

Exodus 26:23

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.

Analysis

Two additional boards for the tabernacle's corners ensure complete enclosure. Corners are vulnerable points in structures; these boards provide strength and protection. They prefigure how Christ strengthens the 'vulnerable' or 'weak' members of His body (1 Corinthians 12:22). No part of God's dwelling is left unprotected or unsupported. The corners that might seem structurally weak receive special reinforcement.

Historical Context

Corner boards required special design to connect the west and side walls at right angles. Their precise fitting demanded skilled carpentry, ensuring the tabernacle's rectangular form maintained its shape and stability.

Related Passages

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. How does Christ specially strengthen the 'vulnerable corners' of His church?
2. Where have you experienced God's reinforcement at your weakest points?

Interlinear Text

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