

2 Chronicles 26:3-4 (NLT)

³ Uzziah was sixteen years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem fifty-two years...

⁴ He did what was pleasing in the LORD's sight, just as his father, Amaziah, had done.

2 Chronicles 26:5 (NLT)

⁵ Uzziah sought God during the days of Zechariah, who taught him to fear God. And as long as the king sought guidance from the LORD, God gave him success.

2 Chronicles 26:15 (NLT)

¹⁵ And he built structures on the walls of Jerusalem, designed by experts to protect those who shot arrows and hurled large stones from the towers and the corners of the wall. His fame spread far and wide, for the LORD gave him marvelous help, and he became very powerful.

2 Chronicles 26:16 (NLT)

¹⁶ But when he had become powerful, he also became proud, which led to his downfall. He sinned against the LORD his God by entering the sanctuary of the LORD's Temple and personally burning incense on the incense altar.

**GOOD Start BAD
Finish**

1 Chronicles 23:1-23

EXILED to ASSYRIA - BABYLONIANS Conquer Assyria - **EXILE to BABYLON**
612-609 b.c.

Israel
Northern Kingdom



722 b.c.



Judah
Southern Kingdom

767 b.c.
Uzziah

710 b.c.
Hezekiah Manasseh Amon

640 b.c.
JOSIAH

597 **586** 582 b.c.
Three separate deportations

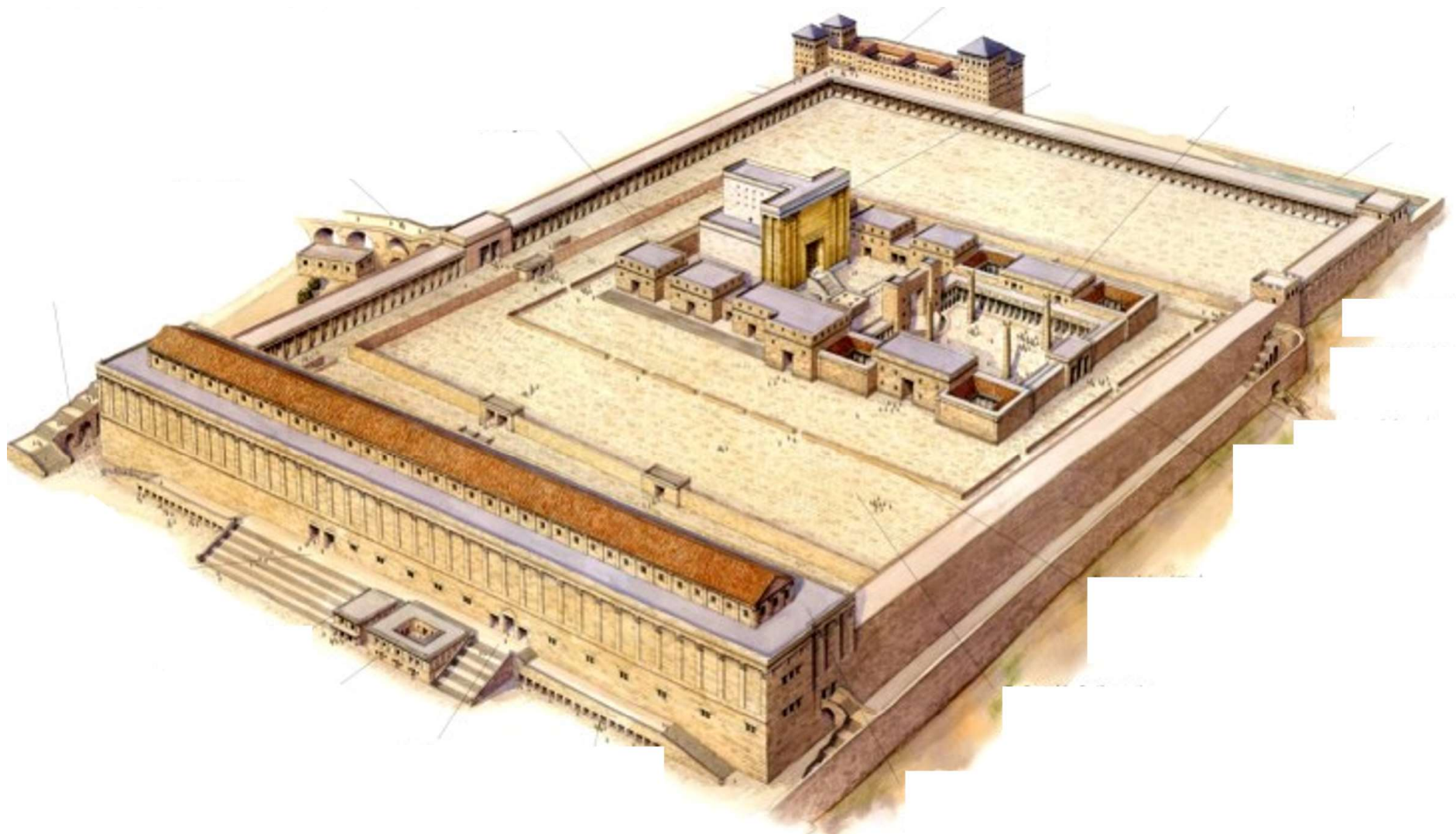


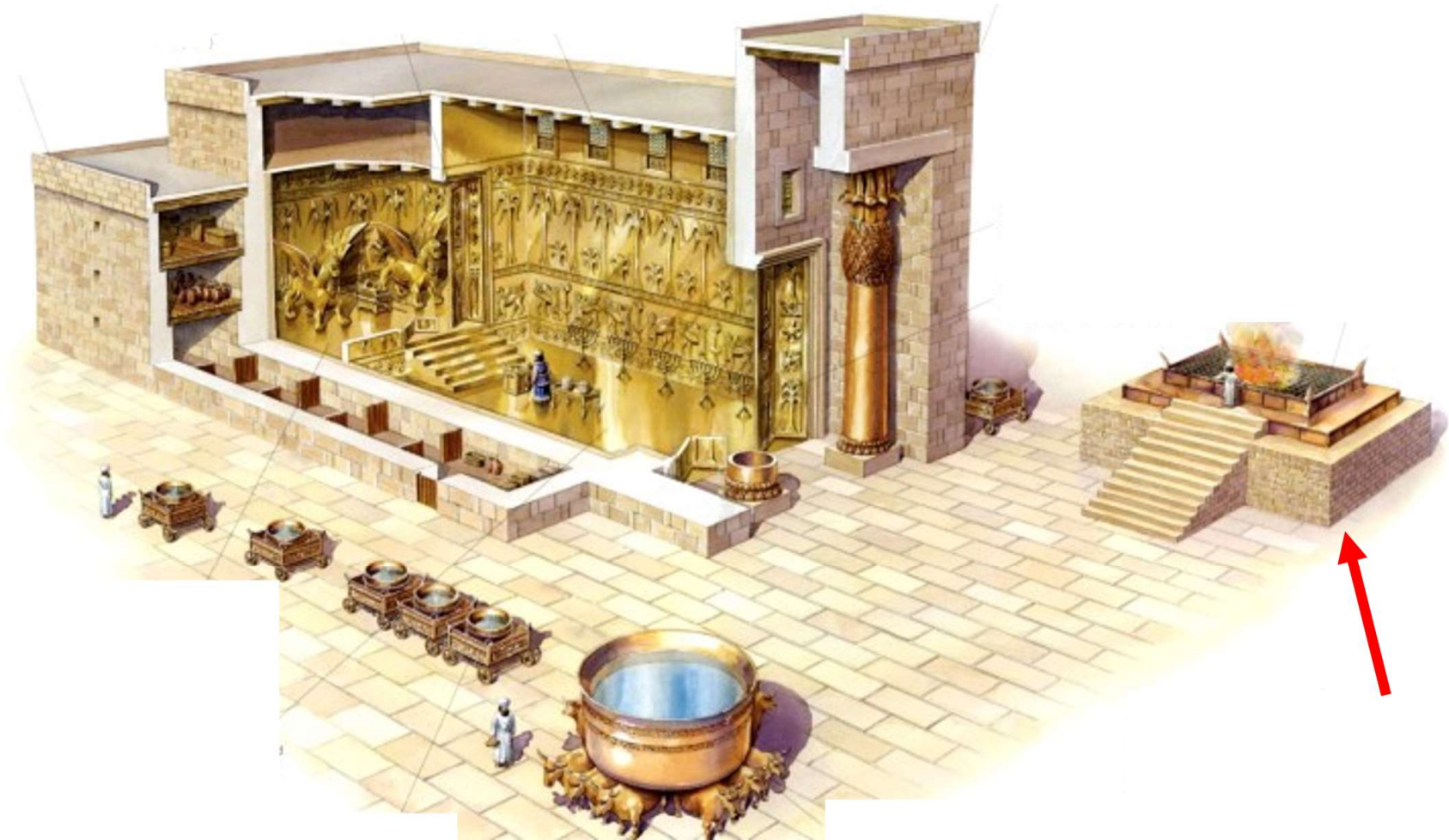
⁵ He **FOLLOWED** God DURING the lifetime
of Zechariah, who taught him
how to HONOR God.

As long as he **followed the LORD,**
God caused him to succeed. (NET)

