

# Exodus 35:25

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, both of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen.

## Analysis

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The people bring bracelets (חֲכָךְ, chach), earrings (נֶזֶם, nezem), rings (טַבַּעַט, tabba'at), and tablets (כֻּמָּז, kumaz)—personal jewelry and ornamentation. These intimate possessions, worn on the body, represent giving one's very self to God. The willingness to part with personal adornment for God's dwelling contrasts sharply with Aaron's earlier collection of gold earrings to make the golden calf (32:2-3). The same gold that nearly destroyed Israel through idolatry now builds God's house through redemptive repurposing.

## Historical Context

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This jewelry likely came from Egypt (12:35-36) where both men and women wore extensive ornamentation. Gold jewelry was wealth in portable form—giving it required genuine sacrifice. The transformation of golden-calf gold into tabernacle gold represents redemption.

## Related Passages

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**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

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

## Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

### Study Questions

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1. How does the giving of personal jewelry symbolize offering one's very self to God?
2. What does the redemptive transformation of gold (from calf to tabernacle) teach about God's ability to redeem our failures?

### Interlinear Text

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וְכָל	אִשָּׁה	חַכְמַת	לֵב	בְּיַד יְהוָה	טָווּ
H3605	And all the women	that were wise	hearted	with their hands	did spin
	H802	H2450	H3820	H3027	H2901
וַיָּבִיאוּ	מִטָּוּהָ	אֶת	הַתְּכָלֶת	וְאֶת	הָאַרְגָּמָן
and brought	that which they had spun	H853	both of blue	H853	and of purple
H935	H4299		H8504		H713
אֶת	תוֹלַעַת	הַשָּׁנִי	וְאֶת	הַשֵּׁשׁ:	
H853	H8438	and of scarlet	H853	and of fine linen	
		H8144		H8336	