

## Aspects of the Temple of Ez:ekiel's Prophecy


(1) Its place in the sequence of Prophecy.

The vision of the temple is revealed in the following order:
(a) Ezekiel 36 \& 37 The restoration of Israel.
(b) Ezekiel 38 \& 39 The destruction at Armageddon \& Humbling of Jews \& Gentiles.
(c) Ezekiel 40. to 48 The Temple \& Israel under Christ.
(2) The complete temple consists of a city around a very high mount, in the land Ezekiel 40-2:
"In the visions of Elohim brought he me into the land of Israel, and he set me near (AV 'upon' is not correct because Ezekiel hasn't yet entered the temple - see beginning of verse 3 "so he brought me thither". Hebrew "el" means: towards, at on near by") a very high mountain by (better, "upon" : Heb. \& R.V. support the margin reference) which was as the frame of a city on (better, "from" : Hebrew prefix 'mem' signifying 'origin'.) the south (from where Ezekiel sees the temple around Mt. Zion.)."

Ezekiel 43-12:
"This is the law of the house; upon the top of
the mountain the whole limit thereof round
shall be most holy."
Note that this verse speaks of the inside of the temple area: The Elohim of Israel in glory ( $\mathrm{vv} 1,2$, ) enters the eastern gate, and the house (v4) and the inner court (v5) to the place of Christ's throne (v7).
(Mt. Zion to be elevated: Zech: 14-4,9,10; Ps. 48-2; Isa. 2-2,3; Ps. 132-13,14, Jerem: 3-17; Micah: 4-1)
(3) The outside buildings of the temple are a square: side 1 mile.

Ezekiel 42 - 15 to 20. Notice every side: North, South, East $k$ West, ALL are measured with the measuring lREED.
(note: v20. The word "reeds" is in italics. The Word of God is teaching us
by example that in the future when the measuring unit "reeds" is omitted, the word "REEDS" is intended to be understood. Where cubits are intended, the word cubit is never omitted. This is important when considering the Altar measures in chapter 43 - 13.). "Cubits" in italics should be "REEDS".
"500 reeds" = 500 x 6 large cubits (Ezek: 40-5). = 3,000 cubits.
$=6,000$ feet (approx), since a cubit \& a handbreadth is equal
approximately to 2 feet.
$=$ a little more than a mile. ( 1 mile $=5,280$ feet).
(4) The GATE - PATTERNS reveal many gates in the square buildings.
(a) Ezek: 40-6 to 18 : give the details of the EAST gate.
(note that verse 18 reveals "gates" (plural) in the same row of building's. Ezekiel is only taken through one gate.). "Gates" here refer to any PAIR of gates at either end of any one cellae building, since he is dealing with the cellae pavement (floor) that lies between them.
(The plural "gates" is used again in verse 38 confirming many gates for the NORTH cellae.)
(b) Ezek: 40-20 to 23 : The gate pattern for the NORTH gate.

24 to 26 : " " " " $\overline{\text { SOUTH }}$ " .
The Prophet now crosses over \& looks the INNER gates across the courtyard.
(c) Ezekiel 40-25 to 31 : The SOUTH INNER gate.

35 to 37 : " NORTH ॥ "
39 : Ezekiel loONS From the north INNER row of cellae and sees the inside of the outer row of buildings, and the tables at the inside porches.

40 : He goes through the out gate on the north and sees the slaughter blocks on either side of the steps as one goes up to enter the temple from the north.
(5) The Circle Cellae.

Ezekiel 40-44
: "and without the INNER gate were the cellae of the singers." Referring to the CIRCLE cellae on the inside ("without") the inner court buildings.
(otherwise, "without" would refer to the outer court!).
Note also the Sept. V. for this verse: "There were two chambers in the inner court - one at the back of the gate looking to the north, TURNJNG southward, and one at the back of the southern gate which looks to the north." (Showing that they understood the idea of "turning" cellae, from the Hebrew words.).
v 46 : "The priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar: the sons of Zadok $=$ the glorified Saints. (Ezekiel 44-15,16).
"The sons of Levi" - the restored \& purified mortal levites.
(Esekiel 44-10 to 14).
(6.) The Altar Court - A Square - Side 200 feet ( 100 cubits).

V47 : The measure of the court around the Altar on the top of Mt. Zion.
v48,40 : The measures of the inner side of the Circle building's porches, facing the mountain.

Ezekiel 41 : Gives details of the circular range of builaings.
Ezekiel 42 : Gives details of the outer court cellae and their entrances to the upper rooms.

Ezekiel 43-13 to 15 : refer to the edge measures of the altar.
(7) Altar Measures.

Ezekiel 43 - 16 : "Ariel's" measures... 12 REEDS square. The actual altar surface upon which the sacrifices are laid.

- 17 : The measure of the greater court ("settle") around the "lion" altar... 14 "REEDS" square. The furthest outside Ilmit of the mountain top court is 100 cubits (Ezekiel 40-47).

Ezekiel 45-1 to 7 : The placing of the temple site in the portion known as "The Holy Oblation" for Christ and the Glorified Saints.
(8) The Corner Courts.

Ezekiel 46 - 19 to 24 : The description of the "four Corner Courts" for the cooking of the food \& sacrifices.

- 22. 40 reeds high $=240$ cubits high $=480$ feet high.

Ezekiel 47-1 : Waters flow from the altar's south side, through the south outer gate, and turning, flow eastwards to the Dead Sea.
The verse may be literally translated:
"And he brought me again to the door of the house and behold waters issuing from under a threshold of the house eastward (for the face of the rouse is east) and the waters descending from under the right side of the house from south to the altar."

The words "from south to the altar" = "from the altar's south".
(note the Sept. V. of this expression.).
(9) There are Two rivers flowing down to the Dead Sea. Ezekiel $47-8,9$.
"Rivers" (margin "TWO rivers"). Hebrew word is DUAL and means "BOTH rivers"
or "two rivers".
Note that "two rivers" is applied to the "river" (singular of the same
verse at the end.) Two streams from one altar source.
CONTRAST directions for Ezek. 47 v 15 \& Ezek. 48 v 1 . Border provinces.
Land Measures - demand REEDS.

The Land of Promise is defined as "The Land between the River Euphrates and the river of Egypt (The river NILE)." Genesis 15-18.

The Land is divided into 13 "divisions", made up of 12 cantonments, and the Holy Oblation, which is the same as one of the other parts in width. The width of "The Foly Oblation" is " 25,000 reeds" (Ezekiel $48-8,9$ ).

These cantonments run east-west.
Thus, the full width of the land of promise measures: $13 \times 25,000$ reeds.

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\begin{aligned}
&=325,000 \text { reeds. Now a reed is } 6 \text { large cubits }=12 \text { feet } \\
& \text { and " } 500 \text { reeds" }=6,000 \text { feet. } \\
& \text { (over a mile) }
\end{aligned}
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Thus, 325,000 reeds $=325,000=500=650$ miles
Now, 650 miles is the approximate distance from the southern tip of the sinai peninsular to the Amanus mountains that form the northern border at the south of Turkey.

