

The Church in Prophecy



Part 1

The Heavenly Jerusalem

2 Chronicles 7:17-22

Introduction

- ❖ The prophets of the Old Testament “*spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.*”

2 Pet 1:16-21

- The prophecies foretold:
 - The rise and fall of Israel.
 - The rise and fall of other nations.
 - The coming of the Christ.
 - The coming of the church.

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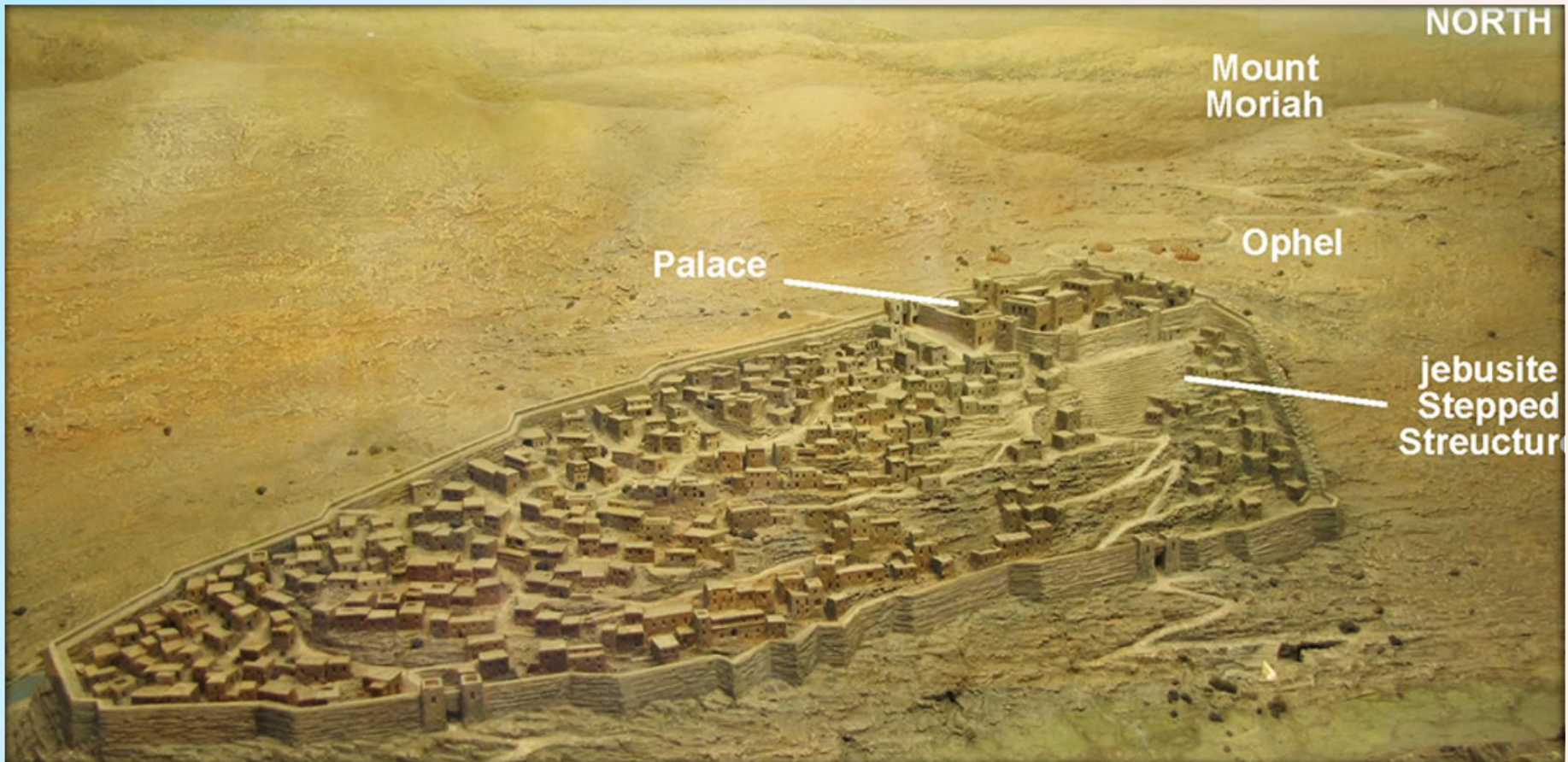
- ❖ In this lesson,...
 - we will consider a brief history of Jerusalem and the temple,
 - and then focus on the fulfillment of Isaiah 2:2-4.

