

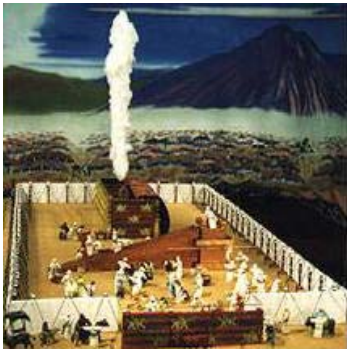
## #1452 Building the Temples of the *Christian* New Israel and the *Jewish* new Israel – The Old Testament Temples

**Review: The City, the Wall, the Temple.** When Jerusalem and Judah were (re)built in the time of the rule of Media-Persia, the rebuilding focused on (i) the City (of Jerusalem), (ii) the Wall (of Jerusalem), and (iii) the Temple (at Jerusalem).

The Temple that is being spoken of as concerns the rebuilding of the Temple in Jerusalem during the time of Cyrus the Great of Media-Persia and Zerubbabel, the governor of Judea, is Zerubbabel's Temple.

**Here is a list of the Temples of the Jews during the times of the Old Testament:**

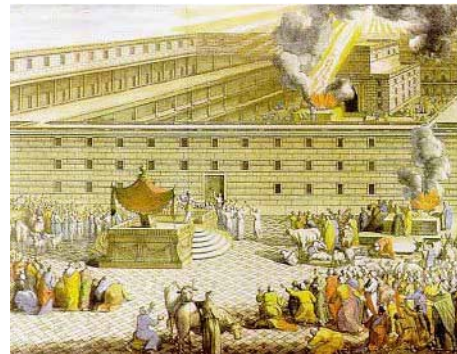
- **The Tabernacle of Moses (a mobile Temple, constructed c. 1445-1440 B.C.)**



**Moses** received a detailed plan of the tabernacle from the Lord (Exodus 25-30). It was constructed by divinely appointed artisans (Exodus 35:30-40:38). It was desecrated by **Nadab and Abihu** (Leviticus 10:1-7).

- **Solomon's Temple (966 B.C.-586 B.C.)**

It was planned by **David** (2 Samuel 7:1-29), constructed by **Solomon** (1 Kings 8:1-66), and destroyed by **Nebuchadnezzar** (Jeremiah 32:28-44).



- **Zerubbabel's Temple (516 B.C.-169 B.C.)**

*Isaiah 44:28 (KJV)* [Thus saith the Lord] **THAT SAITH OF CYRUS, HE IS MY SHEPHERD, and shall perform all my pleasure: EVEN SAYING TO JERUSALEM, THOU SHALT BE BUILT; AND TO THE TEMPLE, THY FOUNDATION SHALL BE LAID.**



It was constructed by **Zerubbabel** and the elders of the Jews (Ezra 3:1-8; 4:1-14). It was desecrated by **Antiochus Epiphanes** (Daniel 11:28-31).

**The Jewish Temple that was in existence during the lifetime of Jesus Christ is known as Herod's Temple:**

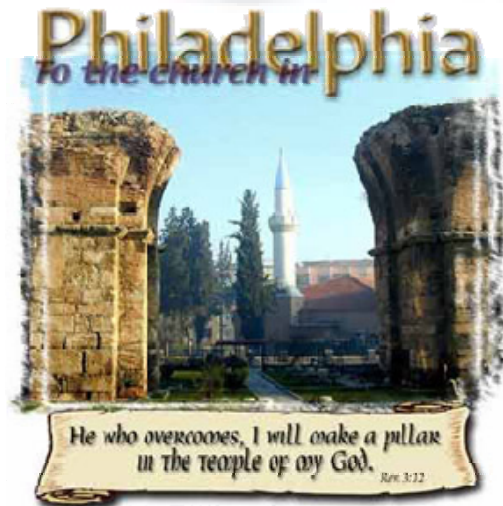
- **Herod's Temple (19 B.C.-70 A.D.)**

Herod's Temple was Zerubbabel's Temple restored by Herod the Great. (Thus Zerubbabel's Temple including its restoration to become Herod's Temple is referred to as the **Second Temple**.) Herod the Great was the king of Judea when Jesus was born. Herod slaughtered many baby boys in an attempt to locate and kill Jesus (Matthew 2:1-22). [His son, Herod Antipas, was the ruler of the Herodian dynasty over the Palestine area (under the Romans) during the time of the ministry of Jesus. Herod Antipas executed John the Baptist, and, according to Luke, after not being able to find anything in the charges against Jesus that deserved death, sent Jesus to Pontius Pilate for a final decision.]



**Key Understanding: However, the Lord's Temple during New Testament times is of a different nature:**

*2 Corinthians 6:16-18 (KJV) And what agreement hath THE TEMPLE OF GOD with idols? FOR YE ARE THE TEMPLE OF THE LIVING GOD; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.  
17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,  
18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.*



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