

The Temple

An Overview

School of the Prophets

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The Mosaic Covenant

- A covenant is a legal agreement, like a contract.
- In law, a contract must have an agreement between at least two parties and consideration (some form of inducement).

The Mosaic Covenant (continued).

- A summary of the Book of Exodus:
 - Children of Israel are enslaved in Egypt
 - God uses Moses to deliver them from slavery
 - In return, God imposes laws
 - Inducement or Consideration to obey God's laws, (besides manumission), is God promises them the Promised Land
 - Children of Israel agree to obey God's laws

Covenant (continued).

- Notes about this Covenant or contract:
 - Non negotiable. E.g.: Remembering the Sabbath day to keep it holy. (Exodus 20:8.)
 - Freed them from slavery not to stay in Egypt but have their own land: This is the **Consideration/Inducement**
 - Boundaries of the **Promised Land**:
 - Nile to Euphrates (Genesis 15:18.)
 - Red Sea to Euphrates (Exodus 23:31.)

Maps of Promised Land

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Maps (continued)

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Boundaries (continued)

- Genesis 15:18, “In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, **Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates”**

Boundaries (continued)

- Exodus 23:31, “And I will set thy bounds from **the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the desert unto the river:** for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.”

Desert?

- North of Mt. Sinai, in Saudi Arabia.



<http://www.keyway.ca/htrn2002/index.htm>

Purposes of Tabernacle & Temple

- A purpose of the Tabernacle and the Temple is to bring sacrifices to **atone** for Israel's contract breaches.
- Another purpose of the Tabernacle and the Temple is to **commune** with God.

The Tabernacle

- A re-enactment in Israel



Closer view of Tabernacle

- Rendering of the outside view



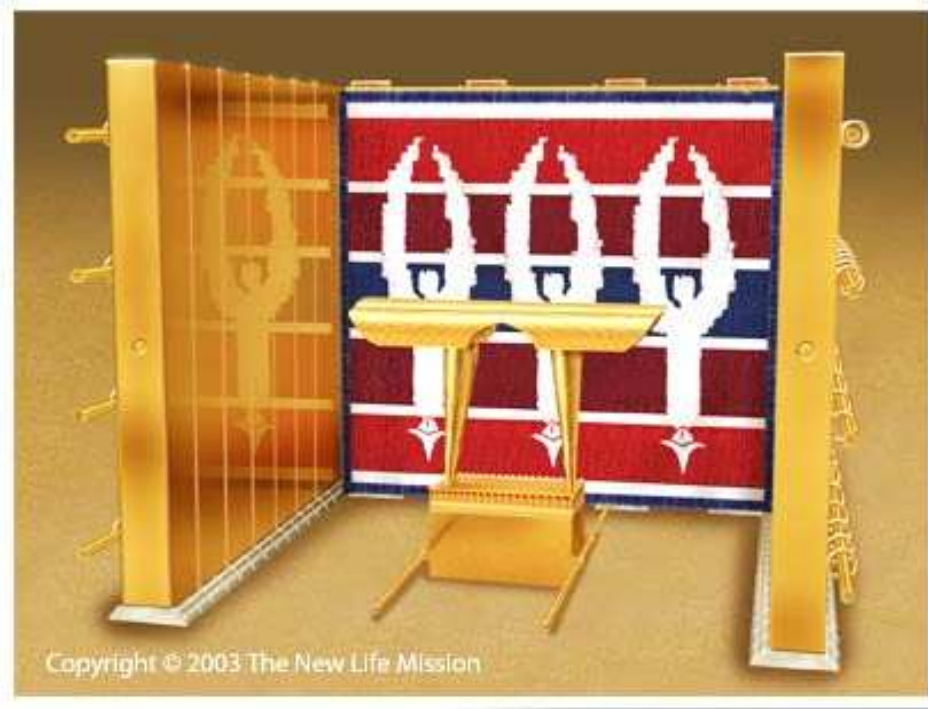
The Tabernacle (cont.)

- Rendering of the Holy Place.



The Tabernacle (cont.)

