

# The New Jerusalem

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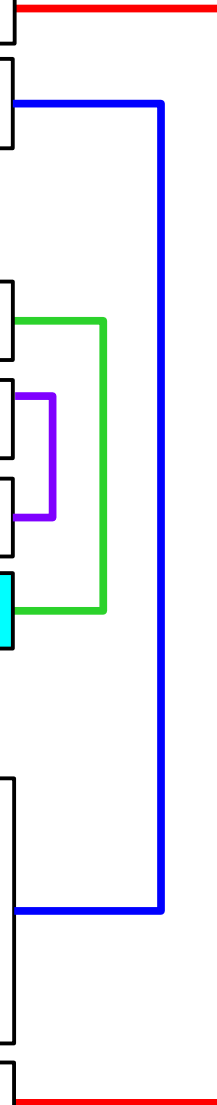
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# The Two Women

Revelation 17, The Whore	Revelation 21, The Bride, the Lamb's Wife
<p>1 And there came one of the <b>seven angels which had the seven vials</b>, and talked with me, saying unto me, <b>Come hither; I will shew unto thee</b> the judgment of the great <b>whore</b> that sitteth upon many waters:</p>	<p>9 And there came unto me one of the <b>seven angels which had the seven vials</b> full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, <b>Come hither, I will shew thee the bride</b>, the Lamb's wife.</p>
<p>... 3 So <b>he carried me away in the spirit</b> into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of <b>blasphemy</b>,</p>	<p>10 And <b>he carried me away in the spirit</b> to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, 11 <b>Having the glory of God:</b></p>
<p>... 4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with <b>gold</b> and <b>precious stones</b> and <b>pearls</b>,</p>	<p>and her light was like unto <b>a stone most precious</b>, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal; ... 18 And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure <b>gold</b>, like unto clear glass. 19 And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of <b>precious stones</b>. ... 21 And the twelve gates were twelve <b>pearls</b>; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure <b>gold</b>, as it were transparent glass.</p>

# Ezekiel 40-48 and Revelation 21-22

## 10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain

Ezk 40:1 In the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day the hand of the LORD was upon me, and **brought me thither**. 2 In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me upon a **very high mountain**, by which was as the frame of a city on the south. 3 And he brought me thither, and, behold, there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and **a measuring reed**; and he stood in the gate.

## Textual Parallels

	Revelation	Ezekiel
Vision in the spirit	21:10	43:5
High mountain		40:1-3
Tribal names on gates	21:12-13	48:31-35
Guide with measuring reed	21:15	40:3
River of living water	22:1	47:1-5
Trees with fruit and healing leaves	22:2	47:12

## Contextual Parallels

	Revelation	Ezekiel
Exiled Prophet	John, on Patmos	Ezekiel, in Babylon
God's People	Seven churches, AD 100	Israel, 580 BC
Oppressor	Rome → Antichrist, Whore	Babylon
Hope	Eschatological (Millennium & NH/NE)	Return (538 BC) Millennium

## 10 that great city, the holy Jerusalem

Rev. 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of **the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem**, which **cometh down out of heaven** from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

Rev 11:1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. 2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and **the holy city shall they tread under foot** forty and two months.

Rev 11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of **the great city**, which spiritually is called **Sodom and Egypt**, where also our Lord was crucified.

Rev. 20:9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and **the beloved city**: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

