

Herod's Temple

EZEKIEL 10:3-4

Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory.

EZEKIEL 10:18-19

Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims.

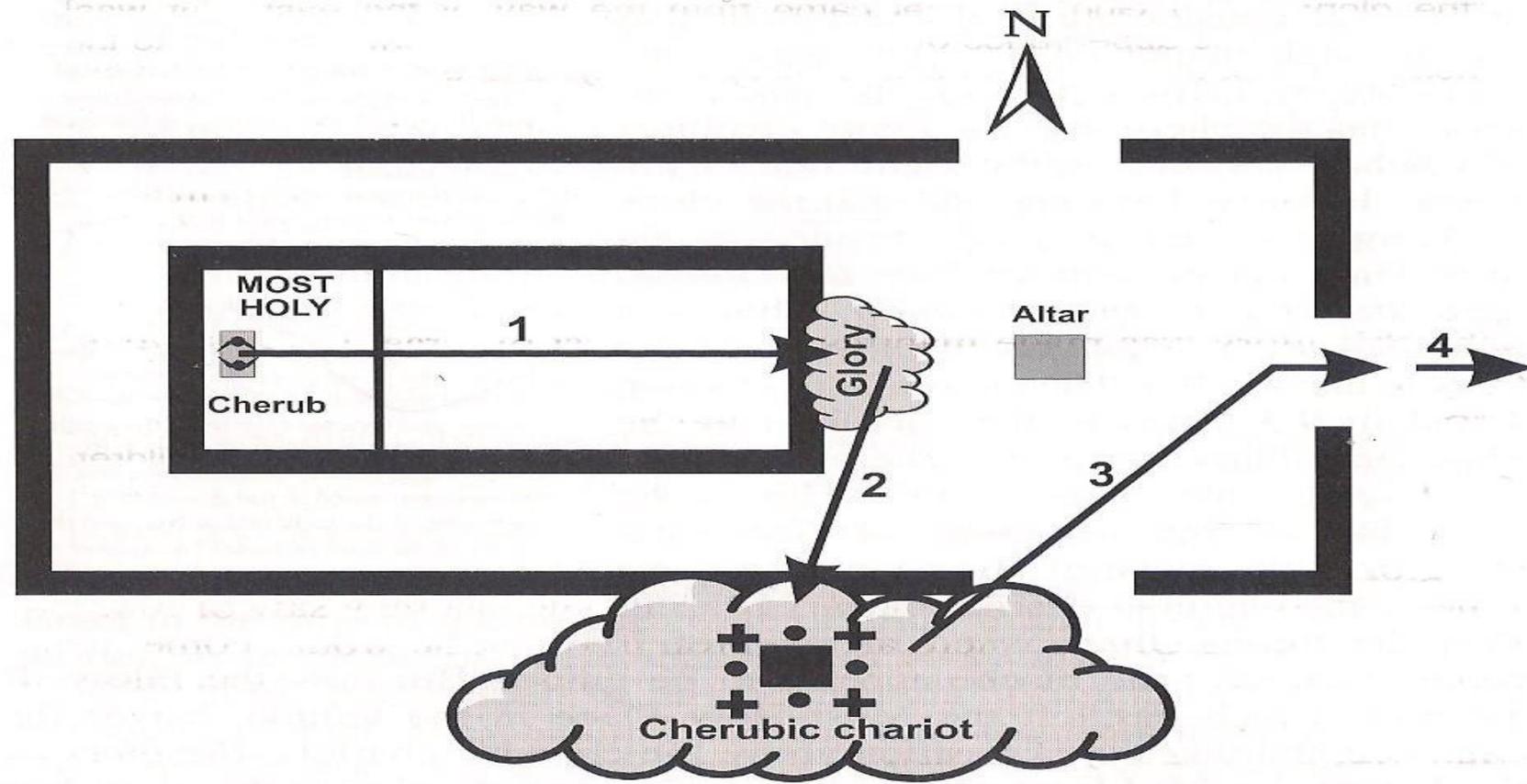
And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also were beside them, and every one stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.

