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Rehoboth New  
Life Center  
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# Progressive revelation

- 1. The Dwelling Place
- 2. The Temple as the body
- 3. The City the Bride of Christ

**Proverbs 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day**



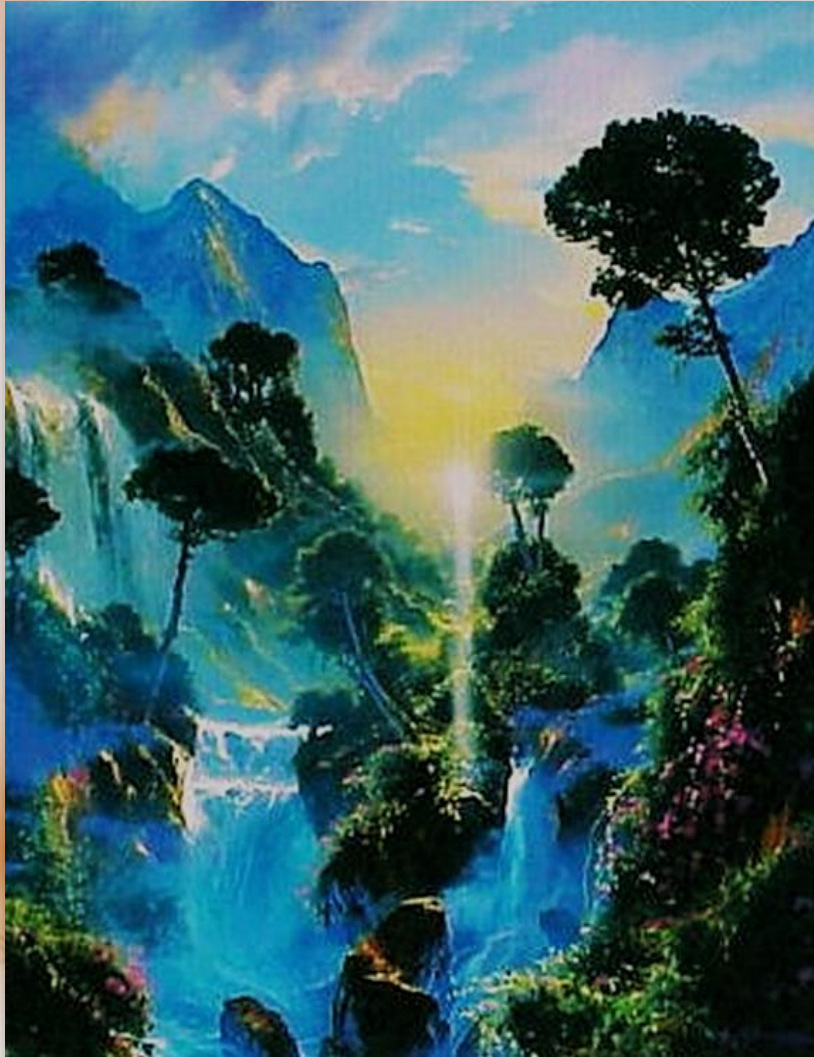
# The Temple

## The Dwelling Place



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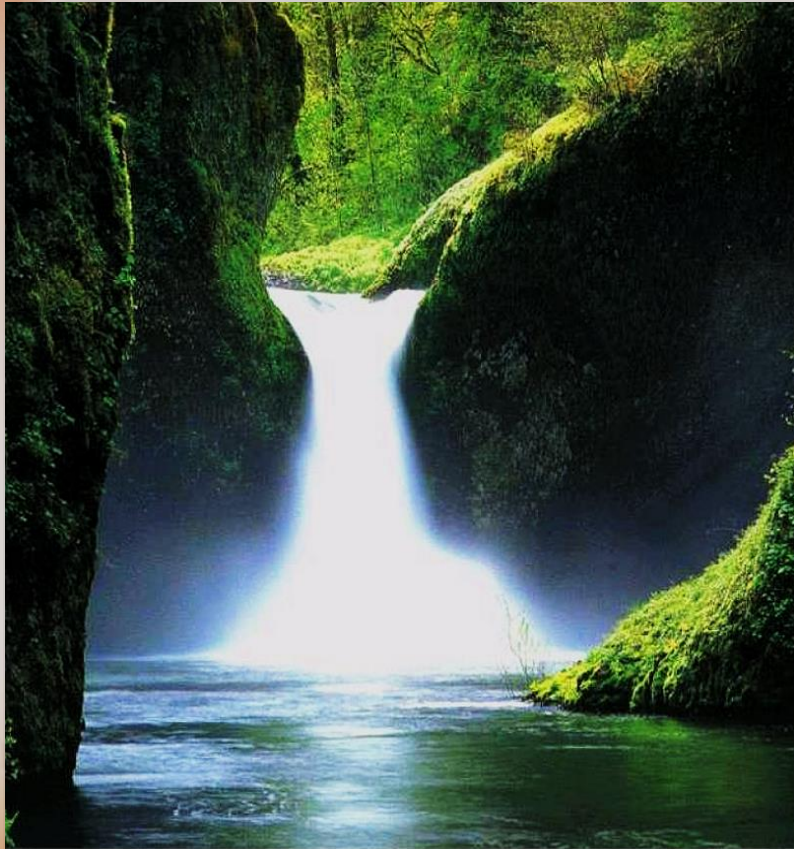
# The First Dwelling Place



- Genesis 2:8 ¶And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.
- Genesis 3:4 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day:
- Genesis 2:9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.



# From the “High Place”



- *And a river **went out of Eden to water the garden;** and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. Genesis 2:10*
