

# 1 & 2 Samuel Series

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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S  
CREATION; LIGHT AND LIFE

1 CHRONICLES 15:1–16; GENESIS 2

**What the Bible Teaches  
About**

***Worship***



**“In a world where feelings and personal autonomy have become the norm, submission to biblical authority must be the basis and standard by which worship is rescued from the realm of temporal feelings and empty words to that of truth that can transform and renew both the individual and the Church universal.”**

**~Timothy Pierce**

**He then writes:**

**“One striking realization is that theology and worship are inextricably tied because the foundation of both is the question, ‘*Who is our God?*’ ”**

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## **A working definition.**

### **Biblical worship is:**

**The celebration of *having* eternal fellowship with the sovereign and holy triune God, by means of**

- **The reverent adoration and spontaneous praise of God's character and works,**
- **The expressed commitment of trust and obedience to biblically revealed responsibilities, and**
- **The remembrance of God's gracious work of salvation and spiritual growth through divinely prescribed ordinances,**

**All of which confidently anticipates the fulfillment of God's promises in glory.**

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**Psa. 80:1, "Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; You who dwell ['sit' enthroned] between the cherubim, shine forth!"**

3. **Psa. 99:1, "The LORD reigns; Let the peoples tremble! He dwells ['sits' enthroned] between the cherubim; Let the earth be moved!"**



**Isa. 37:15**, “Hezekiah prayed to the LORD saying,  
**Isa. 37:16**, “ ‘O LORD of hosts, the God of Israel,  
who is enthroned above the cherubim, You are the  
God, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth.  
You have made heaven and earth.’ ” [NASB 95]



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- 2. Second, because the themes of worship which we find in New Testament worship are the same as we find being established in the beginning: sanctuary (dwelling of God), separation from God, sacrifice, substitution, cleansing, and organized worship that includes prayer, thanksgiving, hymns, praise, seasonal rites of worship, and priestly servants of God.**

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**Heb. 8:1, “Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,**

**Heb. 8:2, “a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man.”**

**1. The centrality of understanding the Majesty of God through His creation is fundamental to understanding the essence of humanity.**

**Gen. 1:26–28; Psa. 8:3–9**



**2. An essential feature of our “imageness” is that we are King-Priests created to worship God through our service to Him.**

