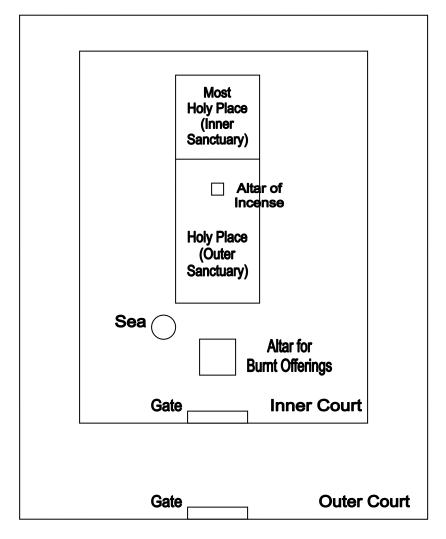
The Temple—An Example for Worship

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5) In His Presence—Worshippers receive anointing from God and/or hear God's voice. He gives us power from on high, we get answers to our prayers, and we receive instructions to depart as vessels for His use. Worshippers then make requests of God to receive all that we will need to carry out His instructions.

Inner Sanctuary

4) Thanksgiving and Adoration—Worshippers review the past, reflect on the present and receive encouragement about the future. We are then moved to thank God for what He has done and adore God for who He is. We worship through prayer and praise, our incense offerings. At this time, financial offerings are also given to God.*

Outer Sanctuary

- 3) Confession and Repentance—Worshippers confess sins to God and cry out to Him for forgiveness. To repent, we lay our flesh on the altar, thus denying our sinful nature and believing that God can fill us with His Spirit. Sin is atoned for by the Blood of the sacrificed Lamb and worshippers are cleansed to bring pure incense offerings to God.
- 2) Covenant—The Word of God is read as a review of our covenant with Him. We are then convicted of breaking our covenant through sin and compelled to recommit ourselves to the covenant.

Inner Court

1) **Preparation for Worship**—The hearts and minds of worshippers are prepared for the experience God desires to have with us. He must draw our focus to Him, thereby preparing us for meaningful worship.

Outer Court

*Giving Your Offerings to God

In the Outer Sanctuary, we present our gifts to God. These are incense offerings of prayers and thanksgiving (which require that we use ALL of our gifts to worship Him), as well as our financial offerings of tithes, freewill offerings and special gifts. As with every other aspect of the worship experience, this is an individual expression of worship to YOUR God. There may not be an official offertory period, wherein a minister instructs you to bring your gifts to God. Instead, seek God about what you should give, immediately prepare your financial offering, and give it as soon as the Holy Spirit and God's leaders allow.

"When you come together, each of you has a hymn, or a word of instruction, a revelation, a tongue or an interpretation. Everything must be done so that the body may be built up."—1 Corinthians 14:26b

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."—2 Corinthians 9:6-8