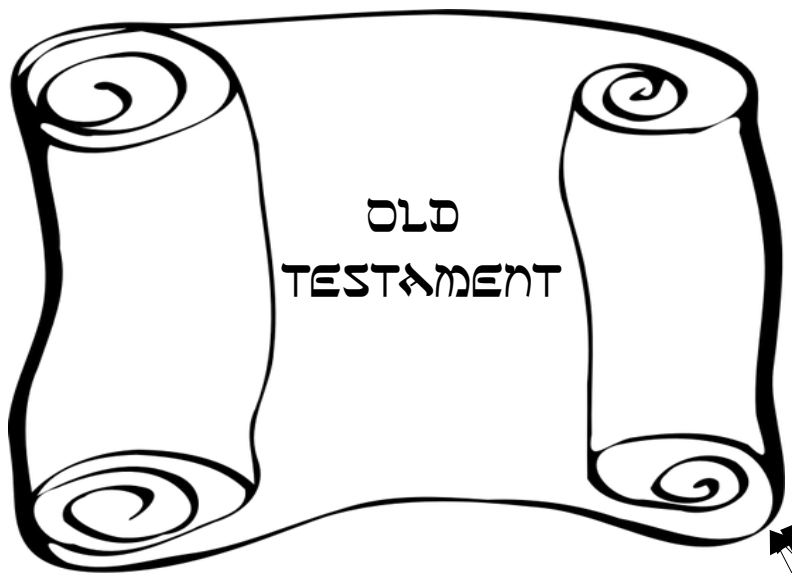
## 11 ... having the glory of God

1Co 2:7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto **our glory**:

2Th 1:9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; 10 When he shall come to be **glorified in his saints**, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; 26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, 27 That he might present it to himself **a glorious church**, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

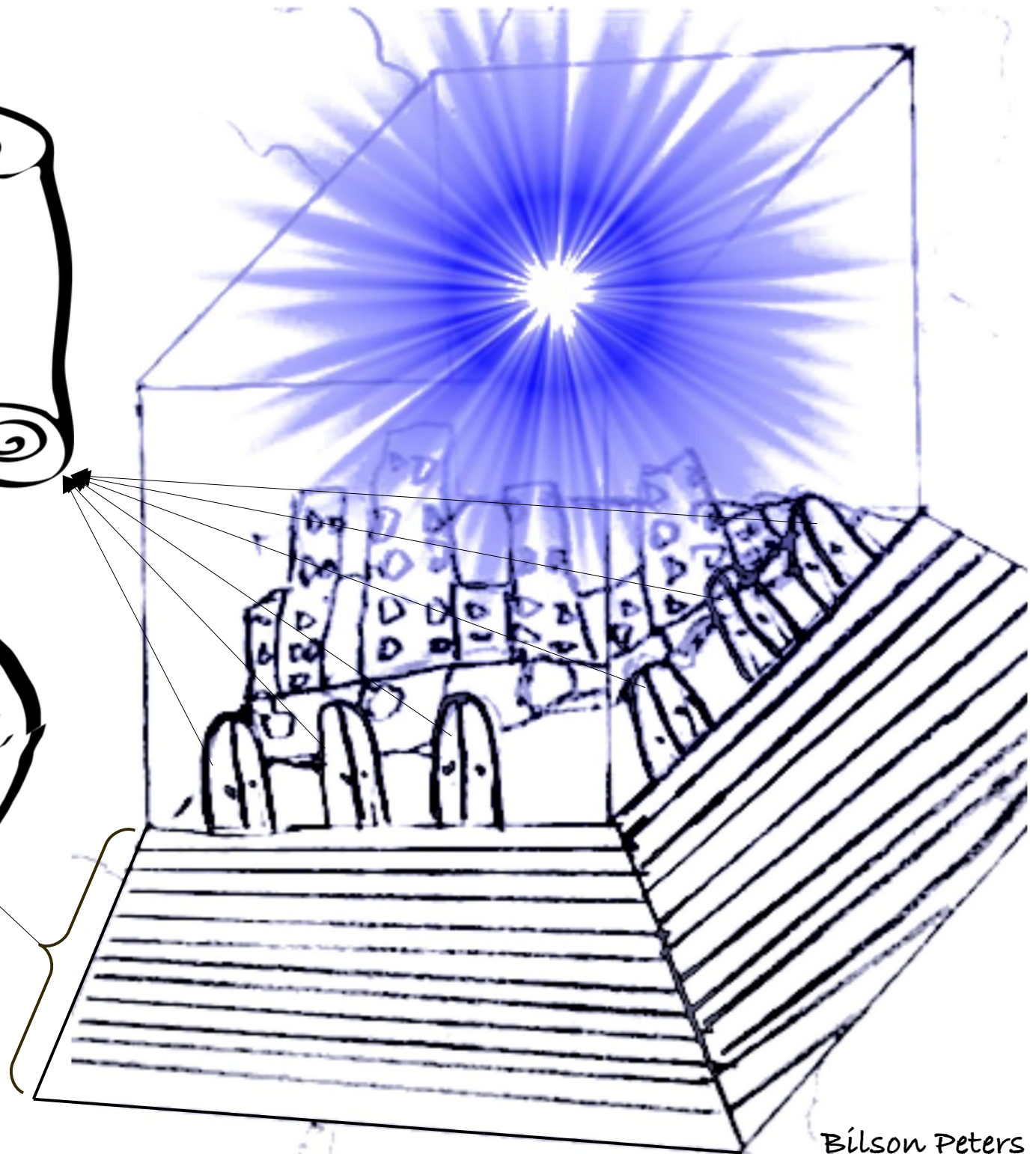
Psa 45:13 The king's daughter is all **glorious** within: her clothing is of wrought gold.



