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THE TEMPLE OF GOD MOST HIGH, Built by King Solomon

RELIGION IS LIKE A VEIL BE-TWEEN EARTH AND HEAVEN. VEILING MANKIND FROM GOD. AND GOD FROM MANKIND, till **GOD Tears This VEIL.**

The 1st Jewish Temple in Jerusalem, was built by Wise King Solomon with 200,000 craftsmen.

1st Kings 6: 1,7,14,17-23,30,38. "And it came to pass in the (480th) four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of King Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which is the second month, that he began to build the house (Temple) of the LORD. And the house. when it was in building, was built of stone made ready before it was brought there: so that there was neither hammer nor ax nor any tool

of iron heard in the house, while it was in building." So Solomon built the House, and finished it. And the House, that is, the Temple before it, was forty cubits long. And the cedar of the house within was carved with knops and open flowers: all was cedar; there was no stone seen. And the Oracle (Most Holy Place) he prepared in the House within, to set there the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD. And the Oracle in the forepart was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and he overlaid it with pure gold; and so covered the altar which was of cedar. So Solomon overlaid the House within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chains of gold before the Oracle; and he overlaid it with gold. And the whole House he overlaid

with gold, until he had finished all the House: Also the whole altar that was by the Oracle he overlaid with gold. And within the Oracle he made two Cherubim's of olive tree, each ten cubits high. And the floor of the House he overlaid with gold, within and without. And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which is the eighth month, was the House finished throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he Seven years in building it.

Note No works of human strenath were allowed to be heard in the house of GOD!

Zech. 4:6. Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says The LORD of hosts. For by the works of the law is no man justified in the sight of The Holy GOD. —Galatians 3:11. The Law is there to reveal sin.

Solomon speaks of the Captivity of Israel

1st kings 8:1 Then King Solomon assembled the elders of Israel in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion. And the priests brought in the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD unto it's place, into the

Oracle of the House, to the Most Holy Place, even under the wings of the Cherubim's. There was nothing in the Ark

save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb, when the LORD made a Covenant



with the children of Israel. when they came out of the land of Egypt. If they sin against thee, (for there is no man that sinneth not,) and thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy, (Babylon)."

ISRAEL'S RETURN FROM BABYLON FORETOLD

1 king 8:47 Yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land (Babylon) whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness: And so return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies. which led them away captive, and pray unto thee toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, the city

which Thou hast chosen, and the House which I have built for Thy Name: Then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling place, and maintain their cause, And forgive thy people that have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against thee, and give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them: For they be Thy people, and Thine inheritance, which Thou broughtest forth out of

Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron:



That thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy servant, and unto the supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto thee. That all the people of the earth may know that the LORD is GOD, and that there is None Else." —(KJV).

THE CAPTIVITY OF JUDAH, IN BABYLON

2 Chronicles 36:5- Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God. Against him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him in fetters, to carry him to Babylon. Nebuchad-

nezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon. Moreover

all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after all



the abominations of the heathen; and polluted the house of the LORD which He had Hallowed in Jerusalem. And they (king of Babylon) 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." * The polluted Jewish Temple was destroyed in Jerusalem by Babylonians in August of 586 BC.

A CLEAN START FOR THE JEWISH TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM

Babylon did the work of Punishment. Afterwards THE Holy GOD rescued the Jews By raising up in THE Kingdom Of Persia, Cyrus The Great to Conquer Babylon on October 12, 539 BC and to take over the Babylonian Empire.

But Jerusalem was still in ruins and the Jewish people were discouraged Captives Till Cyrus Pays their way and lets them return to Rebuild their Temple and City Walls. Yet back home they were strongly opposed by the Samaritans. By 520 BC the foundation of the New Temple (smaller than the one built by King Solomon) was laid. And by 516 BC the Temple is completed. Ezra 6:5 "And also let the golden and silver vessels of the House of GOD, which Nebuchadnezzar took forth out of the Temple which is at Jerusalem, and brought un-

to Babylon, be restored, and brought Again unto the Temple which is at Jerusalem, every one to his place, and place them in the House of God... Let the work of this House of God alone; let the governor of the Jews and the elders of the Jews build this House of God in His place.. That they may offer sacrifices of sweet savours unto the God of Heaven, and pray for the life of the king (of Persia/Iran), and of his sons."

SOME OF THE HISTORY OF ISRAEL

From time to time you will hear of people speaking of the Jewish <u>ARK</u> of the Covenant. We just read of all that was left in the ARK. THE LAW GIVEN TO MOSES ON MOUNT HOREB. THE 2 TABLETS OF STONE. (10 COMMANDMENTS).

