

Plate 21. The Tabernacle and Enclosure

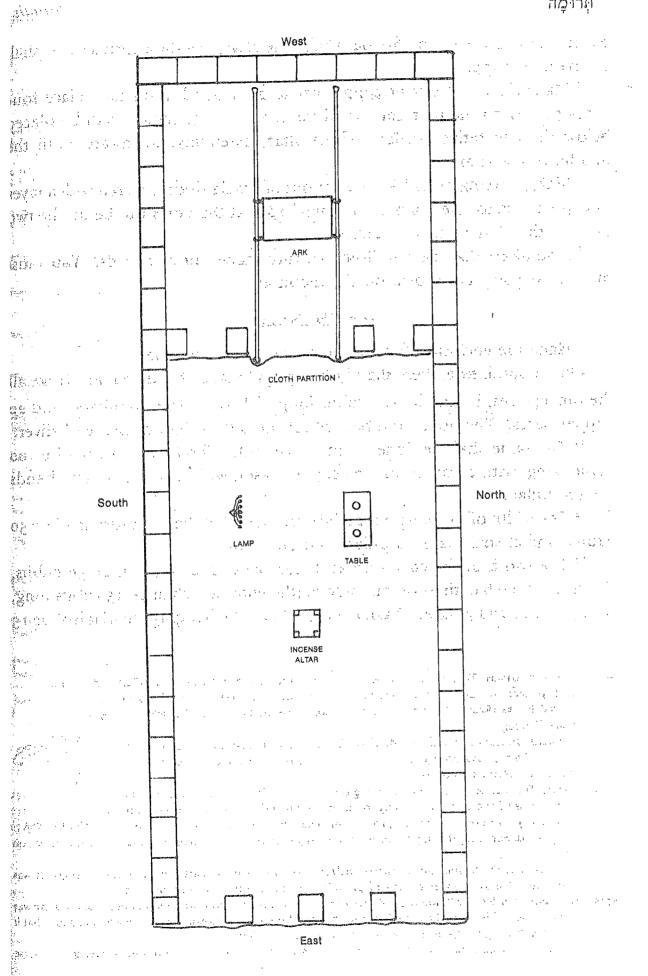


PLATE 22. THE TABERNACLE AND ITS FURNITURE

and thou shalt receive them; and thou shalt accomplish my desire, in giving food for my household.' 24So Hiram gave Solomon timber of cedar and timber of cypress according to ²⁵And Solomon gave all his desire. Hiram twenty thousand measures of wheat for food to his household, and twenty measures of beaten oil; thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year. 26 And the Lord gave Solomon wisdom, as He promised him; and there was peace between Hiram and Solomon; and they two made a league together.

²⁷And king Solomon raised a levy out of all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand men. 28 And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were in Lebanon, and two months at home; and Adoniram was over the levy. 29And Solomon had threescore and ten thousand that bore burdens, and fourscore thousand that were hewers in the mountains; 30 besides Solomon's chief officers that were over the work, three thousand and three hundred, who bore rule over the people that wrought in the work. 31 And the king commanded, and they quarried great stones, costly stones, to lay the foundation of the house with hewn stone. 82And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders and the Gebalites did fashion them, and prepared the timber and the stones to build the house.

6 And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Ziv, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of Linu the house which amy Solomon built for the Lord, the length thereof was threescore cubits, Heb. Hirom, and in verse 32.

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and the breadth thereof twenty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits. ³And the porch before ^bthe temple of the house, twenty cubits was the length thereof, according to the breadth of the house; and ten cubits was the breadth thereof before the ⁴And for the house he made windows broad within, and narrow without. ⁵And against the wall of the house he built a side-structure round about, against the walls of the house round about, both of the temple and of othe Sanctuary; and he made sidechambers round about; 6the nethermost story of the side-structure was five cubits broad, and the middle was six cubits broad, and the third was seven cubits broad; for on the outside he made rebatements in the wall of the house round about, that the beams should not have hold in the walls of the house.—7For the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made ready at the quarry; and there was neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building.—8The door for the dlowest row of chambers was in the right side of the house; and they went up by winding stairs into the middle row, and out of the middle into the third. So he built the house, and finished it; and he covered in the house with planks of cedar over beams. ¹⁰And he built the stories of the side-structure against all the house, each five cubits high; and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.

¹¹And the word of the Lord came to Solomon, saying: ¹²'As for this house which thou art building, if thou wilt walk in My statutes, and execute Mine ordinances, and keep all My commandments to walk in them; then will I establish My word with thee, which I spoke unto David thy father;

b That is, the holy place. Heb. debir, that is, the hindmost or innermost room, the most holy place. d Heb. middle.

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¹³in that I will dwell therein among the children of Israel, and will not for-

sake My people Israel.'

¹⁴So Solomon built the house, and finished it. ¹⁵And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar; from the floor of the house unto the joists of the ceiling, he covered them on the inside with wood; and he covered the floor of the house with boards of cypress. ¹⁶And he built twenty cubits on the hinder part of the house with boards of cedar from the floor unto the joists; he even built them for himself within, for a Sanctuary, even for the most holy place. ¹⁷And the house, that is, the temple before [the Sanctuary], was forty cubits ¹⁸And the cedar on the house within was carved with knops and open flowers; all was cedar; there was no stone seen. 19 And he prepared the Sanctuary in the midst of the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of the Lord. 20 And before the Sanctuary which was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof, overlaid with pure gold, he set an altar, which he covered with cedar. ²¹So Solomon overlaid *the house within with pure gold; and he drew chains of gold across the wall before the Sanctuary; and he overlaid it with gold. ²²And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until all the house was finished; also the whole altar that belonged to the Sanctuary he overlaid with gold.

