



COMING UP... SEPT 1: NO CLASS (*Labor Day*) SEPT 8: New Covenant SEPT 15: Daniel part 1 (chs. 1-7) SEPT 22: Daniel part 2 (chs. 8-12) SEPT 29: Revelation part 1 (chs. 1-5)

THE TIMES

Judah’s countdown to catastrophe is at zero

Ezekiel, in fact, is just waiting for news from Jerusalem that the Word of the Lord has come to pass: “Jerusalem is fallen!”

Though they’re being judged severely for their complacency, God doesn’t want them to lose hope altogether So He turns Ezekiel from the past to the future

LESSON THEME: In the Kingdom: Life 2.0

The Turning Point (33)

Jerusalem has been destroyed (33:21)

Judah will be deported

The rebels have been exposed and punished

Sin has been judged; payment has been made

Now to encourage the people, the Lord turns Ezekiel’s prophecies toward that “not yet” day when He’ll re-establish the kingdom and replant His people in the land

In the Kingdom: Life 2.0

God will restore Israel’s shepherd (34)

Another “David” (cf. 45:22)

A good shepherd; a righteous shepherd

Restore her land, people and covenant (35-37)

Restore land seized by the Edomites

A covenant that resurrects a “dead” nation

A covenant written on His people’s heart

A covenant empowered by the Holy Spirit

Restore her supremacy and security (38-39)

God will fight for and not against His people

He will repulse the enemy’s advances

Restore her Temple (40-42)

An entirely new and larger structure

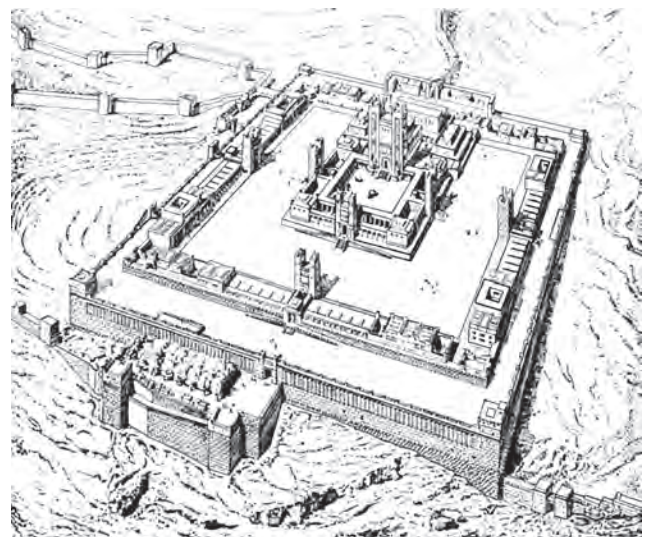
A re-start for worship

Restore her worship (43-46)

Restore and heal the land (47--8)

The Future of the Land (see “Ezekiel’s Vision” map, p. 3)

Restore His presence with them (48:35b)



Ezekiel’s Temple

Summary of Ezekiel 33-48

Though Jerusalem has been destroyed, God isn’t finished yet; He hasn’t led His people to Babylon to leave them in Babylon In a future day, He’ll re-establish the kingdom and replant a “resurrected” and united Israel

They’ll be reconstituted under a New Covenant, a new Shepherd, and be given the gift of His Holy Spirit to live “Life 2.0”

APPLICATION: In the Kingdom: Life 2.0

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In a future day, God will re-establish a physical, literal Promised Land kingdom and replant a “resurrected” and united Israel in it

They’ll be reconstituted under a New Covenant, they’ll have a new Shepherd, and they’ll have received the gift of the Holy Spirit; one day they’ll live Life 2.0

But if you’re in Christ, you’re “already but not yet” fully living 2.0 today

2.0 Began with a Turning Point

The turning point was the cross

This time the price wasn’t the condemnation of a city; it was the condemnation of the sinless Son of God, Jesus Christ (2 Cor 5:21)

There’s always a cost for an upgrade

But once judgment had been fully executed, redemption became the focus, and new life was preached in Jesus’ name (Acts 4:12)

We’re Already Living Life 2.0

Restore Israel’s shepherd (34)

We have the Good Shepherd’s leadership (Jn 10)

Restore her land, people and covenant (35–37)

The land and people haven’t been restored yet ...

But followers of Christ live under New Covenant blessings now (2 Cor 3; Hebrews)

Restore her supremacy & security (38–39)

Not yet

Restore her Temple (40–42)

We’re living spiritual stones being built into His Temple today; His presence is within us and with us individually and corporately (1 Cor 3)

The physical kingdom Temple has not yet begun

Restore her worship (43–46)

We have the backward look at the fulfillment of all of the OT sacrifices in Christ

Restore and heal the land (47–48)—not yet

Restore His presence with them (48:35b)

We have the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit

Observations/Applications

A physical, literal, earthly kingdom for Israel is still to come just as Ezekiel said; Life 2.0 for them is still coming

Christians have already been “upgraded” to 2.0; already but not yet fully

Does your anticipation for the future kingdom reflect a “2.0” point of view daily (2 Tim 4:8)?

