

# 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

Bezaleel makes the table (שְׁלֵשִׁים, shulchan) of shittim wood, continuing the pattern of acacia overlaid with gold—humanity clothed in divinity. The table held the bread of the Presence (לְחֵם הַפָּנִים, 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

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

**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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וְיָשַׁבָּה	אַתָּה	בְּשָׁלַח	בְּשָׁלַח	שְׁלָמִים	וְאַתָּה
<b>And he made</b>	H853	<b>the table</b>	<b>wood</b>	<b>of shittim</b>	<b>thereof and a cubit</b>
H6213		H7979	H6086	H7848	H520
אַרְפָּךְ		בְּחֵבֶד	בְּחֵבֶד	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה
<b>was the length</b>		<b>thereof and a cubit</b>	<b>the breadth</b>	<b>thereof and a cubit</b>	<b>and a half</b>
H753		H520	H7341	H520	H2677
לְמִתְנָה					
<b>the height</b>					
H6967					

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