



A

Place to Dwell



Love UnVeiled
Transforming Women into God's Image of Beauty

SESSION 1 – GOD’S DWELLING PLACE

- What does the expression “dwelling place” mean to you?

Psalm 84 How lovely is your tabernacle Oh Lord of Hosts. My soul longs, yes even faints for the courts of the Lord. Even the sparrow has found a home and the swallow a nest to lay her young...blessed are those who dwell in Your house, they will still be praising you...for a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I’d rather be a door keeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

Psalm 132:14 For the Lord has chosen Zion He has desired it for His dwelling place: *This is My resting place forever; Here I will dwell , for I have desired it. I will abundantly bless her provision, I will satisfy her poor with bread, I will clothe her priests with salvation, and her saints will shout aloud for joy...*

Isaiah 66:1-2 *Heaven is my Throne and the earth is My footstool. Where is the house that you will build for Me? And where is My place of rest?” For all these things My hand has made. And all those things exist. But on this one I will look, on him who is poor and contrite in spirit, and who trembles at My word.*

Isaiah 57:17 Thus says the High and Lofty One, Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy; *I dwell in the high and holy place, with Him who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and revive the heart of the contrite ones.*

Psalm 27:4 One thing I have desired of the Lord, that I will seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple. For in the times of trouble He will hide me in His pavilion, in the secret place of His tabernacle He will hide me.

- Dwelling Place (Moshab)

A place to live in, a place that's inhabited such as a home (Exodus 12:20) or a plot of land (Genesis 10:30). A place of rest and safety, a place of refuge and belonging. The world of the Old Testament was an agricultural society so having one's own land and habitation meant security. The blessing of the Lord was often associated with land and the promise of a dwelling place was a sign of God's protection, provision and prosperity.

- Land (erets)

The Old Testament word for land has several meanings including the contrast with earth to heaven, the contrast of land and sea, and plot of real estate or a geographical location. All land belongs to God as its Creator (Psalm 24:1). When God promised the Israelites the "land" of Canaan, it was His to give. Because the land of Canaan was an important element in God's covenant with the Israelites (Genesis 12:1) it became one of their identifying characteristics "the people of the land." (Genesis 13:15; 15:7).

- Resting Place (Manoach)

(Genesis 8:9) means both literal rest – the ceasing of motion of a person or object, and figurative rest from strife (Lamentations 1:3). Unlike other Hebrew words for rest the emphasis on this word is on seeking rest, the place where rest is taken, cessation of activity, security, quietness, or Sabbath rest. The ark of the covenant had found its resting place in the tabernacle (1 Chronicles 6:31).

- The idea of a dwelling, land and rest comes from God's own heart.
- God has desired to dwell with us in intimacy, and to provide for us since the beginning of time. In the Garden of Eden, He provided a beautiful home, with food and water and all we would need.
- God's dwelling place is not just a residence for a short time – it is forever. *This is My resting place forever* Psalm 132:14. *And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever* Psalm 23:6
- Where God dwells, becomes a shelter, a place of safety and provision for His people.
- God dwells in the high place of eternity and with those who have humble contrite hearts.

Contrite: (Isaiah 57:15) That which is broken, crushed, beaten small, trodden down. Here it means a soul weighed down with a sense of sin and unworthiness, a heart crushed under a superincumbent weight of guilt.

Deuteronomy 33:12 The Beloved of the Lord shall dwell in safety by Him, who shelters him, all the day long. And he shall dwell between His shoulders.

Psalm 91: 1-2 He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord He is my refuge and my fortress, my God in Him will I trust.

Psalm 37:3 Trust in the Lord and do good. Dwell in the land and feed on His faithfulness.

Psalm 46:4-5 There is a river streams whose streams shall make glad the city of God, The tabernacle of the Most-High. God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved. God will help her just at break of dawn.

Psalm 48:1-3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in His Holy Mountain. Beautiful in elevation the joy of the whole earth, is Mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God is in her palaces. He is known as her refuge.

Psalm 48:12 Walk about Zion, and go all around her, count her towers, consider her palaces, that you may tell the generation to come, for this is God, our God for ever and ever. He will be our guide even to death.

Exodus 25:8 *And let them make Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them.*

SESSION 2 – HE LEADS US TO A DWELLING PLACE - Psalm 107

- Psalm 107:4-9 Hungry, lost travelers, strangers looking for a home;**

- Psalm 107:10-16 Helpless captives sitting in darkness**

- **Psalm 107:17-22 Fools, sick souls living close to death**

- **Psalm 107:23-30 Storm tossed sailors**

- **Psalm 107:43** Whoever is wise will observe these things and will understand the loving kindness of the Lord.
- **Psalm 37:24** Wait on the Lord and keep His way and He will exalt you to inherit the land
- **Matthew 7:24-27** Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock...But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand...

**SESSION 3 - AND HE SHALL DWELL WITH THEM AND
THEY SHALL BE HIS PEOPLE Revelation 21:3**

- **John 1:11** He came to His own and His own did not receive Him
- **John 1:14** The Word became flesh and dwelt among men.
- **John 2:19** Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.
- **John 3:5-7** Unless is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter the kingdom of heaven. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I say you must be born again.
- **John 4:6** Jesus being weary from His journey sat thus by the well.
- **John 4:13-14** *Whoever drinks the water I will give him will never thirst but it will become a fountain of life.*
 - Psalm 107:9 He satisfies the longing soul.
- **John 4:20** true worshippers will worship the Father in Spirit and in truth.
- **John 4:28** The woman then left her water pot...
 - **Genesis 24** Isaac and Rebekah
 - **Psalm 45:9-15** an invitation to leave the past and follow Jesus.
- **John 4:34** *My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to finish His work*
- **John 14:2-3** *I go to prepare a place for you.*

- **Romans 8:11** If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through the Spirit who dwells in you.
- **Acts 17:24** 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... In Him we live and move and have our being.
- **1 Corinthians 3:16** Do you not know that you are the temple of God and the Holy Spirit dwells in you? IF anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy Him. For the temple of God is Holy, which temple you are.
- **2 Corinthians 4:7** We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.
- **2 Corinthians 5:1** if this earthly house, this tent is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.
- **2 Corinthians 6: 16-19** And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said “ I will dwell in them and walk among them, I will be their God and they will be My people” Therefore *come out from among them and be separate says the Lord...I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters.*” Says the Lord God Almighty.
- **Galatians 2:20** I no longer live, but Christ lives in me.

- **Ephesians 3:16-20** To Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or think according to the power that works in us.
- **1 John 4:4** Greater is He who is in you, than he who is in the world.
- **Colossians 1:27** Christ in you the hope of glory.
- **1 Timothy 3:15** I write that you may know how to conduct yourself in the house of God which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of truth.
- **Ephesians 2:19-22** Now you are no longer strangers and foreigners but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building being fit together grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.
- **Revelation 21:3** Then I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying *“Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them, and He will be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, there shall be no more sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”* Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold I make all things new.”

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