EZEKIEL 11: 22-23

Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel *was* over them above.

And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which *is* on the east side of the city.

DEPARTING GLORY EZEK. 11



1. The glory moves from the cherub in the Most Holy Place to the threshold.
2. It then moves from the threshold to the throne.
3. The cherubic chariot, now bearing the glory, moves to the east gate.
4. It finally moves to the Mount of Olives.

**DIAGRAMMATICAL REPRESENTATION OF THE
DEPARTURE OF THE GLORY FROM THE TEMPLE**

**DESTRUCTION
OF
SOLOMON'S
TEMPLE
586BC**



DECREE OF CYRUS



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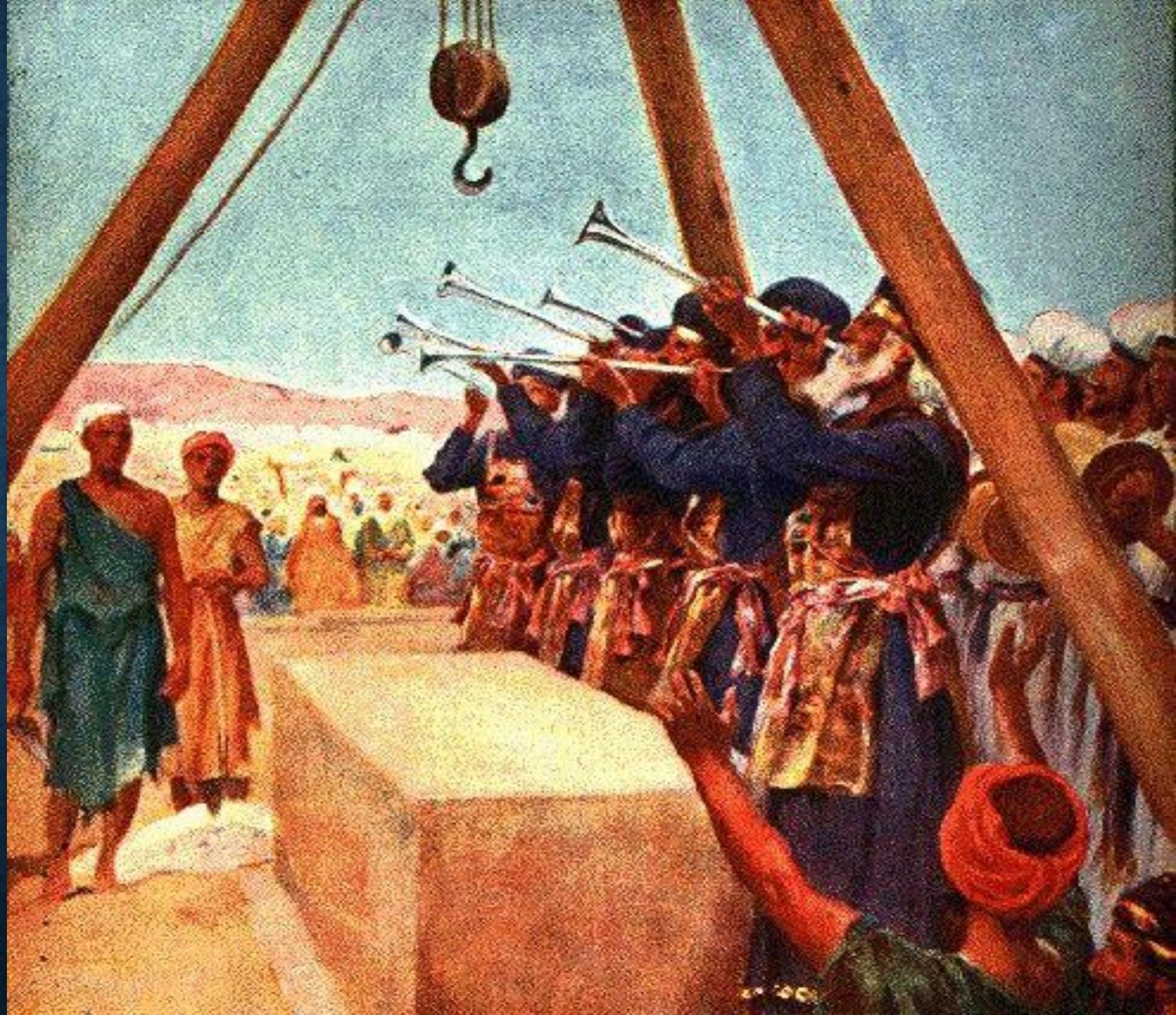
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**EZRA 3:10-11
CELEBRATION
OF THE LAYING
OF THE
FOUNDATION
STONE OF THE
2ND TEMPLE.
APPROX. 535
BC,
CIRCA 70
YEARS FROM
605 BC**