¹⁶ But once he became powerful,
his PRIDE destroyed him.

He DISOBEYED the Lord His God... (NET)





Genuine WORSHIP of God always begins
with **obedience** to His commands... HOTC

He had come to God in **ARROGANCE**;
he left His presence **humiliated** and stained by
the **disease** that **God had sent in judgment.**

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⁵ **He followed God** DURING the lifetime of Zechariah, **who taught him HOW to honor God.**
As long as he **Followed** the **LORD**,
God CAUSED him to succeed. (NET)

⁵ **He SET himself to SEEK God...** (ESV)

Jeremiah 2:12–13 (CSB)

Be appalled at this, heavens; be shocked and utterly desolated! **This is the LORD's declaration.**

¹³ For my people have committed a **double evil**:
They have **abandoned ME**, the **Fountain Of
Living Water**, and **dug cisterns** for themselves
cracked cisterns that cannot hold water.

⁵ As long as he **sought the LORD,**
God gave him success... (NIV)

⁷ **God helped him** against the... (NIV)

¹⁵ His fame spread far and wide,
**for the LORD gave him marvelous
help,**
and he became very powerful. (NLT)

We are **NEVER** closer to failure **THAN**
during our greatest successes. If we fail to
recognize **God's part in our achievements,**
they are no better than failures. LASB

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(NET)

Proverbs 16:18 (CSB)

Pride comes before **Destruction**,
AND
an **Arrogant spirit** before a **Fall**.

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.