Does your worship and your lifestyle?

FOR NEXT TIME: _____

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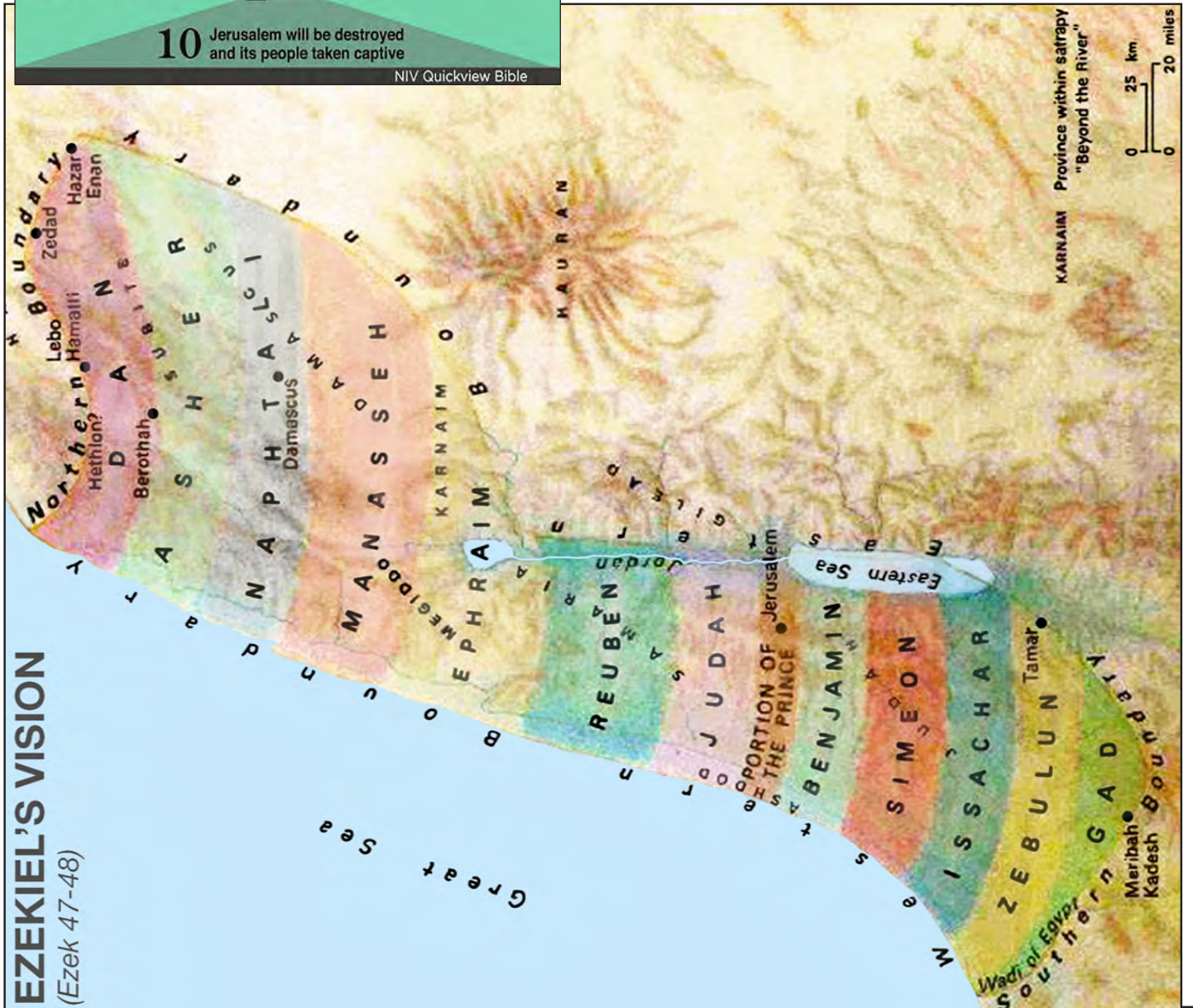
The Map With Two Roads

Ezekiel 21:18-23

In a day before computer presentations, Ezekiel draws his own visual aid to help his audience understand his message



"Vision of the Prophet Ezekiel" fresco by Feodor Bruni
St. Isaak Cathedral, Saint Petersburg



