sinfulness
 - "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." (1 Timothy 1:15)

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