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- **Intro Music** -

Hi, my name is Carl Vasta and I would like to welcome you to the Bible Seeds section here, at Understanding God's Word. This is where I get to comment on biblical readings and stories that brings the bible into what's happening to us in our daily lives.

I'll touch on such topics as Family Prayer or Why I Believe There Is A God. I'll talk about what was predicted that makes these the Terrible Times In The Last Days or how to Have A Daily Meaningful Relationship With God.

Today's topic: **The Sacred Curtain To God**

When Moses was told to build a Tabernacle by God, one of the items was *'a veil or curtain woven of blue and purple and scarlet yarn, and fine thread. It was to be woven with an artistic design of cherubim.',* which are angels **(Exodus, Chapter 26: verse 1)**

And God told Moses the veil shall be a divider for you between the holy place and the Most Holy.

What was in the most Holy room was a chest, called an Ark, made of acacia wood. The inside and the outside was overlaid with pure gold. It measured 45 inches long and was 27 inches wide and 27 inches high.

This chest held the replacement tablets of the Ten Commandments. The first set of tablets were smashed at the base

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of the mountain by Moses in his anger at seeing the Israelites worshiping the golden calf. At some point later on it also held a golden pot of manna and Aarons staff that had budded.

On the top of the Ark, *[the chest]* was an atonement cover or a lid for the Arc called the mercy seat. On it's top stood two cherubim, *[angels]* that were the symbols of God's divine presence and power. One at each end of the mercy seat, facing each other, but facing downward toward the Ark and their outstretched wings touched each other and covered the seat.

The whole configuration was beaten out of one piece of pure gold.   The mercy seat was God's dwelling place in the Tabernacle and His throne was attended by angels.

The curtain that separated the Holy room from Holy Of Holies, God's room, was a thicker curtain made of a fine white woven linen with blue, purple, and scarlet threads running through the material. Woven into this veil were figures of cherubim like the two figures which adorned the lid of the Ark of the Covenant. The only person who passed through this curtain was the high priest on **Yom Kippur**, the Day of Atonement. *[once a year]*

It is said that the curtain was 60 feet tall and 30 feet wide in Herod's temple.

When Jesus was being crucified on the cross in the **book of Luke, Chapter 23, verses 44-46** it says, *And it was now about the sixth hour, and darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour, the sun being obscured;* **and the veil of the temple was torn in**

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two.   And Jesus crying out with a loud voice, said, **"Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit."**

In the **book of Mark, Chapter 15: verses 37-38**, it says **"And Jesus cried out with a loud voice and breathed His last. Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom."**

In the **book of Matthew, Chapter 27: verses 50-51** says, **"Jesus, when He had cried out again with a loud voice, yielded up His spirit. And behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split,"**

It is said that when Jesus died and the veil was torn in the temple from top to bottom, God left the temple and in **Acts 17: verses 24-25,** it says, **"God who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. Nor is He worshiped with men's hands as though He needed anything since He gives to all, life, breath, and all things."**

The temple and Jerusalem were left "desolate", **[destroyed by Romans in A.D 70, some 37 years later, as Jesus prophesied in the books of Matthew 24: verses 1-2 and   Luke Chapter 13: verse 35.]**

Did you ever wonder why, when we say a prayer to God the Father, we always finish with **"We pray this in your son Jesus' name."** Some people don't think this is necessary since we are already praying to God!

But if we look what Jesus said, **"I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me"** **(the book of John, Chapter 14: verse 6)** Like and unlike an ordinary curtain,

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between the people and the Holy of Holies, *Jesus' sacrifice on the cross covers our sins so that we may approach God the Father.*

John the Baptist gave us the first clues to who Jesus was when he told his disciples about Jesus, *"Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"* [the book of John, Chapter 1: verse 29 and "and the Word was God" John, Chapter 1: verse 1]

So when we think of God, the Father,

God's Son, Jesus, the Word of God, who is God,

and God's Holy Spirit, who is God

and

All who believe in Jesus, who are the Sons and Daughters

of GOD

We thank you Father in Jesus's name!

Amen and Amen

Back Ground Music Starts and …..

I would like you to know how much GOD loves you. He is ready and waiting to help you. You just need to believe that He exists and has created all things and has given *His Son Jesus, the good shepherd* to bring you back to him.

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And beyond that, there are **The Stories And Quotes From Jesus,** <mark>which will help you to strengthen your faith in God.</mark> And now I have just added these *Bible Seeds*: my commentary on some of these readings.

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