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Numbers

Ten

The Ten Tables

The table in the scriptures is often associated with supping, dining, and feasting. One of the great privileges and blessings set forth in the scriptures was to be able to sup, dine or feast at the king's table:

1. 2 Sam 9:11 "Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, said the king, he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons."

2. 1 Ki 2:7 "But show kindness unto the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that eat at thy table: for so they came to me when I fled because of Absalom thy brother."

3. 1 Ki 4:27 "And those officers provided victual for king Solomon, and for all that came unto king Solomon's table, every man in his month: they lacked nothing."

4. 1 Ki 10:5 "And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her."

5. Luke 22:30 "That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

6. 1 Cor 10:21 "Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils."

In the building of the temple and the furnishings thereof, Solomon had built and placed in the temple ten tables: 2 Chr. 4:8 "He made also ten tables, and placed them in the temple, five on the right side, and five on the left. And he made an hundred basins of gold." Upon these ten tables was placed the showbread in order. The loaves of showbread were emblematic of the word of God. It is upon the

word of God that the children of God feast at King Jesus' table. We feast upon the laws, commandments and authority of God and the things that God, through those laws, commandments, and authority, has brought to us. Through his laws, commandments, and authority, he has made the elect children of God righteous and heirs of heaven and has given unto them eternal life.