Around 458 BC, EZRA a Priest and expert in the Jewish Law in Babylonia (currently Iraq) leads a company of the Faithful back to Jerusalem. He brings back a copy of the Law, condemns mixed marriages (Jew/gentile).

BY 450 BC The Prophet Malachi is already calling once again for the purification of the Temple worship and faithfulness to the Law by Jews who have returned to Jerusalem.

In 332 BC Alexander the Great conquerors Palestine as most cities and regions surrender to him peacefully. Alexander sacrifices in the Jerusalem Temple after bowing to the name of GOD on the High Priest's Miter.

After Alexander's death Palestine is

controlled by <u>Ptolemy</u>, governor of Egypt. By 198 BC, <u>Antiochus iii</u> of Syria Takes Palestine. Then <u>Antiochus iv</u> Storms Jerusalem, Enters the Temple and takes it's Treasures, Placing Syrian soldiers in the City. In 167 BC <u>Antiochus iv</u> bans obedience to Jewish Law, devoting the Jewish Temple to the Greek god Zeus. Then the Maccabean Revolt, Judas recaptures the Temple for Rededication 3 years later.

But in 163 BC a new <u>Syrian</u> army, equipped with war Elephants Recapture the Temple.

In 141 BC <u>Simon</u> the new High Priest and National leader drives out the Syrians from <u>Jerusalem</u> and takes control of the city.

Then the Priesthood is fractured, some Hasideans (Essene Sect) abandon the Temple as corrupted.

The Pharisees hold to the teaching of The Law and the Temple service.

Then comes high Priest John Hyrcanus and the Aristocratic Sect of the Sadducees, then wicked Aristobulus, the first Hasmonean to call himself king as well as high priest in 103 BC. Then Alexander Jannaeus, opposed by

the Pharisees, is high priest and king. He expands the Jewish Nation into Galilee, Killing 50,000 Jews and Crucifying 800 priests; till his death in 76 BC. Then in 64-63 BC Roman General POMPEY conquers Syria and Palestine, and after a 3 month Siege against it, He enters the Holy of Holies, defiling the Jewish Temple.

The Pharisees interpret Pompey's conquest as Punishment from the Holy God and anticipate the coming of The Messiah, a King to restore Israel and Rule All Nations.

But the puppet rulers of the Jews continue to ally themselves with their Conquerors. Now ROME holds the strings of Hyrcanus ii the new Ethnarch along with Antipater who try to alley themselves with Julius Caesar.

A Roman Priesthood is being formed, with J.C, as Pontifex Maximus (chief priest) and god of State; awaiting their own son of god., Octavian in 42 BC.

King Herod's Restoration of the Jewish Temple

I HAVE SHARED SOME BACKGROUND HISTORY CONCERNING THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY GOD IN JERUSALEM SO THAT WE CAN BETTER UNDERSTAND THE TIMES OF JESUS CHRIST, THE TRUE SON OF THE HOLY GOD, AND THE END OF TEMPLE WORSHIP in Jerusalem, Israel.

Let's continue with the History of the Roman occupation of Israel.

After Hyrcanus ii and Antipater a powerful Idumean Convert to Judaism, came Herod, appointed Governor of Galilee (age 25) in 47 BC. (born to Antipater in the year 72 BC). Herod's father is Assassinated, so Herod gives his allegiance to Mark Anthony. But there is trouble in Judea and Herod flees to Rome to get support. Rome appoints him

king of the Jews and he returns with Roman Troops to overcome the resistance, all the way to Jerusalem. He then marries into the Hasmonean Dynasty, and spends 12 years killing competition, consolidating his power and wealth. He imports a high priest from Babylon and rebuilds the fortress North of the Temple.

Herod, mighty, wealthy, supported by <u>Rome</u> becomes an ambitious Builder. With a labor force of 10,000 <u>restores the</u> <u>basic Temple in 18 months</u>; but would continue for many years with the elaborate decorations

of it. But king Herod was skirting serious illness and Insanity over his right

Patron Mark Anthony and Cleopatra committed Suicide in Egypt upon being defeated by Octavian (Augustus) at the battle of Actium.

It was following these decades of power grabbing that JESUS CHRIST the Son of THE HOLY

GOD was Born to Israel. Herod was not about to welcome Him

to rule; as his



THE END OF TEMPLE WORSHIP IN THE HOLY LAND

THE HOUSE OF THE HOLY GOD WAS CONTINUALLY BEING DEFILED BY MEN OF SIN HUNGRY FOR POWER. UNTIL JESUS CHRIST, SON OF GOD, SON OF ABRAHAM, SON OF DAVID, SON OF MARY CAME TO HIS OWN. HE WAS THE TRUE SON OF GOD AND THE TRUE PRIEST / KING. Yet the Jews did not understand that He would First have to offer Himself as Perfect High Priest Sacrifice to The HOLY GOD for their sin before He would Assume His Davidic Dynasty and KINGDOM.

