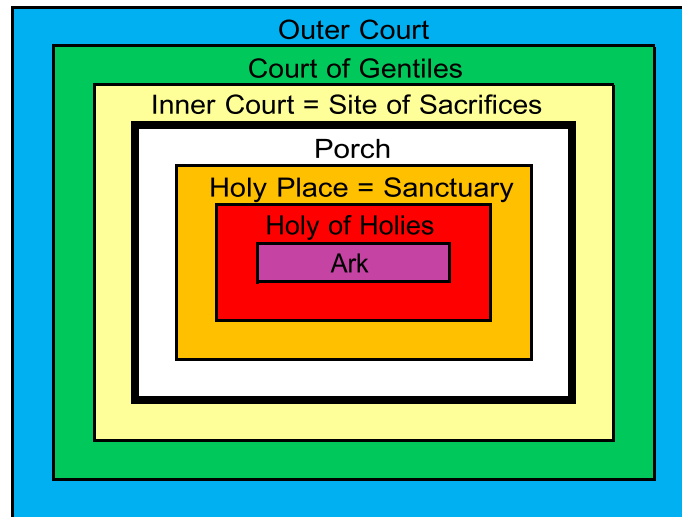


TABLE 7 - THE TWO TEMPLES

Conceptual Plan of Temple



Mosaic Covenantal Period (1464 BC-33 AD)

Physical Temples = Temples of Solomon, Daniel, & Herod.

Location - The Temple Mount in Jerusalem.

Priests - The Levites.

Worshippers - National Israel = mostly Descendents of Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob; a few Gentiles like Caleb

Sacrifices - Unblemished animals & birds, continually.

Note - The sacrifice of animals and birds represented a temporary measure. They were creatures of the fallen world and therefore not entirely unblemished. God required a perfect sacrifice to atone for sin, and thus he sent his Son into the world to (a) give up His divine prerogatives, (b) humble Himself, (c) live a sinless life, (d) undergo scourging at the hands of the Roman soldiers, (e) hang on the cross at Golgotha for six, agonizing hours, and then (f) die to redeem the world from the ravages of sin. With His crucifixion, He fulfilled all the requirements of the Mosaic Covenant, and nothing further was required. The oblations in the temple could and should cease.

New Covenantal Period (33 AD-Parousia)

Spiritual Temple = Temple of the Holy Spirit

Location - The Body of Messiah = Spiritual Israel = Cultivated Olive Tree.

Priest - The Son of God = the Lord Yeshua the Messiah or the Lord Jesus the Christ.

Worshippers - Spiritual Israel = Messiah's Disciples = the Saints = Faithful Jews (the natural branches of the Cultivated Olive Tree) & Faithful Gentiles (the grafted branches in the Cultivated Olive Tree, which were transplanted from the Wild Olive Tree).

Sacrifice - The Son of God on Passover 33 AD, once.

Note - Despite the Son of God's death on the cross at Golgotha, the Jews continued sacrificing animals & birds to atone for sin for another 37 years (33-70 AD), which God regarded as an Abomination, and for which He visited Israel with utter Desolation, causing the Romans to obliterate Jerusalem and its temple and expel the Jews from the Holy Land, after which they wandered in Gentile lands for nearly two millennia - the Diaspora which still continues for many. Although Jews now occupy the Holy Land and the Holy City, when they try to approach God, they find themselves staring at the massive, blank face of the Wailing Wall.