EZEKIEL Chapter 40.

*Clearly, the END of the 25th year of the Captivity would be the 50 th from Josian's Passorer.
*"10th of the 1st month" of the Religious year, speaks of the beginning of PASSOVER. (While they are captive in Babylon!)
*The same day, in the Civil year (commencing in the 7 th month) speaks of "Day of Atonement", the day that introduces "Jubilee".

These ideas are all brought together in an association of ideas, culminating in the great passing over of sins, coverings, and every man being free and possessing the land for ever!
v2 The vision was "from God" and also about the future "elohim".

Here is the first picture of the TEMPLE. *Zion is to be elevated: Zech. 14:4,9,10

Psalm 48:2
Psalm 132:13,14
Isa. 2:2,3 etc.
*Ezekiel sees it from the south side.

v3 The measuring line of flax: "righteousness" The REED for the measuring of the building.
v4 *The exhortation: "eyes" "ears" "heart".
v5 "WATW".... ON the outside of the house, round about.
"REED" = six long cubits. (a cubit + a span) $=$ about 12 feet
So he measures the cross-section of the wall.
 Its length is not given here.
*The length of the wall is given in Ezek. 42:20.

Ezek. 42:15....Here is the measure of the outside of the Temple...a SQUARE of 500 reeds or 3000 cubits, or 6000 feet (a mile)
:20....Note: the WALL "round about" is the same length as the outside of the temple.

THE EAST GATE. Important, because it sets the pattern for the other gates.


EZEKIEL 40
v7 *"IIttle chambers" ... floor space $=$
1 reed square.
** (verse 10 states that there are three on each side of the gate).
*"spaces between the little chambers: 5 cu.
v7-8 *"Threshold \& porch within the gate" are 1 reed broad (numbered $1,2,3,4$ )
"The Porch (5) ..inward" 8 cubits +2 cu. posts.

v10 *rhree "Iittle chambers" on each side of the Gate. *"i.e. runner-chambers" see 1 Kings 14:28.
*The "posts" have a common measure, given in verse 14. (Pedestals + palm-like pillars) v16.
v11 *The "D00R" (v13) = "entry".. 10cu. broad 13cu. high
v12 *The Boundary structures" (which are the "narrow windows" ( $\quad 16$ ) or "fretted tracery" in stone; ('arabesquest) or latticework which is open).
*"6 cubits" = the HEIGHT of the runner chambers.

V13 *the WIDTH of the gate: 25 cubits
"door against door" = the full width of both
the front threshold
the inner threshold
(the thresholds will have doors, both at the 7 steps and the inner porches also)

> v14
*Palm-like pillars (posts)... $60 \mathrm{cu} / \mathrm{pair}$, were made for the posts (surbases) at the side of the gate, es well as for those about the court.

"60 cubits".. (end . ? v10) are for pairs of posts on either side of the gate: each pair are linked by arches. This view of 30 cubits for each great pillar upon a surbase of $5 \times 6 \times 13$ cu. provides a better proportion for the height of the building with its galleries overhead, and for the width of the gate and arches.
*The LENGTH of the gate: 50 cubits
v16 *"narrow windows" $=$ Margin gives 1 Kings 6:4 The words are rendered, "windows of fixed latticework" (RV).

Gesenius states: "windows closed with Eara, or lattice."
Bro. Sulley suggests that these may be arabesque architecture: fretted tracery of beautiful design... of perforated work

*These are applied to (a) the little chambers
(b) their posts

EZEKIEL 40
"arches" $=\begin{aligned} & \text { Heb. "elammim". (resenius derives } \\ & \text { this from "DOl" \& "eel" root not }\end{aligned}$ used as a verb, but of wide extent in the derivatives. The primary notion is "to ROLL".. whence "ay'l" a RAM from its twisted \& curled horns. Also, "ool" belly or abdomen, so called from its coundness.
Young's literal retains "arches", so does
RV, The arch is in the shape of

> (i) a rib (ii) a rainbow (iii) a horn
thus forming a curved lintel with great spiritual lessons behind them.
"Palm-Trees" upon the POSTS: "artificial palm-trees" (Eagster)。
In architecture, a palm-like pillaster (Strong).
*These in turn demand great arches to span across the top, curved for great strength rather than a FIAT 50-foot stone lintel.

V17 AThe outer court $=$ the area of ground between the two rows of buildings that make up the squere.
*"chambers" = any large building oper at side or ends \& subdivided by pillars. *"cellae" = sections of a cella-i.e. a large structure comprising many smaller subdivisions.
*"thirty cellae" = because Ezekiel has only traversed THREE sides of the outer court.

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30 \div 3=10 . \therefore \text { there must be }
$$ *The cellae are UPON the papement which is at the SIDE of each gate. (v18).

V18 *This parement at the side of the gate is the lower pavement, implying that there is at least one other pavement above.
$\nabla 19$ *Ezekiel measures the fullest width of the outer court, 100 cubits, from the inner face of the outer gate not the face of the most inner porch Ch. $40: 9$ ) but the door face (note Ezek. 42:2 to the north door $=100 \mathrm{cu}$ ) *Ezekiel then goes from the EAST to the NORTH and measures the same "door to door". *GATE TO GATE - shows that the gates are directiy opposite each other.

V20 *THE OUTER COURT NORTH, GATE: VV 20-23.
*Now the patterns repeat themselves. We are in a position to quickly grasp what is being revealed.

จ21 *"after the measure of the FIRST gate"
จ22 "after the measure of the gate that looketh tomard the east."
v23 "Again, the inner gate is opposite the outer gate."

EZEKIET 40
V24 *THE OUTER COURT SOUTH GATE: Vv 24-27.
v27 *NOTE: important change to follow. Having said the inner gate is 100 cubits across the south outer court, Ezekiel now moves across the court to the inner gate.
*THE INNER COURT GATE on the south: VV 28-31. *the SAME pattern, except the "ascent 8 steps."
*better, "the ascent IS eight steps" and steps for the OUTER gate, \& the eighth for the INNER gate.
*An extra feature is the measurement of the ARCHES are given....
$\ldots . .25$ cubit span, spanning the 25 cu. wide gate; and five cubits thick resting upon the five cubit wide pillaster (surbese) which is between the little chambers. Everything fits.
*THE INNER COURT EAST: VV 32-34.
*THE INNER COURT NORTH GATE: VV 35-37. *Now Ezekiel looks across the outer court on the north side and sees the inner porch of 10 cubits wide, where there are posts ard also where the burnt offerings are washed:
Four tables in the inner porch Four tables *OUTSIDE as one goeth up the steps
EIGHP tables altogether
The slaughter-blocks are measured.
Inside, where the other tables are, there are hooks for hanging the carcases up.

inNer court
*THE CIRCULAR RANGE IN THE INNER COURT.
"outside the inner gate", in the INNER court were the cellae of the singers.
*Ezekiel is moving once again into the central parts of the Temple.
*The circular range of buildings are beside the inner part of the north inner-court buildings. Their aspect is generally towards the SOUTH, when looking at the northern semi-circle of cellae.
*The southern semicircle, facing north, is also at the side of the EAST gate, gradually receding away from the centre of the eastern side, from whence the southern section is divided from the northern semicircle. "Sept. V" = "IThere were two chambers in the inner court - one at the back of the gate looking to the north turning southward and one at the back of the southern gate, but which looks to the north."
There is a recognition of the turning of the circle, but the side of the east facing the north gave them problens!

