



LIGHT AND LIFE • EXODUS 25:31-40

In Exodus 25:31-40, instructions for the Golden Lampstand are given to Moses. This lamp gave light to the Holy Place God's presence would dwell. This sacred piece of furniture contained features that resemble the tree of life while at the same time reminded Israel that God was always near. The light of the tabernacle not only pointed toward God's presence among his people but also pointed toward a greater Light to come. We will organize our thoughts around three headings: *A Tree of Light and Life*, *The Lord of Light and Life*, and *A Church of Light and Life*.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Are you a person who turns on every light in the house, or is always turning off lights in the house?
2. This is the third piece of sacred furniture listed in Exodus 25. Rehearse each piece and its unique contribution to the function and message of this place.
3. It was highlighted that the golden lampstand pointed to God as the source of light and life. What other ways does the Old Testament reinforce this idea?
4. In what ways does Christ give deeper meaning to God being the light and life of his people?
5. What things in your life have the capability of dimming your own light for Christ?

PRAYER

Pray that God would shine on us with the light of his presence, that we would behold the brilliance and glory of Christ, and that we might shine all the more as we proclaim the excellencies of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.