



## Solomon's Temple

## Description

The Temple of Solomon was the first and most important temple in Jerusalem, dedicated to the god Yahweh, considered one of the wonders of the ancient world. Built by King Solomon in the 10th century BC, it served as the religious and political center of the Israelite nation. The monument was built on a hill called Mount Moriah, which is the current location of the Temple Mount. According to the Tanakh (Hebrew Bible), the Ark of the Covenant rested inside the temple, which contained the stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments were written. According to the biblical writings, Nebuchadnezzar II, king of the Neo Babylonian Empire, attacked and burned the temple in 586 BC during the invasion of Jerusalem. Due to religious and political tensions in the region, no archaeological excavations have been carried out since the end of the 19th century, leaving today doubts about the temple's existence.

## Metadata

City: Jerusalem

Country: Israel

Cadastral Number: IL.L.LW.J.1

GPS Coordinates: 31.7777° N, 35.2355° E

• Landmarks: Lost Worlds