- ❖ Let's begin by looking at Jerusalem and the temple.

Jerusalem and the Temple

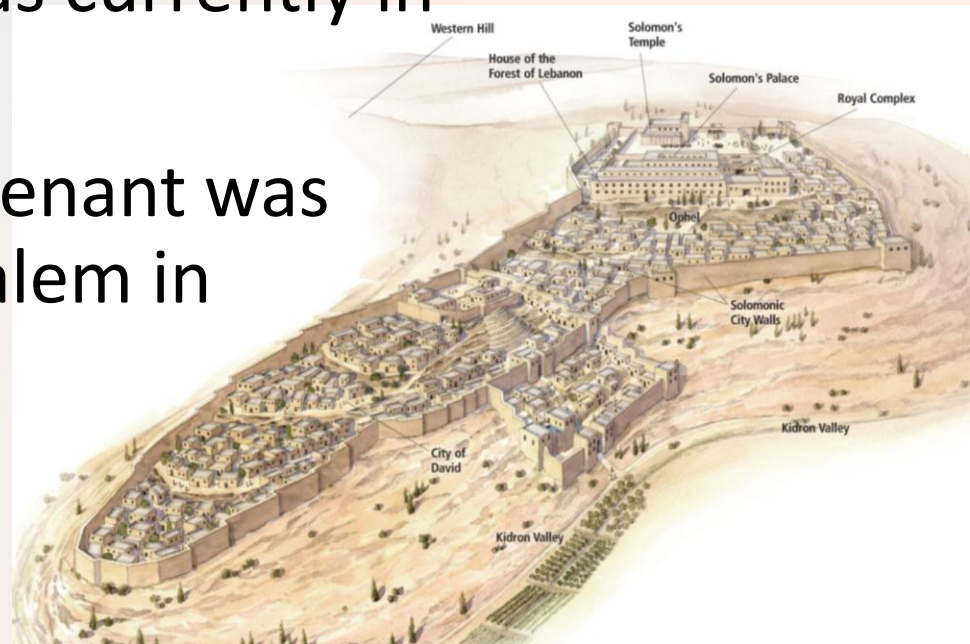
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- ❖ Around 1003 B.C., King David took the city of Jebus and called it Jerusalem.