- "A glorious high throne from the beginning place of our sanctuary" (Jeremiah 17:12).

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For thou hast said in thine  
heart, I will ascend into heaven,  
I will exalt my throne above the  
stars of God: I will sit also  
upon the mount of the  
congregation, in the sides of the  
north: Isaiah 14:13



# The Rivers



- Genesis 2:11 The name of the first is Pison: means **“Increase”**
- Genesis 2:13 And the name of the second river is Gihon : means **“Bursting Forth”**
- Genesis 2:14 And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: means **“Rapid”**
- And the fourth river is Euphrates Means **“Fruitfulness”**

# The Second Dwelling Place



And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. Exodus 25:8

”Ha Mikdan “



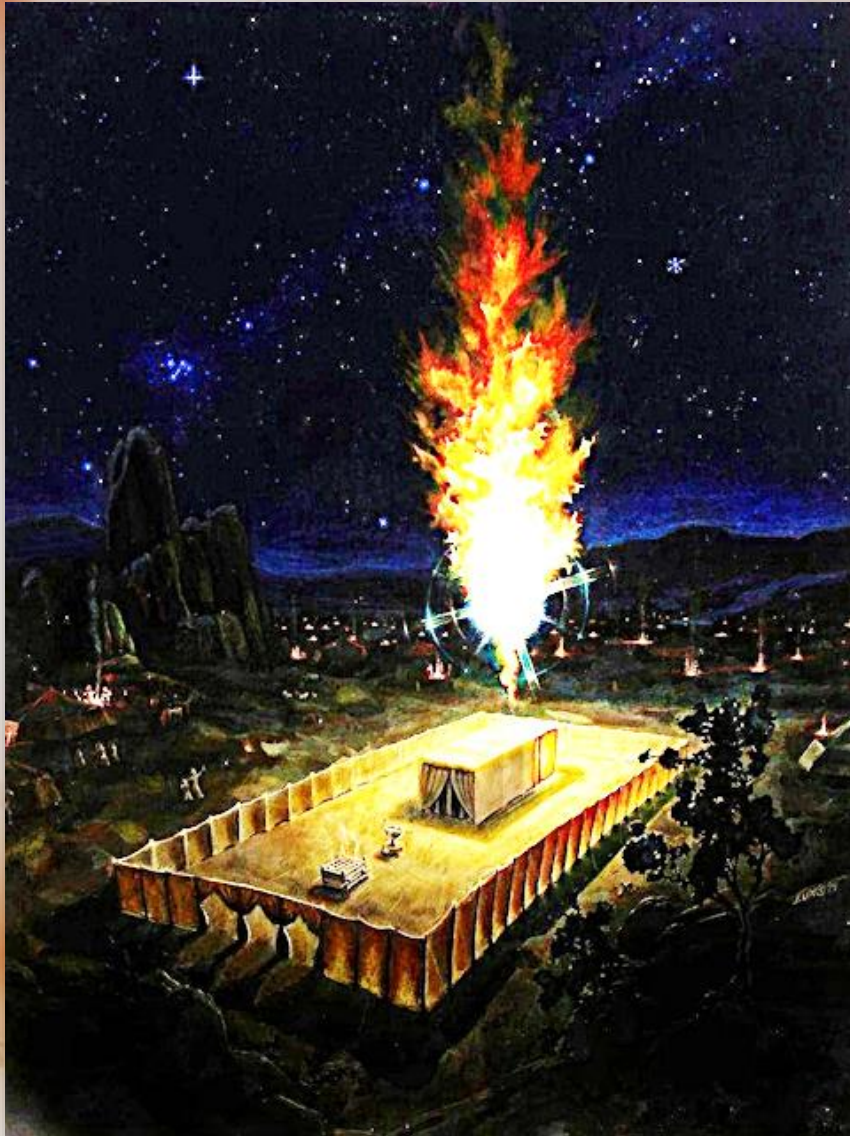
# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Dwelling Place