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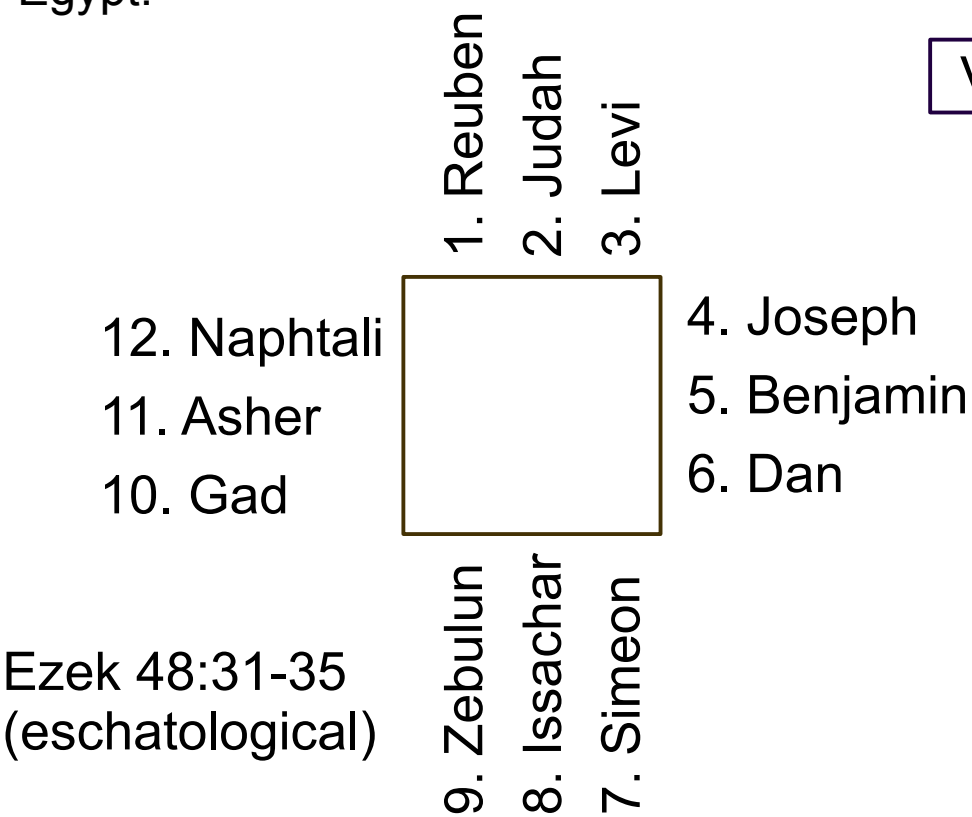
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