Ezekiel's Temple

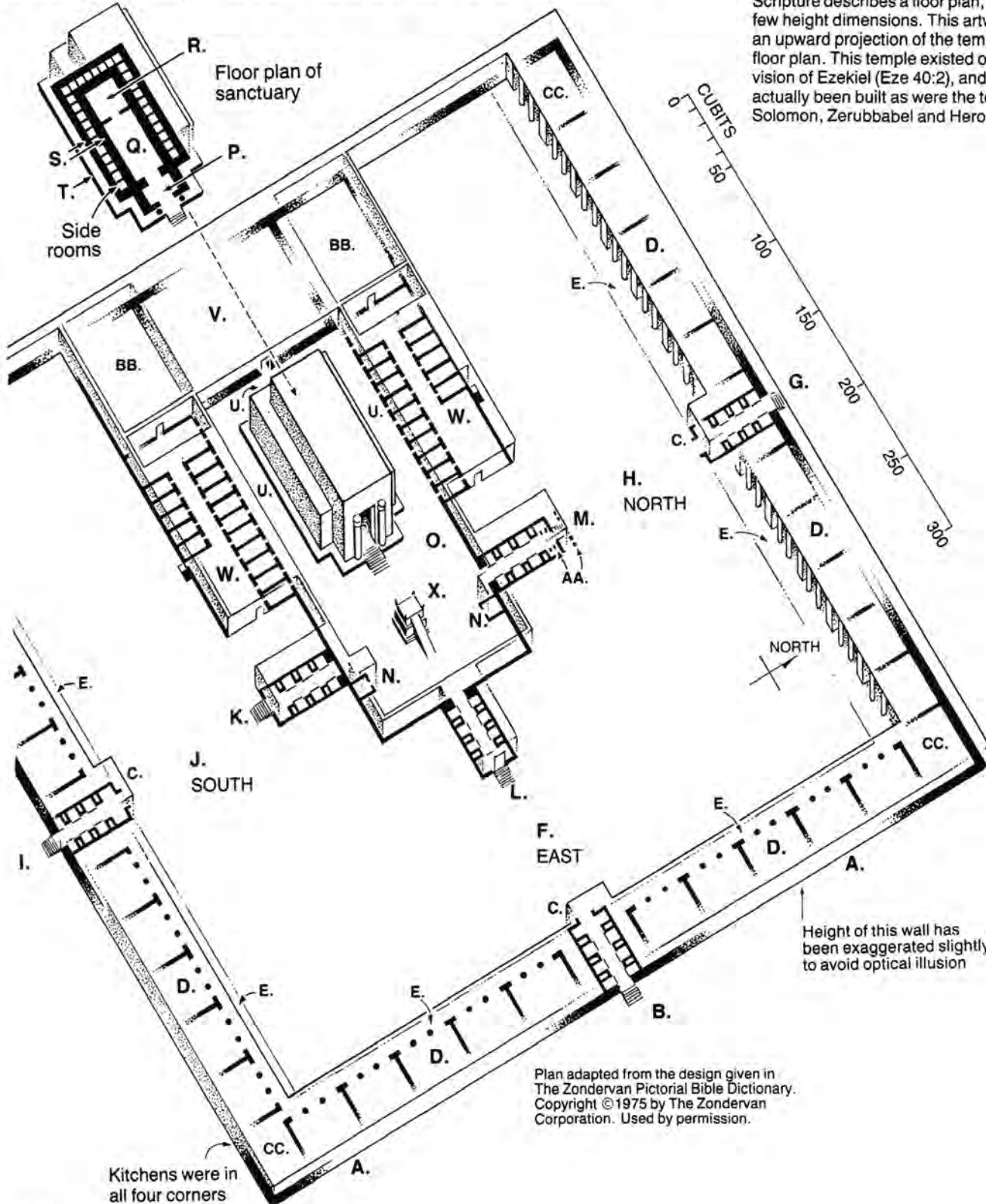
- A. Wall (40:5,16-20)
- B. East gate (40:6-14,16)
- C. Portico (40:8)
- D. Outer court (40:17)
- E. Pavement (40:17)
- F. Inner court (40:19)
- G. North gate (40:20-22)
- H. Inner court (40:23)
- I. South gate (40:24-26)
- J. South inner court (40:27)
- K. Gateway (40:32-34)
- L. Gateway (40:32-34)
- M. Gateway (40:35-38)
- N. Priests' rooms (40:44-45)

- O. Court (40:47)
- P. Temple portico (40:48-49)
- Q. Outer sanctuary (41:1-2)
- R. Most Holy Place (41:3-4)
- S. Temple walls (41:5-7, 9, 11)
- T. Base (41:8)
- U. Open area (41:10)
- V. West building (41:12)
- W. Priests' rooms (42:1-10)
- X. Altar (43:13-17)

- AA. Rooms for preparing sacrifices (40:39-43)
- BB. Ovens (46:19-20)
- CC. Kitchens (46:21-24)

Ezekiel uses a long or "royal" cubit, 20.4 inches or 51.81 cm ("cubit and a handbreadth," Eze 40:5) as opposed to the standard Hebrew cubit of 17.6 inches or 44.7 cm.

