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*The tabernacle is commanded to be set up and anointed. God filleth it with his majesty.*

**1** And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

**2** The first month, the first day of the month, thou shalt set up the tabernacle of the testimony,

**3** And shalt put the ark in it, and shalt let down the veil before it:

**4** And thou shalt bring in the table, and set upon it the things that are commanded according to the rite. The candlestick shall stand with its lamps,

**5** And the altar of gold whereon the incense is burnt, before the ark of the testimony. Thou shalt put the hanging in the entry of the tabernacle,

**6** And before it the altar of holocaust:

**7** The laver between the altar and the tabernacle, and thou shalt fill it with water.

**8** And thou shalt encompass the court with hangings, and the entry thereof.

**9** And thou shalt take the oil of unction and anoint the tabernacle with its vessels, that they may be sanctified:

**10** The altar of holocaust and all its vessels:

**11** The laver with its foot: thou shalt consecrate all with the oil of unction, that they may be most holy.

**12** And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tabernacle of the testimony, and having washed them with water,

**13** Thou shalt put on them the holy vestments, that they may minister to me, and that the unction of them may prosper to an everlasting priesthood.

**14** And Moses did all that the Lord had commanded.

**15** So in the first month of the second year, the first day of the month, the tabernacle was set up.

**16** And Moses reared it up, and placed the boards and the sockets and the bars, and set up the pillars,

**17** And spread the roof over the tabernacle, putting over it a cover, as the Lord had commanded.

**18** And he put the testimony in the ark, thrusting bars underneath, and the oracle above.

**19** And when he had brought the ark into the tabernacle, he drew the veil before it to fulfil the commandment of the Lord.

**20** And he set the table in the tabernacle of the testimony at the north side without the veil,

**21** Setting there in order the loaves of proposition, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

**22** He set the candlestick also in the tabernacle of the testimony over against the table on the south side,

**23** Placing the lamps in order, according to the precept of the Lord.

**24** He set also the altar of gold under the roof of the testimony over against the veil,

**25** And burnt upon it the incense of spices, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

**26** And he put also the hanging in the entry of the tabernacle of the testimony,

**27** And the altar of holocaust in the entry of the testimony, offering the holocaust, and the sacrifices upon it, as the Lord had commanded.

**28** And he set the laver between the tabernacle of the testimony and the altar, filling it with water.

**29** And Moses and Aaron, and his sons washed their hands and feet,

**30** When they went into the tabernacle of the covenant, and went to the altar, as the Lord had commanded Moses.

**31** He set up also the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, drawing the hanging in the entry thereof. After all things were perfected,

**32** The cloud covered the tabernacle of the testimony, and the glory of the Lord filled it.

**33** Neither could Moses go into the tabernacle of the covenant, the cloud covering all things, and the majesty of the Lord shining, for the cloud had covered all.

**34** If at any time the cloud removed from the tabernacle, the children of Israel went forward by their troops:

**35** If it hung over, they remained in the same place.

**36** For the cloud of the Lord hung over the tabernacle by day, and a fire by night, in the sight of all the children of Israel throughout all their mansions.