

No More Need of a Temple!



In the Old Testament, God commanded His people to build Him a sanctuary so He could dwell among them (*Exodus 25:8*).



This initial physical sanctuary (a tent) was the holy meeting place between God and man — a place of worship, sacrifice, and God's presence.



Much later, when Solomon's temple was dedicated, the glory of the LORD literally filled it (*2 Chronicles 7:1-3*).



But this was always meant to be a shadow pointing to something greater.



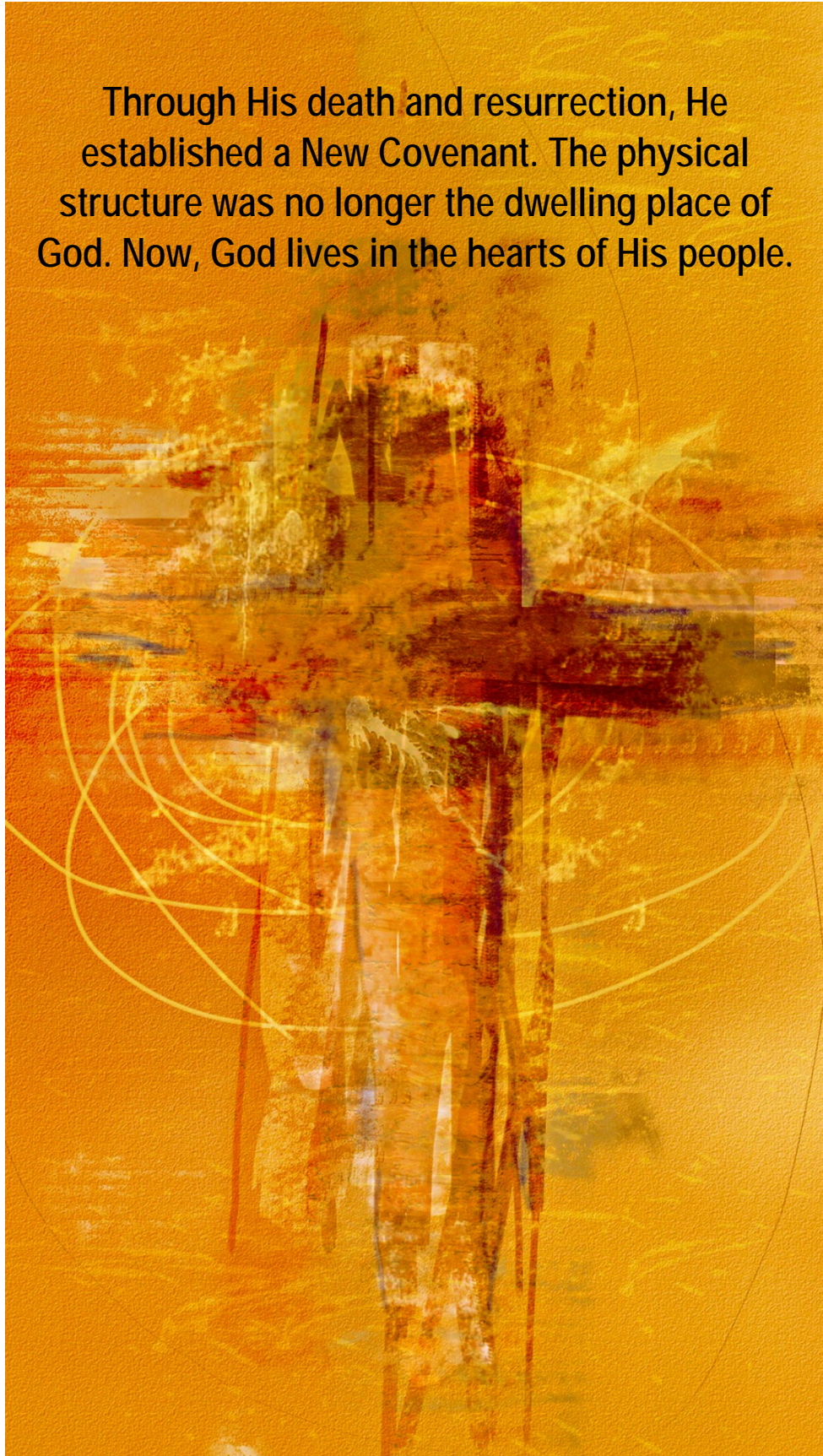
When Jesus came, everything changed. He declared that He Himself was the true and living temple (*John 2:19-21*) — greater than the temple in Jerusalem (*Matthew 12:6*).



He said: *"God is a Spirit and they that worship Him, must worship Him in spirit and in truth"* (John 4:24).



Through His death and resurrection, He established a New Covenant. The physical structure was no longer the dwelling place of God. Now, God lives in the hearts of His people.