**Gen. 2:15; Deut. 13:4; Rev. 22:3; 21:22**



**Eden**

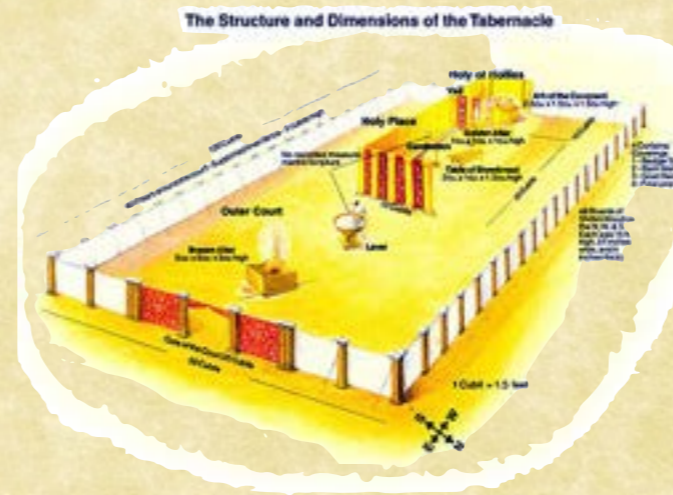
**The Earth**

**Eden**

**Gen. 2:8**

**Garden of Eden**

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**Tabernacle**



**Temple**



# Eden

The Earth

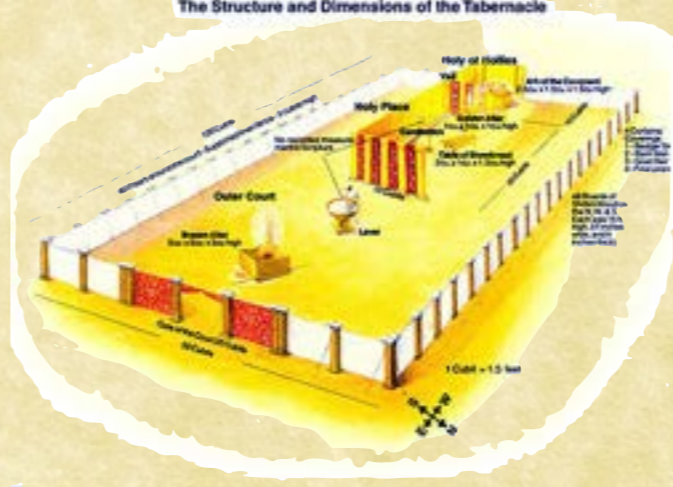
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Presence of God

Tree of Life

The Fall (Exile)  
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Flaming Sword

