

# Exodus 26:7

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And thou shalt make curtains of goats' hair to be a covering upon the tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou make.

## Analysis

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Eleven curtains of goats' hair form the second covering, the tent over the tabernacle. Goats' hair was coarser than linen, providing weather protection. The number eleven (one beyond ten, completeness) suggests something exceeding expectation—God's provision beyond adequacy. While the inner linen displayed beauty for priestly eyes, the outer goats' hair faced wilderness elements, suggesting Christ's dual nature: glorious within, humble without (Isaiah 53:2).

## Historical Context

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Goats' hair curtains were typical Bedouin tent material, water-resistant and durable in desert conditions. These curtains were longer than the inner linen (verse 13), providing overhang that shed rain and protected the precious interior.

## Related Passages

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**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**1 John 4:8** — God is love

## Study Questions

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1. How did Christ display 'glory within' while appearing 'humble without'?

2. What does God's provision 'beyond adequacy' (eleven, not ten) teach about His care?

## Interlinear Text

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תַּעֲשֶׂה הַ	יְרִיעַ תְּ	עֲזֵי יָם	לֹא קֵל	עַל	
And thou shalt make	curtains	of goats	hair to be a covering	H5921	
H6213	H3407	H5795	H168		
הַמִּשְׁכָּה	עֲשֵׂתִי	עֲשֶׂה הַ	יְרִיעַ תְּ	תַעֲשֶׂה הַ	אַתֶּם:
upon the tabernacle	eleven	H6240	curtains	And thou shalt make	H853
H4908	H6249		H3407	H6213	

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