- Exodus 25:10 And they shall make an ark of shittim wood: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
- Exodus 25:22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.



# Consecration of the Dwelling Place



- Exodus 29:37 **Seven days thou shalt make an atonement** for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most holy: whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy.
- Exodus 29:44 And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office.
- Exodus 30:29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.



# Your Son shall Build the temple?



- 1 Chronicles 22:9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.
- 10 He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.



# Dedication of the Temple



2 Chronicles 6:12 And he stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands  
13 For Solomon had made a brasen scaffold, of five cubits long, and five cubits broad, and three cubits high, and had set it in the midst of the court: and upon it he stood, and kneeled down upon his knees before all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven,



# The Third Dwelling Place



Chronicles 6:32 Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people Israel, but is come from a far country for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm; if they come and pray in this house;

33 Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear thee, as doth thy people Israel, and may know that this house which I have built is called by thy name.

# Solomons Prayer



Chronicles 7:1

Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house. 2



# The Answer



If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14

# The Temple is Destroyed!



2 Chronicles 36:18

And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all these he brought to Babylon.

19: And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.

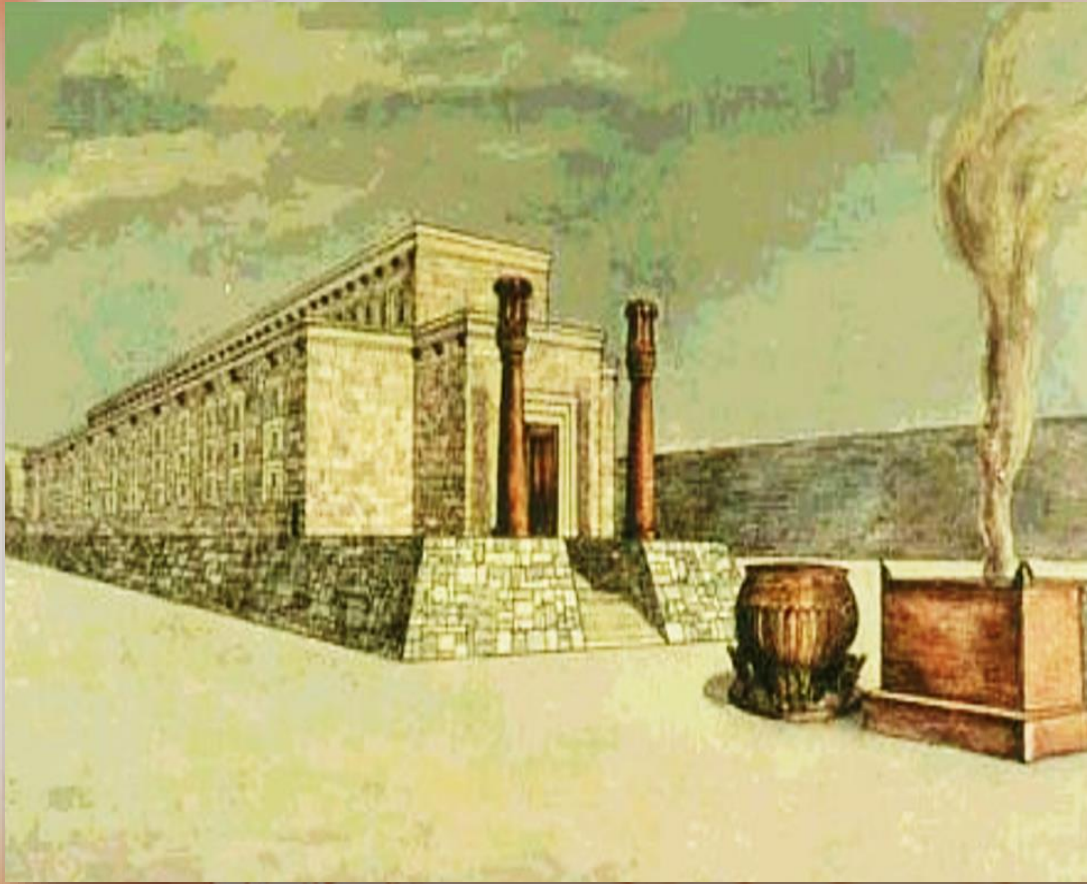




## Jeremiah 3:16

And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the LORD, they shall say **no more, The ark of the covenant of the LORD**: neither shall it come to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit it; neither shall that be done any more.

# The Empty Place



Ezra 3:10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel.

11 And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the LORD; because he is good, for his mercy endureth for :

ever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

12 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:



1 Now in that first covenant between God and Israel, there were regulations for worship and a sacred tent here on earth. 2 There were two rooms in this tent. In the first room were a lampstand, a table, and loaves of holy bread on the table. This was called the Holy Place. 3 Then there was a curtain, and behind the curtain was the second room called the Most Holy Place. 4 In that room were a gold incense altar and a wooden chest called the Ark of the Covenant, which was covered with gold on all sides. Inside the Ark were a gold jar containing some manna, Aaron's staff that sprouted leaves, and the stone tablets of the covenant with the Ten Commandments written on them. 5 The glorious cherubim were above the Ark. Their wings were stretched out over the Ark's cover, the place of atonement. But we cannot explain all of these things now. 6 When these things were all in place, the priests went in and out of the first room regularly as they performed their religious duties. 7 But only the high priest goes into the Most Holy Place, and only once a year, and always with blood, which he offers to God to cover his own sins and the sins the people have committed in ignorance. 8 **By these regulations the Holy Spirit revealed that the Most Holy Place was not open to the people as long as the first room and the entire system it represents were still in use.** 9 This is an illustration pointing to the present time. For the gifts and sacrifices that the priests offer are not able to cleanse the consciences of the people who bring them. 10 For that old system deals only with food and drink and ritual washing – external regulations that are in effect only until their limitations can be corrected.



23 That is why the earthly tent and everything in it – which were copies of things in heaven – had to be purified by the blood of animals. **But the real things in heaven had to be purified with far better sacrifices than the blood of animals.** 24 **For Christ has entered into heaven itself to appear now before God as our Advocate.** He did not go into the earthly place of worship, for that was merely a copy of the real Temple in heaven. 25 Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, like the earthly high priest who enters the Most Holy Place year after year to offer the blood of an animal. 26 If that had been necessary, he would have had to die again and again, ever since the world began. **But no! He came once for all time, at the end of the age,** to remove the power of sin forever by his sacrificial death for us. 27 And just as it is destined that each person dies only once and after that comes judgment, 28 so also Christ died only once as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people. He will come again but not to deal with our sins again. This time he will bring salvation to all those who are eagerly waiting for him.





# The Old Way!



- Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering (The old way) thou wouldest not, **but a body hast thou prepared me:**
- Hebrews 10:5

# *The Fourth Dwelling Place*



- *Isaiah 7:14*
- *Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.*



# *The Forth Dwelling Place*



- *John 2:19*
- *Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy **this temple**, and in three days I will raise it up.*

# The New Place of Worship



John 4:20 Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.

