

Measuring the Temple
Revelation 11:1-2

Sermon Discussion Questions
January 17, 2021

Special Note: In light of Revelation 1:3, please read the passage for this week's study questions aloud as a group before going through the questions.

1. Pastor Jim walked us through a 9-part story of the Temple, which is broken down into the first Temple and the second Temple. The physical Tabernacle/Temple of the Old Testament was built with a very specific and detailed plan from God. What is the significance of this? What does this say about the character of who God is?
2. **Read together Matthew 24:1-2 & Ephesians 2:20-22.** What Jesus says here declares that the fullness of God doesn't dwell in a building but in a person. And that He is the Cornerstone of this second Temple. Where does God dwell now? How & where is Jesus present with us?
3. Staying with the building metaphor, John the apostle tells us in Revelation 11 to measure the physical temple. What does this sign point to? What does this imply about how we live our lives as Christians?
4. Read together Colossians 3:12-14. Pastor Jim had us do a measurement exercise using Colossians as a form of application. Discuss with the group which of the "measurements" you feel you do well in, along with which one is still a challenge.
5. Similar to the previous question, which of the "measurements" has Calvary done well at? Which do you feel Calvary as a church has fallen short?
6. What do you believe God is calling you and Calvary Church to in response to these measurements?
7. When we build our lives/temples according to the qualities found in Colossians with submission and obedience, God dwells among us and our lives will not be torn down. Pray for one another and Calvary Church that we would build our lives on Christ, who exhibited the greatest demonstration of submission and obedience to His Father.