

THE STORY OF MOSES

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CHAPTER TWENTY-SEVEN

THE TABERNACLE FURNITURE

In the house, the dwelling place of God, were four pieces of furniture, all of them covered with gold.

To the right on entering through the outer veil was the table of shewbread, on which table they placed every morning twelve loaves of bread, one for each tribe of Israel.

To the left of the entrance was the golden candlestick with its seven branches which were kept burning night and day.

Just in front of the inner veil was the altar of incense on which the priest burned incense and offered prayers.

But the most wonderful of all was the Ark of the Covenant.

It was the only piece of furniture in the most holy place. It was a sort of box, a little more than four feet long, about two feet wide and high, made of acacia wood covered with gold. The cover of the box was called the "**mercy seat**" and upon it were the figures of two angels called cherubims.

"The cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; towards the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be" (Exodus 25:20).

And God told Moses that upon the mercy seat between these golden angels He would come and speak with His people. His presence was manifested in what was called the Shekinah Light which was the glory cloud that hovered over the camp of Israel.

In the furniture there are pictures of Christ.

- The table of shewbread speaks of Jesus Christ the Bread of life;
- The golden candlestick, of Jesus, the Light of the world;
- The altar of incense, of Jesus Christ who prays for us before His Father in heaven;
- The smoke going up from the altar, of the prayers of the Priest to God for the people.

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