- Rendering of the Most Holy Place



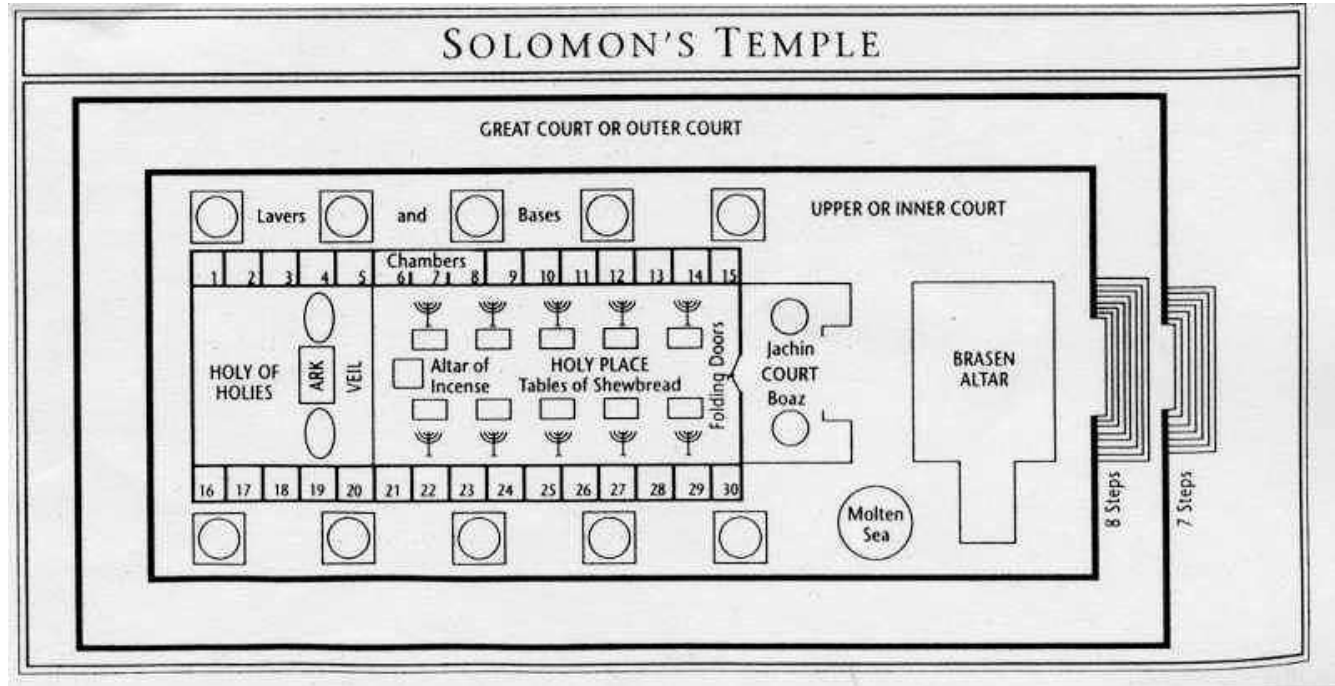
The Tabernacle (cont.)

- Re-enactment from Israel of the Ark of the Covenant.



