

# EPHESIANS

LIVING THE NEW CREATION STORY

# Baptism



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For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So, then, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with the saints, and members of God's household,

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built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole building, being put together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

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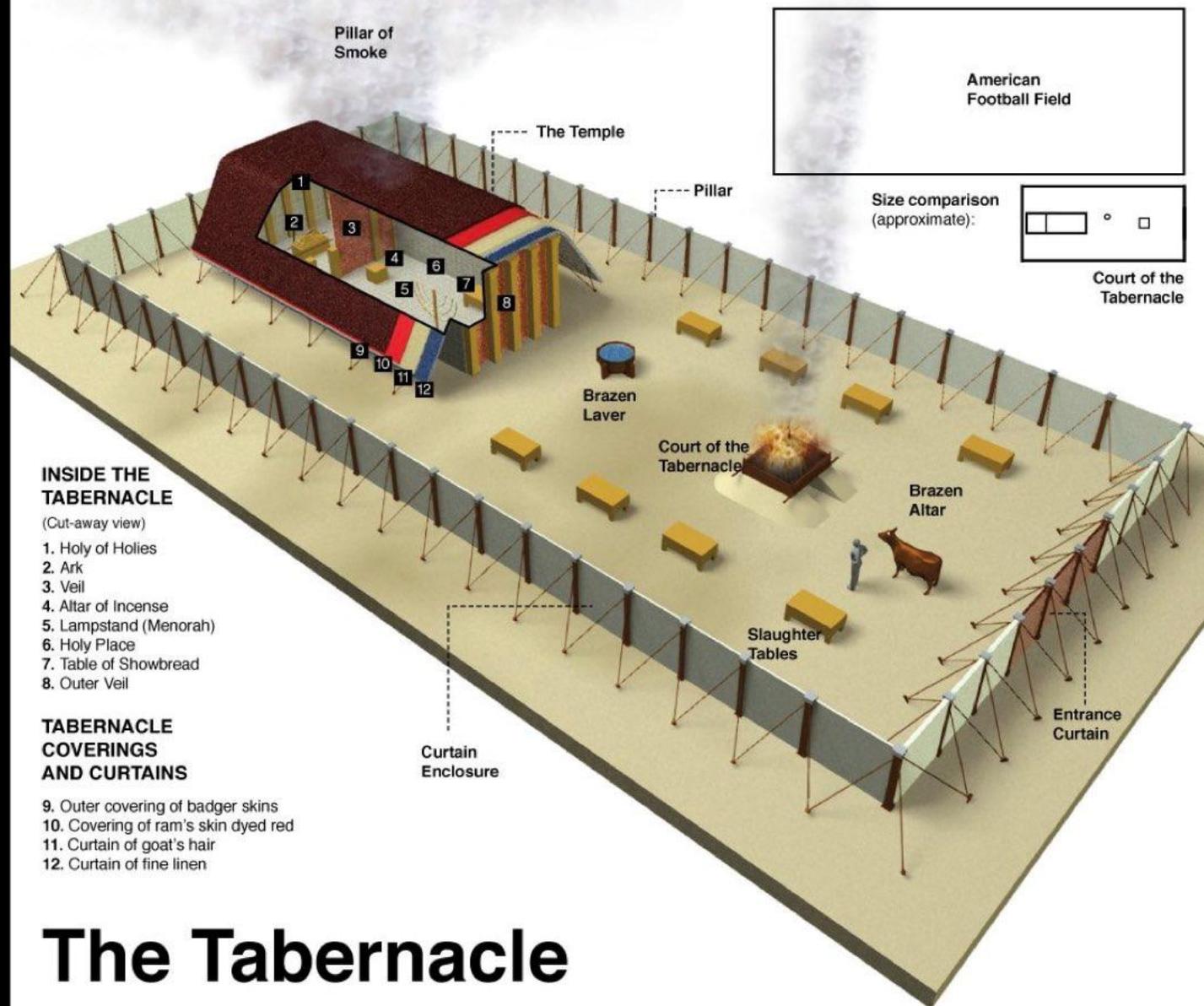
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# **Narrative Flow of Eph. 2:1-10**

**Past Situation (v. 1-3)**

**Divine Intervention (v. 4-9)**

**New Identity and Mission (v. 10)**



**INSIDE THE TABERNACLE**

(Cut-away view)

- 1. Holy of Holies
- 2. Ark
- 3. Veil
- 4. Altar of Incense
- 5. Lampstand (Menorah)
- 6. Holy Place
- 7. Table of Showbread
- 8. Outer Veil

**TABERNACLE COVERINGS AND CURTAINS**

- 9. Outer covering of badger skins
- 10. Covering of ram's skin dyed red
- 11. Curtain of goat's hair
- 12. Curtain of fine linen