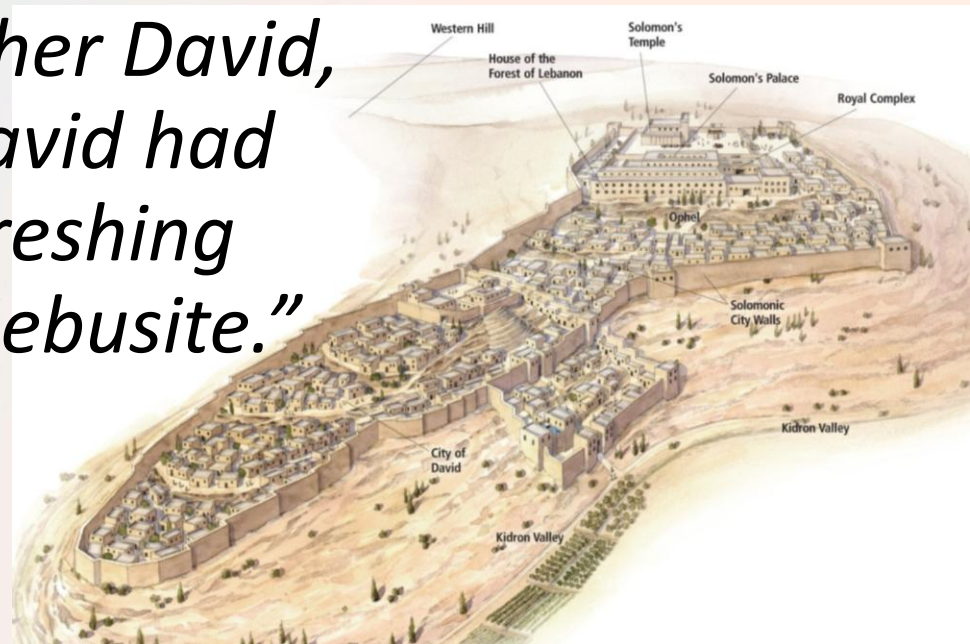
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- ❖ God gave King Solomon the privilege of building the temple.
 - The temple would take over the role of the tabernacle.
- The tabernacle was currently in Gibeon.
- The ark of the covenant was currently in Jerusalem in David's tent.



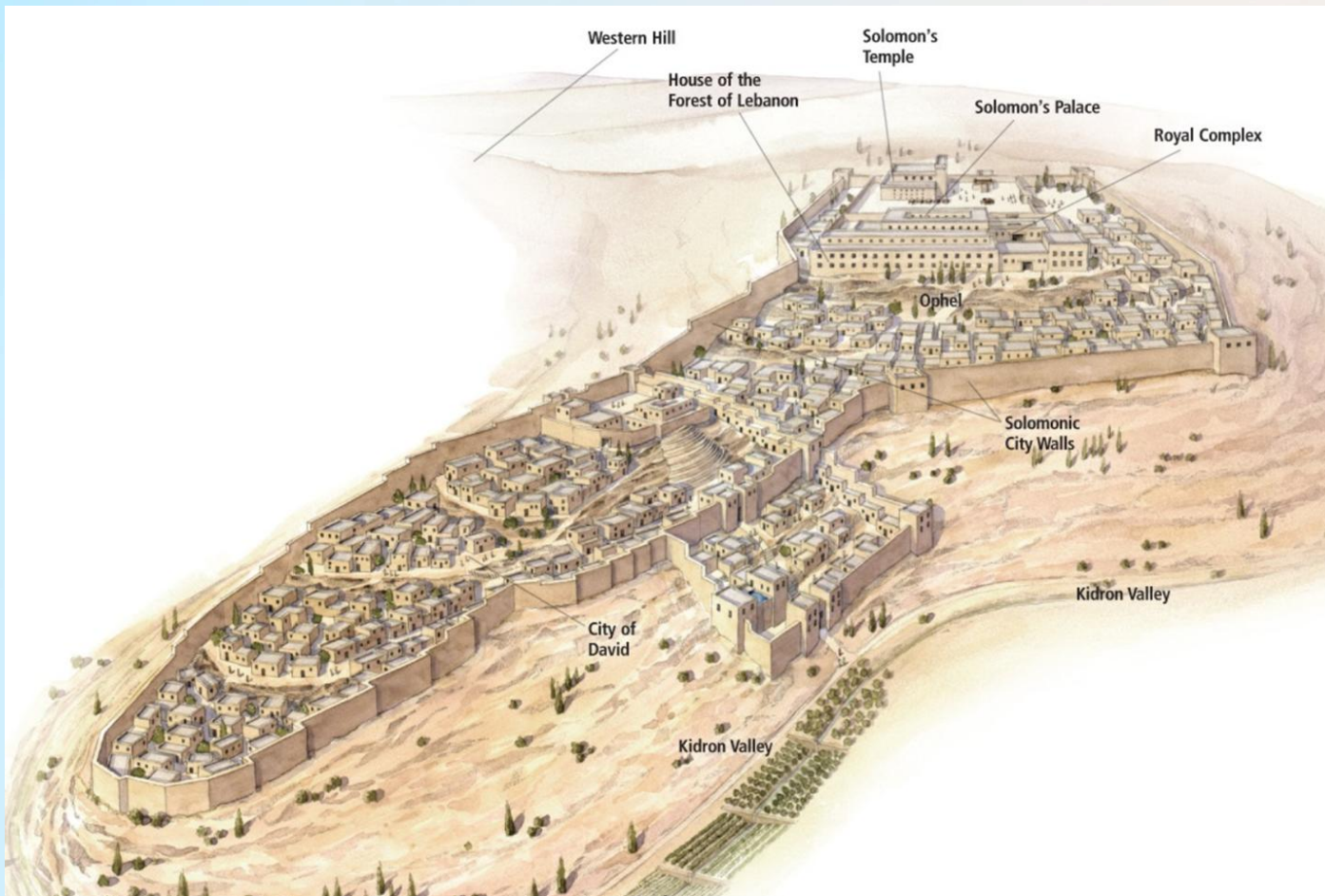
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 - Solomon built the temple of the Lord *“at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the Lord had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.”*
2 Chron 3:1