Mountain of  
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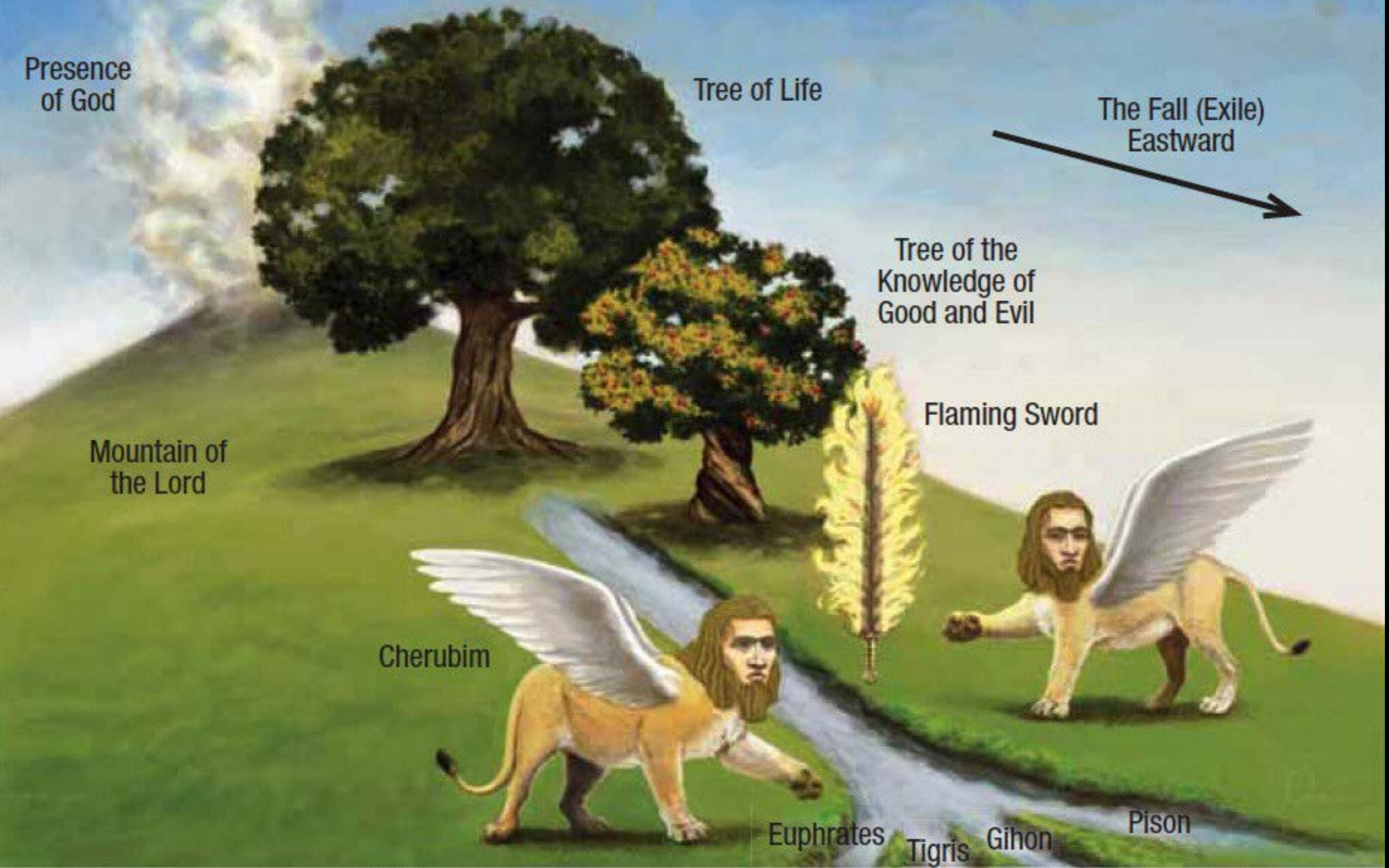
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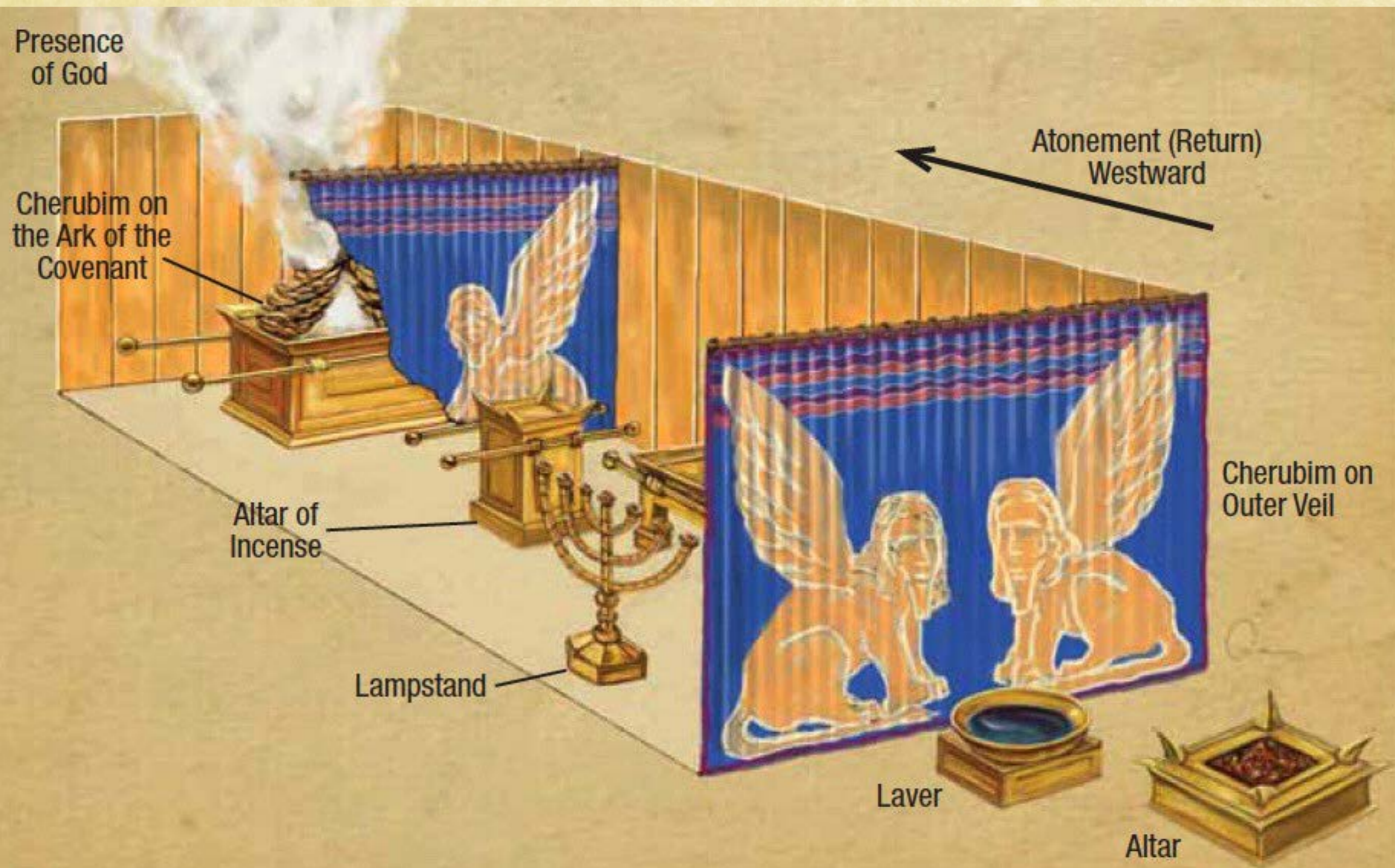
Euphrates

