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I. John is given a rod to measure -

Measuring - Possession

Rod - Discipline; Judgment

* The Rebuilt Temple - Time of 42 months

The treaty with the Antichrist!

Do not measure the outer court - Gentiles

Temple Mount - Dome of the Rock

- Mosque of Omar -

Measurement of the Holy Place and Holy of Holies

Broken Treaty with Antichrist - Defiles the temple - Sets up an idol - Demands worship!

For forty-two months - Continuous war!

Time of the Gentiles! - Ends at the 2nd Coming

II. God always has a witness - the two witnesses!

Shortly after the Rapture - Prophecy and Warning of Coming Judgment - Proclaim the Gospel

Two olive trees and the two lampstands - Holy Spirit empowered the witnesses.

The "seven" lampstand is gone - church!

- (1) The Power to Protect O.T. Jewish era of Biblical history Power of the prophet -> Elijah
- (2) Power of the Miraculous Events

Stop the rain - Water to blood - Plaques

The beast (Antichrist) makes war with them! Middle of the 7 years

First act to distinguish him as the world leader - Ushers in the Great Tribulation!

Put to death by Antichrist!

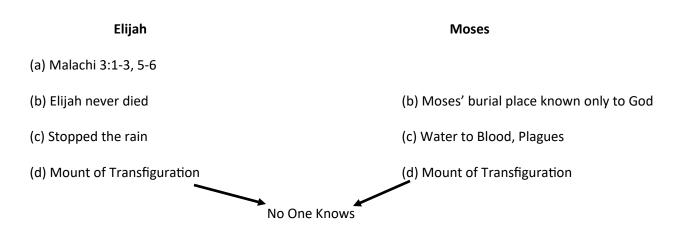
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- (1) God's Timing "When they have finished"
- (2) God's Purpose -
 - (a) Celebration of the ungodly
 - (b) Refuse to permit burial
 - * Jerusalem: Sodom Sun; Egypt Worldly Where they crucified their Lord
 - (c) God resurrects them Calls them to heaven! (in the cloud)

Result:

Great Earthquake - 1/10 of earth fell; 7,000 prominent people were killed.

Crying out to God and gave Him glory - BUT no repentance!



Two Witnesses: