

Exodus 26:29

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And thou shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings of gold for places for the bars: and thou shalt overlay the bars with gold.

Analysis

The boards are overlaid with gold, and their rings (through which bars pass) are of gold. Gold-overlaid bars run through gold rings on gold-overlaid boards—deity permeates every element. The boards (humanity—wood) are transformed by gold overlay (divine nature). The rings (connection points) are pure gold (divine provision). The bars (unifying force) are gold-covered (divine power). All is sanctified, all reflects God's glory.

Historical Context

Gold overlay required hammering thin gold leaf onto the wooden surfaces, covering the natural wood completely. The rings were likely solid gold, cast or formed separately and attached to the boards, creating durable connection points for the bars.

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