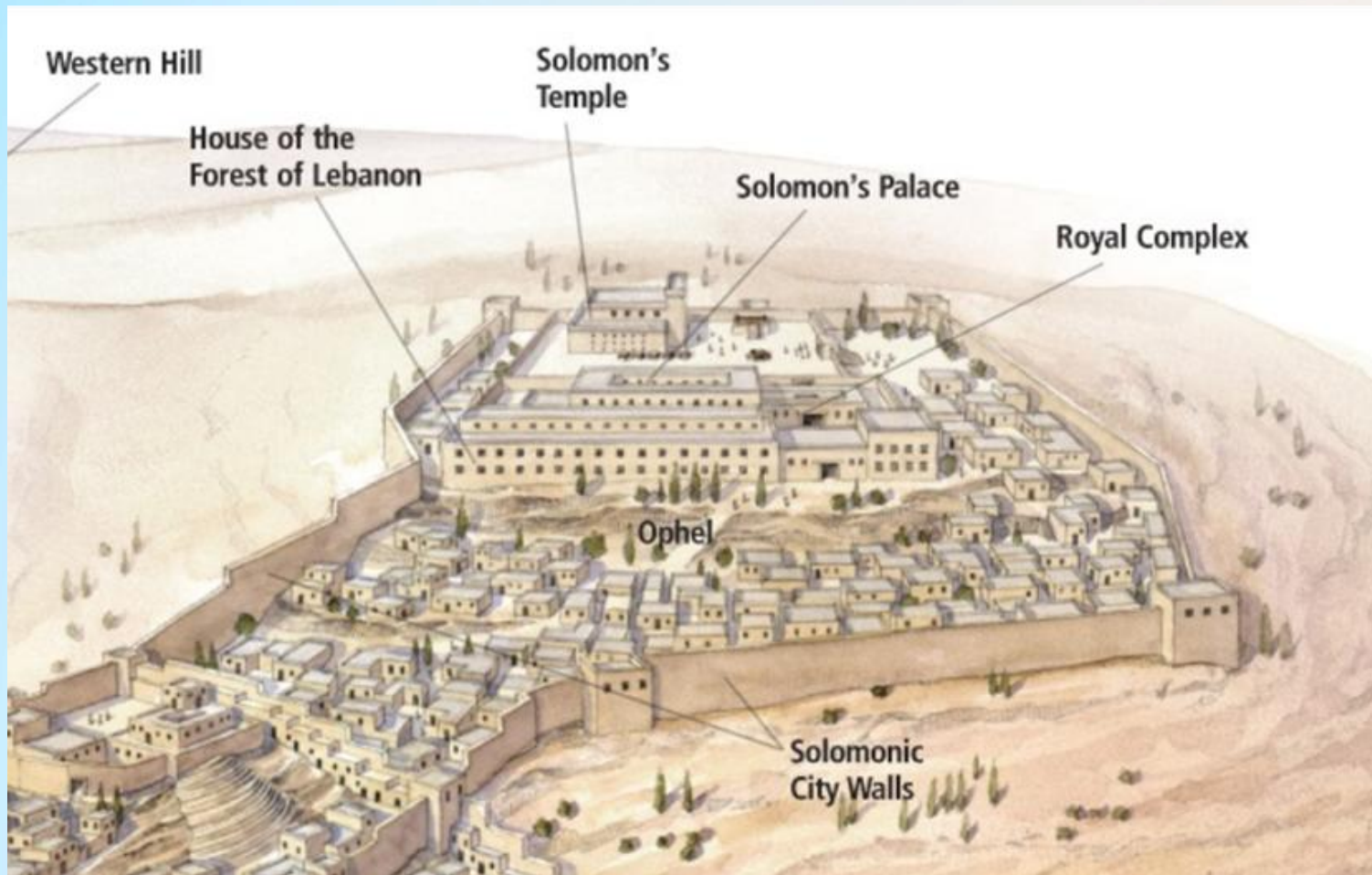
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 - The furnishings from the tabernacle were moved into the temple. **1 Kings 8:1-9**
 - *The altar of burnt offering*
 - *The bronze laver*
 - *The table of showbread*
 - *The altar of incense*
 - *The golden lampstand*
 - *The ark of the covenant*

