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Jesus is Honored in Jerusalem

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Mark 11:1-10

And as they approached Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, He sent two of His disciples, and said to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied there, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it here. And if anyone says to you,

Mark 11:1-10 (Cont.)

Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it’; and immediately he will send it back here.’ They went away and found a colt tied at the door, outside in the street; and they untied it. And some of the bystanders were saying to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” And they told them just as Jesus had said, and

Mark 11:1-10 (Cont.)

they gave them permission. They brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks on it; and He sat on it. And many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went in front and those who followed were shouting:

Mark 11:1-10 (Cont.)

“Hosanna!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David;

Hosanna in the highest!”

Jesus Cleans out the Temple

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Mark 11:11-26

And Jesus entered Jerusalem and came into the temple area; and after looking around at everything, He left for Bethany with the twelve, since it was already late. On the next day, when they had left Bethany, He became hungry. Seeing from a distance a fig tree in leaf, He went to see if perhaps He would find

Mark 11:11-26 (Cont.)

anything on it; and when He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. And He said to it, “May no one ever eat fruit from you again!” And His disciples were listening. Then they came to Jerusalem. And He entered the temple area and began to drive out those who were selling and buying

Mark 11:11-26 (Cont.)

on the temple grounds, and He overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who were selling doves; and He would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple grounds. And He began to teach and say to them, “Is it not written: ‘My house will be called a house of prayer for all the nations’?”

Mark 11:11-26 (Cont.)

But you have made it a den of robbers.” And the chief priests and the scribes heard this, and they began seeking how to put Him to death; for they were afraid of Him, because all the crowd was astonished at His teaching. And whenever evening came, they would leave the city. As they were passing by in the morning, they saw the fig

Mark 11:11-26 (Cont.)

tree withered from the roots up. And being reminded, Peter said to Him, “Rabbi, look, the fig tree that You cursed has withered.” And Jesus answered and said to them, “Have faith in God. Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart,

Mark 11:11-26 (Cont.)

but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be granted to him. Therefore, I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be granted to you. And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will

