

## Ezra 1:1-11 **Cyrus King of Persia - Authorized People of Yahweh to Return to Jerusalem & Build Beit Yahweh**

### End of the Babylonian Captivity (2 Chronicles 36:22,23)

1 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that Dabar Yahweh (the word of the Lord) by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, Yahweh (the Lord) stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying,

2 Thus says Cyrus king of Persia:

All the kingdoms of the earth Yahweh Elohey (the Lord God of) heaven has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem which is in Judah.

3 Who is among you of all His people? May Elohayv (his God) be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem which is in Judah, and build Beit Yahweh Elohey Yisrael (the house of the Lord God of Israel) (He is Elohiym (God), which is in Jerusalem.

4 And whoever is left in any place where he dwells, let the men of his place help him with silver and gold, with goods and livestock, besides the freewill offerings for Beit Elohiym (the house of God) which is in Jerusalem.

5 Then the heads of the fathers' houses of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests and the Levites, with all whose spirits Elohiym (God) had moved, arose to go up and build Beit Yahweh (the house of the Lord) which is in Jerusalem.

6 And all those who were around them encouraged them with articles of silver and gold, with goods and livestock, and with precious things, besides all that was willingly offered.

7 King Cyrus also brought out the articles of Beit Yahweh (the house of the Lord), which Nebuchadnezzar had taken from Jerusalem and put in the temple of his gods;

8 and Cyrus king of Persia brought them out by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and counted them out to Sheshbazzar the prince of Judah.

9 This is the number of them: thirty gold platters, one thousand silver platters, twenty-nine knives,

10 thirty gold basins, four hundred and ten silver basins of a similar kind, and one thousand other articles.

11 All the articles of gold and silver were five thousand four hundred. All these Sheshbazzar took with the captives who were brought from Babylon to Jerusalem.

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Facts Revealed:

### End of the Babylonian Captivity (2 Chronicles 36:22,23) [Ezra 1:1-11]

✧ Cyrus is first named by Yahweh through Isaiah His prophet in the reign of Hezekiah king of Judah around 220 years before he became king of Persia. [Isaiah 44:28, 45:1-7]

✧ When seventy years of captivity were complete as spoken by the prophet Jeremiah [Jeremiah 25:1-14, 29:1-32, 10]

✧ In the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, the Holy Spirit of Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia moving him to make a proclamation and put it in writing that Yahweh Elohey commanded him to build Beit Yahweh in Jerusalem. Authorizing the remnant of the people of Yahweh to go with his blessing to Jerusalem in Judah and to build Beit Yahweh.

✧ Cyrus called for all Yahweh's people to help him with silver and gold, goods and livestock and provide freewill offerings for Beit Elohiym in Jerusalem. [Ezra 1:1-4]

- ✧ The leaders of the Jews, priests, and Levites along with all whose spirits Elohiym had moved arose to go and build Beit Yahweh in Jerusalem.
- ✧ The Jews who remained behind encouraged those going with articles of silver and gold, with goods and livestock, and with precious things, besides all that was willingly offered. [\[Ezra 1:5-6\]](#)
- ✧ King Cyrus had Mithredath the treasurer bring out the articles Nebuchadnezzar had taken from Jerusalem and placed it with full accounting into the hand of Sheshbazzar the prince of Judah. [\[Ezra 1:7-10\]](#)
- ✧ All the articles of gold and silver were five thousand four hundred. All these Sheshbazzar took with the captives who were brought from Babylon to Jerusalem. [\[Ezra 1:11\]](#)