²³And in the Sanctuary he made two cherubim of olive-wood, each ten cubits high. ²⁴And five cubits was the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the cherub; from the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other were ten cubits. ²⁵And the other

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cherub was ten cubits; both the cherubim were of one measure and one form. ²⁶The height of the one cherub was ten cubits, and so was it of the other cherub. ²⁷And he set the cherubim within the inner house; and the wings of the cherubim were stretched forth, so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house. ²⁸And he overlaid the cherubim with

gold

²⁹And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubim and palm-trees and open flowers, within and without. 30 Ånd the floor of the house he overlaid with gold, within and without. 31And for the entrance of the Sanctuary he made doors of olive-wood, the doorposts within the frame having five angles. 32And as for the two doors of olive-wood, he carved upon them carvings of cherubim and palm-trees and open flowers, and overlaid them with gold; and he spread the gold upon the cherubim, and upon the 33So also made he for palm-trees. the entrance of the temple door-posts of olive-wood, within a frame four-square; 34 and two doors of cypresswood; the two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding. 35 And he carved thereon cherubim and palmtrees and open flowers; and he overlaid them with gold fitted upon the 36And he built the graven work. inner court with three rows of hewn stone, and a row of cedar beams.

³⁷In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of the Lord laid, in the month Ziv. ³⁸And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which is the eighth month, was the house

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finished throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he seven years in building it.

And Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he

finished all his house.

²For he built the house of the forest of Lebanon: the length thereof was a hundred cubits, and the breadth thereof fifty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits, upon four rows of cedar pillars, with cedar beams upon the pillars. ³And it was covered with cedar above upon the side-chambers, that lay on forty and five pillars, fifteen in a row. ⁴And there were beams in three rows; and light was over against light in three ranks. ⁵And all the doors with their posts were square in the frame; and light was over against light in three ranks.

⁶And he made the porch of pillars: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits; and a porch before them; and pillars

and thick beams before them.

⁷And he made the porch of the throne where he might judge, even the porch of judgment; and it was covered with

cedar from floor to floor.

⁸And his house where he might dwell, in the other court, within the porch, was of the like work. He made also a house for Pharaoh's daughter, whom Solomon had taken to wife, like

unto this porch.

⁹All these were of costly stones, according to the measures of hewn stones, sawed with saws, within and without, even from the foundation unto the coping, and so on the outside unto the great court. ¹⁰And the foundation was of costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits, and stones of eight cubits. ¹¹And above were costly stones, after the measure of

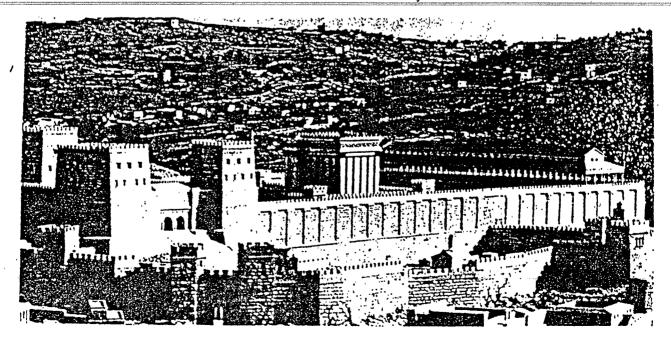
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A miniature reconstruction of Jerusalem in late Second Temple times, including this view of the inner courtyard of the Second Temple as rebuilt by Herod, has been built in the grounds of the Holyland Hotel in Jerusalem according to plans prepared by the late Prof. Michael Avi-Yonah.

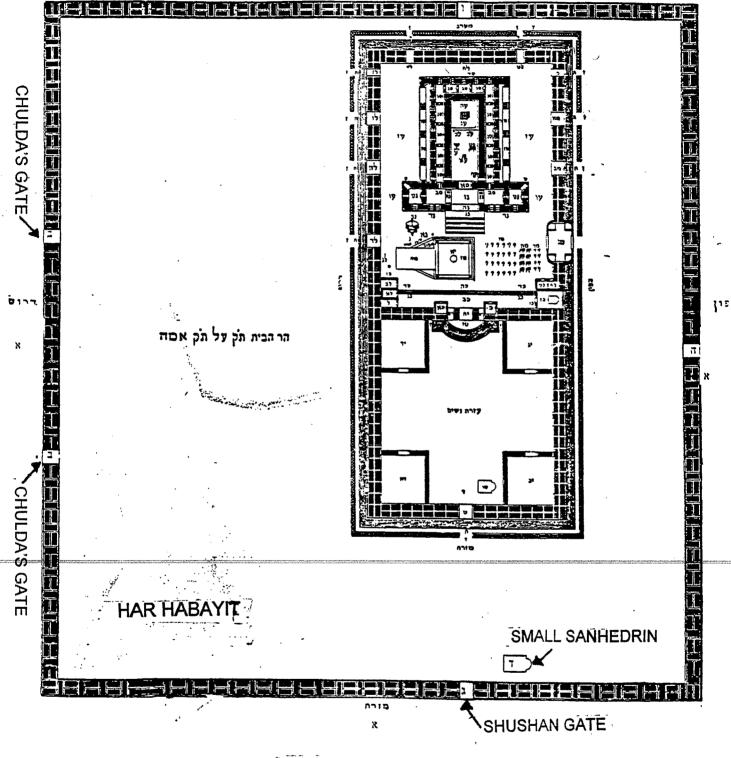
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