



# The Effects of Salvation: A Corporate Perspective

Ephesians 2:11-22 (ERV)

Question:

How Did Jesus Address The Issue  
Of Different Races, Different  
Ethnicities?

16 All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for showing people what is wrong in their lives, for correcting faults, and for teaching how to live right. 17 Using the Scriptures, the person who serves God will be capable, having all that is needed to do every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16~17 (NCV)

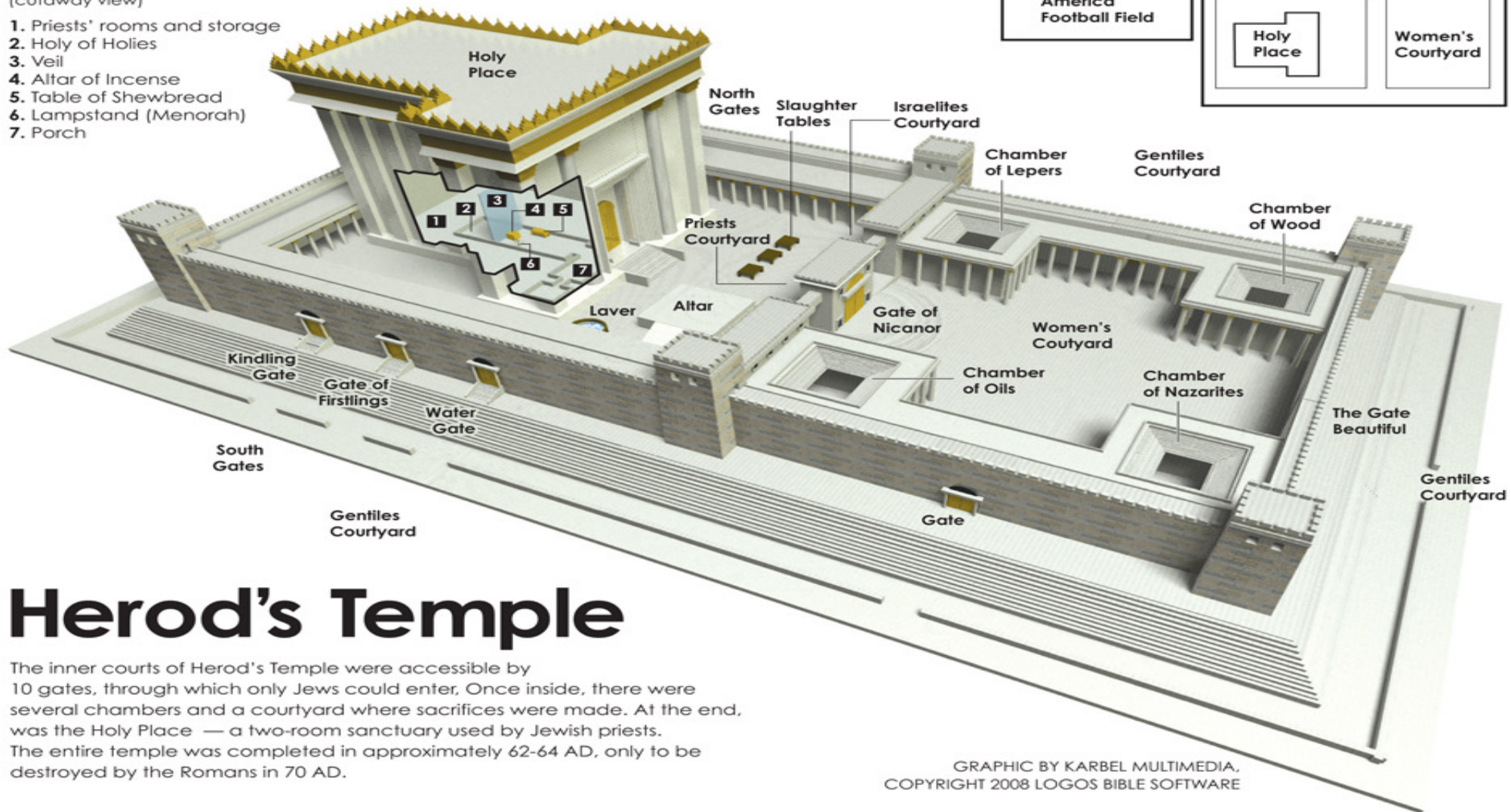
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## INSIDE THE HOLY PLACE

(cutaway view)

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



# Herod's Temple

The inner courts of Herod's Temple were accessible by 10 gates, through which only Jews could enter. Once inside, there were several chambers and a courtyard where sacrifices were made. At the end, was the Holy Place — a two-room sanctuary used by Jewish priests. The entire temple was completed in approximately 62-64 AD, only to be destroyed by the Romans in 70 AD.

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## THE PROBLEM

11 You were not born as Jews. You are the people the Jews call “uncircumcised.” Those Jews who call you “uncircumcised” call themselves “circumcised.” (Their circumcision is only something they themselves do to their bodies.)

## THE PROBLEM

12 Remember that in the past you were without Christ. You were not citizens of Israel, and you did not know about the agreements with the promises that God made to his people. You had no hope, and you did not know God.

## THE SOLUTION

13 Yes, at one time you were far away from God, but now in Christ Jesus, you are brought near to him.

You are brought near to God through the blood sacrifice of Christ.



## THE SOLUTION

14 Christ is the reason we are now at peace. He made us Jews and you who are not Jews one people. We were separated by a wall of hate that stood between us, but Christ broke down that wall.