Tigris

Gihon

Pison





Presence of God

Cherubim on the Ark of the Covenant

Altar of Incense

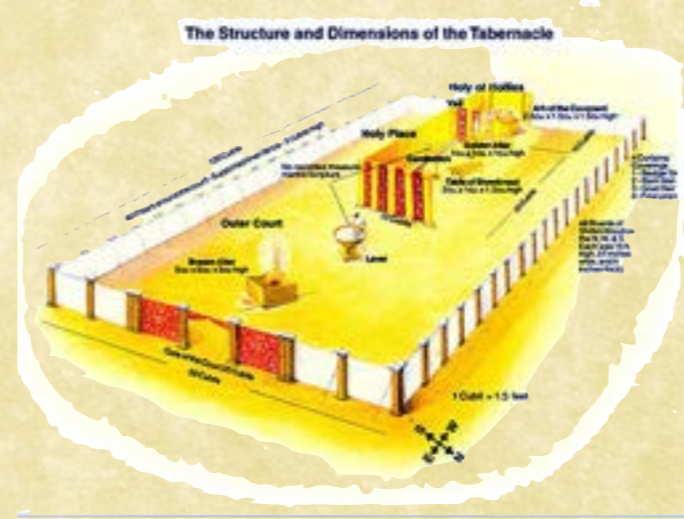
Lampstand

Laver

Altar

Atonement (Return) Westward

Cherubim on Outer Veil



**The Garden  
of Eden**

**Tabernacle**

**Temple**

**River of Life**

**Cherubim**

**Gold,**

**Precious Gems**

**Trees**

**Image of God**

**A Place of Rest**

**Psa. 132:13, “For the LORD has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His dwelling place:**

**Psa. 132:14, “ ‘This is My resting place forever; Here I will dwell, for I have desired it.’ ”**

**Gen. 2:8, “The LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed.**

**Gen. 2:9, “And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.”**



# The Primordial Garden

**Ezek. 28:12, “Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “You were the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.**

**Ezek. 28:13, “ ‘ “You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, beryl, onyx, and jasper, sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes was prepared for you on the day you were created.” ’ ”**

## The Garden of Eden, Gen. 2

**Gen. 2:11, “The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which skirts the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.**

**Gen. 2:12, “And the gold of that land is good. Bdellium and the onyx stone are there.”**

# The Breast Plate of the High Priest

**Ex. 28:17, “And you shall put settings of stones in it, four rows of stones: The first row shall be a sardius, a topaz, and an emerald; this shall be the first row;**