2 Chron 3:1

1 Kings 8:1-9

1 Kings 8:10-13

2 Chron 7:12-16

Psa 122:2-3

1 Kings 8:29

1 Kings 9:3

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 - The glory of the Lord filled the temple. **1 Kings 8:10-13**

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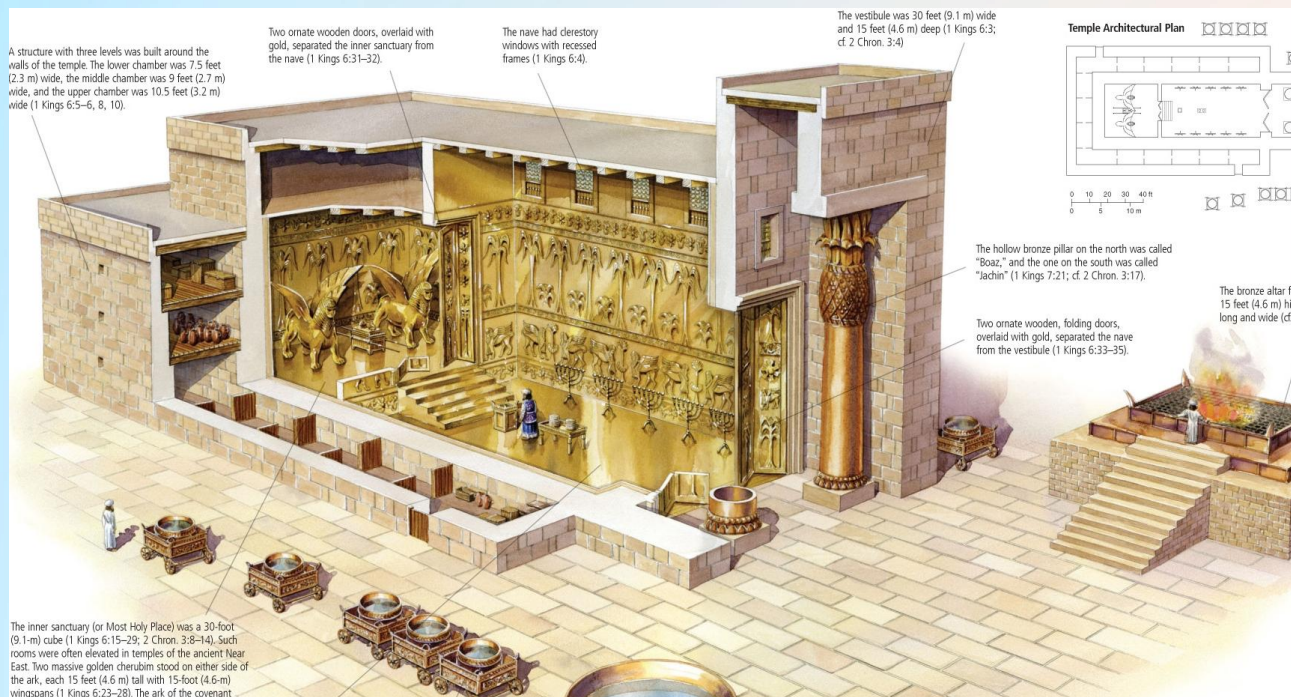
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 - The Lord told Solomon, *“For now I have chosen and sanctified this house, that