As Paul writes: *“The Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands”* (Acts 7:48)



and *"Do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you?" (1 Corinthians 6:19).*

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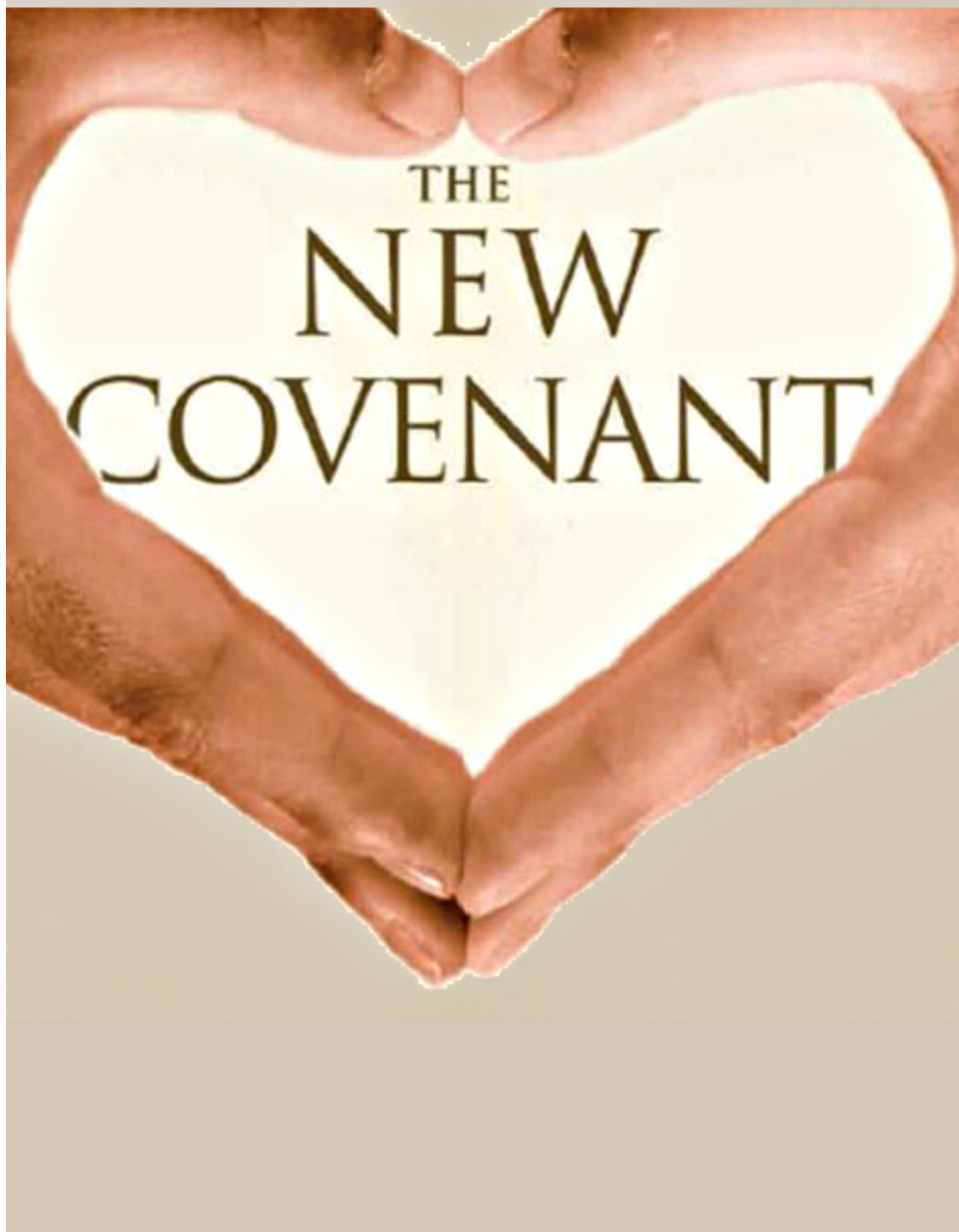
Believers — individually and collectively — became the living temple of God (*Ephesians 2:20-22*).



The old system was not just replaced spiritually.
In 70 AD, the physical temple in Jerusalem was
destroyed by Rome, never to be rebuilt ...



... a visible confirmation that the shadow had vanished now that the reality had come (*Hebrews 8:13*).



And looking ahead to eternity, the Apostle John wrote: *"And I saw no temple [in the city]: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it"* (Revelation 21:22).



In Heaven, God and His
people are inseparable —
no building needed!



Would you like to make your heart a temple for God? You can invite Him in by praying the following:

"Dear Jesus, I need you. Please forgive all my faults and sins. I invite you to come and occupy my heart."



Thank you for your gift of eternal life, and please fill me with your Holy Spirit so that I can change my bad habits. Help me to read and understand your Word, as I desire to know you better and follow you more closely. Amen."