Scripture describes a floor plan, but provides few height dimensions. This artwork shows an upward projection of the temple over the floor plan. This temple existed only in a vision of Ezekiel (Eze 40:2), and has never actually been built as were the temples of Solomon, Zerubbabel and Herod.

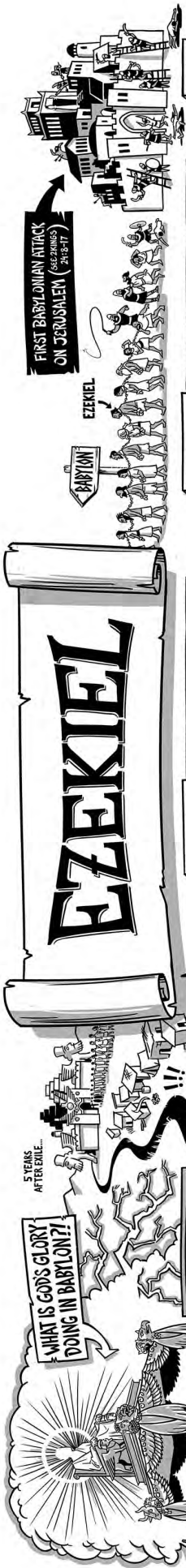


Height of this wall has been exaggerated slightly to avoid optical illusion

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Kitchens were in all four corners

EZEKIEL



5 YEARS AFTER EXILE

WHAT IS GOD'S GLORY DOING IN BABYLON??

THE APPEARANCE OF THE LORD'S GLORY IN THE TABERNACLE - PHYSICAL MANIFESTATION OF GOD'S SIGNIFICANCE (SEE EXODUS 16, 24, 25)

1-11 ACCUSATIONS AGAINST ISRAEL

SON OF MAN ACCUSE ISRAEL OF BREAKING THE COVENANT AND WARN THEM OF IMPENDING DESTRUCTION

LOOKUP OF OTHER GODS - SOCIAL INJUSTICE

1-5 EZEKIEL COMPTISIGNED

7-9 EZEKIEL'S SIGN ACTS

EZEKIEL THE SCAFFOLDER BEHIND THE SCENES

BAD NEWS: NO ONE'S GOING TO LISTEN. (RECALL DEUTERONOMY ch.30)

ISRAEL'S HARD HEART

ISRAEL'S IDOLATRY HAS DRIVEN GOD AWAY... BUT HE HASN'T ABANDONED HIS PEOPLE. A REMNANT WILL RETURN WITH NEW, TRANSFORMED HEARTS.

ISRAEL'S NEW HEART

12-24 JUDGMENT ON ISRAEL

12 USE OF PARABLE & ALLEGORY

13 THE GOLDEN CALVE

14 THE GOLDEN CALVE

15 EZEKIEL AS LAQUER

16 GOD HATE MERCY

17 FERNETZ TRIUMPH

18 JUDGMENT ON THE NATIONS

19 EGYPT

20 AMMON

21 MOAB

22 EDOM

25-32 JUDGMENT ON THE NATIONS

23 VISION OF THE NEW TEMPLE

24 VISITING THEMSELVES GODS

25 ALL BROUGHT DOWN BY BABYLON

26 BABYLON'S COMING FOR YOU TOO!

33 JERUSALEM HAS FALLEN!

34 THE MEANING OF THE VISIONS?

35 LITERAL INTERPRETATION OF NEW TEMPLE IN THE FOURTH MESSEANIC KINGDOM

36 SYMBOLIC INTERPRETATION OF GODS PRESENCE WITH HIS PEOPLE IN THE MESSEANIC KINGDOM

37 DEAD SEA VALLEY

38 NEW GARDEN OF EDEN: THE LORD IS THERE

34-37 HOPE FOR ISRAEL

34 A NEW KING

35 A NEW KING

36 A NEW KING

37 A NEW KING

38-39 HOPE FOR THE NATIONS

38 GOD DEFENDS AMONG THE NATIONS

39 GOD DEFENDS AMONG THE NATIONS

40 A NEW KING

41 A NEW KING

40-48 HOPE FOR ALL CREATION

40 VISION OF A NEW TEMPLE

41 VISION OF A NEW TEMPLE

42 VISION OF A NEW TEMPLE

43 VISION OF A NEW TEMPLE

ISRAEL'S HARD HEART

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