My name may be there forever; and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually.”*
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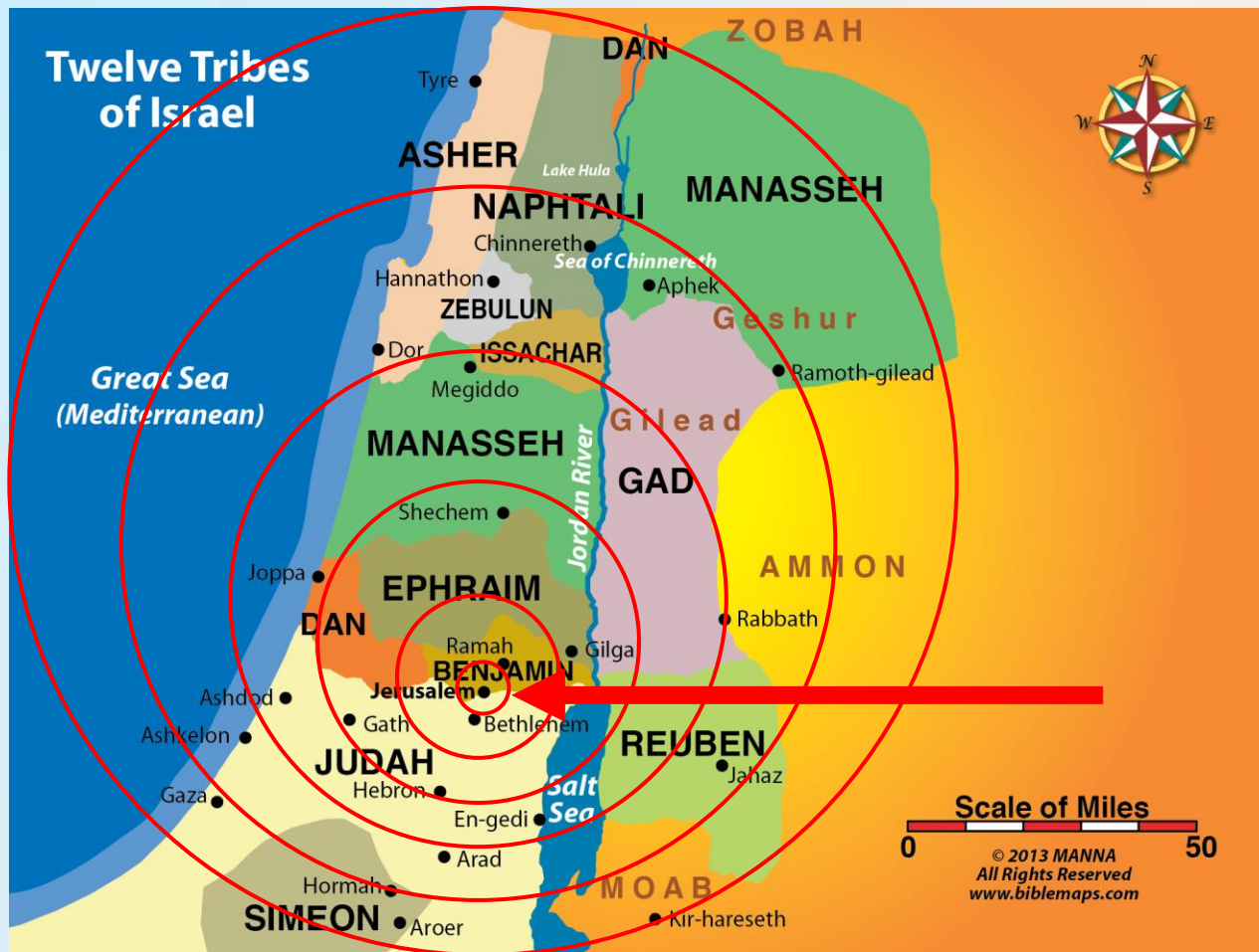
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- *“Jerusalem is built a city that is compact together, Where the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, to the Testimony of Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.” Psa 122:3-4*