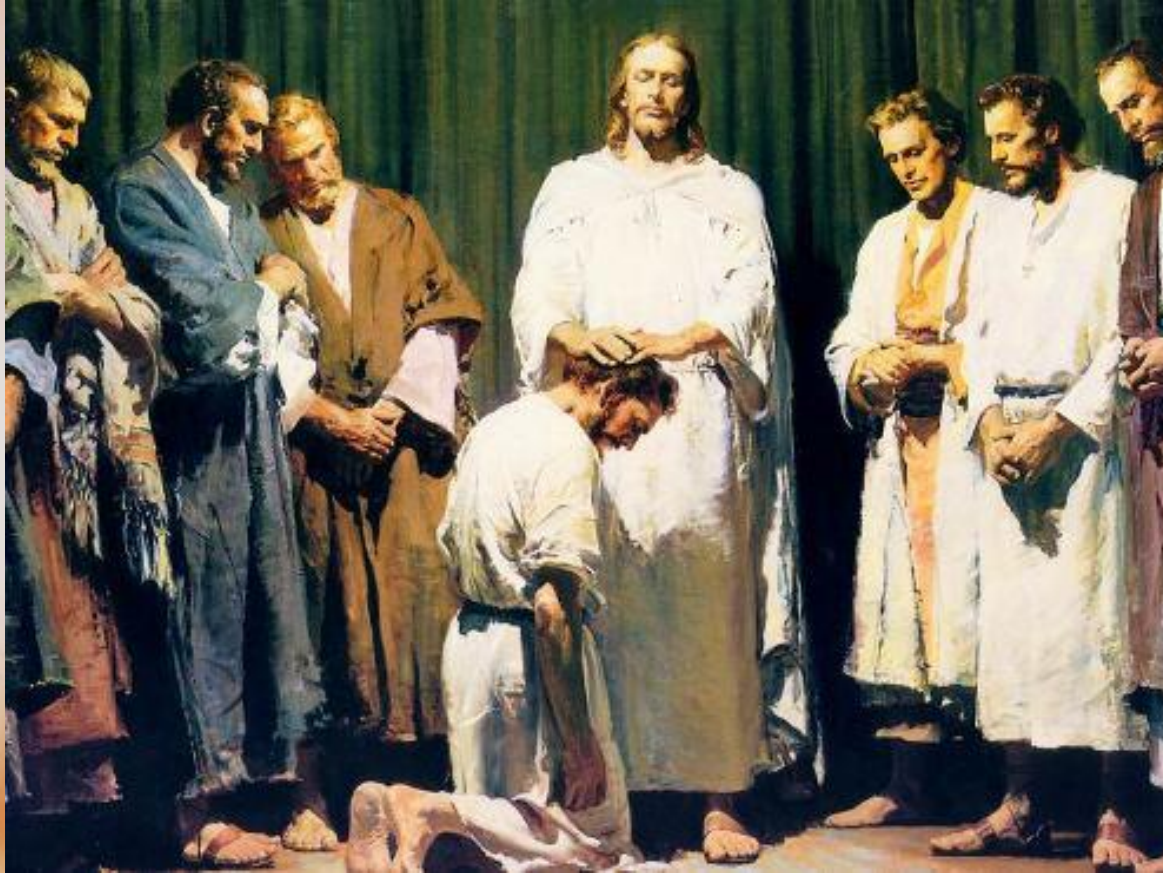
21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.

22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.



# *The 4<sup>th</sup> Dwelling Place*



- *John 16:7*
- *Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, **the Comforter will not come unto you**; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.*

An aerial photograph of the Temple of Solomon in Jerusalem, showing the large central temple building with its golden roof and surrounding walls, situated on a hill overlooking the city. The text is overlaid in red, italicized font.

