

# Exodus 29:37

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Seven days thou shalt make an atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most holy: whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy.

## Analysis

God promises to dwell among Israel, meeting them at the tabernacle, His glory sanctifying the place and people. The daily offerings maintain covenant relationship—morning and evening, continually before the LORD. This perpetual worship prefigures Christ's eternal intercession and the New Covenant promise: 'I will be their God, and they shall be my people.' The tabernacle becomes the meeting place where God and man commune through prescribed atonement.

## Historical Context

The daily burnt offerings (morning and evening) continued throughout Israel's history, maintaining the covenant relationship established at Sinai. This perpetual worship demonstrated that relationship with God requires ongoing devotion, not one-time commitment.

## Related Passages

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

1. How does Christ's eternal intercession fulfill the 'daily offerings' pattern?
2. What does God's promise to 'dwell among you' mean for your daily life?

## Interlinear Text

וְשַׁבַּע תְּמִימָן	תְּכַפֵּר	עַל	בְּמִזְבֵּחַ	קָדֵשׁ:
Seven	days	thou shalt make an atonement	for the altar	and sanctify
H7651	H3117	H3722	H4196	H6942
וְאַתָּה תְּמִימָן	בְּמִזְבֵּחַ	קָדֵשׁ יְמִינְךָ	כָּל	הַנֶּגֶע
H853	H1961	H4196	H6944	H5060
for the altar	most holy	most holy	whatsoever toucheth	
	H6944	H6944		
בְּמִזְבֵּחַ קָדֵשׁ:				
for the altar	and sanctify			
H4196	H6942			

## Additional Cross-References

**Exodus 40:10** (Holy): And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all his vessels, and sanctify the altar: and it shall be an altar most holy.

**Matthew 23:19** (Sacrifice): Ye fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift?

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