

Doctrine of the East

1. The EAST has always had great significance in the Bible. When Adam and Eve were driven from the Garden of Eden, cherubims were placed EAST of the Garden to keep them from returning to the tree of life.
 - *Genesis 3:24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.*

2. When God judged the Egyptians, it was the EAST wind which brought the locusts.
 - *Exodus 10:13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the Lord brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.*

3. The wise men came to Jerusalem from the EAST to seek the Lord.
 - *Matthew 2:1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,*

4. The Psalmist said that the Lord shall forgive the sins of His people and remove them as far as the EAST is from the West.
 - *Psalms 103:12 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.*

5. When the TABERNACLE was first constructed Moses and Aaron and his sons were commanded to make their encampment towards the EAST "even before the TABERNACLE of the congregation EASTWARD".
 - *Numbers 3:38 But those that encamp before the tabernacle toward the east, even before the tabernacle of the congregation eastward, shall be Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the charge of the children of Israel; and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.*

6. The entrance into the Tabernacle was on the EAST, and leading the people of God into the TABERNACLE were to be the priest of God. It is significant that the priests and the Levites were gathered into the EAST Street by Hezekiah. He wanted them to remember and regain the place of original contact with the things of the Lord.
 - *2 Chronicles 29:4 And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them together into the east street.*