**Ex. 28:18, “the second row shall be a turquoise, a sapphire, and a diamond;**

**Ex. 28:19, “the third row, a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst;**

**Ex. 28:20, “and the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper. They shall be set in gold settings.”**



# The Garden of Eden

River of Life

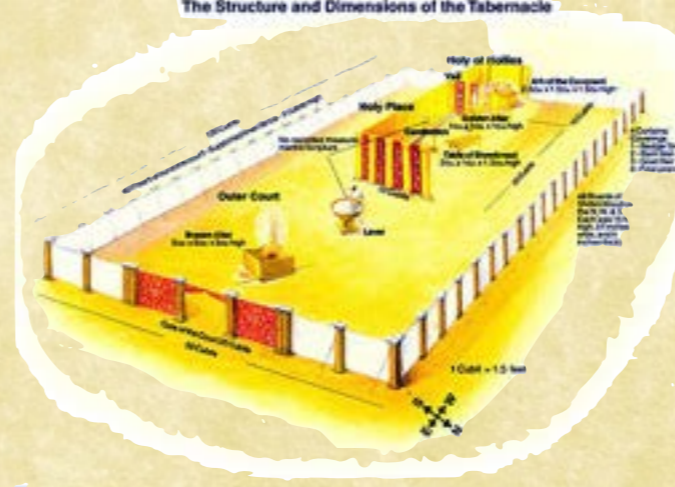
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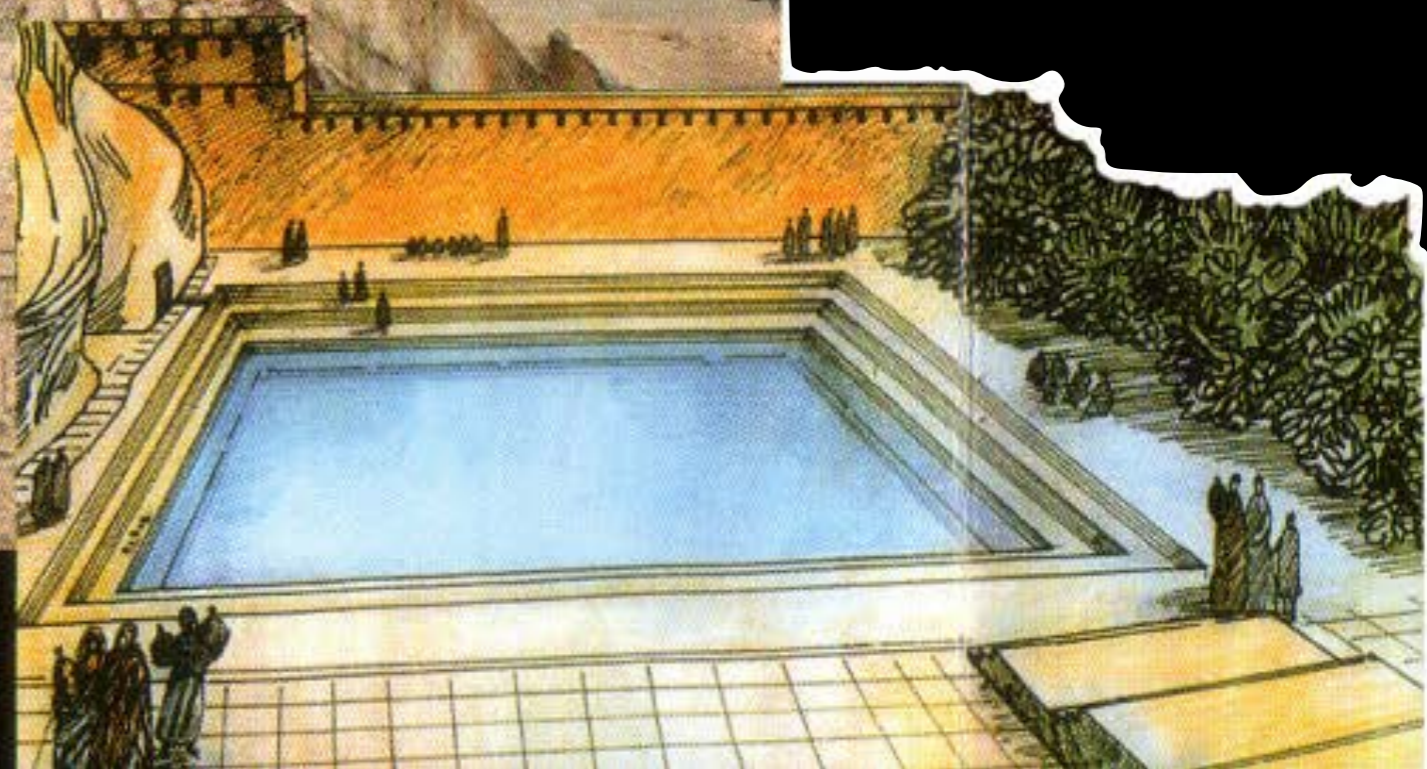
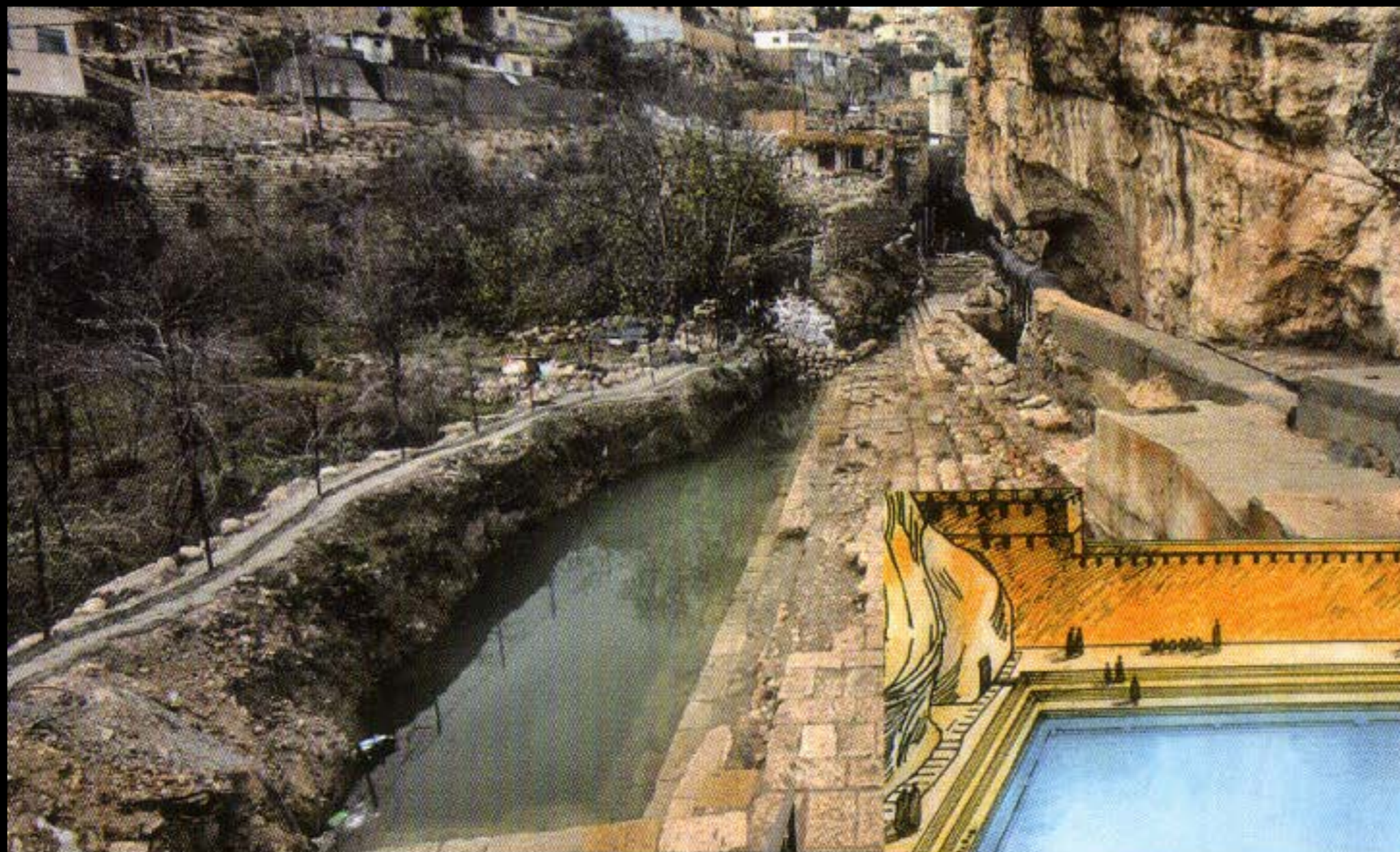
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**Gen. 2:10, “Now a river went out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four riverheads.**