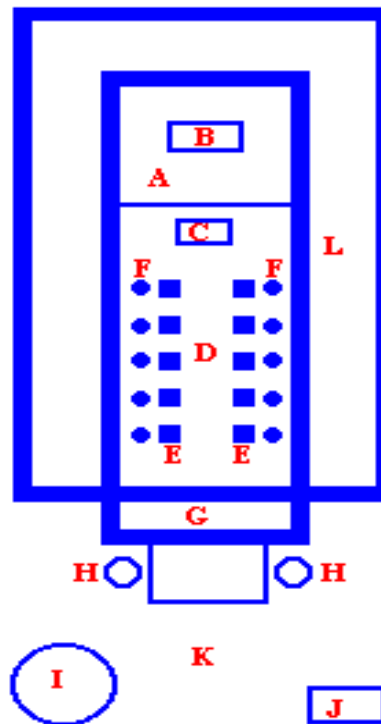
Temple is patterned after Tabernacle

- A schematic view



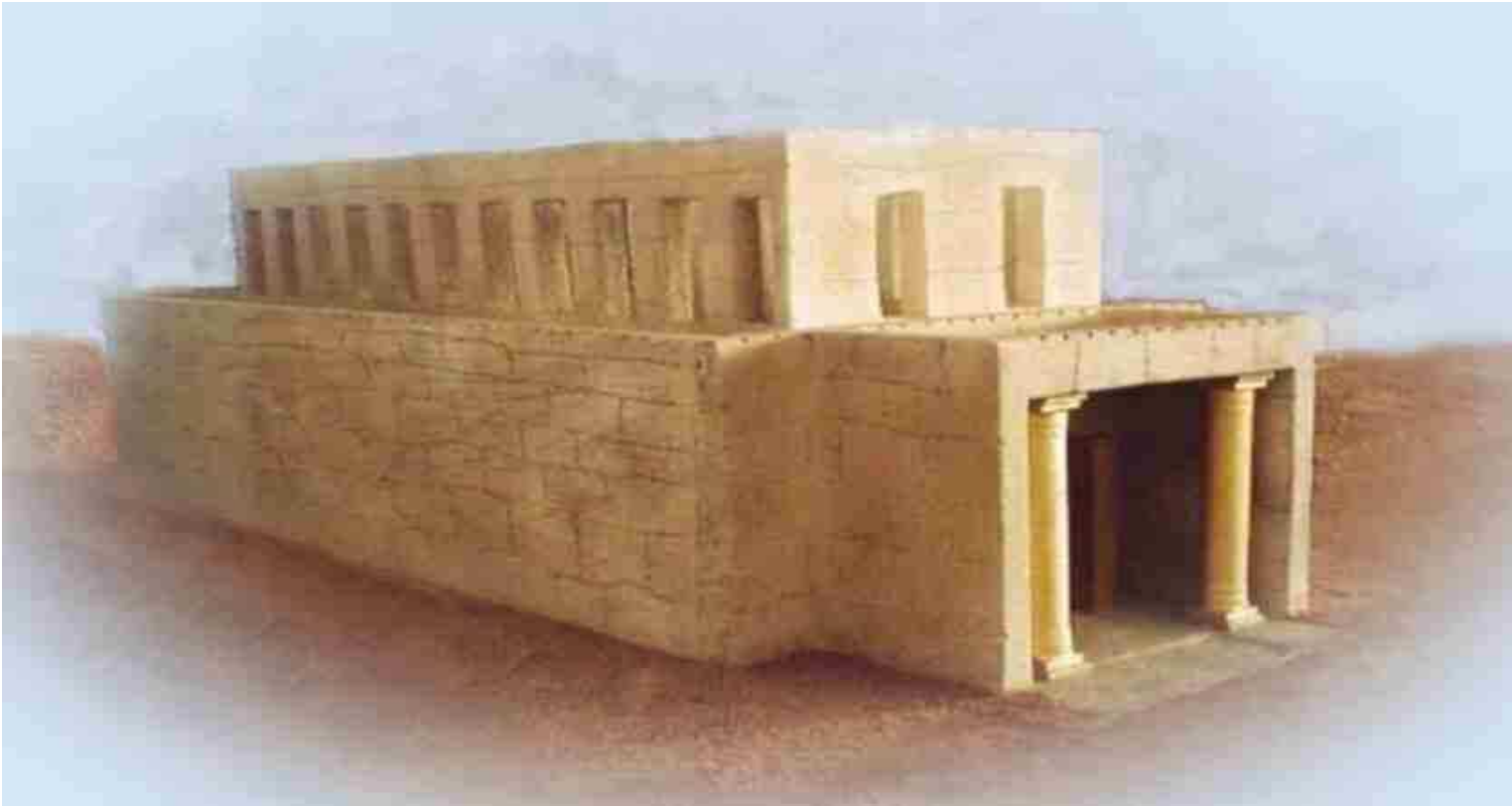
Temple of Solomon (cont.)

- Another schematic



The Temple (cont.)

- Another artist's rendering



Significance of Temple Today

Masons trying to rebuild Temple on Mt. Moriah.

See Zechariah 6:12-15 & Malachi 3:1.

WW III: Muslims' Dome of the Rock has been on the Temple Mount for 1300 years.



Significance (cont.)

- Masons trying to establish Promised Land to Biblical borders.
- Abrahamic Covenant (Nile to Euphrates) would include (west to east):
 - Egypt, Sudan, Congo, Uganda, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti
 - Saudi Arabia, Yeman, Oman, United Arab Emirates, Qatar
 - Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Kuwait
 - Purple denotes Mosaic boundaries

Significance (cont.)

