

Exodus 27:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And on the other side shall be hangings fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

Analysis

The other side of the entrance receives identical treatment—15 cubits of hangings, three pillars, three sockets. The symmetry creates a balanced, dignified entrance, suggesting that God's invitation is orderly, not chaotic. The matching sides show that all who enter do so on equal terms—no side entrance for privileged few, no inferior gate for lesser ones. Christ, the Door, is the same for all—'whosoever will may come' (Revelation 22:17).

Historical Context

The symmetrical entrance (15 cubits on each side of a 20-cubit gate) created a proportioned, welcoming gateway. This design invited approach while maintaining the courtyard's sacred boundaries—access was available but regulated.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does the entrance's symmetry illustrate the equal availability of Christ to all people?

2. What does an 'orderly' (not chaotic) entrance teach about approaching God with reverence?

Interlinear Text

וְلֹכְדָתָף	בְּשֶׁבֶן יְתָה	שְׁعָשָׂר הַ חָמֵשׁ ש	קְלָעַ יִם
side	And on the other	fifteen	shall be hangings
H3802	H8145	H2568	H7050
עַמְדִים מ	שְׁלָשָׁה:	וְאַדְנִים מ	שְׁלָשָׁה:
cubits their pillars	three	and their sockets	three
H5982	H7969	H134	H7969

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