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { * While the mortal Levites operate in the } \\
& \text { northern semicircle } \\
& \text { (*mortal Levites }= \text { keepers of the charge } \\
& \text { of the house (Ezek. } 44: \\
& 13,14 \text { ) were not to come } \\
& \text { near Yahweh's holy things) }
\end{aligned}
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V46 the Glorified Sainta operate within the southern semicircle."
(*Glorified Saints $=$ keepers of the cherge
of the sanctuary (Ezel. 44:15,16) - were to come near Yahweh)
"FROM AMONG" the Sons of Levi intimate that the two classes of priests are to operate in the circular cellae.

V47 *Ezekiel ascends the ALTAR in the centre of the circle, and he measures the COURT: 100 cubits square: The altar faces the house in every direction 360 degrees.

44 *Ezekiel leaves the altar at the centre and descends and enters the innermost porch of the circular cellae.


He measures the breadth of the posts, on each side of the porch: south side $\&$ north side. "On this side \& that side".

He measures also the breadth of the gate i.e. the gap between each post on the south side of the porch and between each post on the north side of the porch. i.e. "5" ............"5" "13" and "3" "3"
$\qquad$

* He measures the length \& breadth of the porch on the south side:

20 cu. long $x$ 11 cu. wide
*The same measures for the north side of the porch where there are steps in the porches by which the people are enabled to enter the temple.
*There are pillars to the porch posts on either side of the porch (south \& north)


## EZEKIEL Chapter 41.

v1 *Ezekiel now measures the posts of the temple nearest to the Altar side of the Temple, that is, the south-side of the floor
*He measures their widths as he crosses from one side of the floor to the other; i.e. from the inner porch side of the floor to the outer porch side of the iloor.
*v21 tells us that these posts were "square"
thus giving us the other post dimension,
i.e. the length of the posts.
(the width of the two spaces (3 cu. each) and
(the central posts between them $(5 \mathrm{cu})=$.
11 cu.
(He now looks back and views the inner porches)
*The sides of the door (entrance) i.e. the two adjacent posts of the same southern side porch, are each 5 cubits.

These posts are $40 \times 20 \mathrm{cu}$. The longer being the height, as the 20 cubits were given earlier as 20 cubits long.
(Ezek. 40:49).
v3 *Fie now goes inward through the inner side door of the temple. (i.e. the south side of the floor).
*He measures the two posts like door jams on either side of the entrance opening: 2
entrance 6 cubits
on the northern side of the same floor, the

entrance 7 cubits
$\nabla 4$ *He now measures the inside rocms: rib to rib
$20 \mathrm{cu} . x 20 \mathrm{cu}$. The breadth and height are given. These really are the length \& height, since the floor breadth $=$ 16 cubits, the full entrance width: (v2)...i.e. 10 cu . entrance $+2 \times \frac{1}{2} 6 \mathrm{cu}$.
*He measures the height of the foundation iloor of the temple... 6 cubits high. No other measure is given to the wall which suggests it is a rampart wall: foundationfloor, the side of which is a well.
*v20 states that from the ground..ON.. the wall of the temple.
RV = "From the ground unto above the door were cherubin and palm trees made: thus was the wall of the temple.

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\begin{aligned}
* \text { "side-chamber" } & =\text { "RIB" (as in Gen. 2:22). } \\
& =4 \text { cubits width. }
\end{aligned}
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These would leave a cubit space on either
 side of the rib, when sitting or springing from the 6 cubit posts in the Most Holy.
$\sigma 6$ *Heb. "and the ribs - rib to rib - were three (ranks) and thirty times."
"rib-torrib" signifies stories above the first bottom row of ribs above the rampart wall.
v8 *The ribs, springing from the 6 cubit

posts in the temple, take hold in the END WALI of $v$ 12. They do not enter the rampart wall, but spring from a point 6 cubits up from the floor, from the posts of the temple.
v7 *From the juncture ( 6 cu. up from the ground) of the 6 cu. square posts of the temple, there is also a vaulting, widening, and spreading out, as it ascends to the highest point of the ceiling of the twenty cubit rooms. $\qquad$ *The thickness of the end-wall of the building into which the ribs take hold, is 5 cubits. This wall has its dimensions given in v12.

The "place left" appears to be the place that unites the vaulted rib-work within (that rises up to the centre of the 20 cu . rooms inside) with the porches.
v10 "Between the cellae. a space of 20 cubits "round about the house on every side" all the way about the circular range.


V11 The two doors (for each set of ribbed rooms right across the temple floor) were placed towards the "place left".... one on the north side of the floor and the other at the south side of the temple floor.
"The breadth of the "place left" $=5 \mathrm{cu}$.
v12 *"building" (mascuiine ending in Hebrew)
$=$ the end wall (of v6 \& v9).
measures:-5 cu. thick (v9) $\times 70 \times 90$.
The 70 cu . broad (the lesser dimension) $=$ the height because the ribs must "take hold" of the end wall.

The 90 cu. length would lie parallel with the floor level.
"towards the west" = the circular range is divided into two sections. This refers to the western side of the northern semicircle.
*The "20 cubits" for the covered openings, finds its measure given between the specifications of "the place left" (Vv9,11).


Since the full width of the porch as the south side of the "place left" is given as "16 cubits", the full entrance width at the south side of the temple floor will be slightly larger, due to the increased circumference as one moves out from the centre of the circle.

For any given angle, the arc increases proportionally as the radius increases.
 cubits with their pillars \& porches, are in the correct proportion in harmony with the circular shape.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Thus, } \frac{1120 \text { cubits }}{1190}=\frac{16 \text { cubits }}{x \quad \begin{array}{l}
\text { (where "x" stands } \\
\text { (ie. } \\
1120+ \\
70 \text { cu.) the width of }
\end{array}} \begin{array}{l}
\text { the outer door etc.) } \\
\text { Therefore, } x=\frac{16 \times 1190}{1120}=17 .
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
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The ratio of the two doors is in the EXACT proportion that the circular interpretation of the house requires. This confirms Bro. Sulley's interpretation of Ezekiel 40-44 where he points out that the circular interpretation of the inner cellae of the Singers, satisfies their positions and aspects in relation to the north \& south and east directions.