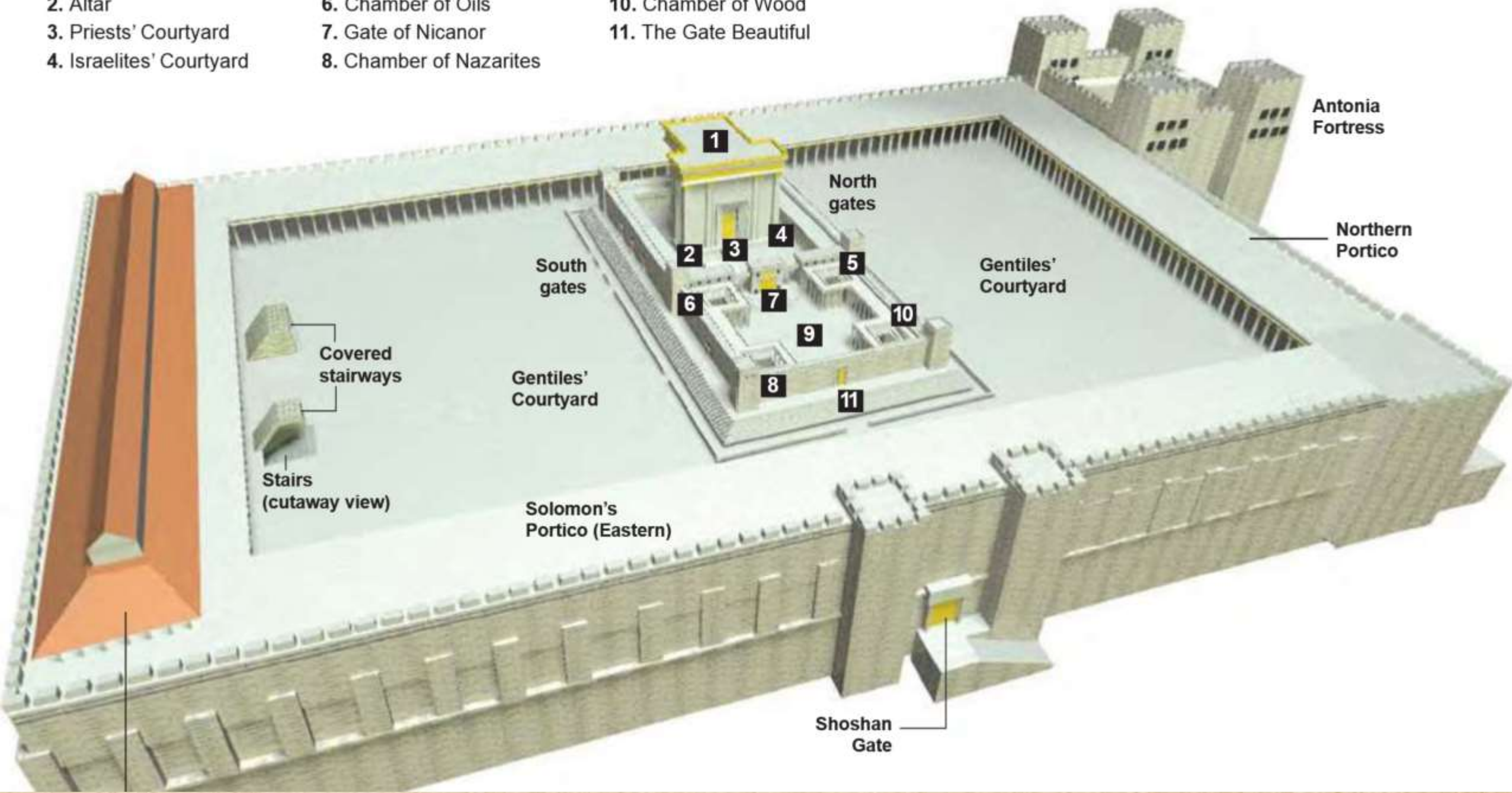
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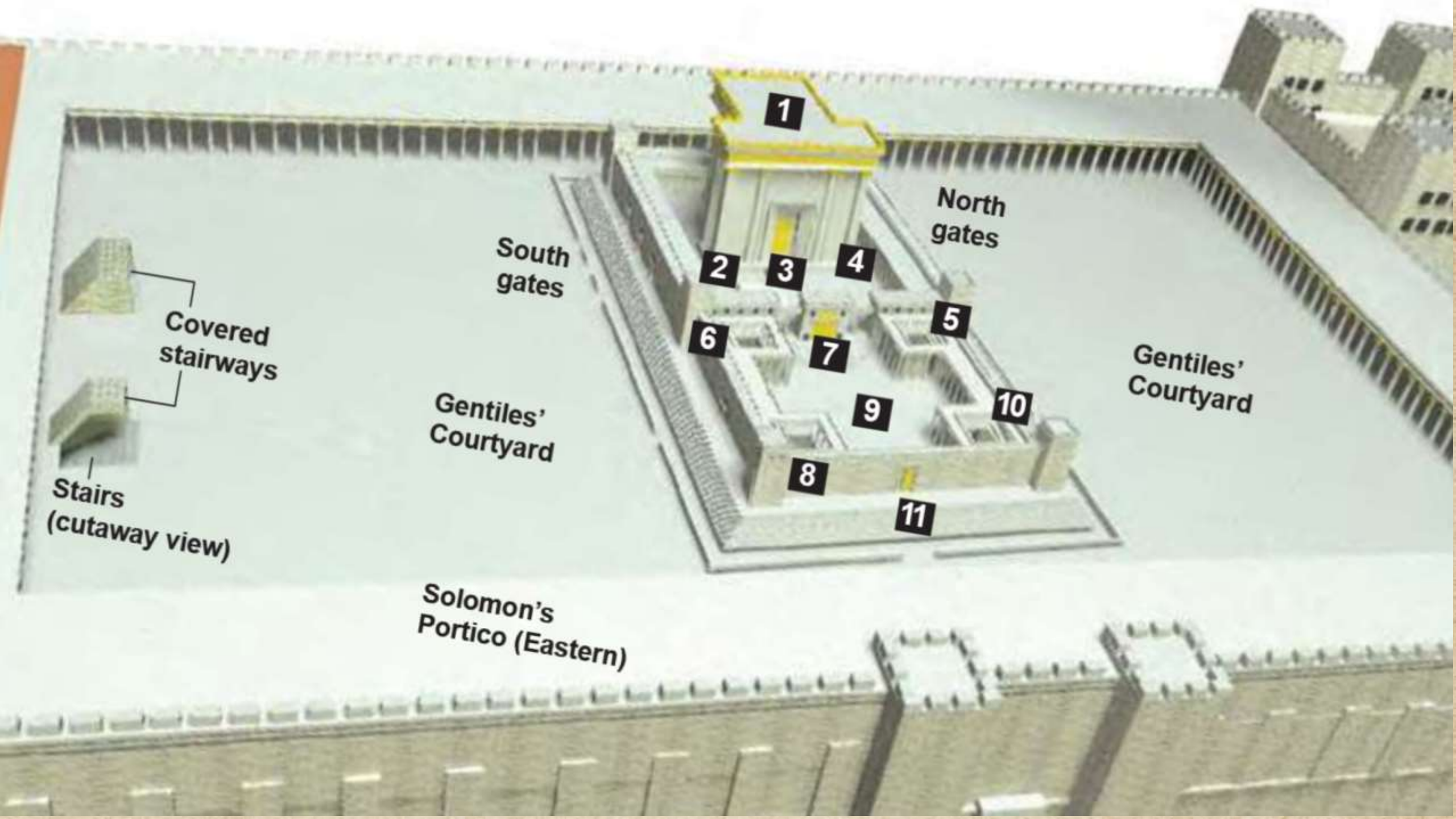
also forgive you for your offenses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father who is in heaven forgive your offenses.”

