



Sermon Drill-Down Notes

Series: Tabernacle: From Ancient to Modern
Message: The Mercy Seat – Amazing Grace
(Exodus 25:17–22, Hebrews 9:9–14,
Romans 5:1–2, 6–8)

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The Mercy Seat

The Sacrifice and Resurrection of Jesus

Drill Downs

1. The term *ark* is mentioned over 180 times in the Bible. Read Genesis 7:7, Exodus 2:3 and Exodus 25:8–11, 22 and consider the meaning of the Ark in these passages. Discuss God's provision, protection and proximity in your life.
2. Read Hebrews 9:4. What was inside the Ark? What was the purpose of each of these articles? (See Deuteronomy 31:24–26, Exodus 16:11–16, Numbers 17:1–10 and Exodus 34:1–4). What is particularly significant about the Law? Read Galatians 3:9–10, 24–25, what is the value of God's Law for us today? If the Law cannot save us then what is its purpose?
3. Read Exodus 25:17–21. What was the Mercy Seat? Read Leviticus 16:1–16, what was the meaning behind animal sacrifice and the word atonement?
4. Read Hebrews 4:14–16, 9:9–14, 10:11–13, 18. Why is the death of Jesus crucial for our atonement/forgiveness of sin today? What does this mean to you? (Also read Romans 3:25, 6:23–26 and 1 John 2:2 and 1 John 4:10.)
5. What is the meaning of Easter Sunday? Read 1 Corinthians 15:3–4, Acts 4:12 and Romans 5:1–2, 6–8, what kind of new life does the death and resurrection of Jesus offer every person? What decision must we make in response to God's grace? (Read Romans 10:9 and 1 John 1:9.)