

Exodus 26:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side of that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the tent, it shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it.

Analysis

A cubit overhang on each side (the goats' hair curtains being 30 cubits to the linen's 28) ensures the precious inner covering is completely shielded. Every part of God's glory receives protection. Nothing is left exposed to elements. Similarly, Christ's redemption completely covers believers—no portion of our life is unprotected by His sacrifice. 'He that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye' (Zechariah 2:8).

Historical Context

The one-cubit overhang on each side meant the goats' hair curtains extended 18 inches beyond the linen on both sides, preventing rain from reaching the inner curtains. This practical design demonstrates God's attention to complete protection.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does Christ's redemption 'completely cover' every area of your life?
2. What parts of your life need the assurance of complete protection under God's covering?

Interlinear Text

וְהָאֶמָּה הַ	וּמִן הַ	וְהָאֶמָּה הַ	וּמִן הַ		
And a cubit	on the one side	And a cubit	on the one side		
H520	H2088	H520	H2088		
בְּעֵדָּהּ	בְּאֶרְכּוֹ	יְרִיעֵהָ	הָאֵלֶּה		
on the other side of that which remaineth	in the length	of the curtains	of the tent		
H5736	H753	H3407	H168		
וְהָיָה הַ	סָר וְחַ	עַל	צִדֵּי	הַמִּשְׁכָּן	וּמִן הַ
H1961	it shall hang	H5921	over the sides	of the tabernacle	on the one side
	H5628		H6654	H4908	H2088
וּמִן הַ	לְכַסּוֹתוֹ:				
on the one side	on this side and on that side to cover				
H2088	H3680				