

**GENERAL SUBJECT:  
THE WORK, THE LIVING, AND THE VISION NEEDED  
FOR THE ORGANIC BUILDING UP OF THE BODY OF CHRIST (2)**

Afternoon Message One

**Experiencing the Golden Incense Altar—  
Participating in Christ's Interceding Life**

Scripture Reading: Heb. 7:25; Rom. 8:34, 26-27; 1 Tim. 2:1

- I. The incense altar signifies Christ as the Intercessor to maintain the relationship between God and His people—Heb. 7:25; Rom. 8:34:**
  - A. Acacia wood overlaid with gold—the interceding life is based on Christ's uplifted humanity to express God Himself—Exo. 30:1, 3.
  - B. The four horns—Christ's intercession is powerful toward the four corners of the earth—v. 2.
  - C. The crown of gold—the interceding life has the power to preserve God's people and His interests—v. 3.
  - D. The rings of gold and the two carrying poles of acacia wood overlaid with gold—Christ's human nature with His divine nature is the strength for the moving of His intercession—vv. 4-5.
  
- II. We need to participate in Christ's interceding life—Rom. 8:26-27; 1 Tim. 2:1; Eph. 6:18-19; Col. 4:3; 1 Thes. 5:25; 2 Thes. 3:1; Heb. 13:18:**
  - A. The incense altar is the place from which the activities at all the other places in the tabernacle and the outer court are motivated.
  - B. Christ's interceding life motivates us to experience the altar, the laver, the table, the lampstand, and the ark.
  - C. The incense altar may be regarded as the heavenly White House; everything is motivated, executed, and carried out from this divine center.