

I. Respecting the Temple

- A. The Temple's meaning
- B. The Temple's structure
- C. The Temple's history
  - i. the Tabernacle, ca. 1400 BC
  - ii. Solomon's Temple, ca. 950 BC (destroyed 586 BC)
  - iii. the Second Temple, ca. 520 BC
  - iv. expansion under Herod, 20 BC – 64 AD
- D. Jesus in the Temple (Luke 24:53; Acts 3:1; 22:17)

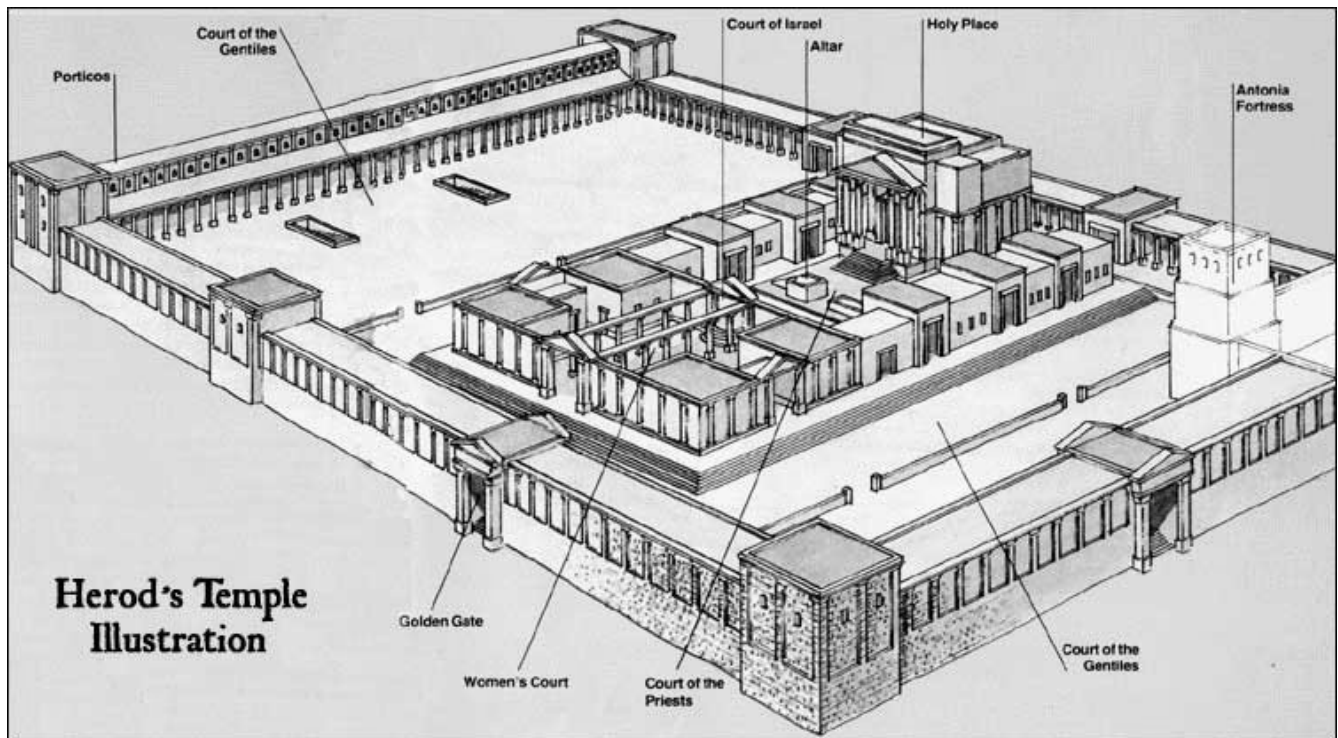
II. Restoring the Temple

- A. What the Temple was supposed to convey: the presence of God with his people
- B. Corruption in the Temple
  - i. high priestly families
  - ii. extortion, racketeering in sales of sacrificial animals
  - iii. crowding the Court of the Gentiles
- C. Cleansing the Temple (Isaiah 56:1-7; Luke 1:10,13; 2:29-32,37; 18:9-14; Jeremiah 7:1-14; Matthew 21:12-13; Mark 11:15-17; John 2:13-17)
- D. The restoration of the Temple (Malachi 3:1-4)

III. Replacing the Temple

- A. Jesus came to *fulfill* the Old Testament (Matthew 5:17; 26:56; Mark 1:15; 14:49; Luke 4:21; 22:37; 24:44; Acts 3:18; 13:33)
- B. Types of Christ
  - i. people: Adam, Moses, David, etc.
  - ii. offices: prophet, priest, king
  - iii. the sacrifices, as atonement for sin and bond between God and mankind
  - iv. the law, as the embodiment of God's righteousness
  - v. the nation of Israel, as God's special chosen child and light to the nations
  - vi. and the Temple, as the earthly presence of God
    - a) Jesus spoke of himself as the true Temple (John 2:18-21)
    - b) Jesus was God "tabernacling" among us (John 1:14)
- C. Jesus' attitude toward the Jerusalem Temple was:
  - i. it was good
  - ii. it had become deeply corrupt
  - iii. but even at its best it pointed beyond itself to Jesus Christ himself
- D. Jesus is the true Temple

*Herod's Temple, completed AD 64*



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