

CHARTING THE SCRIPTURES NEHEMIAH

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Revivals

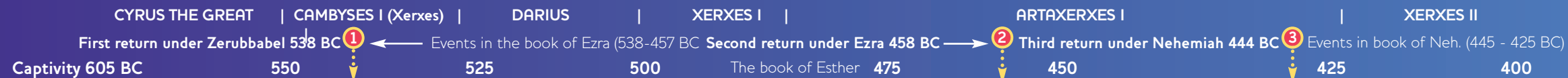
(1) UNDER ZERUBBABEL
THE ALTAR & FOUNDATION

(2) UNDER HAGGAI & ZECHARIAH
BUILDING RESUMED & FINISHED

(3) UNDER EZRA
REVIVAL OF THE LAW/ HOLINESS

(4) UNDER NEHEMIAH
REVIVAL OF WALLS, GATES & WORD

'the people had a mind to work', Neh. 4. 6



DANIEL
Message - Reconciliation
Confession of one man on behalf of the nation

ESTHER
Message - Reversal
Commitment of one woman from the nation

EZRA
Message - Revival
Construction of the altar and revival of the nation

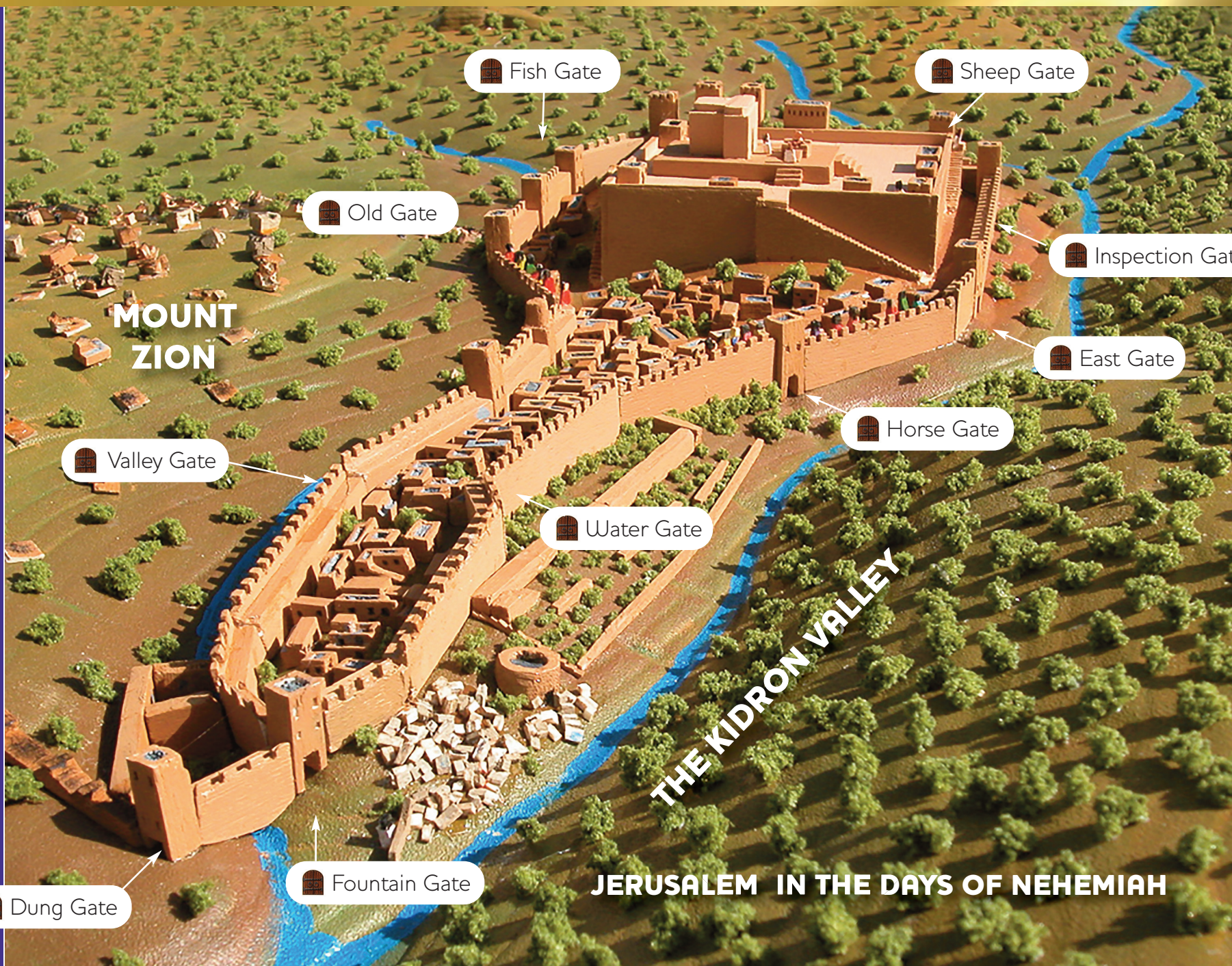
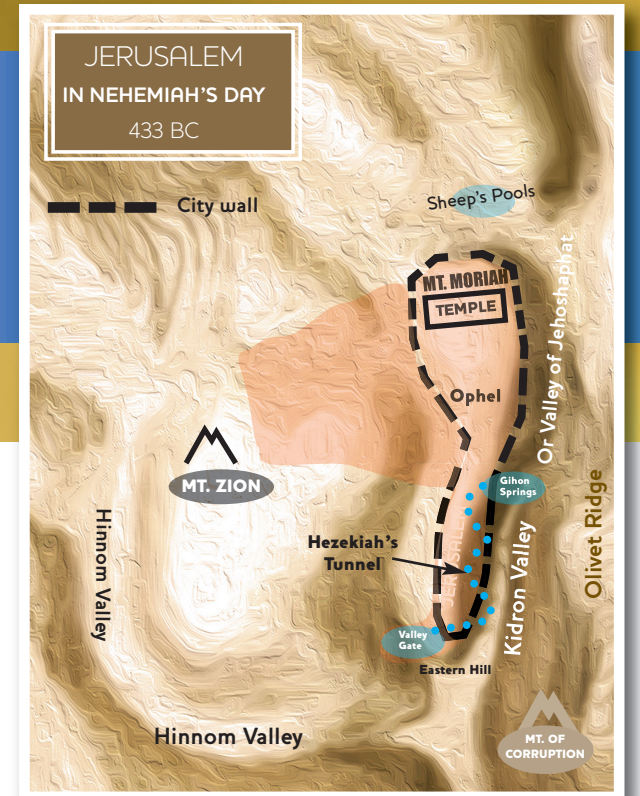
ZECHARIAH
Message - Revelation
A communication of the future of the nation