1. Holy Place
2. Altar
3. Priests' Courtyard
4. Israelites' Courtyard

5. Chamber of Lepers
6. Chamber of Oils
7. Gate of Nicanor
8. Chamber of Nazarites

9. Womens' Courtyard
10. Chamber of Wood
11. The Gate Beautiful





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South gates

North gates

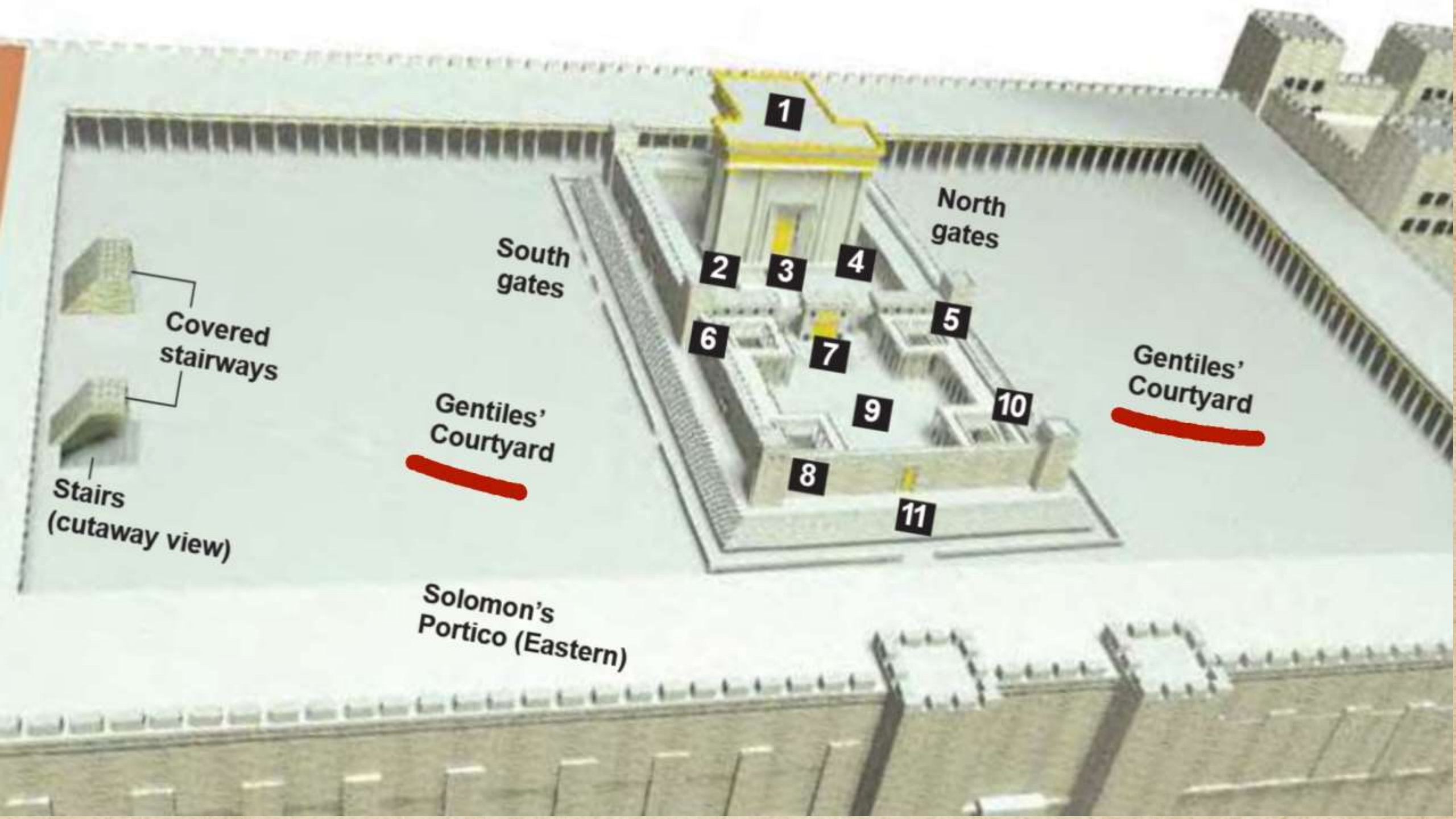
Gentiles' Courtyard

Gentiles' Courtyard

Solomon's Portico (Eastern)

Covered stairways

Stairs (cutaway view)



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North gates

South gates

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Gentiles' Courtyard

Gentiles' Courtyard

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Solomon's Portico (Eastern)

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Stairs (cutaway view)

Jesus Destroys the Dividing Wall

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Ephesians 2:11-22

Therefore remember that previously you, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called “Uncircumcision” by the so-called “Circumcision” which is performed in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the people of Israel, and strangers to the

Ephesians 2:11-22 (Cont.)

covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who previously were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, by abolishing in His flesh the

Ephesians 2:11-22 (Cont.)

hostility, which is the Law composed of commandments expressed in ordinances, so that in Himself He might make the two one new person, in this way establishing peace; and that He might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the hostility. And He came and preached peace

Ephesians 2:11-22 (Cont.)

to you who were far away, and peace to those who were near; for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,

Ephesians 2:11-22 (Cont.)

Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.