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Importance of the Temple in the OT

- 1. Center of worship that called people to correct belief through the generations
- 2. Symbol of God's presence with His people
- 3. Symbol of forgiveness and grace, reminding the people of the seriousness of sin and the availability of mercy
- 4. Prepared the people for the true Lamb of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, Who would take away sin
- 5. A place of prayer

III. Dedicating the Temple 5:1 to 7:11

A. Presenting the Ark 5:2-14

1. Assembling the leaders :2

2. Feast of Tabernacles :3

3. Levites move the Ark :4-5

4. Sacrifices offered :6

5. Ark's Resting Place :7-10

6. "The glory of the LORD filled the house of God":11-14

B. King Solomon's Speech 6:1-11

1. Introduction :1-2

2. Blessing the People :3

3. Blessing Yahweh :4-11

a. His name :4

b. His title :4

c. Focus of the blessing:

God's faithfulness :4-11

"Who has fulfilled with His <u>hand</u> what He spoke with His <u>mouth</u>" (cf. vv. 4, 10)

C. Solomon's Prayer of Dedication 6:12-42

- 1. Setting :12-13
 - --Persons present
 - --Platform
 - --Postures
- 2. Extolling Yahweh, the God of Israel:14-19
 - --Incomparability :14
 - --Faithfulness :15
 - --Infinity :18
 - --Condescension :19
- 3. General Request :19-21

Note: "O LORD my God": 19

"When You hear, forgive": 21

4. Seven Specific Requests :21-42

4. Seven Specific Requests II Chron. 6:22-42

Ref.	Occasion	Request	"Hear from heaven and
:22-23	Sin against a person	Justice	act & judge
:24-25	Defeat before enemy	Forgiveness	forgive the sin
:26-27	Chastisement for sin	Forgiveness	forgive the sin
:28-31	Various national or		
	personal burdens, griefs	Forgiveness	forgive
:32-33	Foreigner's prayer	Salvation	answer accordingly
:34-35	Battle against God's		
	enemies	Victory	maintain their cause
:36-39	Sin, then repentance	Forgiveness	maintain their cause
			and forgive

:40-42 Summary

D. Dedication Ceremony **7:1-11** 1. Yahweh's Response :1 --Fire from heaven --Glory of Yahweh filled the temple 2. The people's response: worship :2-7 -abject worship :3 --praiseful worship :3 ---sacrificial worship :4-5, 7 ----ordered worship :6 ----musical worship :6 ----biblical worship :6 ----theocentric worship :6 -----overflowing worship :7 3. Conclusion/summary :8-11 --keeping the feast seven days :8 -- "a very great assembly" :8 -- "joyful and glad of heart for what the LORD had done" :10

Note verse 11's duration.

IV. Yahweh's Second Appearance to Solomon 7:12-22

A. Yahweh's acceptance of the Temple :12

"Then"

--house of sacrifice

(cf. house of prayer Isa. 56:7)

B. Prayer promises :13-16

1. Repentance when chastised leads to forgiveness and healing :13-14

2. I will hear your prayers made from the temple :15-16

C. Covenantal promise :17-18

D. Disciplinary promise :19-22