Although the posts of the temple would be very slightly tapered, the measures show that door-space of "7 cubits" on the outer side, ${ }^{2 b s o r b s}$ the increase in width: The pillars remain the same measures.

Likewise, in the outer porches where the steps are; the dimensions of the pillars are the same, but the width of the spaces (still 3 cubits wide) will have the extra $\frac{1}{4}$ cubit space on either side of the porch probably used for "handrails of 6 znches".


It should be noted that although the "16 cubits" \& "17 cubits" are in the exact proportion \& ratio as required by the circle, yet the actual "doors" are not:

This is obvious at a glance:

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\frac{6}{7} \neq \frac{16}{17}
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In keeping the posts of the temple floor the same size at either end, the extra cubit on the outer side is absorbed completely by the outer door opening of " 7 cubits", instead of being equaliy distributed among the "6 cubit door posts", the "2 cubit door jambs", and the actual door openings between them!
It should also be noted that the width of the outer porches are the same as the width of the outer doors..a full "17 cubits".
For the outer porches, remember to add in the four $\frac{1}{4}$-cubit handrails spaces, which are extra to the actual 3 cubit entrance gap between the handrails on either side of the steps in the porches.
Thus, $" 16$ cubits $+4 \times \frac{1}{4}$ cubits" $=$ 17 cubits.

จ13 * At the West end, he measures the width of the house (not counting the porches)
*i.e.... 100 cu. ... long (wide), in line with the Separate place, which he then measures.
*The Separate Place .... 100
*The HEIGHT of the building (fem. Heb) $=100$ cubits.
(the "building" here, which is the whole circle-cella, is feminine in the Hebrew and must not be confused with the "building" (end wall v12) which is masculine in Heb. (*The 2nd word "building" of vi2 refers to the cellae, though masculine).
*Ezekiel goes over to the EASTERN side of the circle, and measures there also.
*the"breadth" (which is the width of the building) is in line with the Separate Place, which he measures at the same time in order.
v15 *He measures the "HEIGHT" of the cellae 100 cu .
"and the inner Temple and the porches of the court, the thresholds and the latticed windows and the galleries round about on their three (stories) over against the threshold (were) thin trees round about, and the earth unto the windows and openings being covered unto from above the doorway and unto the house within \& without and unto all the wall round about, by the inside \& the outside, (of) measures." (ise. to the full extent)

The whole temple will be covered in vines and creepers all the way round..for beauty and for great spiritual lessons.

18 *Cherubim and palm-like pillars are upon the huge surbases that form the sides of the porch entrances into the temple proper.

Lion \& Man on each pillar bringing home
 the principles of God-manifestation, and the guarding and overseeing of the WAY that leads to life everlasting.
*The whole extent around the circle buildings.
*These cherubim are of great height, above the door entrances to the Temple proper.
v21 *Temple 6 cu. posts squares: so al 80 is the senctuary. The APPEARANCES of each side every aspect in the house: altar \& entrance etc.
v22 *The ALTAR of wood. "The altar of wood is three cubits high and the length thereof two cubits; from the turning thereof and the base thereof and the walls thereof (are) of wood".
*The altar is placed between the $v 21$ dealing with the temple posts and $v 23$ where the two turning doors are mentioned.

This suggests that the "altar of wood" is positioned somewhere convenient in the "place left" on the inner side of the Temple floor.
"IWO doors" -. one on the north and one on the south side of the Temple floor (compare verse 11).
v24 *Double-Ieaved doors.
*ON them were carvings of cherubim and paIm-like pillars.
*"thick planks" $=$ Heb. "ab ets" = thick trees.

Thick: is translated...(a) "thick" cloud
(b) "thick clouds"

2 Sam. 22:12
(c) "clouds"
(d) "thickets" $\frac{\text { er. } 4: 29}{\text { (a) }}$

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\begin{aligned}
\text { planks: "ets" }= & \text { trees, gallows, wood, stick } \\
& \text { timber, stock, staff, } \\
& \text { "(VINE) tree" Ezek. 15:2. }
\end{aligned}
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*Thus, the idea is of "thick shade of vines" that is upon the face of the porch without.
v26 And to the latticed windows (arabesques) and palm-tree pillars on the one side and on the other side on the sides of the porch, and to the rios of the house are shades (of the trees)".

EZEKIEL Chapter 42.
V1 *Ezekiel leaves the inner temple and returns to the inner cellae of the NORTH court.
*Behind him is the separate place, and in front of him lies the northern range of the outer court buildings northwards.
v2 Before him, stretches 100 cubits across the outer court to the outer gate. Standing in the length of the inner court gate, he is given the breadth of the inner court cellae.
i.e. "50 cubits" which is easy to understand
$v 3=$ over against the twenty inner court cellae (which are for the Levitical priests. $\mathrm{\nabla} 13$ ) and also over against the pavement (which is for the outer court buildings) are three stories.
i.e. Inner court buildings \& outer court buildings (which are over against each other) are three rows.
v4 On either side of the outer court, there is a "walk"....a path... 10 cubits wide, a height of one cubit from the court.
v5 *Ezekiel seems to be giving general details of the galleried structures:
(a) those on either side of the inner court cellae for the Ievitical priests. i.e. north outer court cellae \&: inner circular range.
(b) those two ranges of buildings on either side of the outer COURT
*Consider these two alternatives in order. First, the two ranges of buildings flanking the outer court.
(i) the "UPPER" cellae implies that there are two cellae above "the lowest \& middlemost" from the ground.
(ii) the two cellae above are "narrower" than the lower two, becaus e the lower two have a "walk" of 10 cubits wide, the second one being constructed OVER the porches.

THUS, the two "upper cellae" are narrower than the lower two, NOT HAVING WALKS to them.
*Secondly, the inner circle cellae: contrasted with the northern outer court cellae.
(i) The "upper" (bigher.. 200 ft , compared with 120 ft . of the outer court cellae) of the circular range are "narrower"
(RSV) because they "ate away from the height" having less width because of narrower upper porches.
The TwO higher cellae of the circle are tied together by their common porch outside them on either side. The two LOWER cellae are united by their common porch ( 40 cu . high) on either side.

v6 *A feature that can ONLY apply to the circular range of buildings.
"they had not PILIARS as the courts.." (because they are constructed with "ribs")
This suggests that the mighty pillars of
the outer court are tremendously strong
(as the word 'elammim' suggests), while the rib-work of the inner court circlerange requires a "CONTRACTING" with increased height.
v7 "The "FENCE" on either side of the gate of the inner court cellae VVTto Th.
"fence" (AV "wall")...better, "fence" (as एs. $63: 3$ ) "Gader" = wall, fence, espec. an enclosure.

The runner chanbers, and the 5 : surbases, and arabesques (la: 1 d windows) $\square$ form a "fence" on either side of the gate.
v7 *Its length $=50$ cubits, which the length of the gate.
*"over against" = "by the side of" (RV)
*behind Ezekiel is the 100 cu. separate place to the inner circular range of the Temple.
v9 *The ENTRY into the cellae buildings is on the EAST SIDE of the gate and is approached from gate or "fence".

