



1. Measure what temple & why?

Rev 11:1-2 Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. ²But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months.

Ezk 40-43 an angel measures the millennial temple

2. The Bible mentions 5 temples:

- “ The temple built by Solomon
- “ The temple built by Zerubbabel
- “ The temple built by Herod
- “ The temple built during the Great Tribulation
(Mt 24:15, 2 Thess 2:4)
- “ The temple built during the millennium
(Ezk 40-48)

3. The temple built during the Great Tribulation:

Dan 9:27 Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the week he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate.+

Mt 24:15 ¶Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place+(whoever reads, let him understand),

4. The Anti-Christ will take over this temple:

2 Thess 2:3-5 Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, ⁴who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, **so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.** ⁵Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things?

- “ The temple will be rebuilt during the first part of the tribulation . 2 Thess 2:3-4, Is 28:15
- “ John’ s measuring only the inner court and temple building symbolizes how, during the last half (42 months) of the tribulation, the gentiles will rule the world

Lk 21:24 And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

Rom 11:25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.

5. The ~~ab~~omination of desolation+happens half way into the Great Tribulation

Dan 9:27 Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the **middle of the week** he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering.

3 ½ years
42 months
1260 days

Titus 2:11-13 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, ¹²teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

6. The “Two Witnesses” are real men

Rev 11:3-4 And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.+⁴These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth.

- “ The duration of their ministry: 3 ½ years
- “ The two olive branches: Zech 4:11-14

Zech 4:11-14 Then I answered and said to him, %What are these two olive trees- at the right of the lampstand and at its left?+¹²And I further answered and said to him, %What are these two olive branches that drip into the receptacles of the two gold pipes from which the golden oil drains?+¹³Then he answered me and said, %Do you not know what these are?+ And I said, %No, my lord.+¹⁴So he said, %These are the two anointed ones, who stand beside the Lord of the whole earth.+

7. Who are these witnesses?

Rev 11:5-6 And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner. ⁶These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.

- “ They dispense God’ s judgment
- “ They work similar miracles as Elijah & Moses:
Lk 4:25, Ex 7
- “ They were both at the transfiguration of Jesus:
Mt 17:3

8. How does their ministry end?

Rev 11:7-10 When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them. ⁸And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. ⁹Then those from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves. ¹⁰And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

- “ The Anti-Christ is powerless until God is finished . and then they will be martyred
- “ Their bodies will lie in a Jerusalem street for 3 ½ days
- “ The whole world will see it on satellite television
- “ The wicked will celebrate an unholy Christmas

9. You can't keep good men down

Rev 11:11-13 Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. ¹²And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, %Come up here.+And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them. ¹³In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.

- “ God resurrects them after 3 ½ days
- “ Their enemies witness their victory
- “ An earthquake brings destruction, death, and deliverance

10. During the great tribulation, Jesus' prayer of Mt 6 is finally answered

Rev 11:14-19 The second woe is past. Behold, the third woe is coming quickly. ¹⁵Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" ¹⁶And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God, ¹⁷saying: "We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was and who is to come, because You have taken Your great power and reigned.

¹⁸The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, and those who fear Your name, small and great, and should destroy those who destroy the earth.+ ⁹Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.

Mt 6:9-13 Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹Give us this day our daily bread. ¹²And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. ¹³And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.