

EZEKIEL

Chapters
40 & 41

"YOU SHALL
KNOW THAT
I AM THE LORD"

Vision of
a New
Temple



Temple Tour

	Reference	Explanation
1	40:6	The eastern (main) gate begins the tour; the E-W axis of the temple should be noted; if a line is drawn from the east gate to the Most Holy Place, there is a sequence of three elevations, as the space in the inner temple becomes increasingly constricted.
2	40:17	From this vantage point in the outer court, Ezekiel is shown the main features of this "plaza" area.
3	40:20	The northern-facing gate.
4	40:24	En route to the southern-facing gate, no details are given of the outer facade of the inner court; the architectural details of this area must remain speculative.
5	40:28	Ezekiel's entry to the inner court is by way of its south gate ...
6	40:32	... then to the east gate (past the imposing altar, not yet described) ...
7	40:35	... and on to the north gate, which includes areas for handling sacrificial animals.
8	40:48; 41:1	Ezekiel approaches the inner temple structure itself, first describing its entrance; he is then stationed outside the entrance while his guide first measures its interior, then the exterior.
9	42:1	They exit the inner court through its north gate to explore the northwestern quadrant of the outer court.
10	42:15	Ezekiel and his guide leave the temple from the east gate by which they first entered. From this vantage point, Ezekiel was able to watch the return of "the glory of the God of Israel" moments later (43:1-5).

	Reference	Explanation
A	41:4	The "Most Holy Place."
B	41:3	The inner room of the temple.
C	41:2	The entrance to the temple.
D	43:13-17	The imposing altar; although the number of stairs is not given, the entire altar structure is about 16 feet (4.9 m) tall, so many steps would have been required. This area of the inner court was accessible only by priests—not even the prince was permitted entry.
E	40:46	Chamber for Zadokite priests.
F	40:45	Chamber for "priests who have charge of the temple."
G	40:17-19	The outer court, with its 30 chambers in the outer wall (40:17).
H	46:21-24	The temple "kitchens," one in each corner of the outer court.
I	40:17	The 30 outer chambers.
J	46:2	The "prince's gate": from its threshold he worships on each Sabbath while the priests bring the offerings into the inner court.
K	43:1	The main east gate, through which "the glory of the God of Israel" returns to his temple (cf. 10:19; 11:22-23).