**ZERUBBABEL'S
TEMPLE
DEDICATED,
MARCH 12,
515 BC.
APPROX. 70
YRS. FROM
586 BC**



TEMPLE DEMINSIONS, 60X60
EZRA 6:3

In the first year of Cyrus the king *the same*
Cyrus the king made a decree *concerning* the
house of God at Jerusalem, Let the house be
builded, the place where they offered
sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be
strongly laid; **the height thereof threescore
cubits, and the breadth thereof threescore
cubits;**

EZRA 3:12-13

But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, *who were ancient men, that had seen the first house*, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, *wept with a loud voice*; and many shouted aloud for joy:

So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

HAGGAI 2:3

Who *is* left among you that saw this house in her **first glory?** and how do ye see it now? *is it* not in your eyes in comparison of it as **nothing?**

HAGGAI 2:4-5

Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the LORD, **and work: for I am with you, saith the LORD of hosts:**

According to the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, **so my spirit remaineth among you:** fear ye not.

JOSEPHUS, AGAINST APION 2:8

Lastly, it is not so much as lawful to carry any vessel into the holy house; nor is there anything therein, but the altar of incense, the table of showbread, the censer and the candlestick, which are all written in the law, for **there is nothing further there.**

**ANTIOCHUS
EPIPHANES
DEFILED
THE
TEMPLE
168 BC**



**MACCABEAN
DYNASTY
165BC – 63BC**



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The Temple proper as reconstructed by Herod was of the same dimensions as that of Solomon, viz.: 60 cubits long, 20 cubits wide, and 30 cubits high. This space was divided into the Holy of Holies and the "Hekal." The former measured 20 x 20 cubits; the latter, 20 x 40 ("B.J." v. 5, § 5).