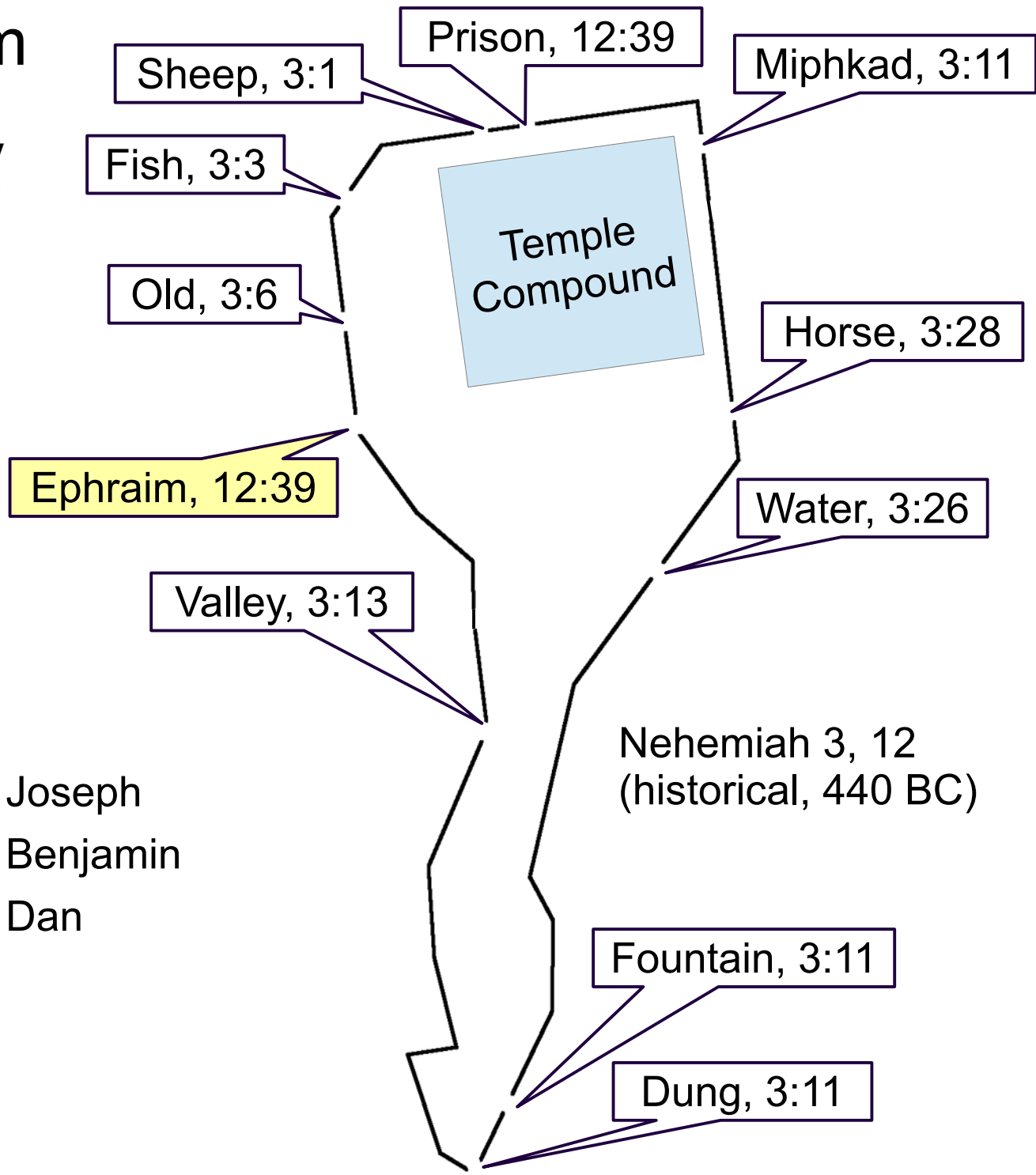
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# Gates of Jerusalem