HE CAME TWICE TO CLEAN HIS FATHER'S HOUSE (TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM). Once at the beginning of His Ministry and again near the end, And He CLEANED HOUSE. But because the Jews, as a Nation rejected their High Priest/King, Their Temple would again be destroyed. But JESUS PROMISED TO BUILD HIS CHURCH. The True Priest/King of the Jews, gave His life in the Spring of 30 AD. Rose to life 3 days later. And for 40 days He Walked up and down Israel Encouraging His Disciples. As many as 500 at a time saw Him before His Ascension into Heaven. 40 years later, The Roman Emperor TITUS besiege and destroy Jerusalem and burn the Temple to the ground, leaving no stone upon another. (About 600 years Later the Muslims would take the site and build their Dome of the Rock mosque upon it). By now Christ's Church had spread all over the known World. From Jerusalem the Witness was spoken in many Languages to Visitors from around the world. Christ added 3000 to His Church in Just One Day (Acts 2:14-41). Then the Apostles were Sent out into all the WORLD to make Disciples of ALL NATIONS, TO BAPTIZE AND TO TEACH THEM. Then a Great Apostle called PAUL (A Jew and a Roman Citizen once Persecuting the Church, a witness to the stoning of Stephen, who prayed for him) is converted from Judaism to Christ and takes the Gospel all the way to ROME and the Romanized/Greek world. This Former Pharisee of The Law. Preached The Grace of Salvation by Faith in THE SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ALONE. THE TEMPLE OF GOD WAS NOW CHRIST'S PEOPLE, A BODY OF CHRIST, NOT A BUILDING MADE BY MAN. See Matthew 12:6, John 2:19, 1 Corinthians 3:16-19, 2 Cor. 6:16, Eph. 2:21, Revelation 21:22.

STILL AN ANTI-CHRIST WORLD RETURNS UNDER STRICT LAW... BECAUSE THE PREACHING OF THE GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD THAT MANY TRY TO AVOID!

GION. LIKE A DARK VEIL IT HANGS BETWEEN MAN AND THE HOLY GOD. BUT UPON JESUS CHRIST'S DEATH AS OUR ULTIMATE HIGH PRIEST AND THE HOLY GOD'S ACCEPTANCE OF HIM, THE VEIL IN THE TEMPLE OF JERUSALEM WAS TORN APART FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. Luke 23:44-45 "And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the VEIL OF THE TEMPLE WAS RENT IN

THE WHOLE WORLD IS FULL OF RELI-

THE MIDST." THIS HUGE VEIL OF 2
GIANT TAPESTRIES COULD NEVER BE
TORN, but kept all but the high priest
out of the holy of holies where the
Sacrificial Blood was to be carried in
and placed on the ARK to purge the
sin of man before the HOLY GOD.
Can you grasp the significance of
this? Since our Ultimate Final High

Priest was accepted with His Pure blood Sacrifice, there is nothing separating you or I from the HOLY GOD.

If we reject Christ's Self Sacrifice in our Place, than we go back under The LAW to try to please THE HOLY

GOD With OUR OWN WORKS, THAT DIDN'T EVEN WORK FOR THE RELIGIOUS JEWS; FROM THE TIME OF MOSES THE LAW GIVER TO THE TIME OF JESUS THE CHRIST.

AND FOR AN ANTI-CHRIST WORLD, REJECTING THE CREATOR AND HIS SON AS THE SAVIOR, we are headed for an even more strict law, with deadly penalties. ISLAMIC LAW will chastise a secular world. THE CHRIST REJECTORS WILL HAVE NO ESCAPE FROM THE HEAVY BURDEN OF LAW. EUROPE HAS

ALREADY BEGAN TO SEE THE FRUIT OF IT'S ANTI-CHRISTIAN IDEALS.

ISLAM WILL NOT SEPARATE RELIGION AND POWER FOR THE WORLD.

THERE IS NO MOSQUE-AND-STATE-SEPARATION, LIKE CHURCH AND STATE...

LAW WILL BE MEASURED OUT ON THE LAWLESS BECAUSE ISLAM WILL NOT TOLLERATE THE WESTERN WORLD'S LACK OF DICIPLINE.

But Will Mohammed SAVE

CHRIST Carried The CROSS, Now YOU must Take up Your Cross and FOLLOW HIM. Do Not Reject YOUR CHANCE Of BEING A DISCIPLE Of JESUS CHRIST THE SAVIOR.

"FOR YOU SHALL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOUL!" —JESUS. —
-Matthew 11:29.