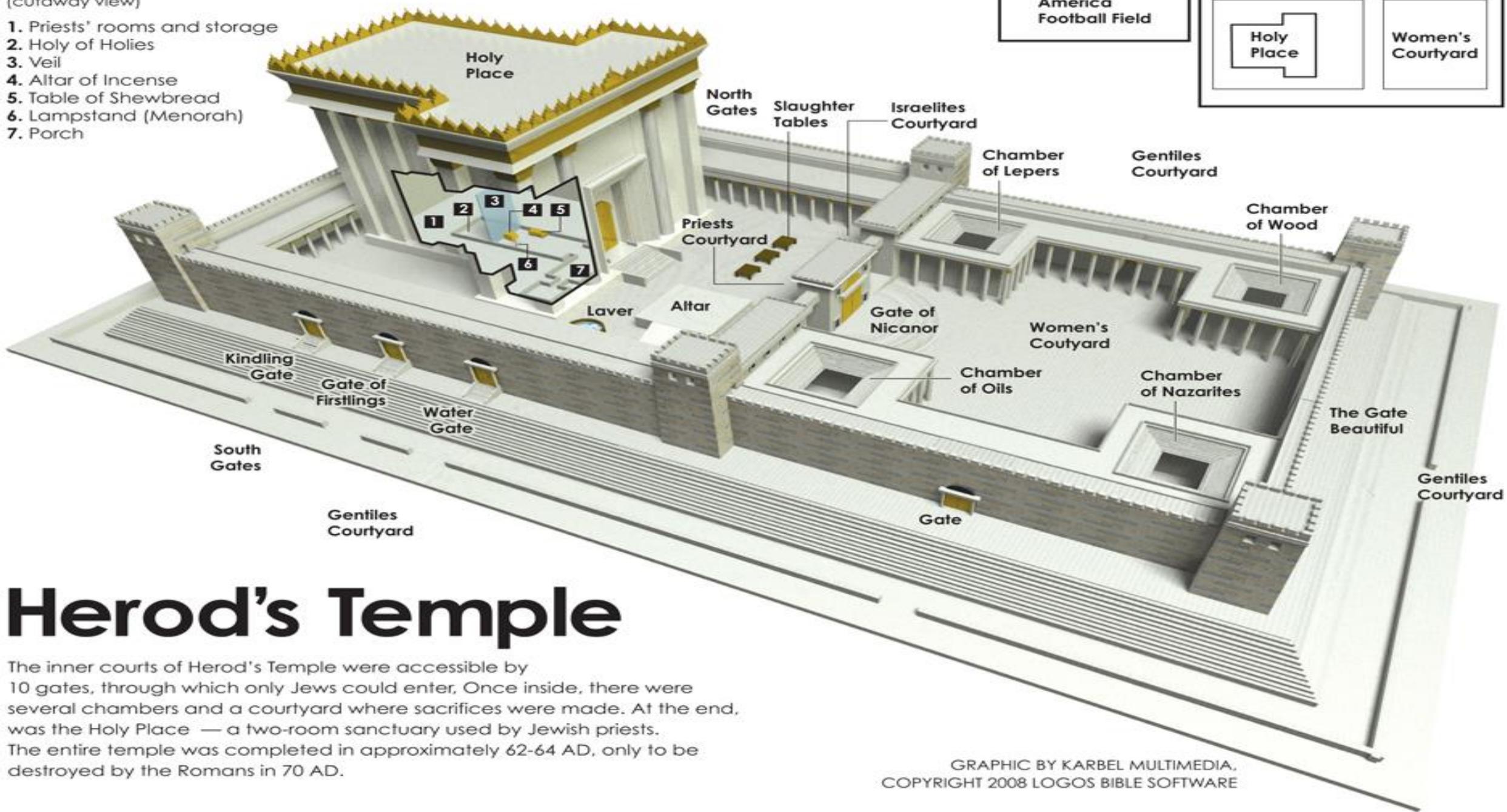
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The Holy of Holies was quite empty. In the Holy Place stood the altar of incense, near the entrance to the Holy of Holies the seven-branched golden Candlestick to the south, and the table of showbread to the north. Above the gate of the Temple were golden vines and grape-clusters as large as a man ("Ant." xv. 11, § 3; "B. J." v. 5, § 4). .

INSIDE THE HOLY PLACE

(cutaway view)