Deu 16:5 Thou mayest not sacrifice the **passover within any of thy gates**, which the LORD thy God giveth thee: 6 But at **the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in**, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.



Ezek 48:31-35  
(eschatological)



Nehemiah 3, 12  
(historical, 440 BC)

## Israelite Gates and the Old Testament

Rom 3:1 What advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit is there of circumcision? 2 Much every way: chiefly, because that **unto them were committed the oracles of God.**

Rom 9:4 Who are Israelites; **to whom pertaineth** the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and **the giving of the law**, and the service of God, and **the promises;**

Gal 3:24 Wherefore **the law was our schoolmaster** to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

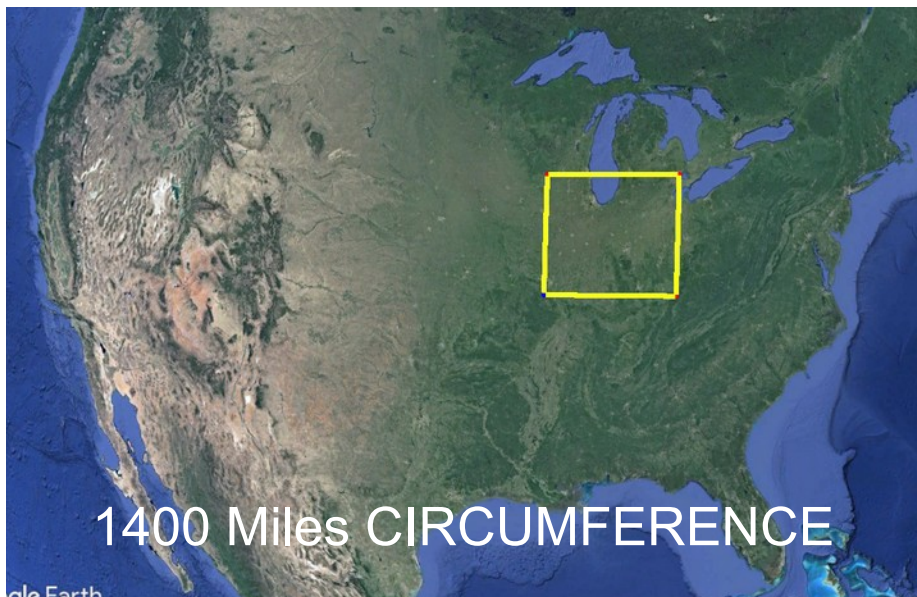
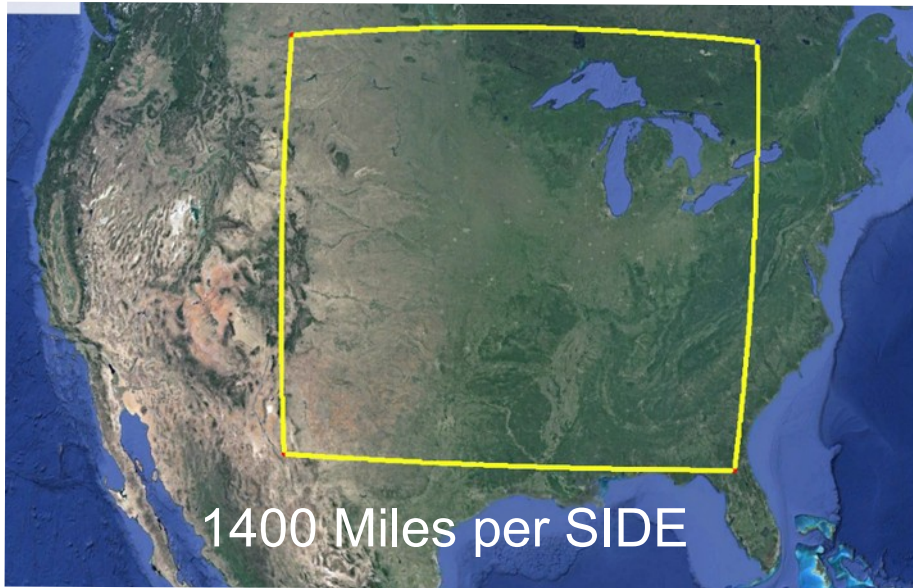
## Apostolic Foundations and the New Testament

Mat 7:24 Therefore whosoever heareth **these sayings [λόγος logos G3056] of mine**, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which **built his house upon a rock:** 25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and **it fell not:** for it was founded upon a rock.

Jhn 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep **my words λόγος:** and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. 24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings [λόγος]: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. 25 These things have I spoken unto you, **being yet present with you.** 26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, **he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance,** whatsoever I have said unto you.

Eph 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; 20 And are built upon **the foundation of the apostles and prophets,** Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

# 21:16 A Huge City



Mat 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

... BUT ...

Rev 7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, **a great multitude, which no man could number**, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

1Ki 19:18 **Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel**, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.