

Old Testament Sacrifice and Worship The Three Jewish Temples – Zerubbabel’s Temple

1. Solomon’s Temple Destroyed
 - a. 2 Kings 25:1-11+
 - b. “Treasures” of the temple taken previously Egypt under Rehoboam, by Israel under Joash, and finally by Babylon under Nebuchadnezzar

2. Zerubbabel
 - a. Ezra 1:1-8 – King Cyrus starts work – Decree & finance
 - b. 3:1-7 – Restoration of worship
 - c. 3:8-13 – Foundation laid
 - d. 4:1, 6-7, 11(11-16), 17, 21, 23-24 – King Artaxerxes stops the work
 - e. Ch. 5-6 – King Darius resumes the work
 - i. ch 5 Letter to Darius
 - ii. 6:6-8 (ch 6) Darius finds Cyrus’ decree, reinstates the work
 - f. 6:13-22 – Dedication and celebration of Passover

3. Herod the Great
 - a. Maccabees
 - i. Temple defiled by Antiochus Epiphanes (167 BC) (sacrificed pigs to Zeus)
 - ii. Revolt & Restoration by the Maccabees
 - b. Herod (74/73 BC – 4 BC)
 - i. Roman Ruler over Jews
 - ii. Convert to Judaism – enforced Jewish law/government
 - iii. “Rebuilt” temple starting around 20 BC, continuing until 60 AD
 - iv. Destroyed in 70 AD