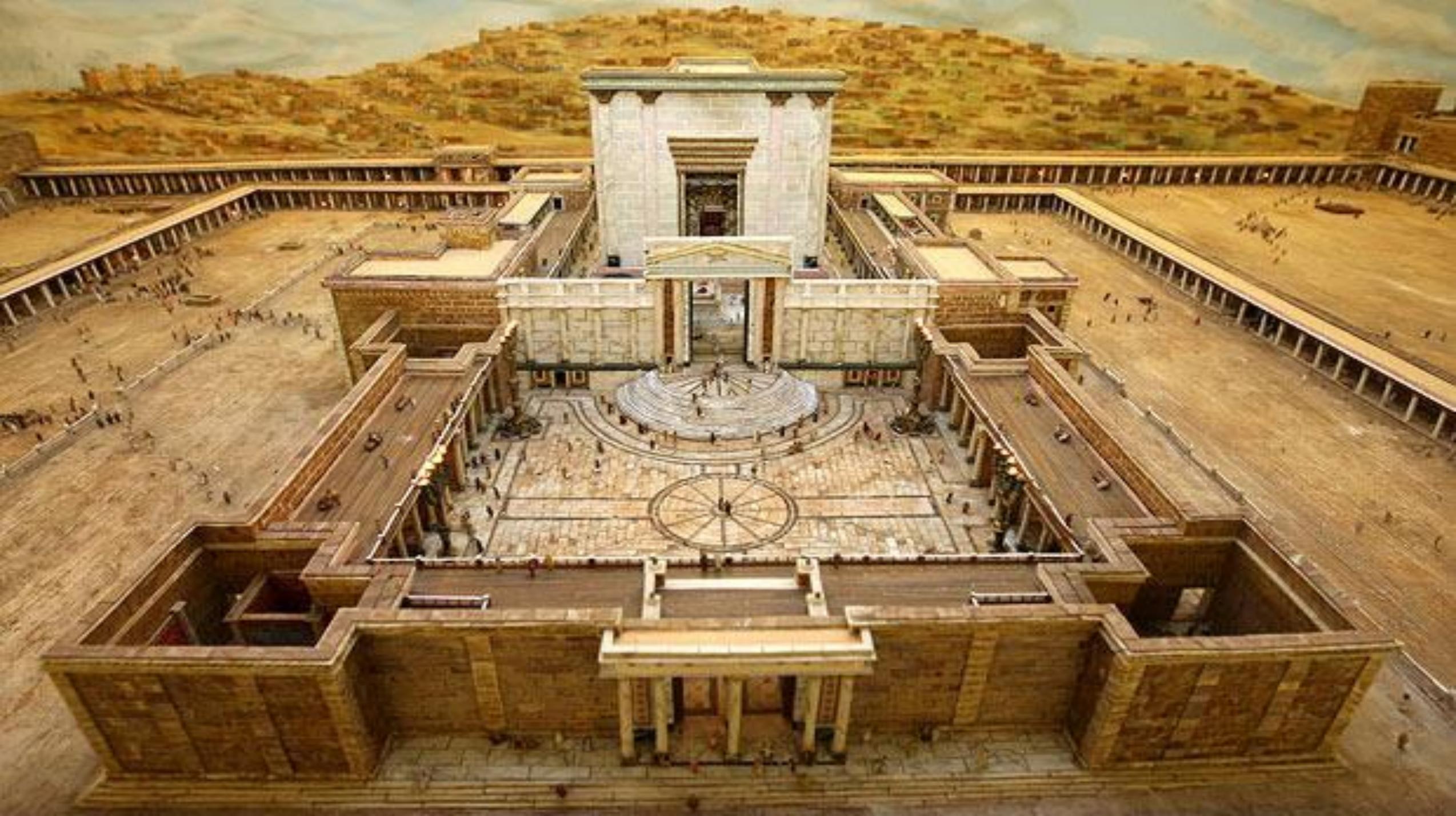
1. Priests' rooms and storage
2. Holy of Holies
3. Veil
4. Altar of Incense
5. Table of Shewbread
6. Lampstand (Menorah)
7. Porch



Herod's Temple

The inner courts of Herod's Temple were accessible by 10 gates, through which only Jews could enter. Once inside, there were several chambers and a courtyard where sacrifices were made. At the end, was the Holy Place — a two-room sanctuary used by Jewish priests. The entire temple was completed in approximately 62-64 AD, only to be destroyed by the Romans in 70 AD.

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JOHN 2:20

then said the Jews, **forty and six years** was this temple in building, and thou wilt rear it up in three days?

