

**The Psalms:  
“Zeal for Your  
House Has  
Consumed  
Me”**

**BUILDING  
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# SEARCHING FOR THE KING

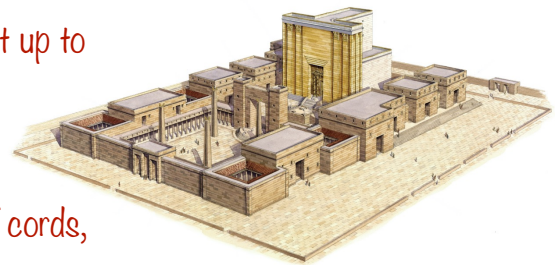
**Psalm 69** describes a really tough time in David’s life. Just listen to what he said in **Psalm 69:4**:  
“More in number than the hairs of my head are those who hate me without cause.” From the very first  
verse of **Psalm 69**, David is praying: “Save me, O God.”

But pay special attention to what he writes in **Psalm 69:9**:

For **zeal** for your **house** has consumed me...

**What does this have to do with our search for our King?** A thousand years after David wrote  
**Psalm 69**, Jesus from Nazareth came to Jerusalem. **John 2** tells us:

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to  
Jerusalem. In the **temple** he found those  
who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and  
the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords,



he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep  
and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and  
overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, “Take  
these things away; do not make my **Father’s** house a house of trade.”  
His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will  
consume me.” (**John 2:13-17**)

The book of Psalms was a song book for Israel. Generation after  
generation, the descendants of Abraham sang those psalms. And many,  
many times, the words in the book of Psalms find their greatest fulfillment  
in Jesus, our King, including **Psalm 69**. How? Why? Remember what Jesus told us in **Luke 24:44**:

“These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about  
me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and **the Psalms** must be fulfilled.”

# FOUNDATION STONES



Why do you think Jesus was so upset about what was going on in the temple?



In [John 2:18-22](#), what happened next?



What is our Father's "house" today? Maybe [1 Timothy 3:15](#) would help...