

Exodus 36:30

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And there were eight boards; and their sockets were sixteen sockets of silver, under every board two sockets.

Analysis

Summary: eight boards and sixteen silver sockets for the west side demonstrate that even the back of God's dwelling stands fully on redemption-foundation. No part of the tabernacle rests on anything inferior to atonement-silver. This universal foundation teaches that God's house—whether front or back, visible or hidden, public or private—stands entirely on Christ's redemptive work. No area of the church, no aspect of Christian life, has any foundation except Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 3:11).

Historical Context

The sixteen sockets (two per board) represented redemption-silver from thirty-two Israelites' half-shekel atonement tax. Even the tabernacle's back, least visible side, proclaimed the message of redemption as its foundation.

Related Passages

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Study Questions

1. What does the redemption-silver foundation even on the tabernacle's back side teach about the comprehensive nature of Christ's atonement?
2. How does every board standing on atonement-silver illustrate that all aspects of Christian life rest on Christ's redemptive work?

Interlinear Text

וְהָיוּ H1961	שְׁמֹנֶה הַ H8083	הַקֶּרֶשׁ H7175	אֲדָנֵי יָם H134	כֶּסֶף H3701	שִׁשָּׁה הַ H8337
	And there were eight	board	and their sockets	of silver	were sixteen
וְעָשׂוּ H6240	אֲדָנֵי יָם H134	שְׁנֵי י H8147	אֲדָנֵי יָם H134	שְׁנֵי י H8147	אֲדָנֵי יָם H134
	and their sockets	two	and their sockets	two	and their sockets
תַּחַת H8478	הַקֶּרֶשׁ H7175	תַּחַת H259			
	board	under every			