46years – 19BC = 27AD

LUKE 2:22

And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord;

LUKE 2:27-33

And he (Simeon) came by the Spirit into the **temple**: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,

Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: **For mine eyes have seen thy salvation**, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.

LUKE 2

- Luk 2:41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.
- Luk 2:42 And when he was **twelve years old**, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.
- Luk 2:46 And it came to pass, that after three days **they found him in the temple**, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.
- **Luk 2:47** And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.
- Luk 2:49 And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? **wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?**

JOHN 2:13-17

And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and found in the **temple** those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:

And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, **Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.**

And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up. (psa.69:9)



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Matt. 21:14 And the blind and the lame **came to him in the temple**; and he healed them.

Mar 14:49 I was daily with you in the temple **teaching**, and ye took me not: but the scriptures must be fulfilled.

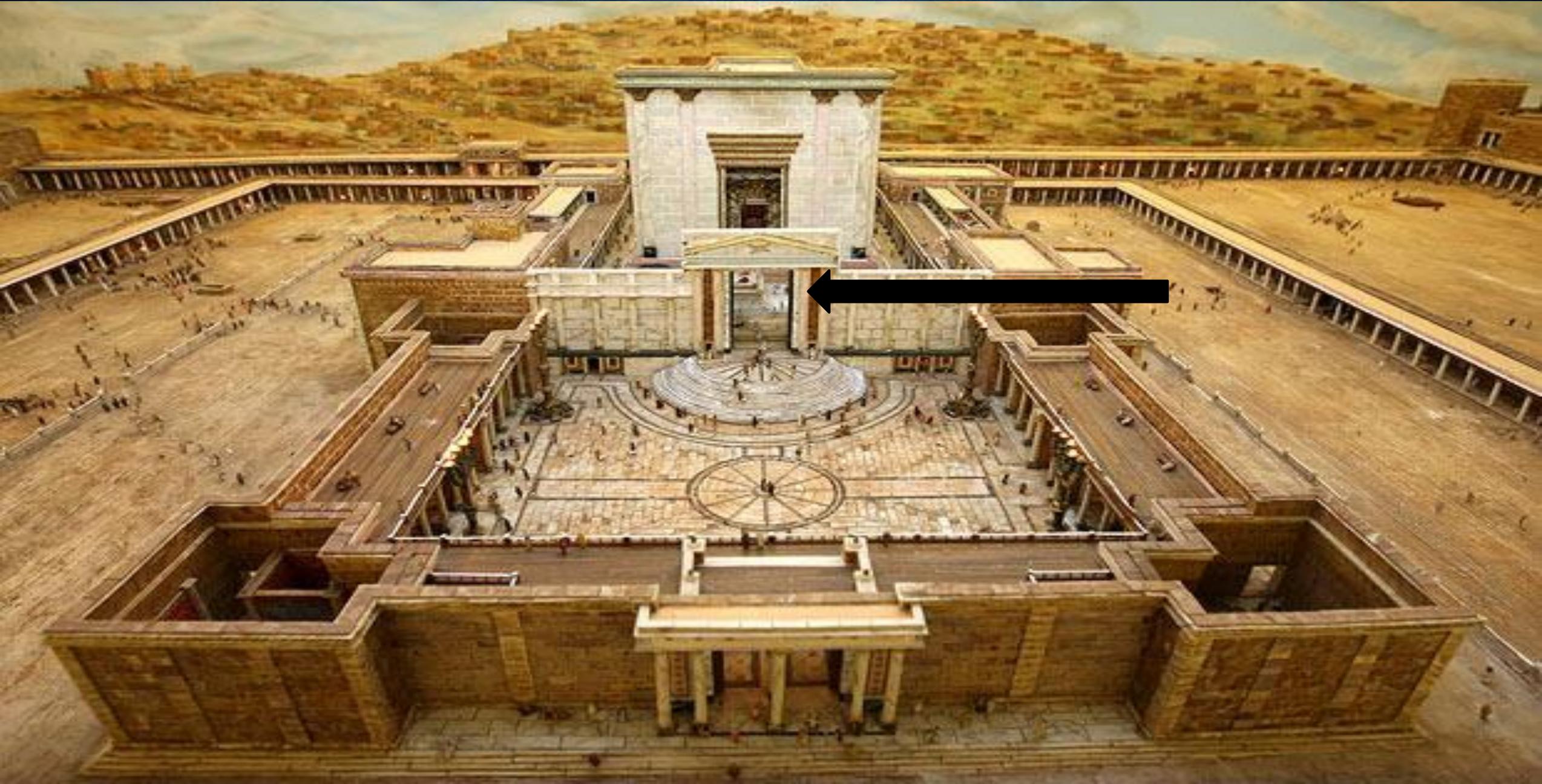
ACTS 3:1-4

Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the ninth *hour*.

And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at **the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful**, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

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NICANOR GATE, LIKELY THE BEAUTIFUL GATE



