



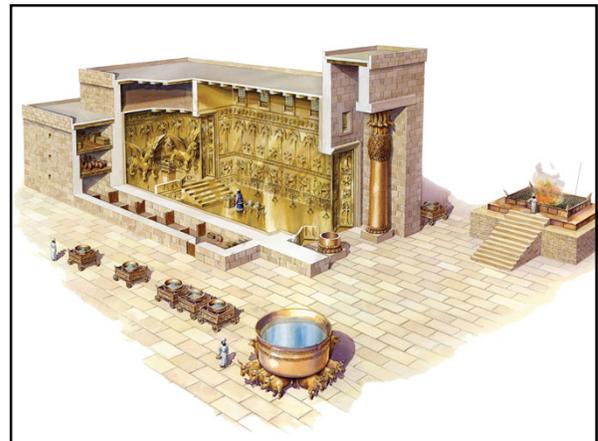
Welcoming the New Sanctuary (I Kings 8:1-9:9)

I Kings (6:1, 38)

- 6:1 In the four hundred and eightieth year after the Israelites came out of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month of Ziv, the second month, he began to build the temple of the LORD. ...
- ³⁸ In the eleventh year in the month of Bul, the eighth month, the temple was finished in all its details according to its specifications. He had spent **seven years** building it.

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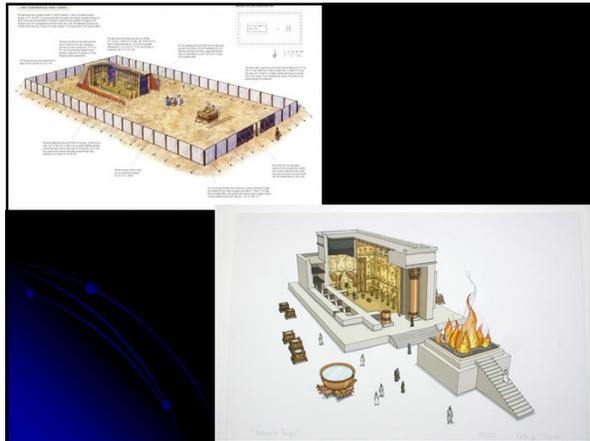


House of God (8:1-21)

- 1 Then King Solomon summoned into his presence at Jerusalem the elders of Israel, all the heads of the tribes and the chiefs of the Israelite families, to bring up **the ark of the LORD's covenant** from Zion, the City of David. ...³ When all the elders of Israel had arrived, the priests took up the ark, ⁴ and they brought up the ark of the LORD and the tent of meeting and all the sacred furnishings in it. The priests and Levites carried them up, ⁵ and King Solomon and the entire assembly of Israel that had gathered about him were before the ark, sacrificing so many sheep and cattle that they could not be recorded or counted.
- ⁶ The priests then brought the ark of the LORD's covenant to its place in the inner sanctuary of the temple, the Most Holy Place, and put it beneath the wings of the cherubim....
- ⁹ There was nothing in the ark except the **two stone tablets** that Moses had placed in it at Horeb, where the LORD made a covenant with the Israelites after they came out of Egypt.

House of God (8:1-21)

- ¹⁷ "My father David had it in his heart to build a temple for the Name of the LORD, the God of Israel. ¹⁸ But the LORD said to my father David, 'You did well to have it in your heart to build a temple for my Name. ¹⁹ Nevertheless, **you are not the one** to build the temple, but your son, your own flesh and blood—he is the one who will build the temple for my Name.'
- ²⁰ "The LORD has kept the promise he made: I have succeeded David my father and now I sit on the throne of Israel, just as the LORD promised, and I have built the temple for the Name of the LORD, the God of Israel. ...
- ²⁷ "But will God really dwell on earth? **The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built!**



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House of Prayer (8:22-53)

- Adoration
- Confession
- Thanksgiving
- Supplication



ACTS

- ²² Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in front of the whole assembly of Israel, spread out his hands toward heaven ²³ and said:
- “LORD, the God of Israel, **there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below—you who keep your covenant of love with your servants who continue wholeheartedly in your way.** ²⁴ You have kept your promise to your servant David my father; with your mouth you have promised and with your hand you have fulfilled it—as it is today.

ACTS

- ²⁵ “Now LORD, the God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father the promises you made to him when you said, ‘**You shall never fail to have a successor to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your descendants are careful in all they do to walk before me faithfully as you have done.**’ ²⁶ And now, God of Israel, let your word that you promised your servant David my father come true.

ACTS

- ²⁸ Yet give attention to your servant’s prayer and his plea for mercy, LORD my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day. ²⁹ May your eyes be open toward this temple night and day, **this place of which you said, ‘My Name shall be there,’ so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place.**

ACTS

- ³¹ “When anyone wrongs their neighbor and is required to take an oath and they come and swear the oath before your altar in this temple, ³² then hear from heaven and act. **Judge between your servants, condemning the guilty** by bringing down on their heads what they have done, and vindicating the innocent by treating them in accordance with their innocence.

