

Exodus 26:16

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a half shall be the breadth of one board.

Analysis

Each board measures 10 cubits \times 1.5 cubits (approximately 15' \times 27'). The height (10) suggests completeness; the width enables the boards to stand together forming walls. These uniform dimensions ensure all boards fit together perfectly—no board too short or too tall. In Christ's body, each member is perfectly sized and placed for their function (1 Corinthians 12:18). God doesn't create misfits; apparent differences serve divine design.

Historical Context

The ten-cubit height meant the boards reached from ground to the tabernacle's roof structure. The 1.5-cubit width allowed twenty boards on each side and six (possibly eight with corner pieces) on the west end, creating a 30 \times 10 cubit interior.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Study Questions

1. How does God 'size' each believer perfectly for their place in His dwelling?

2. When have you felt 'misfit' for God's purposes, only to discover His perfect placement?

Interlinear Text

עָשָׂר	קַמַּח ה	אֶרַךְ	הַקֶּלֶחַ	קַמַּח ה	וְחֵצִי
Ten	and a cubit	shall be the length	board	and a cubit	and a half
H6235	H520	H753	H7175	H520	H2677
קַמַּח ה	רֹחַב	הַקֶּלֶחַ	קַמַּח		
and a cubit	shall be the breadth	board	of one		
H520	H7341	H7175	H259		

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