

## 2 Chronicles 3:1-17 **Solomon began Temple Construction**

### Solomon Builds the Temple (1 Kings 6:1-22)

1 Now Solomon began to build Beit Yahweh (the house of the Lord) at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where Yahweh (the Lord) had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

2 And he began to build on the second day of the second month in the fourth year of his reign.

3 This is the **foundation** which Solomon laid for building Beit Elohiym (the house of God): The length was sixty cubits (by cubits according to the former measure) and the width twenty cubits.

4 And the **vestibule** that was in front of the sanctuary was twenty cubits long across the width of the house, and the height was one hundred and twenty. He overlaid the inside with pure gold.

5 The **larger room** he paneled with cypress which he overlaid with fine gold, and he carved palm trees and chainwork on it.

6 And he **decorated the house** with precious stones for beauty, and the gold was gold from Parvaim.

7 He also overlaid the house — the beams and doorposts, its walls and doors — with gold; and he carved cherubim on the walls.

8 And he made the **Most Holy Place**. Its length was according to the width of the house, twenty cubits, and its width twenty cubits. He overlaid it with six hundred talents of fine gold.

9 The weight of the nails was fifty shekels of gold; and he overlaid the upper area with gold.

10 In the Most Holy Place he made two **cherubim**, fashioned by carving, and overlaid them with gold.

11 The wings of the cherubim were twenty cubits in overall length: one wing of the one cherub was five cubits, touching the wall of the room, and the other wing was five cubits, touching the wing of the other cherub;

12 one wing of the other cherub was five cubits, touching the wall of the room, and the other wing also was five cubits, touching the wing of the other cherub.

13 The wings of these cherubim spanned twenty cubits overall. They stood on their feet, and they faced inward.

14 And he made the **veil** of blue, purple, crimson, and fine linen, and wove cherubim into it.

15 Also he made in front of the temple **two pillars** thirty-five cubits high, and the capital that was on the top of each of them was five cubits.

16 He made **wreaths of chainwork**, as in the inner sanctuary, and put them on top of the pillars; and he made one hundred **pomegranates**, and put them on the wreaths of chainwork.

17 Then he set up the **pillars** before the temple, one on the right hand and the other on the left; he called the name of the one on the right hand **Jachin**, and the name of the one on the left **Boaz**.

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Facts Revealed: **Solomon began Templeconstruction**

### Location and time at beginning of the Temple construction

- ✧ Temple was built where David had pitched a tent for the Ark of the Covenant, on Mount Moriah where David saw the Angel of Yahweh with A Drawn sword in his hand over the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite When Yahweh was punishing the people for their sins after David had numbered the people. [2 Chronicles 3:1-2, 2 Samuel 24:1-25, 1 Chronicles 24:1-30] (In 2 Samuel, Ornan the Jebusite is called Araunah the Jebusite).
- ✧ Temple construction began on the **second day** of the **second month** in the **fourth year** of the reign of Solomon. [2 Chronicles 3:2]

### Detailed description of Temple construction [2 Chronicles 3:3-17]

- ✧ This portion includes the foundation, vestibule, larger room (Holy Place), decorations, Most Holy Place, Cherubim (overlaid with gold), Veil, two pillars (named Jachin and Boaz), wreaths of chain work, and pomegranates.