ACTS

- ³³ “When your people Israel have been defeated by an enemy because they have sinned against you, and when they turn back to you and give praise to your name, praying and making supplication to you in this temple, ³⁴ then hear from heaven and forgive the sin of your people Israel and bring them back to the land you gave to their ancestors. ...
- ³⁷ “**When famine or plague comes to the land**, or blight or mildew, locusts or grasshoppers, or when an enemy besieges them in any of their cities, whatever disaster or disease may come, ³⁸ and when a prayer or plea is made by anyone among your people Israel—being aware of the afflictions of their own hearts, and spreading out their hands toward this temple— ...
- ⁴⁰ **so that they will fear you all the time they live in the land you gave our ancestors.**

ACTS

- ⁴¹ “As for the **foreigner** who does not belong to your people Israel but has come from a distant land because of your name— ⁴² for they will hear of your great name and your mighty hand and your outstretched arm—when they come and pray toward this temple, ⁴³ then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Do whatever the foreigner asks of you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your own people Israel, and may know that this house I have built bears your Name.



ACTS

- ⁴⁹ and if they turn back to you with all their heart and soul in the land of their enemies who took them captive, and pray to you toward the land you gave their ancestors, toward the city you have chosen and the temple I have built for your Name; ⁴⁹ then from heaven, your dwelling place, hear their prayer and their plea, and uphold their cause. ⁵⁰ And forgive your people, who have sinned against you; forgive all the offenses they have committed against you, and cause their captors to show them mercy; ⁵¹ for they are your people and your inheritance, whom you brought out of Egypt, out of that iron-smelting furnace.



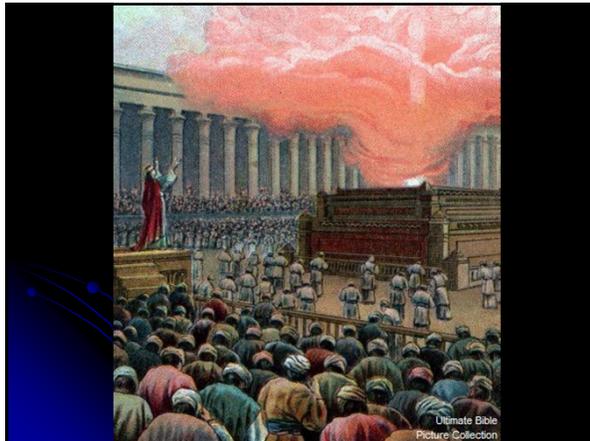
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House of Fellowship (8:54-61)

- ⁵⁴ When Solomon had finished all these prayers and supplications to the LORD, he rose from before the altar of the LORD, where he had been kneeling with his hands spread out toward heaven. ⁵⁵ He stood and blessed the whole assembly of Israel in a loud voice, saying: ...
- ⁶¹ And may your hearts be fully committed to the LORD our God, to live by his decrees and obey his commands, as at this time.” ⁶² Then the king and all Israel with him **offered sacrifices** before the LORD. ...
- ⁶⁶ On the following day he sent the people away. They blessed the king and then went home, **joyful and glad in heart** for all the good things the LORD had done for his servant David and his people Israel.



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House of Covenant (9:1-9)

- 1 When Solomon had finished building the temple of the LORD and the royal palace, and had achieved all he had desired to do, 2 the LORD appeared to him a second time, as he had appeared to him at Gibeon. 3 The LORD said to him:
 - "I have heard the prayer and plea you have made before me; I have consecrated this temple, which you have built, by putting my Name there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there.
 - 4 "As for you, if you walk before me faithfully with integrity of heart and uprightness, as David your father did, and do all I command and observe my decrees and laws, 5 I will establish your royal throne over Israel forever, as I promised David your father when I said, 'You shall never fail to have a successor on the throne of Israel.'

House of Covenant (9:1-9)

- 6 "But if you or your descendants turn away from me and do not observe the commands and decrees I have given you and go off to serve other gods and worship them, 7 then I will cut off Israel from the land I have given them and will reject this temple I have consecrated for my Name. Israel will then become a byword and an object of ridicule among all peoples. 8 This temple will become a heap of rubble. All who pass by will be appalled and will scoff and say, 'Why has the LORD done such a thing to this land and to this temple?' 9 People will answer, 'Because they have forsaken the LORD their God, who brought their ancestors out of Egypt, and have embraced other gods, worshiping and serving them—that is why the LORD brought all this disaster on them.'"

House of Covenant (9:1-9)

- For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings. (Hosea 6:6)

Welcoming the New Sanctuary (1 Kings 8:1-9:9)

- Offer
- Pray
- Celebrate

