Lesson 6: The Table of Showbread

Read: Exodus 25:23-30

The table of showbread was a small table made of acacia wood and overlaid with pure gold. It measured 3 feet by 1.5 feet and was 2 feet, 3 inches high. It stood on the right side of the Holy Place across from the lampstand and held the showbread, or bread of the presence.

Discussion:

1. Read Leviticus 24:5-9 about the showbread. What were some of the rules regarding the bread?

2. In this light, why was the showbread called the bread of the presence?

3. Why did God want to have bread in the tabernacle if He didn't literally eat it?

4. Read John 6:35, 48-51. How did Jesus fulfill the purpose of the bread of the presence?

5. Jesus uses bread for another significant analogy in Matthew 26:26. How is this analogy important to us as believers?

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