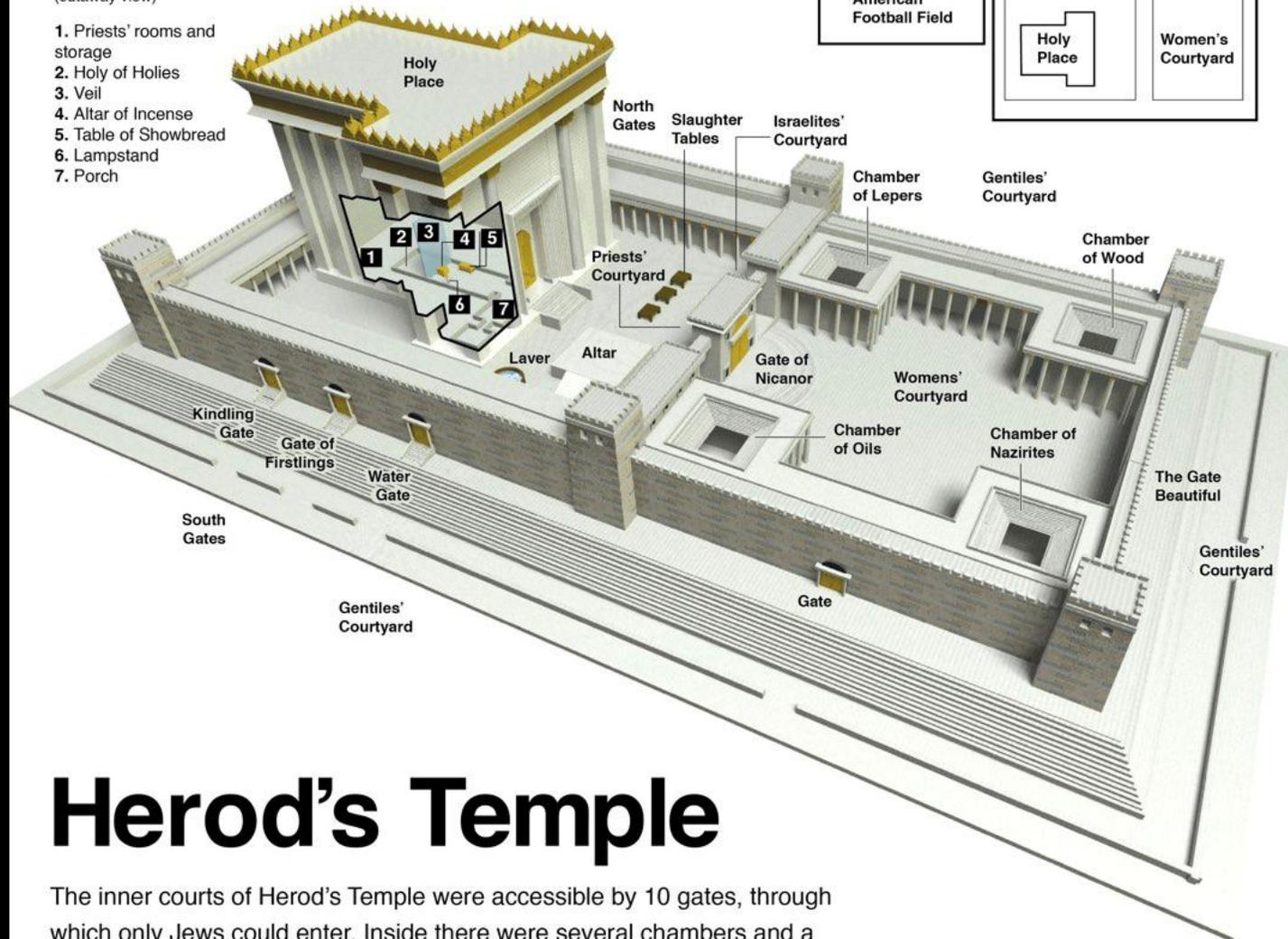
# The Tabernacle

This portable temple was built in the wilderness by the Israelites circa 1450 BC after they were freed from Egyptian slavery. The tabernacle was the first temple dedicated to God and the first resting place of the ark of the covenant. It served as a place of worship and sacrifices during the Israelites' 40 years in the wilderness.

## INSIDE THE HOLY PLACE

(cutaway view)

1. Priests' rooms and storage
2. Holy of Holies
3. Veil
4. Altar of Incense
5. Table of Showbread
6. Lampstand
7. Porch



# Herod's Temple

The inner courts of Herod's Temple were accessible by 10 gates, through which only Jews could enter. Inside there were several chambers and a courtyard where sacrifices were made. At one end was the holy place—a two-room sanctuary used by Jewish priests. The expansive building project of Herod's Second Temple and Temple Mount was completed in approximately AD 62–64, only to be destroyed by the Romans in AD 70.

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For those of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female; since you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 3:27-29, CSB

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Identity: You, with your brothers and sisters in Christ all around the world, are a member of God's household/family/temple

Mission: To embody WITH ONE  
ANOTHER the dwelling of God to the  
World

Pursue Unity

Pursue Reconciliation

Remember your Identity

IN CONNECTION WITH your brothers  
and sisters in Christ