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- ❖ Jerusalem became the center of religious service for Israel.
 - The temple was the house of the Lord. **1 Kings 8:29; 9:3**
 - *“that Your eyes may be open toward this temple night and day, toward the place of which You said, My name shall be there,” that You may hear the prayer which Your servant makes toward this place.” 1 Kings 8:29*

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- *“And the LORD said to him: ‘I have heard your prayer and your supplication that you have made before Me; I have consecrated this house which you have built to put My name there forever, and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually.’”* **1 Kings 9:3**

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- ❖ Jerusalem became the center of religious service for Israel.
 - The priests offered sacrifices.
 - The high priests made yearly atonement for the people.
 - The Lord would hear prayers and respond.
 - Three times a year the men were to travel to Jerusalem.

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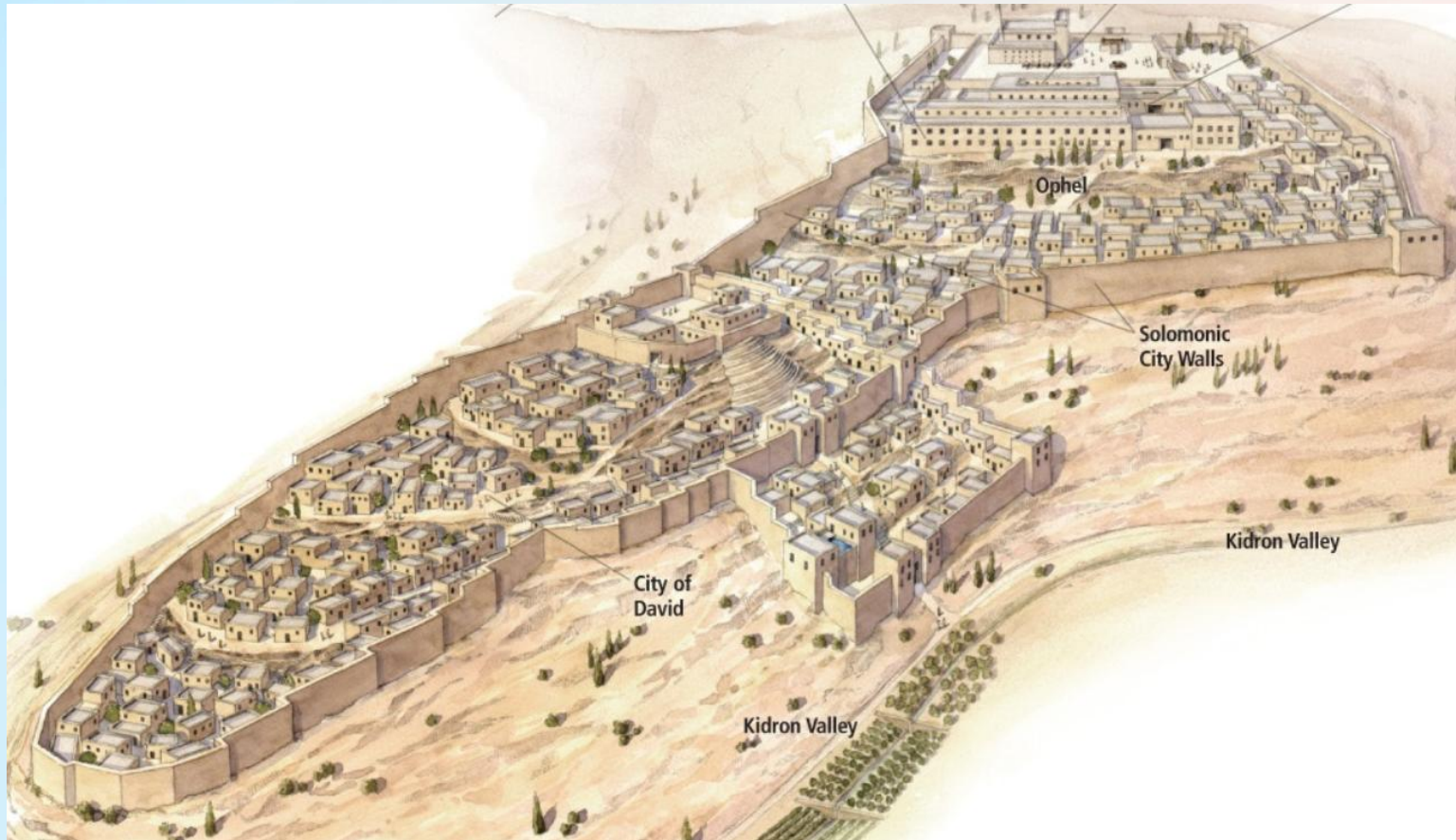
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 - The Lord would continue His presence in the temple if they kept the covenant He had made with their fathers.

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Jer 11:10

Jer 31:32

Isa 10:22,23

Isa 1:9

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- *“They have turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers who refused to hear My words, and they have gone after other gods to serve them; the house of Israel and the house of Judah **have broken My covenant which I made with their fathers.**”*