*Because We... are the  
The 5<sup>Th</sup> Dwelling  
Place !*



# *The Key*

*There is only one  
Dwelling Place On  
Earth at a time !*

# *The Way*

- *Hebrews 9:8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:*



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# *The Reason!*

*That is why the ark had to be  
absent .... so as to allow The  
true representation.....Jesus  
Christ to come!*

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## *The 5<sup>Th</sup> Dwelling Place !*

- *1 Corinthians 3:16*
- *Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the **Spirit of God dwelleth in you?***

# *A Temple Of Worship*

## *The 5<sup>th</sup> Dwelling Place*



- *Romans 12:1*
- *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies **a living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.*



# ***The False Temple***

## *The High Places ?*



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

# ***Who Builds the True Dwelling Places ?***

- *And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is **The BRANCH**; and he shall grow up out of his place, and **he shall build the temple of the LORD**:*
- *Even **he shall build the temple** of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.*
- *Zechariah 6:13*



# ***Who Builds the True Dwelling Places ?***

- *Acts 15:15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,*
- *16 After this **I will return**, and will build again **the tabernacle of David**, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:*
- *17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.*

# *The Sixth Dwelling Place*



- *In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me upon a **very high mountain**, by which was as the frame of a city on the south.*
- ***Ezekiel 40:2***



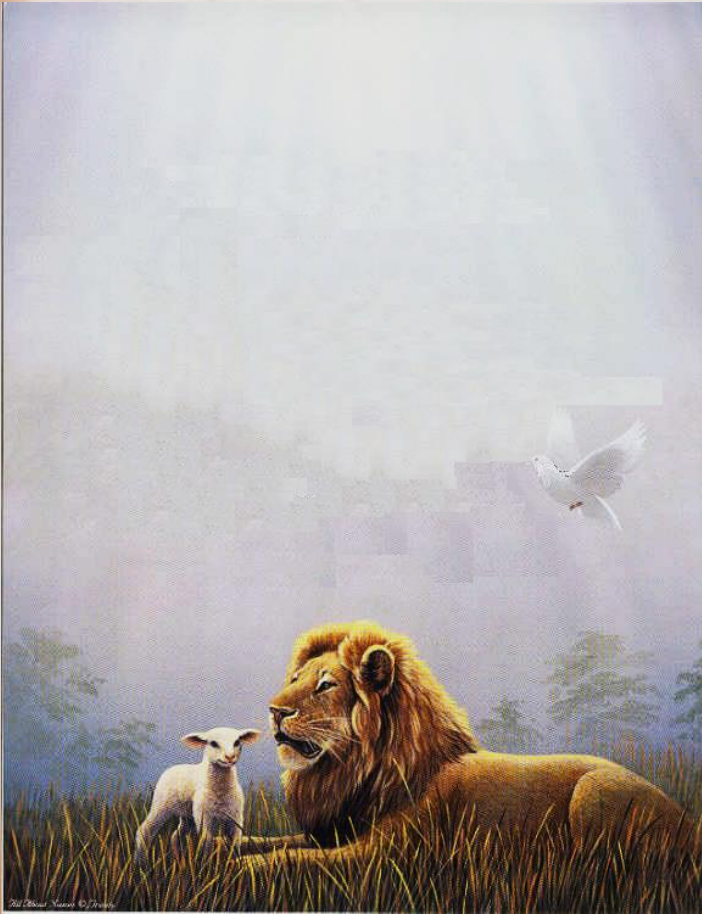
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- *Afterward he brought me to the temple, and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, which was the breadth of the tabernacle.*
- *Ezekiel 41:1*



# *The Sixth Dwelling Place*



- *Afterward he brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh toward the east:*
- *Ezekiel 43:1*
- *And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.*
- *Ezekiel 43:2*

*The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.*

*Isaiah 11:6*



# *The Dwelling Place*

## *The Garden of God*



*And Jesus said unto him,  
Verily I say unto thee, To day  
shalt thou be **with me in  
paradise.***

*Luke 23:43*

*He that hath an ear, let him  
hear what the Spirit saith  
unto the churches; To him  
that overcometh will I give  
to eat of **the tree of life,  
which is in the midst of the  
paradise of God.***

*Revelation 2:7*

# *The Seventh Dwelling Place*

- *Revelation 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.*



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- *Rev 21:22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.*
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