

Greek words (forms) translated "Temple" in the English N.T.

1. ιερον (*hieron*)

a place consecrated or sacred as given or devoted to God, a place that subserves a sacred purpose, as the Temple, as the sacred things themselves; (e.g. *τα ιερα* are the sacrifices; *ιερευς* is the person who offers them; *το ιερον* is the place where they are offered). *ιερον* is used of the whole compass of the sacred enclosure, including the outer courts, porches and all other subordinate buildings appertaining to the Temple. (*This word must be carefully distinguished in every passage from No. 2*)

2. ναοσ (*naos*)

dwelling, habitation of God; the interior and most sacred part of No.1, where the presence of God was manifested; the holy place, the Holy of Holies.

3. οικος (*oikos*)

house: occurs in Lu 11:51 (translated Temple). The whole "saying" is a reference to 2 Chron 24:18-22, verse 19 being amplified to show the purpose and counsel of God in the historical notice of the facts.

There are seven buildings mentioned in Scripture:

1. *The Mosaic Tabernacle* (translated temple, 1 Sam 1:9, 3:3), lasted 500 years and was superceded by
2. *Solomon's Temple*, 1 Ki 6:7; lasted 400 years and was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar.
3. *Zerababel's Temple*, Ezra 4: 1, 2; lasted 500 years and was destroyed by Antiochus Epiphanes.
4. *Herod's temple*, John 2:9; 46 years in the building, lasted 85 years, destroyed by Titus.
5. *The Temple of God*, 2 Thes 2:4; (Holy of Holies, *Gr. naos*) yet to be built and indwelt by, "the man of sin", the anti-Christ.
6. *The Millenial Temple*, Ezek 41-44.
7. *The Heavenly Temple*, Rev 21:3, 22.

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And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may **dwell** among them. According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it. (Ex 25:8,9)

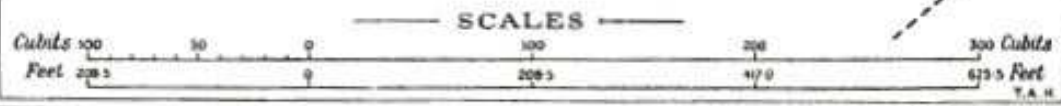
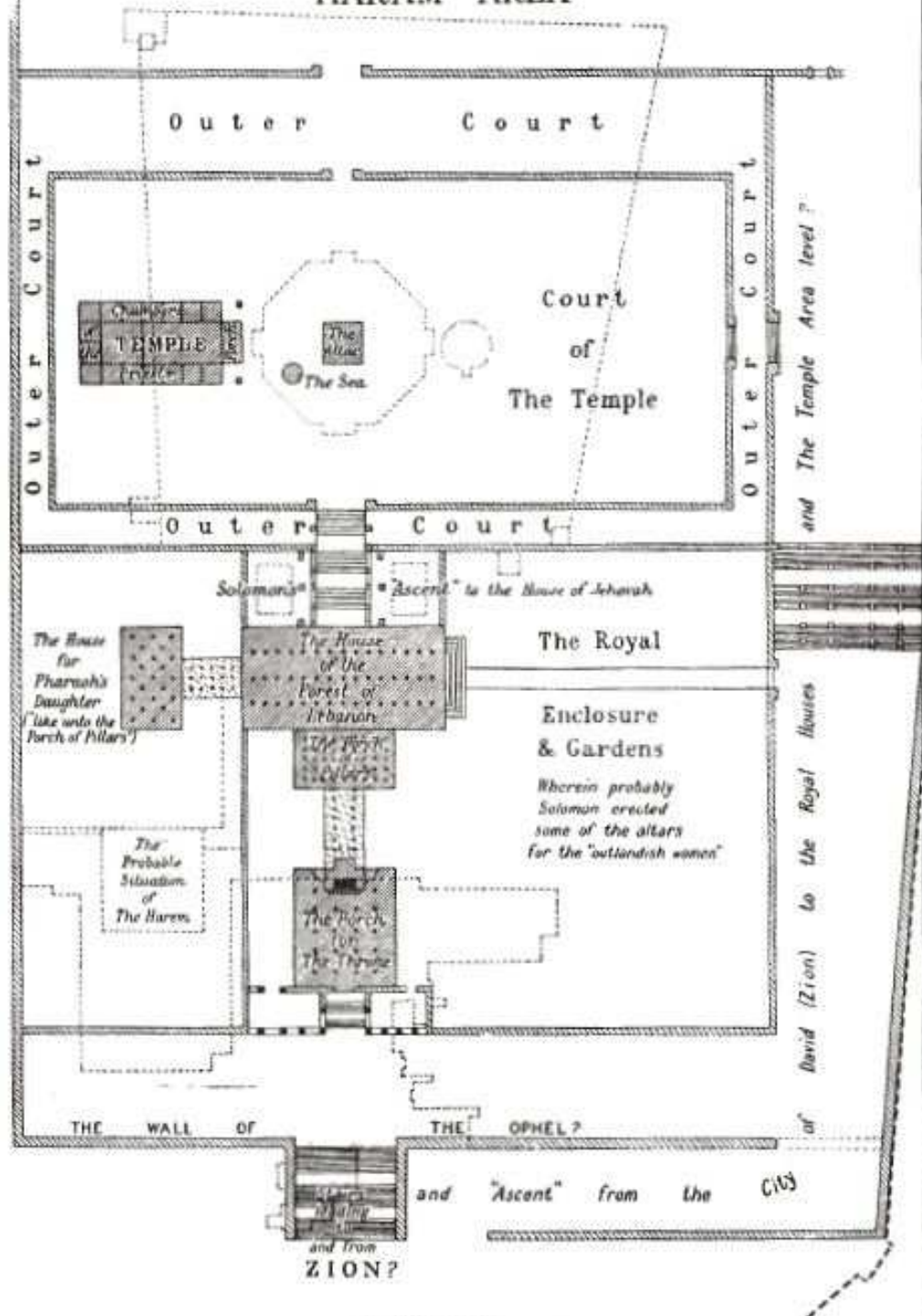


Replica of the tabernacle in the wilderness.



Model of Herod's Temple in the Israel Museum

THE TEMPLE OF SOLOMON
and the
Royal Buildings on Mount Moriah
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