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- *“not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, **My covenant which they broke**, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD.” Jer 31:32*

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Israel Broke God's Covenant

- ❖ By breaking the covenant, Israel rejected everything associated with the covenant.
 - Israel rejected the holy temple and the presence of the Lord.
 - Israel rejected the law and the priesthood.
 - Israel rejected the sacrificial system set up to forgive them of their trespasses.
 - Israel rejected Jerusalem, Mount Zion, the mountain of the Lord.

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- ❖ The Lord would save for Himself a remnant of the Jewish people.

Isa 10:22,23; 1:9

- *“For though your people, O Israel, be as the sand of the sea, **A remnant of them will return;** The destruction decreed shall overflow with righteousness. For the Lord GOD of hosts Will make a determined end In the midst of all the land.”* Isa 10:22-23*

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- ❖ The Lord would save for Himself a remnant of the Jewish people.

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- *“Unless the LORD of hosts Had left to us **a very small remnant**, We would have become like Sodom, We would have been made like Gomorrah.”* Isa 1:9*

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*Quoted in Rom 9:27-29

Conclusion

- ❖ God's people have rejected Him.
 - They walked in disobedience.
 - They worshiped false gods.
 - They pursued their own selfish desires.

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- ❖ God rejected Israel and Jerusalem but saved a remnant who would be restored.
- ❖ Isaiah prophesied of a time when the mountain of the Lord would be exalted, and all nations would flow to it.
- ❖ This would bring in a new Jerusalem, a heavenly Jerusalem.