- Individual significance: Body-temple.
 - The Messiah referred to His body as a Temple: “Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” (John 2:19.) “But he spake of the temple of his body.” (John 2:21.)
 - All bodies are temples: What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost [which is] in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? (I Corinthians 6:19.)

Significance (cont.)

- Interpersonal Significance between God & humanity/man & woman:
- The **Shekinah**, the Holy Spirit or Presence of God, dwells in the **Holy of Holies between the cherubim**.
- The Kabbalah refers to the Shekinah as the Divine Feminine. Bible corroborates throughout Solomon's Proverbs, by references to the Church as the Bride of Christ (Revelation 21:2 Revelation 21:9), and other Scriptures.
 - Found more in the Apocrypha in the book: *Wisdom of Solomon*.

Significance (cont.)

- Interpersonal:
 - On the day of Atonement, (Yom Kippur), the High Priest sanctifies himself, puts on white garments, and has a rope tied around his ankles. Bells are on his clothes. If he is not acceptable, the priest dies. His body is then pulled out of the Holy of Holies by the rope.
 - Only men can be priests that may go beyond the veil and offer an acceptable sacrifice before the female Shekinah.

Oneness

- If there is a **sexual mystery** regarding the Temple and the Tabernacle, it involves marriage, NOT involve prostitution, whoredom, or harlotry.
 - For example, some masons & Kabbalah followers interpret that the two pillars of the Temple, Boaz & Jachin, were phallic symbols (like obelisks).
- Two weeks ago, studied reconciliation to God. Does that not ***make the two one***?

Breach of Marital Contract or Covenant (cont.)

- Jeremiah 3:14, “Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you.”
- Jeremiah 3:20, “Surely [as] a wife treacherously departeth from her **husband**, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.”

Breach of Marital Covenant (cont.)

- Jeremiah 31:32, “Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day [that] I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an **husband** unto them, saith the LORD.”
- Hosea 2:7, “And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find [them]: then shall she say, I will go and return to my first **husband**; for then [was it] better with me than now.”

Breach of Marital Contract Ends in Divorce

- Deuteronomy 24:1, “When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of **divorcement**, and give [it] in her hand, and send her out of his house.”
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- Isaiah 50:1, “Thus saith the LORD, Where [is] the bill of your mother's **divorcement**, whom I have put away? or which of my creditors [is it] to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities have ye sold yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put away.”

Return to Egypt

- Hosea 9:3, “They shall not dwell in the LORD'S land; but **Ephraim shall return to Egypt**, and they shall eat unclean [things] in Assyria.”
- Deuteronomy 28:15, 68, “But it shall come to pass, **if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments** and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: And **the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships**, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be **sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen.**”

Full Circle

- Began the School of the Prophets with lessons regarding certain blacks being the biological descendants of Israel.
- Due to disobedience, was cast out of the Promised Land and returned to slavery in a Masonic country patterning its architecture after Egyptian pyramids and obelisks.

Full Circle (cont.)

- Talked about 13th Amendment to U.S. Constitution, the one that supposedly outlawed slavery, was invalid. Thus slavery still legal in U.S.
- Talked about Abrahamic covenant saying children of Israel will a stranger in a land that is not theirs and be afflicted 400 years. (Genesis 15:13.)

Full Circle (cont.)

- Slavery in U.S. began in 1619 but did NOT end in 1865.
- If I was NOT telling the truth, then would not experience 7 car accidents around my court deadlines, thus forcing me into exile in Canada.

Reconciliation

- Feminine aspect of God in the Shekinah Glory:
 - Some men drawn into freemasonry because of its connection to Solomon's Temple.
 - Some of these men may actually be descendants of the ancient Aaronic priesthood.
 - Men are also attracted to Wisdom & wise women.
 - However, some don't want to become sanctified before entering the Holy of Holies. This could mean death.

Reconciliation

- Sanctification via a marital contract or covenant.
- Then may enter the veil into the Holy of Holies and see God without dying.
- Psalms 16:1, “Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy **presence** [is] fulness of **joy**; at thy right hand [there are] pleasures for evermore.”