**Gen. 2:11, “The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which skirts the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.”**

**Gen. 2:13, “The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one which goes around the whole land of Cush.**

**Gen. 2:14, “The name of the third river is Hiddekel; it is the one which goes toward the east of Assyria. The fourth river is the Euphrates.”**



*The Shiloach Pool filled with rain water and an illustrated reconstruction of the pool in the Second Temple period*

**Stepped-Stone Structure**

**Temple**

**inner wall**

**Spring Tower  
(built over Gihon Spring)**

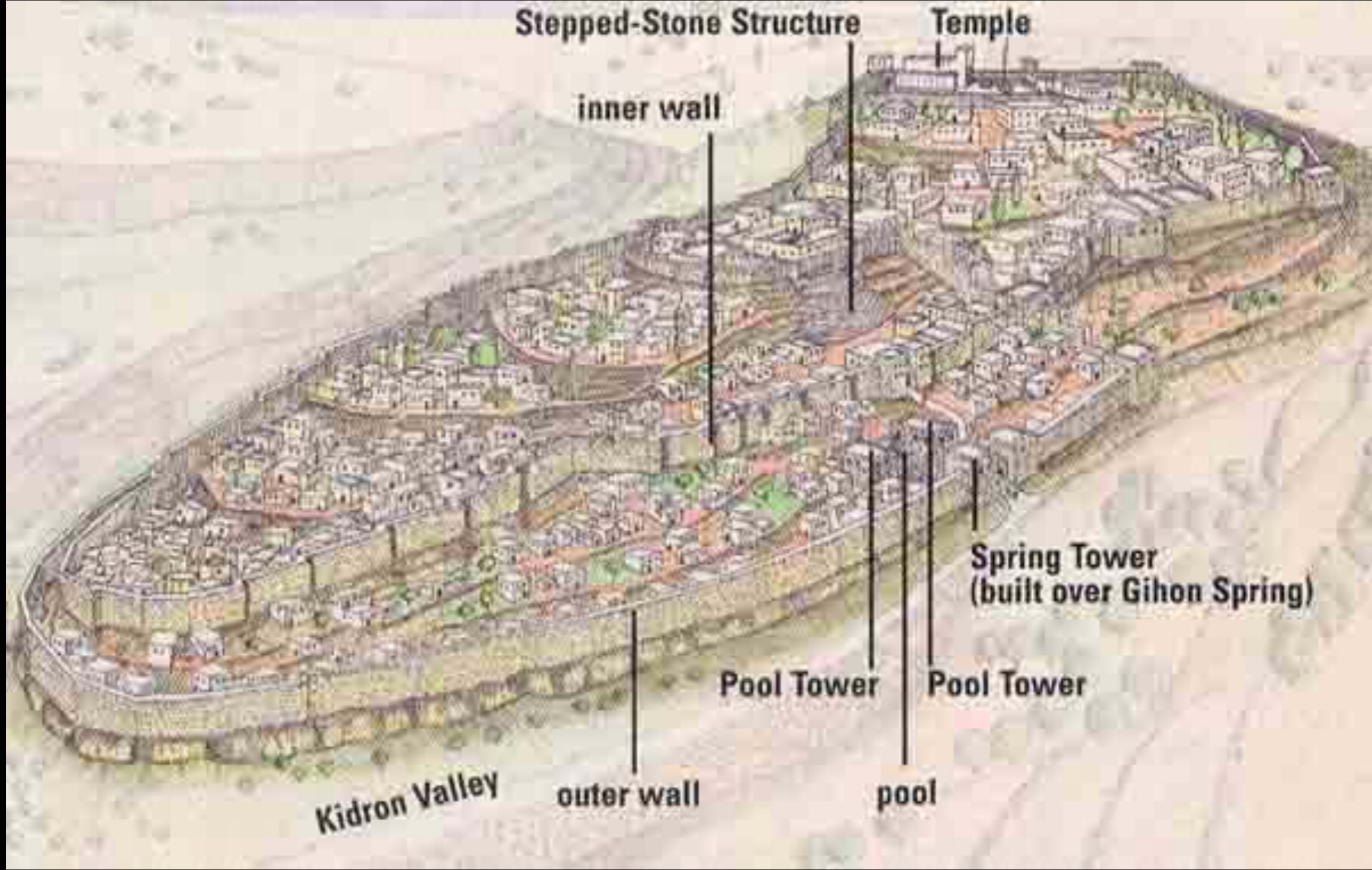
**Pool Tower**

**Pool Tower**

**outer wall**

**pool**

**Kidron Valley**



**Isa. 8:5**, “The LORD also spoke to me again, saying:

**Isa. 8:6**, “ ‘Inasmuch as these people refused the waters of Shiloah that flow softly, and rejoice in Rezin and in Remaliah’s son;’ ”





**Ezek. 36:35, “So they will say, ‘This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden; and the wasted, desolate, and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.’ ”**

**Joel 2:3, “A fire devours before them, and behind them a flame burns; The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them.”**

