



# The Gospel *On the Move*

A Spirited Study of the book  
Acts of the Apostles

# The Greatest Gift

Acts 3

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“One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.



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Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. When all the people saw him walking and praising God, they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.



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While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. When

Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you.



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You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.”



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- The man wanted the gift of money
- Peter gave the gift of Healing
- But the greatest gift was Jesus!

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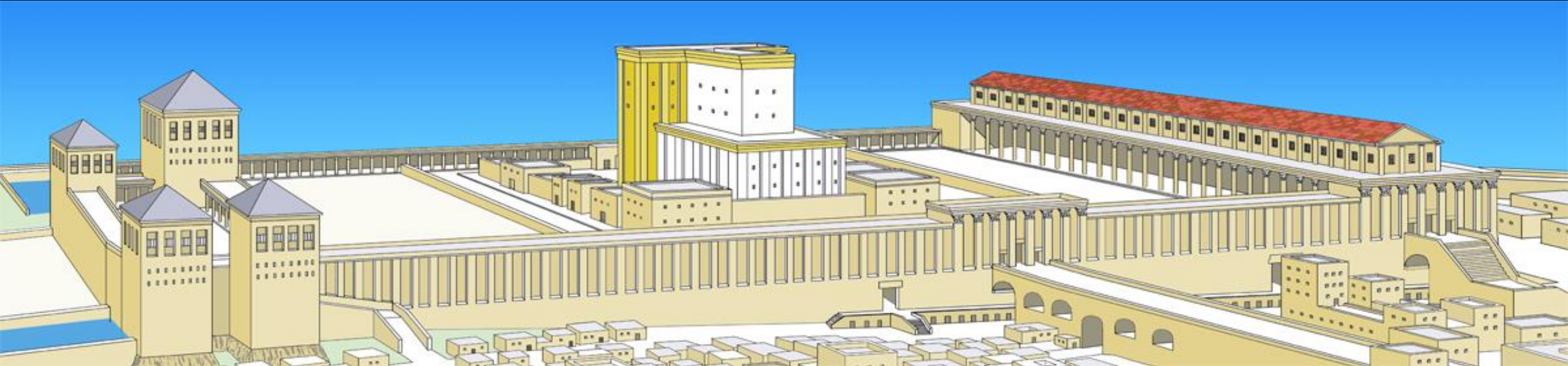
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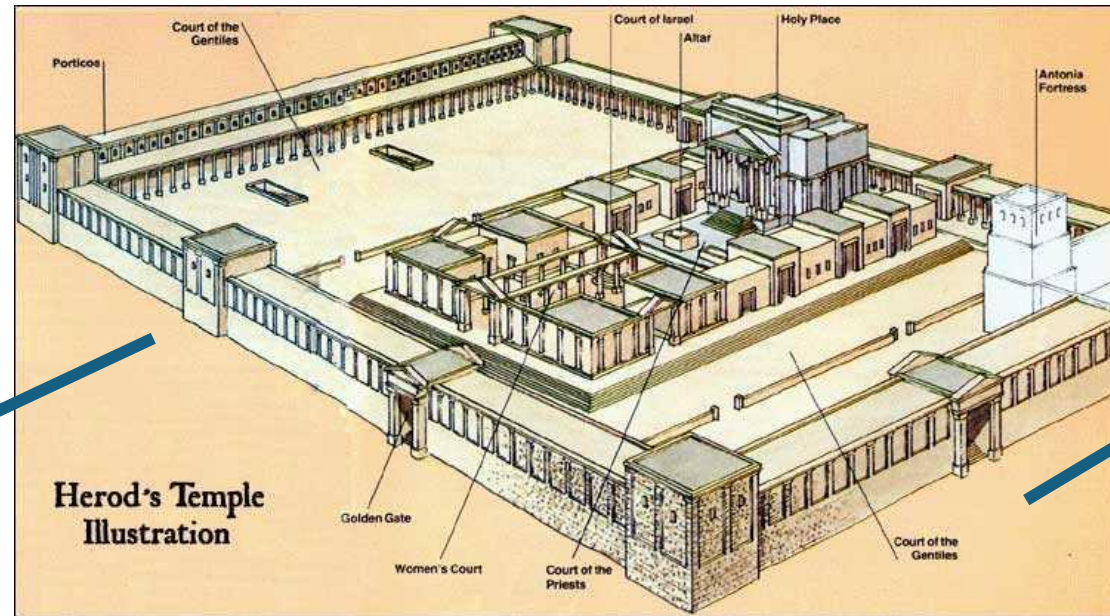
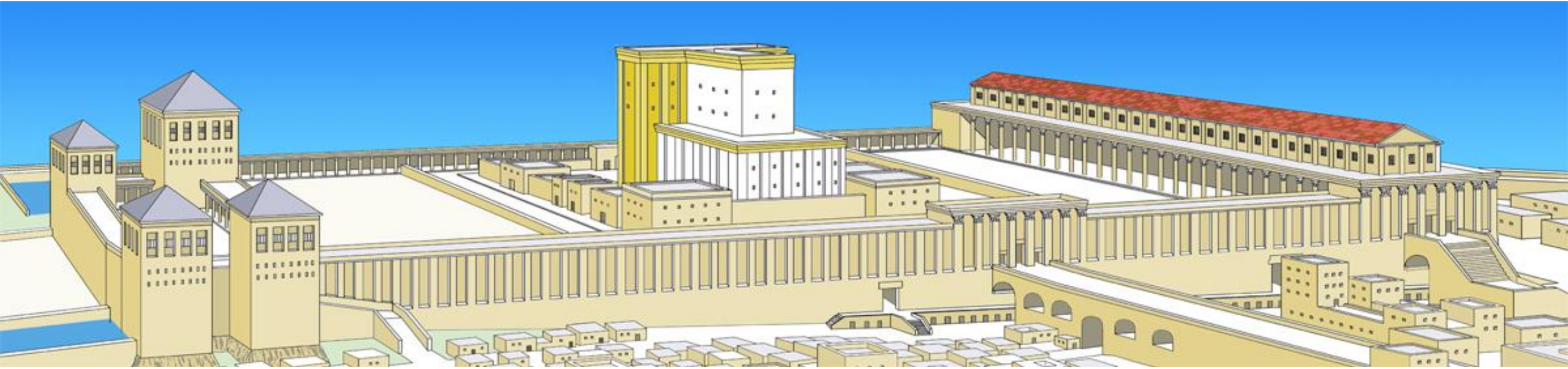
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From the city side of the temple looking East