010 *The "runner chambers" were in the thickness of the "fence". Better "breadth" than thickness. (the runner chambers being over against the separate place, on one side \& over against the outer range of buildings on the other).
"towards the east"....there are cellae or rusner chambers on the eastern side of the temple, in all respects like the buildings
 on the north.
v11＊The details for the north gate are exactly the same for the other two sides．．．east and west． $50 \mathrm{cu} . \times 25 \mathrm{cu}$ ．

『12＂In the eastern gate，the entrance into the cellae is to the left（southwards）after one turns from the gate which is towards the west．
＊On the inside of the cellae，Ezekiel sees an entrance in the top of the way where the＂Iifts will ascend and descend to and from the upper cellae＂．
v13＊These are the twenty cellae of the Lev，ites： the north \＆south inner court cellae，which are both＂over against＂the separaté place， and also＂over against＂the north south outer court cellae．
v15＊Ezekiel is now taken to the eastern outer gate，and the whole outside of the temple is measured．．．four sides with the measuring REED．

500 reeds $\times 500$ reeds．
『20＊The＂WAL工＂on the outside of the building must be a part of the building $500 \times 500$ ．
＊＂the profane place＂probably used for sanitation：the whole way around the four sides．＊note，REEDS are intended when word is omitted．
THE ALTAR on Mount Zion．


## EZETKIEL 43

v12＊All around the mountain from the top down to the limit is＂most Holy＂．
＊The Iimit is the Table before Yahweh，on the inside of the circulax builaings，just before the innermost porches next to the place left．（compare Ezek．41：22）．The circular range is called＂THE Most Holy＂ （Ezek．41：4）．
＂WHO shall ascend into the Hill of Yahweh， or who shall stand in His Holy place？＂

Only the Christ \＆His glorified saints． NONE ELSE！

V13 *He re-establishes the oubit as the long cubit and begins measuring the BORDERS of the altar first. "Cubit measures first".

*"Bottom" $=$ "Bosom" (RV) is essentially the part that holds the sacrifice within the altar. (from a root to "enclose")


It measures a cubit up from the altar and a cubit in breadth, while its thickness is a span.
*"higher place" = "CURVED BACK (it has been transIated "back" of an animal, hence a "ourved" back).
$\mathbf{1 4}$ *"Bottom of the ground" $=$ "Bosom of earth"
*Since there are two courts (v14) one smaller than the other, this bosom of earth may stand between the two. A space of 4 cuivits separates them. The smaller court seems to be a sort of trench around the inner square.
*This lower "bosom" of earth measures: height 2 cubits and width 1 cubit.
*Difference between the two setties: 4 cu .
*The last mentioned "1 cubit" is the breadth of the lower settle... which is the outer border (mentioned in vi7). The length of this lower settle is derived from the difference in 14 reeds for the altar, and the 100 cubit court mentioned in Ezek. 40:47. This gives a measure of 8 cubits width.
v15 * "The AITAR" = "The "MOUNTAIN of GOD"
The height of the altar-
horns, from the mountain of EI is 4 cubits. Hebrew of this verse reads:-
"and the Mountain of EI (is) four cubits and from the Lion of EI and upwards (are)
 the four horns"

This indicates that the four cubits height
is associated with the four horns rising
up from the four corners of the mountain top.
v16 *"The Lion of EI" shall be 12 by 12 (REEDS)
(See Bro. Sulley's "Iemple of Ezekiel's Prophecy"
page 129).
" to the four squares thereof" - (See Bro.
Sulley's "Temple of Ezekiells Prophecy" page
131 no. 4 for lessons of "Ariel".)

v17 *"settle" = "court"..the larger one outside the "Lion of El".. 14 (reeds) x 14 (reeds). Also bounded by the four squares. (i.e. the four HORNS
*The border about it, shall be "公 cubit" thick, and 1 cubit high, all round.
*Its measure from the larger court is determined by the difference between the 14 reeds square court and the 100 cubits square court of Ezek. 40:47 as stated previously.

## EZEKIEU 46

V19 THE CORNER COURTS:
*Ezekiel enters the inner court buildings on the north side of the temple.
He looks towards the extreme western end and sees a place... THE CORNER COURTS.
"on the two sides westward" $=$ the hinder
part westward. PV \& Heb.
"at the extreme western end of them." (RSV)
v21 *Ezekjel enters the outer court and then walks around the four sides of the outer court. He sees a corner court in every corner of the outer court.
v22 *These courts were "joined" i.e. "made with chimneys" (mar).
"Kt'rot" = smoking or steaming with
fragrance (Young's Lit; "perfume)
from a verb: "Katar" to raise an odour by burning; to burn incense, also fat.
(Katar also means to bind. A homonym, but the Masorites were at a loss to explain the true application of the word)
*The four corners of each court that was in the four corners of the outer court were of one measure.
*Thus, of the two measures given: $30 \times 40$ (reeds) ONE of them must be the height, as both sides of a square court must be the SAME.
*The forty reeds is the KEIGHT, the thirty is for the square.


NOTE: The "30" reeds $=180$ cubits, which is the full width exactly of the outer court.
v1 We consider the two rivers of water that flow out from under the altar at the top of Mount Zion, and finally flow eastwards to heal the Dead Sea, now healed \& elevated.

Verse 1 may be literally translated thus:
"And he brought me again to the door of the house and behold waters issuing from under a threshold of the house eastward (for the face of the house is east) and the waters descending from under the right side of the house *irom south to the altar."
*The words "from south to the altar" = "from the altar's south." The Altar represents Christ...a "sacrificial Christ".

As waters came out from the right side of Christ, so also waters burst forth out from the right side of the altar, cascading down the mountain side, to flow under the thresholds at the south side of the Temple, to then turn and flow eastward towards the Dead Sea.
*In the translation above, note the words "descending" and "from the alter's south".

There is a vast amount of water bursting forth from under the altar: note verse 5 at the end, "a river that could not be passed over."
v2 Ezekiel is led northwards, from the southwest corner, along the outer court on the west side, which from the southern corner "looks northward" towards the northwest corner.
Ezekiel then turns around into the outer gate on the north side, which is by the outer court "way" (100 cubits wide, or 200 feet wide), which from the northwest corner, looks "eastward" towards the northeast corner court.

When Ezekiel looks out from the entrance steps of the north outer gate, he sees "waters running out on the right side", that is, flowing in an easterly direction.

Vv3-5
He measures the depth of the waters as they flow eastward. The measuring Angel would commence from the northwest corner.

The 3000 cubits (i.e. 500 reeds) covers the exact length of the northern outer wall of the Temple. This suggests that the division of the gates on the north side will be into "3 sections", each section probably consisting of "9 gates" instead of "11" as Bro. Sulley suggests.