**Psa. 36:6, “Your righteousness is like the great mountains; Your judgments are a great deep; O LORD, You preserve man and beast.**

**Psa. 36:7, “How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.”**

**Psa. 36:8, “They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of Your house [Temple], and You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures.**

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**John 1:4, “In Him was life, and the life was  
the light of men”**

**John 8:12, “Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.’ ”**

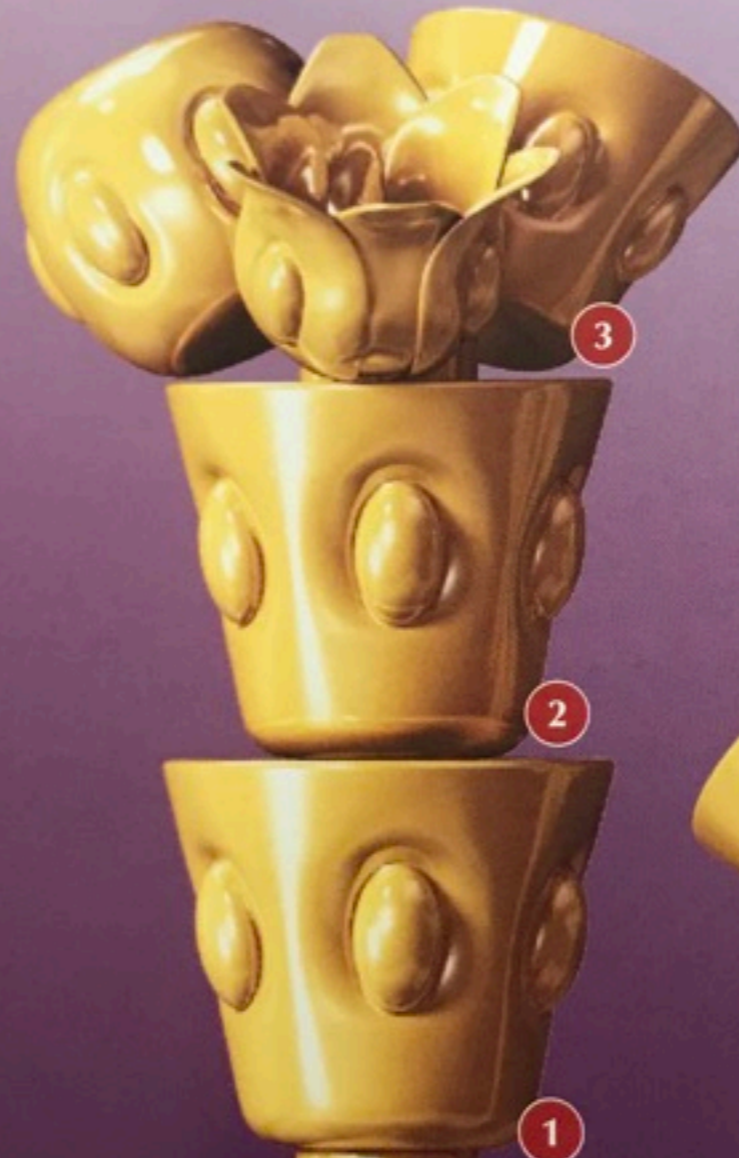


*Tosafos* (ד"ה וטפה), (as understood by *Maaseh Choshev*), explains that each branch passed through the center of each of the three ornaments. The ornaments were in a stack, with the three

branch, above the lower goblets. *Sefer Zikaron* explains that each of the three goblets protruded from a different side of the branch. The branch then passed through the center of the knob and the flower.



*Ornaments according to Tosafos*



*Ornaments according to Maaseh Choshev*



*Ornaments according to Sefer Zikaron*



**Psa. 46:4, “There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.”**

**Jer. 2:13, “For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, and hewn themselves cisterns—broken cisterns that can hold no water.”**

**Jer. 17:13, “O LORD, the hope of Israel, all who forsake You shall be ashamed. ‘Those who depart from Me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters.’ ”**

**John 4:10, “Jesus answered and said to her, ‘If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, “Give Me a drink,” you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.’ ”**

**John 7:37, “On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, ‘If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.**

**John 7:38, “ ‘He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’ ”**