Kidron Valley

City of Jerusalem

East facing the city of  
Jerusalem

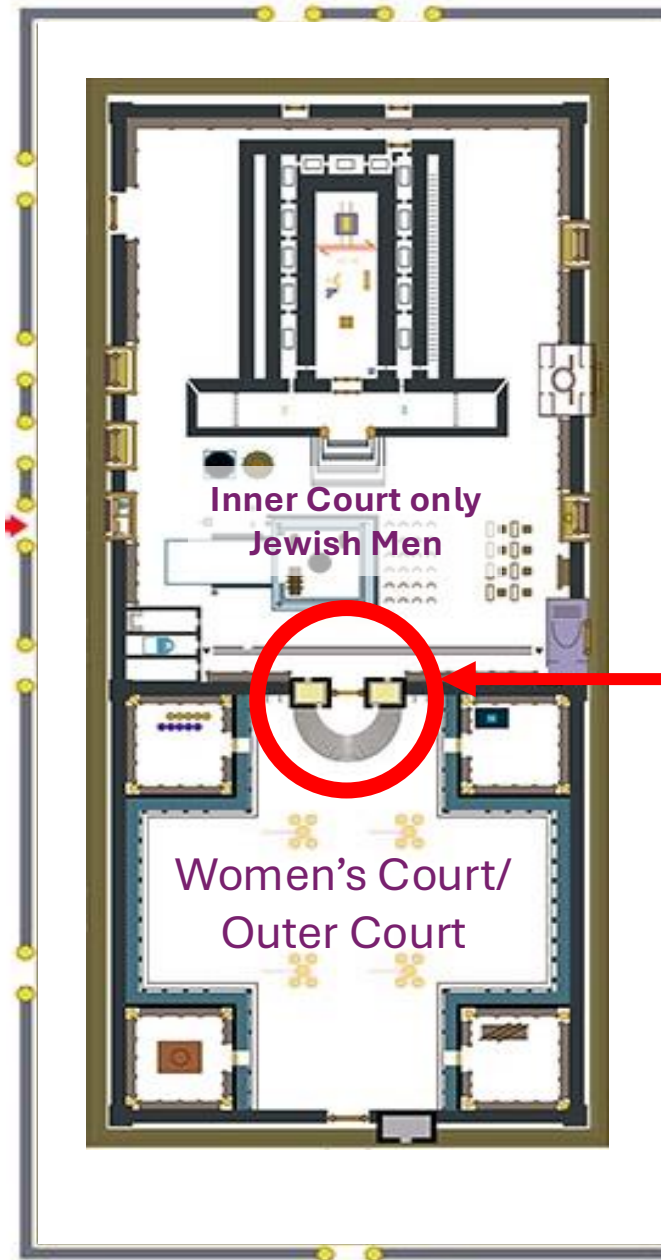


Gentile Court/Area –  
Anyone can enter this area  
– temple market was in this  
area

