

# Exodus 37:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And he made the table of shittim wood: two cubits was the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof:

## Analysis

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Bezaleel makes the table (שולחן, shulchan) of shittim wood, continuing the pattern of acacia overlaid with gold—humanity clothed in divinity. The table held the bread of the Presence (לחם הפנים, lechem ha-panim, 'bread of the faces'), representing God's provision and Israel's perpetual presentation before Him. This table anticipates communion—Christ the bread of life (John 6:35) inviting believers to fellowship at His table, where He provides spiritual sustenance and we present ourselves as living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).

## Historical Context

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The table of showbread stood in the Holy Place (just outside the veil), on the north side opposite the golden lampstand. Twelve loaves of bread sat on it continually, replaced each Sabbath. Only priests could eat the removed bread (Leviticus 24:5-9), prefiguring the holy meal of communion.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

## Study Questions

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1. How does the table of showbread illustrate both God's provision for His people and their presentation before Him?
2. In what ways does this table prefigure communion, where Christ provides the bread of life and invites believers to fellowship?

## Interlinear Text

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וַיַּעַשׂ	אֶת	הַשֻּׁלְחָן	עֲצֵי	שִׁטִּים	וְאֶמָּה
And he made	H853	the table	wood	of shittim	thereof and a cubit
H6213		H7979	H6086	H7848	H520
אָרְכוֹ	וְאֶמָּה	רָחְבוֹ	וְאֶמָּה	וְחֵצִי	
was the length	thereof and a cubit	the breadth	thereof and a cubit	and a half	
H753	H520	H7341	H520	H2677	
קִמְתּוֹ:					
the height					
H6967					

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