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Key Understanding: *Deliverers and builders of the temples*. At least one of the Two Olive Trees/Two Witnesses follows in the pattern of Moses, and then Zerubbabel, in the undertaking of the two tasks of (a) the *deliverance* of the Lord's people out of bondage, and (b) the *building of the Temple* of God.

Moses was a deliverer, and Zerubbabel was a deliverer, so, at least one of the Two Witnesses would be a deliverer. Moses, or one in the role of Moses, is often identified as one of the Two Witnesses. That certainly points to the role of a spiritual deliverer out of the clutches of Babylon the Great, for . . .



- (i) <u>Moses</u> was the *deliverer* of Israel out of the bondage of <u>Egypt</u> into the Promised Land. Furthermore,
- (ii) <u>Zerubbabel</u> was a second Moses, *leading* Jews out of <u>Babylon</u> back to the Promised Land. Thus, a role of at least . . .
- (iii) One of the Two Olive Trees/Two Witnesses is as a Moses-type *deliverer* out of the *spiritual* bondage of *Babylon the Great*, and that in the footsteps of Zerubbabel, who was in the footsteps of the original Moses.

Builders of the Temple

Moses built the Tabernacle (right), Zerubbabel built the Temple, so, at least one of the Two Witnesses

should be a builder of the Temple (the Church).

(i) <u>Moses</u> *delivered* Israel out of <u>Egypt</u> and then was given instructions by the Lord on <u>constructing the Tabernacle</u> (Exodus 26), the predecessor to Solomon's Temple. Furthermore,



- (ii) <u>Zerubbabel</u> *led* Jews out of <u>Babylon</u> and <u>built the Second (Zerubbabel's) Temple</u> (Zechariah 4 and other passages). Likewise, in the pattern and footsteps of Moses and Zerubbabel, at least . . .
- (iii) One of the Two Olive Trees/Two Witnesses is in the role as a *deliverer* out of the *spiritual* bondage of *Babylon the Great*, with a corresponding role of *building the Temple, meaning the Church*.

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Zechariah 4:11-14 (NIV) Then I asked the angel, "What are these TWO OLIVE TREES on the right and the left of the lampstand?"

12 Again I asked him, "What are these TWO OLIVE BRANCHES beside the two gold pipes that pour out golden oil?"

13 He replied, "Do you not know what these are?" "No, my lord," I said.

14 So he said, "<u>These are THE TWO</u> [the governor, Zerubbabel, in the office of **King**, and Joshua in the office of **Priest**, guiding the people of Judah out of the captivity of Babylon, and into the building of the Temple] <u>WHO ARE ANOINTED to serve the Lord of all the earth."</u>

Revelation 11:1-4 (KJV) And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, <u>Rise</u>, and <u>MEASURE THE TEMPLE OF GOD</u>, and the altar, and them that worship therein.

- 2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.
- 3 And <u>I WILL GIVE POWER unto my TWO WITNESSES</u>, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.
- 4 <u>These are the TWO OLIVE TREES</u>, and the TWO CANDLESTICKS standing before the God of the earth [... leading the Lord's people out of the spiritual captivity of Babylon the Great, and building the Temple (the Church), exemplified by the Two Olive Branches, Zerubbabel and Joshua, leading the Jews out of their *physical* captivity in Babylon, and then building Zerubbabel's Temple].

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