An American football field is  
about 1.32 acres, the temple  
mount was over 35 acres which  
could hold about 30 football  
fields. The temple was massive



Size Comparison  
American Football  
Field



Gentile Court/Area –  
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Nicanor/Beautiful  
Gate

West  
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*Ministry begins by simply seeing people!*



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*Jesus wants to work through us!*



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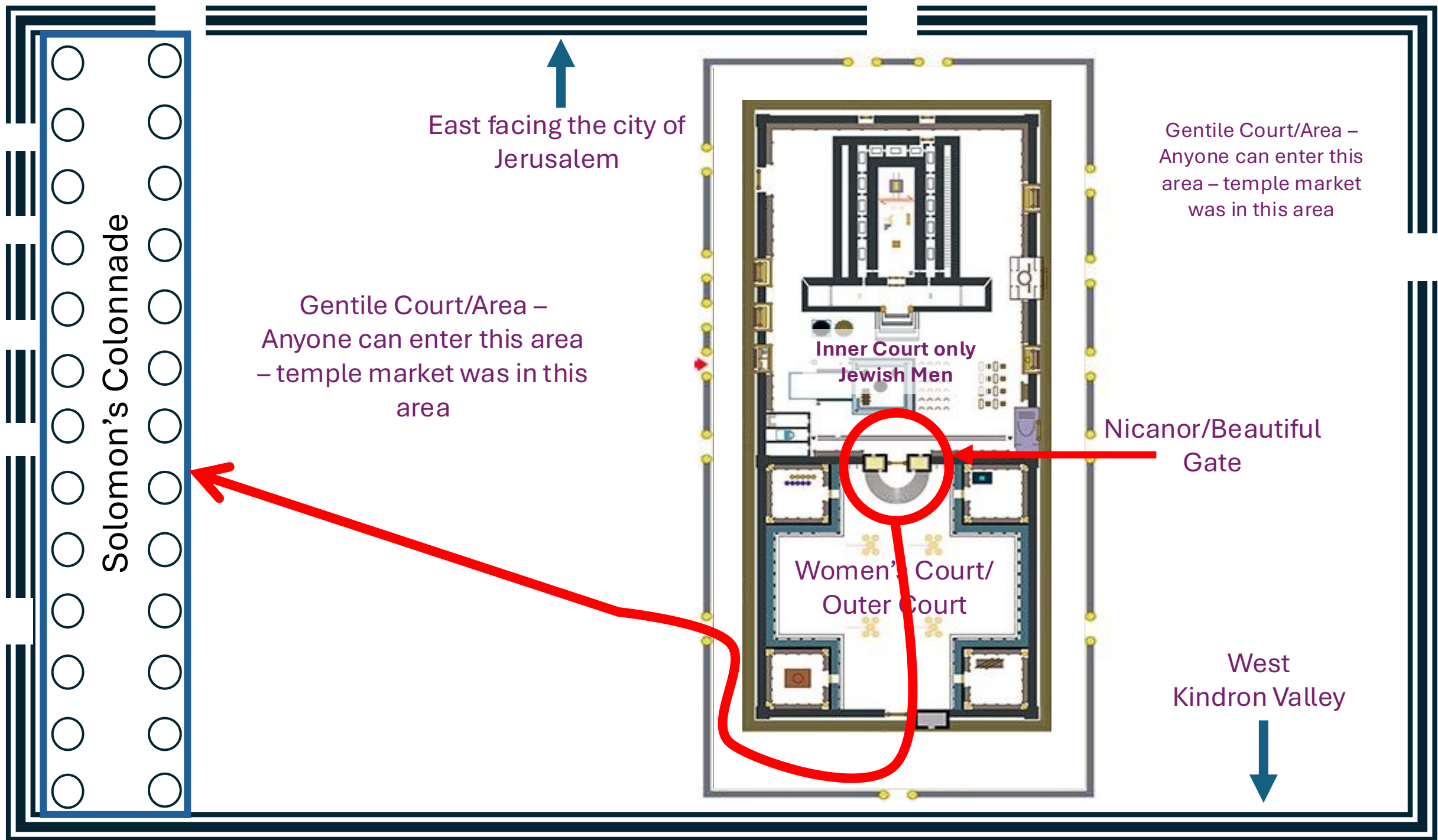
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East facing the city of Jerusalem

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Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. For Moses said, ‘The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.’



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*Jesus is the Greatest Gift!*



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4. Jesus Is Still Calling People to Repentance

*Jesus is STILL the Greatest Gift!*



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Just to ponder...



- Do we merely offer inspiration or do we offer Jesus?
- Am I willing to shift my plans to work for Jesus?
- Do I use any attention I get to point people to the gift of Jesus?