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Temple

1 Corinthians 3:16

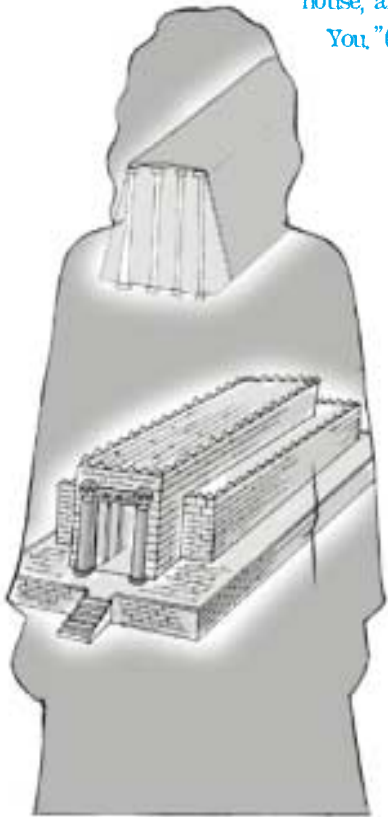
“And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God’s house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You.” (Genesis 28:22)

Then the cloud covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. (Exodus 40:34)

“That Your eyes may be open toward this temple night and day, toward the place of which You said, ‘My name shall be there,’ that You may hear the prayer which Your servant makes toward this place. (1 King 8:29)

Jesus answered and said to them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” ...But He was speaking of the temple of His body. (John 2:19-21)

Do you not know that you are the _____ of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? (1 Corinthians 3:16)



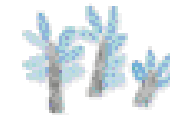
Young-Gu: Ju Chan, my church had a temple construction and its so huge and beautiful.

Ju Chan: Do you know what a temple is?

Young-Gu: Church is temple, didn't you know that?

A temple is a place for God to be among us. The first place that God stayed was Bethel (the house of God) where Jacob built a stone altar. Then He was in the tabernacle (Exodus 40) built by Moses with the Israelites. During the reign of King Solomon, He stayed at the temple and heard the prayers of Israelites. (1 King 8) However, because of their iniquities, temple of Solomon was destroyed by Babylon. Then God came to this world in a human form to be among the Israelites, and He was Jesus. The body of Jesus became the temple where God dwelled in.

Jesus died, resurrected, and ascended into the heaven. Then where does God dwell today? God came as the Holy Spirit into us, the born again Christians. Therefore, the born again Christians are the temple and each of us becomes a part of the holy temple. Temple is a place where God dwells among us and it is not related to the materialistic church building. God says that we (our body) are the temple of God. Our body that was full of iniquities and sins became the holy temple of God through Jesus Christ. We should read the Bible (1 Peter 2:2) and be far away from sins (2 Corinthians 7:1). Sin is like leprosy. At first, a small sin comes in, but later it spreads and makes the whole body numb. If our body is defiled with sin, we must cleanse it right away. Otherwise, God will eliminate us from His holy work as taking out the stone from the leper's house (Leviticus 14:40).



Fellowship



0 1. Temple is a place where God dwells. Let's write down the places where God dwelled in.

Bethel-Tabernacle-Temple of Solomon-()-()

0 2. Churchgoers who are not saved refer to church building as "the temple of God." How are they mistaken? (Acts 17:24, John 2:19-21, 1 Corinthians 3:16)

0 3. Because God hates abomination, we cannot be with him if there is iniquity in us. Let's write down at least five ways that we can fend off sin.



0 4. Let's think about if there is anything that is not right in sight of God in my room or house. Think about unrighteous thoughts or acts in your life and talk about what you can do.

Memory Verse(s)

In whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit, (Ephesians 2:21-22)



Looking back

Parent	Teacher

Today's **word**

Write down today's word!

Today's **prayer**

Thankfulness/Repentance
/Earnest request

Sun

1 King 8:29

Mon

1 Corinthians 3:16

Tue

John 2:21

Wed

Leviticus 14:40

Thu

2 Corinthians 7:1

Fri

Ephesians 2:21

Sat

Ephesians 2:22

Sunday



Wednesday