The spiritual teaching behind the gates is found in the Temple of the saints in Revelation 21:12-25. Since there are "12" gates in the apocalyptic Temple ("three" on every side), it would seem to indicate that there are nine gates on the north side of Ezekiel's Temple, the nine being grouped in "three's". Perhaps this arrangement may relate to the
different arrangements, festivities, or different worshippers that come to the Temple either from the land of Israel, or far-off nations.

Perhaps there may be a progression from East to West: the visiting worshippers may have their "baptism" in the deeper waters of the eastern end of the North Gate, where three gates are appointed for such people.

Other future visits, where baptism is not required, may be directed to the shallower parts of the northern waters, where only the "feet need washing"!

Vv 6,7
Ezekiel sees a forest of trees on either side of the stream that flows out from the northern side of the Temple.
v8 The river flows down to the east circuits, and down to the "Arabah" and into the Dead Sea.

09 "The rivers" (margin: Heb. "TWO rivers"). The Hebrew word is in the dual form, and thus signifies "two rivers" or "both rivers".
*Note the end of verse 9: "the river" (where the word is in the singular form).
Thus, there is one main river of water that bursts forth from the Altar of Mount Zion, which then becomes divided into two main streams which flow into the waters of the Dead Sea; one flowing southwards and obviously flushing the Dead Sea (which shall then be elevated as a result of the Olivet earthquake); while the second stream will enter the Dead Sea at the northern end, thence turning northwards and reversing the flow of the Jordan River, in turn entering the Mediterranean Sea (probably in the area of just south of Tyre).

It is important to call to mind the Scripture!s teaching on this aspect of the waters of Zion, and to put them together to make the picture plain and complete.
*(a)Joel 3:18: "and a FOUNTAIN shall come forth of
$\frac{\text { the house of Yahweh, and shall water }}{\text { the valley of Shittim." }}$
(b)Psa. 46:4: "There is a river (Heb. "Nah-hahr. = a large river such as the Euphrates), the *streams whereof shall make glad the city of Elohim."
*"streams" (Hebrew word is plural of 'peleg', meaning "divisions" (or atreams.)
Thus the Paalm teaches that one river divides into "streams" which shall make glad the CITY of Elohim.
(c)Zech. 14:8: "Living (in the sense of both moving \& giving life) waters shall go forth FROM JERUSALEM:
HALF (thus incicating the streams are TWO) of them toward the former sea (i.e. the eastern sea or Dead Sea) and HALF of them toward the hinder sea (i.e. the Mediterranean). In sumner and winter it shall be. (Thus not being a "waddy" or creek that flows only during the wet season, but is dry the rest of the year).
*It might be suggested that Zechariah is teaching that the one half of the waters ought to flow WESTWARDS to the Mediterranean. While this is not unreasonable, Ezekiel 47:9 shows that they both flow easterly, and then the northern half of the waters flow north to the Mediterranean VIA the valley of Shittim, and the Jordan river being reversed.
(d) Isa. 33:20,21: "Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities:....... But there the Lord will be with us in Majesty, a place of BROAD RIVERS \& STREAMS..."

Vv9-10
The Dead Sea will be no longer "dead": the fishes of the Mediterranean Sea will now abound in it, because of the influence of the living waters that flow out of $Z i o n$ and thence into the Mediterranean.
v10 "En-eglaim" (another "dual" Hebrew word, which signifies the "Pountain of the two calves", unidentified today, but probably will be a new place in that day, probably situated on the northwest coast of the "Dead Sea", "between the two rivers" from the Temple area.
v13 Ezekiel is now told about the re-settlement in the land of the twelve tribes.
The twelve tribes shall inherit this land. Levi is separate from the others, so that Joseph is divided into the two tribes Ephraim \& Manasseh. Thus Joseph has a "double portion" of the inheritance.

V14 "Ye shall inherit it ONE AS WELI AS ANOTHER". i.e. each tribe has an equal portion of the inheritance.
Thus the "cantonments" are equal in width, as they stretch from east to west (compare Ezekiel 48:1-6 \& 23-27). "Cantonment" = a "division of land, portion of land".
*There is also a "portion for the Prince" (Ezek, 45:1,7) which is "a Holy portion" of the land, when the land is to be divided by lot in that day.
*Thus, all told, there will be "13 cantonments", 12 for the 12 tribes, and a Holy One for the "Prince" (the Lord Jesus Christ).
*Now, the Prince's portion measures " 25,000 reeds" in width, on either side of the "25,000 reed square" (verse 7, compare the provious 6 verses of Ezek. 45).

NOTE: This is confirmed by Ezek. 48:8... "25,000 in breadth and in length AS ONE OF THE OTHER PARTS from the east side to the west side...."
*Now "25,000 reeds" equals "50 times 500 reeds". " 500 reeds"equals i mile (approx.)

Therefore, $" 25,000$ reeds" $=50$ miles (approx.)
*Thus, 13 cantonments $=13$ times 50 miles $=650$ miles.
***THIS IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE since it confirms the
measure of the "REED" used, in harmony with the
EXTENT of the LAND PROMISED.
Moreover, it is a matter which THE OATH OF YAHWEH has been given, to show unto the heirs of Salvation, the IMMUTABIIITTY of His counsel. (Hebrews 6:17,18).
*Now "650 miles" is the distance from the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsular, to the Amanus Mountains in the area of Haran (which is near the most western point of the Euphrates River).
*The extent of the land promised is revealed in GEN. 15:18, along with the tribes that dwelt in that territory (Vマ19-21). river, the river Euphrates:"

The word "River", in each case, refers to a large river such as the Euphrates. The river of Egypt refers to the river NILE. (Ref. Gesenius Hebrew Lexicon - page 537 bottom)
*It may as well be noted here, that the RED SEA formed a part of the land promised. EXOD. 23:31.
The Gulf of Suez will form a part of the border of the land, while the eastern side of the gulf will then have a line extended from it to the Nile River. This forms the full extent of the land promised in GEN. 15:18, which Israel has NEVER inherited at any time.
*To reject the full extent of the land, which God has "lifted up the Hand (in oath)" to ultimately give unto the Children of Israel, will place the disbelievers in a very unenviable position, in the Day when God intervenes to establish His Oath concerning the Land for ever!

Thus, Bro. Sulley's interpretation "FITS" without "forcing" or omitting or disregarding other important features of the Word of God.

## Vv15-17

These verses describe the northern "border" of the land promised.

V15 "And this shall be the border of the land northwards from the Great Sea, the way of Hethlon..."
This appears to be the start of the north border from the Mediterranean Sea.
v17 The rest of this north border is given in verse 17, where the north border is taken from "Hazar-enan" (which is on the most eastern side of the north border.. and also the most south), the border of Damascus (thus moving up northwards along the northwest border of Damascus) and the north northward (i.e. right up to the River Buphrates), and (now moving gradually to the west along the most northern border of Hamath) the border of Hamath."

DEUT. 1:788, includes the river Euphrates in the north border.
This view of the matter makes the northern border of the promised land reconcile all the facts.