## THE SOLUTION

By giving his own body, 15 Christ ended the law with its many commands and rules. His purpose was to make the two groups become one in him. By doing this he would make peace.

## THE SOLUTION

16 Through the cross Christ ended the hate between the two groups.

And after they became one body, he wanted to bring them both back to God. He did this with his death on the cross.

## THE SOLUTION

17 Christ came and brought the message of peace to you non-Jews who were far away from God. And he brought that message of peace to those who were near to God.

## THE SOLUTION

18 Yes, through Christ we all  
have the right to come to the  
Father in one Spirit.

## THE CORPORATE EFFECTS OF SALVATION

19 So now you non-Jewish people are not visitors or strangers, but you are citizens together with God's holy people. You belong to God's family.

## THE CORPORATE EFFECTS OF SALVATION

20 You believers are like a building that God owns. That building was built on the foundation that the apostles and prophets prepared. Christ Jesus himself is the most important stone in that building.

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21 The whole building is joined together in Christ, and he makes it grow and become a holy temple in the Lord.



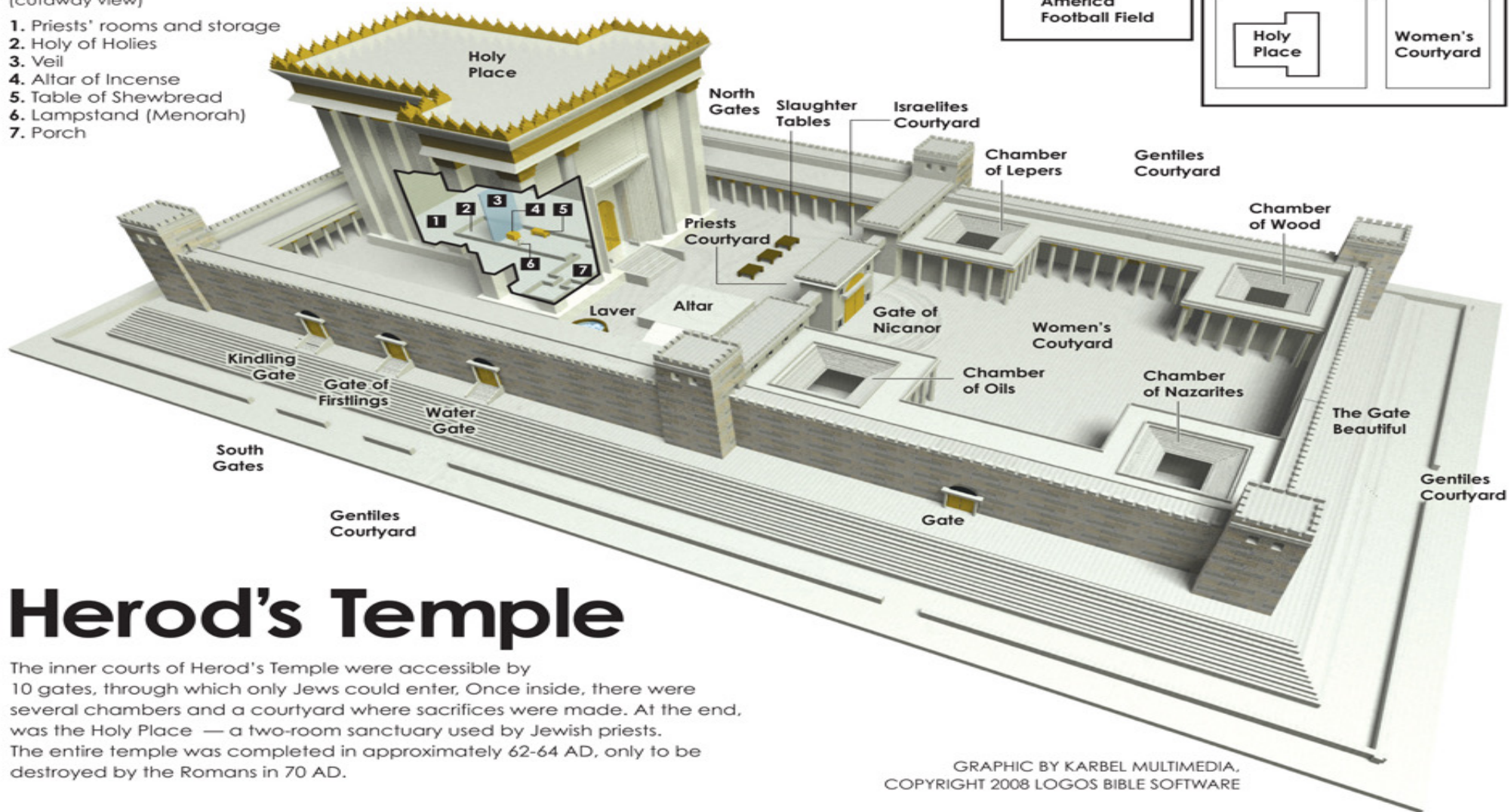
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22 And in Christ you are being built together with his other people. You are being made into a place where God lives through the Spirit.

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Answer:

Through His death on the cross,  
Jesus has taken all  
races/ethnicities, and made  
them One People, One Temple,  
One Family.

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. (Rev 7:9, NIV)

Those who respond to Jesus' gospel  
by faith in Him become a part of  
this One People, One Temple, and  
One Family.

What Does This Mean For  
Me?

What Does This Mean For Us  
As A Church?



Do You Think God Wants The  
Local Church To Be A  
Reflection Of American  
Society Or A Reflection Of  
His Kingdom?