

A photograph showing two figures in white robes with black sashes, likely the two witnesses mentioned in the text. They are standing in the foreground, looking out over a vast, dense crowd of people in the background. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting an outdoor setting.

***Two Remarkable
Witnesses***

Revelation 11:1-14

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Revelation 11:1-2

Measuring the Temple

- 1** Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, “Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there.
- 2** But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot *for* forty-two months.

*Measuring
the Temple*

Alford denominates
this as:

Crux Interpretum

for Revelation

Amos 7:7-9

⁷ Thus He showed me: Behold, the Lord stood on a wall *made* with a plumb line, with a plumb line in His hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.”

Then the Lord said: “Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of My people Israel; I will not pass by them anymore.

⁹ The high places of Isaac shall be desolate, And the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste. I will rise with the sword against the house of Jeroboam.”



- ❖ John is given a kalamos
- ❖ A Hollow reed to measure
- ❖ 15 to 20 feet in length
- ❖ From the Jordan River
- ❖ To determine size
- ❖ For Judgment as in the passage
- ❖ For protection as in the passage



*What Temple?
A History of the Temple*

*The Tabernacle
in the wilderness*



*What Temple?
A History of the Temple*

*The Temple of Solomon
966 B.C to 586 B.C.*

*What Temple?
A History of the Temple*

*Zerubbabel's
Temple
535 B.C.*



*What Temple?
A History of the Temple*

*Herod's Temple
(2nd Temple)
20 B.C.
To
A.D. 70*





*What Temple?
A History of the Temple*

*The
Tribulation Temple*

*What Temple?
A History of the Temple*

**The
Millennial
Temple
Ezekiel 40—48**



Court of the Gentiles



*Outer Courts Ravaged
by Gentiles for 42 Months*

Revelation 11:3-6

Two Magnificent Witnesses

³ And I will give *power* to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.” ⁴ These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth. ⁵ And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner.

⁶ These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.



Two Magnificent Witnesses

**"Power"
Is added
to Text**

**Ministry is
1260 days,
42 Months,
3.5 years**

Two Olive Trees

Zechariah 4:1-4

¹ Now the angel who talked with me came back and wakened me, as a man who is wakened out of his sleep. ² And he said to me, “What do you see?”

So I said, “I am looking, and there *is* a lampstand of solid gold with a bowl on top of it, and on the *stand* seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps. ³ Two olive trees *are* by it, one at the right of the bowl and the other at its left.” ⁴ So I answered and spoke to the angel who talked with me, saying, “What *are* these, my lord?”



Two Olive Trees

Zechariah 4:5-7

⁵ Then the angel who talked with me answered and said to me, “Do you not know what these are?”

And I said, “No, my lord.”

⁶ So he answered and said to me:

“This *is* the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel:

‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,’ Says the LORD of hosts.

⁷ ‘Who *are* you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel *you shall become* a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone With shouts of “Grace, grace to it!” ’ ”



Two Olive Trees

Zechariah 4:8-9

- ⁸ Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying:
- ⁹ “The hands of Zerubbabel
Have laid the foundation of this temple;
His hands shall also finish *it*.
Then you will know
That the LORD of hosts has sent Me to
you.



Two Olive Trees

Zechariah 4:10-11

- 10 For who has despised the day of small things?
For these seven rejoice to see
The plumb line in the hand of
Zerubbabel.
They are the eyes of the LORD,
Which scan to and fro throughout the
whole earth.”
- 11 Then I answered and said to him,
“What *are* these two olive trees—at
the right of the lampstand and at its
left?”





Two Olive Trees

Supernaturally Protected

Revelation 11:7-10

The Witnesses Killed

- ⁷ When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them. ⁸ And their dead bodies *will lie* in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. ⁹ Then *those* from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves.
- ¹⁰ And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

The Witnesses Resurrected

Revelation 11:11-12

- 11** Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them.
- 12** And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them.

The Conclusion of Their Ministry

- ❖ Ministry is for limited, given time
- ❖ Object of hatred of beast from Abyss
- ❖ Remains adorn the streets of Sodom and Egypt
- ❖ Celebratory Party for death of witnesses
- ❖ No burial for prophets who tormented them

Greek  βασανίζω  ***basanízō***

- ❖ Caught up to Heaven

Who Are These Guys?

Malachi 4:5-6

- 5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet
Before the coming of the great and
dreadful day of the LORD.
- 6 And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to
the children, And the hearts of the children
to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the
earth with a curse.”

Who Are These Guys?

Continued

- ❖ Zerubbabel and Joshua the High Priests
- ❖ The Church
- ❖ Waldensians and Albigensians
- ❖ Old Testament and New Testament
- ❖ Enoch and Elijah
- ❖ Moses and Elijah
- ❖ Two unnamed Jews of the Tribulation

Revelation 11:13-14

Post- Mortem

- 13** In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.
- 14** The second woe is past. Behold, the third woe is coming quickly.



Post- Mortem

- Earthquake
- People glorify God of Heaven