## EZEKIEL 48

V1 *Ezekiel 48:l reveals that the tribe of Dan has its cantonment an east-west portion whose north side consists of the most northern borders of Hamath \& Damascus, but whose south border of the cantonment lies "from the side of the Way of Hethlon.... (i.e. the side to the west at the Mediterranean Sea)....to the side of Hamath (which is next to Damascus' Province). *Note: "Coast" = Heb. "HAND" (i.e. "side") See RSV. *"Hazor-Enan", probably on the common border of the provinces of Hamath \& Damascus, may well be the "Hazor-hatticon" of EZEK. 47:16,...."The Middlevillage" as the word means.

## EZEKIEL 47

v16 "As men go to Zedad; Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim which is between the border of Damascus \& the border of Hamath..." These are explanations of "the Way of Hethlon", telling us the names \& places where "that way" led to. These places do not form part of the actual border.

## EZEKIEL 48

v1 "As one goeth to Hamath". This expression refers to the northern end of the land, specifically referring to the entrance into the province of Hamath at the northern end of the Lebanon \& Antilobanon Mountaing.
(See references to "Thomson's Land \& The Book" Pp 233,238; and "The Historical Geography of the Holy Land" by George Adam Smith, page 308).

We now return to EZEKIEL 47 to consider the EASTERN border revealed in VERSE 18.

## EZBKIEL 47

v18 "And the east side ye shall measure from Hauran and from Damascus and from Gilead and from the land of Israel by Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And this is the east side".

The starting point of the eastern border is "HAZAR-ENON", which was the most southeast point of the north border. (Ezek. 47:17).

The RSV recognizes this in its translation as follows:-
"On the east side the boundary shall run from Hazar-enon,...."
But, the RSV continues....
the Jordan Be between Gilead \& the land of is inael; to the eastern sea and as far as Tamer. This shall be the east side".

But, the Jordan river CANNOT form the east border, for the following reasons..

DEUT. 34:1-4:
(i)ALU the land of Gilead was included in the Land that God promised to Abraham \& his seed.
"And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho. And Yahweh showed him ALI THE LAND OF GIIEAD, unto Dan. And all Naphteli, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the utmost sea. And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar.
And Yahweh said unto him, this is the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither."

CLEARLY, the Oath cannot be broken, and "all the Land of Gilead" must form a part of the inheritance.
(ii) The "Holy Oblation", in which is found the Temple itself, is a portion of land measuring $" 25,000$ reeds long, and 25,000 reeds wide." (Compare Ezek. 45:1-6; Ezek. 48:8,9). "25,000 reeds" wide equals approx. "50 miles", taking 500 reeds equalling one mile.

If Jerusalem is in the middle of the Holy Oblation, then the side of the Holy Oblation towards the east will be about 25 miles away from the temple. This distance goes BEYOND the Jordan river, into Gilead.

Moreover, Ezek. 45:7,8 shows that there is a portion of land for the Prince, from the west side westward, and the EAST SIDE EASTWARD.
"In the land shall be his possossion IN ISRAEL."
(Ezek. 45:8)
Thus the land promised BY OATH certainly includes the land of Gilead on the eastern side of the Jordan, proving that the Jordan is NOT the "east border" (as some versions would have $i t$ ).
$\nabla 18$ Thus the eastern border commences at Hazor-Enan, and continues southwards, through Hauran and Damascus, and Gilead, even the land of Israel by the Jordan.
"from the border unto the east sea" - Better, the Heb. states:
"From the border over the east sea ye shall measure."
(i)The 'border' here, is the southeast point of the North border, from which the east line is to be drawn.
The R.V. translates this part of the verse:-
"from the north border unto the east sea ye shall measure".
(ii)The word "unto" in v18, is the Hebrew "AI", a preposition signifying Tover'; First used in Gen. 1:2- "UPON"

1:20- "ABOVE"
8:1 - "OVER"
14:6 - "BY" (i.e. over against)
Young's Iiteral Translation uses the words "over against", probably in the sense of "immediately along side" the East Sea. But, as we have already seen, that cannot be.

The eastern border will certainly be "over agannst" the Dead Sea, but nevertheless a considerable distance from it.
v19 This verse outlines the southern boundary, as follows:"And the south side southward, from Tamar even to the waters of strife in Kadesh, the river to the great sea. And this is the south side southword."

It is sometimes interpreted to mean that the south border commences from "Tamar" (near the south end of the Dead Sea) as far as "the waters of Meribah Kadesh" (southwest from the Dead Sea, about 60 odd miles), and thence from the "brook of Egypt"- the Wady El-Arish - to the Mediterranean Sea.

Such a reading of the text cannot be right, for the following reasons:-
(i) The inheritance of the Land MUST include, countries EAST of Jordan, such as "Gilead" (Deut. 34:1,4)
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { "Edom" } \\ \text { "Moab" } & \left(\begin{array}{l}\text { Num. } 24: 17,18) \\ \text { Isa. 11:14 }\end{array}\right.\end{array}$

Possessions such as these make the southern border too far east for either "Tamar" or "the Waters of Meribah-Kadesh" to be the border.
(ii) The Nile River MUST be included in the inheritance. (Gen. 15:18,) which the above interpretation omits.
(iii) The "RED SEA" forms part of the border, as revealed in Exodus 23:31.
(iv) The "REED" measures of the land bring the southern border down to the tip of the Sinai Peninsular.
(v) "Zebulon" is to dwell at the "haven of the sea", and be a haven for ships (Gen. 49:13; Deut. 33:18,19).

In view of these considerations, we need to translate the verse in harmony with the Divine teaching.

Literally, the verse reads: "And side Negev (ie south) Temanah (ie towards the right hand: or southvards) from Tamar as far as the waters of Meribah Kadesh inheritance to the great sea \& side Temanah (towards the right hand) Negebah (southwards)."

We may translate this more plainly as follows:-
"Now the side south and towards the right hand is frora Tamar as far as the waters of Meriboh Kadesh, *taking possession to the Great Sea.
And (this is)
the side southwards and towards the right hand".
*The word "Nach-ah-Iah" (translated "river" in Verse 19) has the first meaning of "the act of taking possession", hence, 'an inheritance." (Bagster's Hebrew Hexicon).

Thus, the southern border of the land is southwards then westwards from a line drawn from Tamar to Meribah Kadesh.
i.e. southwards first until the south tip of the Sinai Peninsular, then westwards until the Nile river is reached, where the border then turns northwards to the Mediterranean Sea.

The same is for Ezek. 48:28, where the border of Gad is mentioned.
"And by the border of Gad, (i.e. the southern border of Gad's cantonment), is that southern border line, which has come south from Gilead \& Moab unto the Gulf of Akaba - the line from thence being both southwards and to the right hand from "Tamar to Meribah Kadesh" above it; this scuthern border "taking possession" to the Gres.t Sea."