HAGGAI
Message - Rebuking
Consider the ways of the nation

Nehemiah
Rebuilding walls - Renewing worship

MALACHI
Message - Responsibility
Contempt for the sins of the nation chosen by God

A SON 1. 1 | A SERVANT 1. 11 | A SURVEYOR 2. 13 | A SOLDIER 4. 16 | A BUILDER 4. 23 | A GOVERNOR 5. 14



Nehemiah - 'consolation of Jehovah'

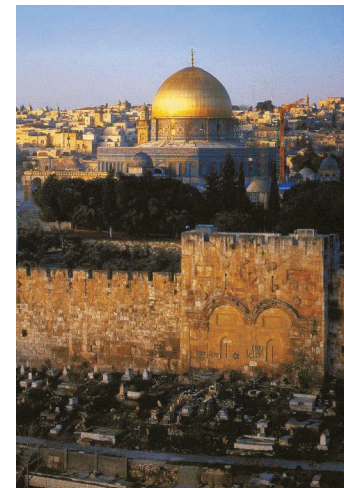
Nehemiah Historically
Nehemiah closes the gate on Old Testament history. A contemporary of Malachi, it is followed by 400 years of silence.

Nehemiah Prophetically
Nehemiah opens the gate of Daniel's 70th week prophecy, starting with Artaxerxes' command to rebuild the city, 2. 6.

Nehemiah Archeologically
Sanballat, Johanan and Nehemiah are all mentioned in the Elephantine papyri found in Egypt relating to those Jews who ran from Chaldeans to Egypt.

Nehemiah Spiritually
Nehemiah is an example of what God can do when people have a mind to work according to the word of God and is a lesson on leadership and how to deal with opposition.

'the Lord loveth the gates of Zion!' Ps. 87. 2



OPPOSITION TO THE WORK OF GOD

Zerubbabel
#Rehum

Haggai / Zech
#Tatnai and co.

Ezra
#Jonathan & Jahaziah

Nehemiah
#Sanballat & Tobiah

Spiritual lessons from the gates

- The Sheep gate – Starting at the altar
- The Fish gate – Sustaining the appetite
- The Old gate – Seeking the old paths
- The Valley gate – Sight of recovery
- The Dung gate – Sorting our rubbish
- The Fountain gate – Spirit of renewal
- The Water gate – Scriptural refreshing
- The Horse gate – Strength and exhalation
- The East gate – Saviour's return
- The Inspection gate – Saints review

Ch 1-6 Rebuilding the ruined city security, walls and gates

Ch 7-13 Restoring returned citizens service, worship and government

- Ch 1 – His supplication for the people
- Ch 2 – His survey of the city walls
- Ch 3 – The strengthening of the walls and gates
- Ch 4 – Their stand against opposition from without
- Ch 5 – The shake up of the people from within
- Ch 6 – The subtily of the enemy must be withstood

- Ch 7 – The showing of the register by genealogy
- Ch 8 – The sense of the scriptures proclaimed
- Ch 9 – The sealing of a covenant with prayer
- Ch 10 – The service of the house is priority
- Ch 11 – The settlement of the people
- Ch 12 – The sanctification of the wall
- Ch 13 – The separation of the people

'For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee', Ps. 147. 13