

Rev 11:1 And there was given to me a reed like a rod: and the heavenly angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the Tabernacle of יהוה, and the altar, and those that worship in it. 2 But the court that is outside the Temple leave out, and do not measure it; for it is given to the gentiles: 5 and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty two months.

Measure the Temple closure but not the court.

יהוה will keep His priesthood close, whereas the compromising Church will left at the hands of the unbelieving world.

The measuring of the Temple is a symbolic way of declaring its preservation.

The outer court - the court of the gentiles is the area for those members who have fallen for the doctrine of Balaam and Jezebel, “believers” who claim the name yet have compromised with the COVID world.

By יהוה distinguishing inner hidden reality of the assembly as a kingdom of priests who worship יהוה in His presence FROM the outward *vener* of professing believers as they are exposed to persecution by the kingdom of nations.

1 of 2 Choices:

Be a Melchizedek Kingdom of priests

OR

Be exposed to persecution by the kingdom of nations!

We are called to fulfill end time roles, Kings like Zerubbabel and priests like Joshua.

3 And I will give power to My two witnesses, 6 and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred sixty days, clothed in sackcloth. 4 These are the two olive eytzim, and the two menorah's standing before the Elohim of the earth. 5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceeds out of their mouth, and devours their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in like manner be killed.

The Two Witnesses!

Is John the the Beloved Still Alive?

Matthew. 16:27, 28 *truly I say to you,* **there are some standing here, who shall not taste of death, until they see the Son of Man coming in His Kingdom.**

According to historical sources John the apostle escaped natural death. He was exiled to the island of Patmos in the Mediterranean Sea, where he was supposedly left to live out the rest of his mortal life.

“Emperor Dometian imprisoned Yochanan in Romiyah, and had him beaten poisoned and thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil 3 times. Yochanan stepped out unharmed and was banished to the island of Patmos instead.”

From Church fathers book Acts of John-“ *And gazing towards heaven, he glorified Eloah; and having sealed himself altogether, he stood and said to us, Peace and grace be with you, brethren! And sent the brethren away. And when they went on the morrow they did not find him, but his sandals, and a fountain welling up. And after that they remembered what had been said to Peter by the Yahweh about him: For what does it concern thee if I should wish him to remain until I come? And they glorified Eloah for the miracle that had happened. And having thus believed, they retired praising and blessing the benignant Eloah; because to Him is due glory now and ever, and to ages of ages. Amen.”*

John reports to us that *he* was told while he was still alive in Gilyahna/Revelation 10:11 *“And he said to me, You must prophesy again before many peoples and nations and tongues and kings.”*

Matthew 16: 27 For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of His Father with His heavenly angels; and then He shall reward every man according to his deeds. **28** Truly I say to you, There are some standing here, who shall not taste of death, until they see the Son of Man coming in His Kingdom.

Matthew 17:1 And after six days Yahshua took Kepha, Yaakov, and Yochanan his brother, and brought them up into a high mountain alone to make tefillah,
2 And while He was making tefillah He was transformed before them: and His face did shine as the sun, and His clothing was white as the light.
3 And, see, there appeared to them Moshe and Eli-Yahu talking with Him about what would happen to Him in Yahrushalayim.

John saw the kingdom in a vision *without* dying first!

So literally; one of those 3 disciples would not die until the Kingdom arrived!

He would die however after prophesying and giving witness for a second time!

Since it's appointed unto all men once to die and then the judgment. **Hebrews 9:27.**
And as it is appointed to men once to die, but after this the mishpat.

So John must die. The only question remains *when?*

In John **21:18**, Yahusha tells Peter what kind of death he'll have to endure, and then Peter asks Yahusha about John concerning this same topic, John's death.

John 21:20 Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Yahusha loved following; who also was the one that leaned on His breast at supper, who said, Master, who is he that betrays You? **21** Peter seeing him said to, Yahusha Master, and what about him? **22** Yahusha said to him, if I desire that he lives until I come, what is that to you? You just follow me.
23 Then this saying went around among the brothers that this disciple would not die: yet Yahusha said not to him, you shall not die; but, If I choose that he remains alive until I come, what is that to you?

In other words He was saying John will die, but at my second coming; *not now!*

Yahusha never said that John *wouldn't* die. That was a false report! The true report was that his death would be *postponed*.

John 21: 24 This is the disciple who testifies of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

In context what **THINGS** are true and what **THINGS** does he swear by?

Not Yahusha's resurrection, since that had become an established fact!

They had already seen Yahusha in glory! NO!

Could it be he was testifying that his own death would occur later than the others at the time of the second coming?

Did *in-fact* John take an oath and swear "as YHWH lives" that he himself would remain alive until the Great Tribulation?

Does John try to clarify it for us reporting that Yahshua didn't say he wouldn't die, but rather said **"If I wish him to remain until I come, what is that to you?"** In other words John *will* die, but not before his work is accomplished, to prepare the return and the Kingdom.

Is it possible that John is still alive, and that when he does die it is before the second coming towards the end of the Great Tribulation?