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9 Then measured be tac porch of the gate, eigbt cubits ; and a tue posts thercof, btwo cubits; and the porch of the gate was inward.
10 And the littic chambers of the gate eastward biere thice on this side, and three on that side; ${ }^{c}$ they three ware of onc measure: and the posts had freer: onc measure on this side and 'ver, so on that side.
if And he measured the breadth of the catry of the gate, ten cubits; and the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.
12 The 'space also before the little chambers was one cubit on this side, and the space was one cublt on that side : and the little chambers were isix cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.
13 He measured then the gate from the roof of one little chanber to the roof of another: "the breadth was five and twenty cubits, door against door.
14 He made also posts cof threescore cubits, even unto the post of the court rownd about the gate.
15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the fice of the porch of the inner gate ${ }^{r}$ were iffy cubits.
16 And there were 'narrow windows to the little chambers, and to their posts 'within the gate round about, and likewise $E$ to the "arches: and windows were round about innward: and upou cach post were "palm trees.
17 Tben brought he me into y the outware court, and, ic. there were 'chambers, and a a pavement made for the court round atout: ${ }^{\text {thirty chambers }}$ werc upon the pavement.
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19 Then be measured the treadth from the for breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront fof the inner court ' without, an hundred cubits eastward and northward.
20 Find the gate of the outward court 'that looked toward the north, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thercol.
as And dthe little chambers thereof were three on this side and three on that side; and the posts thereaf and the - arches thereof were "after the measure of the first gate: "the length thereof was fify cubits, and 'the breadth five and twenty cubits.
22 And ktheir windows, and tbeir arches, and their palm trees, were after the measure of the gate that looketh toward: the east ; and $m$ they went up unto it by seven steps ; and the arches thereof were beforc them. 23 And the gate of the innet court was over against the gate $p$ toward the north, and toward the east; I and he measured frorn gate to gate an hundred cubits. 24 F After that he brougbt me toward the south, and be hoid a gate toward the south: and the measured the posts thereof and the arches thereof according to these measures.
25 And there were windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those windows: the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth give and twenty cubits.
26 And there were seven steps
x to go up to it, and the arches thereof were before them: and it had palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the posts thereof.
$27^{\text {c }}$ And there was a gate in the Inner court toward the south : and be measured from gate to gate toward the south ioco

Description of the gates, EZEKIEL $40 . \quad$ tables, and chambers.


28 And be brought me to a the
loner court by the south gate: and he measured the sonth gate according to these measures; 29 And ${ }^{\text {c the little chambers }}$ thercof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thercof, according to these measures: and there were windows in it and in the arches thereol round about: it mas fify cublts long, and five and twenty cubits broad.
30 And the arches round about were ifive and twenty cubits long, and ${ }^{k}$ five cubits ' broad.
3i 'And the arches thereof werc toward the utter court; and palm trees were upon the posts thercof: and $m$ the going up to it had clght steps.
an If had he trought me into Lhe inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate acoording to these measures.
33 And the litile chambers trercoí, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, were according to these measures: and there were windows therein and in the arcines thercois round about: it was fifty cublts long, and five and twenty cubits broad.
34 And the arches thereof :vere toward lie outward court; and palin trees werc upos the posts thereof, on thls side, bund on that s!de: and the golng up to it had cight steps. 35 II And he brought me to the north gnte, and measured it according to these measures; $3^{6}$ The little chambers thereor, the posts thereof, and the erches thercof, and the windows to it round about: the leneth was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.
37 And the posts theroof were toward the uitcr court; and palm trees ivere upon the posts


thereof, on this side, and on that side: snd the going up to it had eight stepe.
38 And the chambery and the entries thereof were by the posts of the gates where $d$ they washed 'the burnt offering.
39 II And in the porch of the gate were two tables on thls side, and two tables on that side, to slay thereons the burnt offering and othe sin offiering and "the trespass offering.
40 And at the side without, 'as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, were two tables; and on the other side, which was at the porch of the gate, were two tables.
41 Four tables were on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate: eight tables, whereupon "they slew thetr sacrifices.
4n And the four tables nuere - of hewn stone for the brumt offering, of a cubit end an balf long, and a cutit and an half broad, and one cubit high: whercupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they alew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.
43 And whthla were 'phooks, a an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables whs the flesh of the offering.
44 I And without the Inner gate yvere the chambers of rthe slogems in the inner court, which was at the alde of the north gete; and their prospect was toward the south : one at the side of the eart gate having the prospert toward the north 45 And he said unto me, This chamber, whose prospect is toward the south, is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the house
46 And the chamber whose prospect is toward the north is for the pricsts, "the keepers of the charge of the altar: $x$ these are ythe sons of Zadok



prests chambers. ing; for the piace is holy.
14 When the priests enter timerein, then shall they not go out o. the holy place into the

storles, but had not plllars as the pillars of the courts: therefore the brilding bwas strait ened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.
7 And ${ }^{\text {c the }}$ wall that was without over against the chambers, toward the utter court on the forepart of the chambers, the length thercof was fifty cubits. 8 For the length of the chambers that wicre in the utter court was fifty cubits: and. lo, before ethe templef wicre an hundred cubits.
9 Ard from under these chambers was "h the entry on the east side, 'as one goeth into them from the utter court. Io The chambers were in the thickness of the well of the court toward the east, over agedust the separate place, and over against the building.
II And the way before them was like the appearance of the chambers which were toward the north, as long as they, and as broad as they: and all their goings out were both taccording to their fasmions, and according to their doors. 12 And according to the doors of the chambers that were toward the south was a door "!n the head of the way, even the way directly before the wall toward tbe east, as ore entereth into them.
13 It Then sald be unto me, PThe north chambers and the south chambers, which are before the separate place, they be holy chambers, where 'the priests that approach unto the LORD " shall eat $x$ the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy trings, and 'the meat offering, and athe sin cffering, and the treapass offer-

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 in they minister; for they are holy; and shall put on other garments, and shall approach to those things which are for the people.
15 Now when he brid made an end of measuring the laner house, he brought me forth to ward ${ }^{d}$ the gate whose prospect is toward the east, and measured it round about
16 He measured the east 'slde with the measuring reed, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.
${ }^{17}$ He measured the north side,
five hundred reeds, whth the measuring reed roand abosut. 18 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed.
19 of He turned about to the west side, and measured five hundred reeds with the mea. suring reed.
30 fie measured it by the four sides: it had a wall round about, kfive bundred reeds long, and five hundred broed, $m$ to make a separation between the sanctuary and the protane place.

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AFTERWARD he trought me A to the gate, even othe gate that looketh toward the east: 3 And, behold. 9 the glory of the God of Israel carne from the way of the east: and rhis volce was like no noise of many waters: and 'the earth shined with bis glory.

3 And it was ysucording to the appearance of the vision which I saw, even eccording to the vision that I saw 'when I came b to destroy the city: and the vislons ware like the vision that I saw 'by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face. \begin{tabular}{c}
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