MATT. 24:1-2

And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to *him* for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? **verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**

MATT. 24:3

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, **when shall these things be? and what *shall* be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?**

MATT. 24:15 DAN. 9:26

Matt. 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the **abomination of desolation**, spoken of by **Daniel the prophet**, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand).

Dan 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the **people of the prince** that shall come **shall destroy the city and the sanctuary**; and the end thereof *shall be* with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

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**COMMENCEMENT
OF
DANIEL'S
PROPHECY
OF THE
70 WEEKS**

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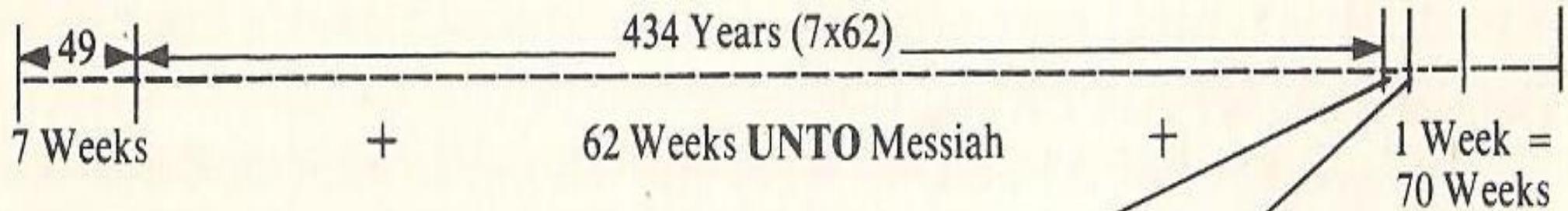
vs 26, ---- The people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city -----

vs 27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

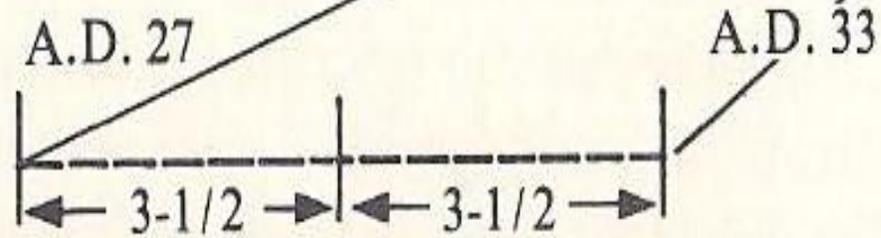
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The Time Span of the Seventy Weeks



PARABLE OF THE MARRIAGE FEAST

MATT. 22:1-7

The king -- Yahweh

The son -- Jesus

The servants -- Apostles

The armies -- Roman legions, same as the prince of the people in Dan. 9

The murderers -- Jews

The city -- Jerusalem

ARCH OF TITUS, BUILT 81AD



RELIEF INSIDE ARCH OF TITUS



EPH. 2:19-22

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*;

In whom all the building fitly framed together **groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:**

In whom **ye also are builded** together for an **habitation** of God through the Spirit.



