



PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD:

*God's image in the
world!*

God's Image in the World

What is an Image?

The Players

The Herodians
Supporters of the
Client Dynasty of
Herod the Great.
Supporters of
Roman Rule.

The Pharisees
Supporters of the
opposition cause.
God is the ruler,
318
commandments.

The Taxes

Roman Poll Tax

The ***Tributum capitis*** was a symbol of subjugation and much hated, also seen as a symbol of allegiance

Temple Tax

Every male "from twenty years old and above" shall give half a shekel for an offering unto the Lord.

Setting

Herod's Palace

Holy Place and Most Holy Place

Court of the Priests

Court of the Men

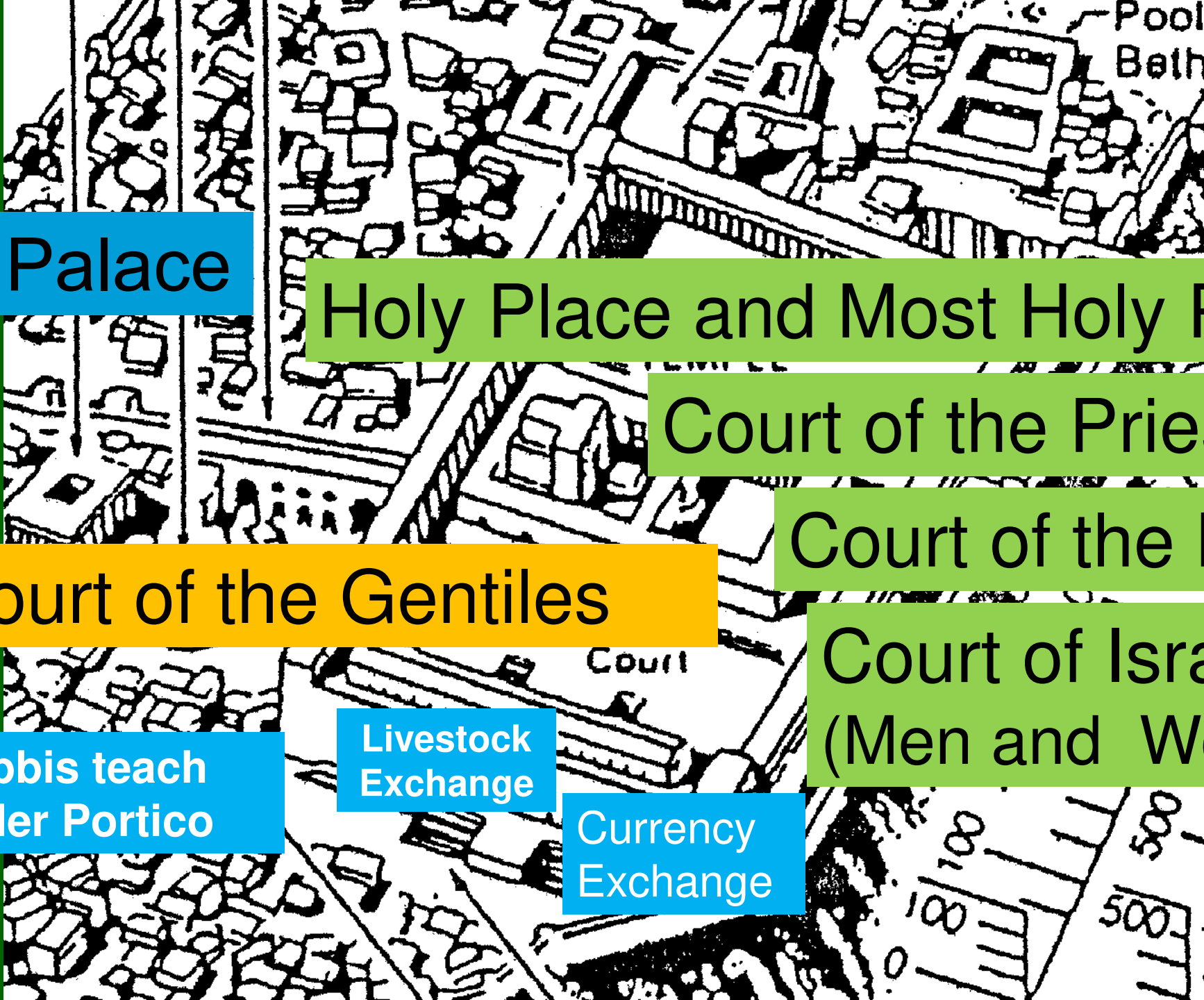
Court of the Gentiles

Court of Israel
(Men and Women)

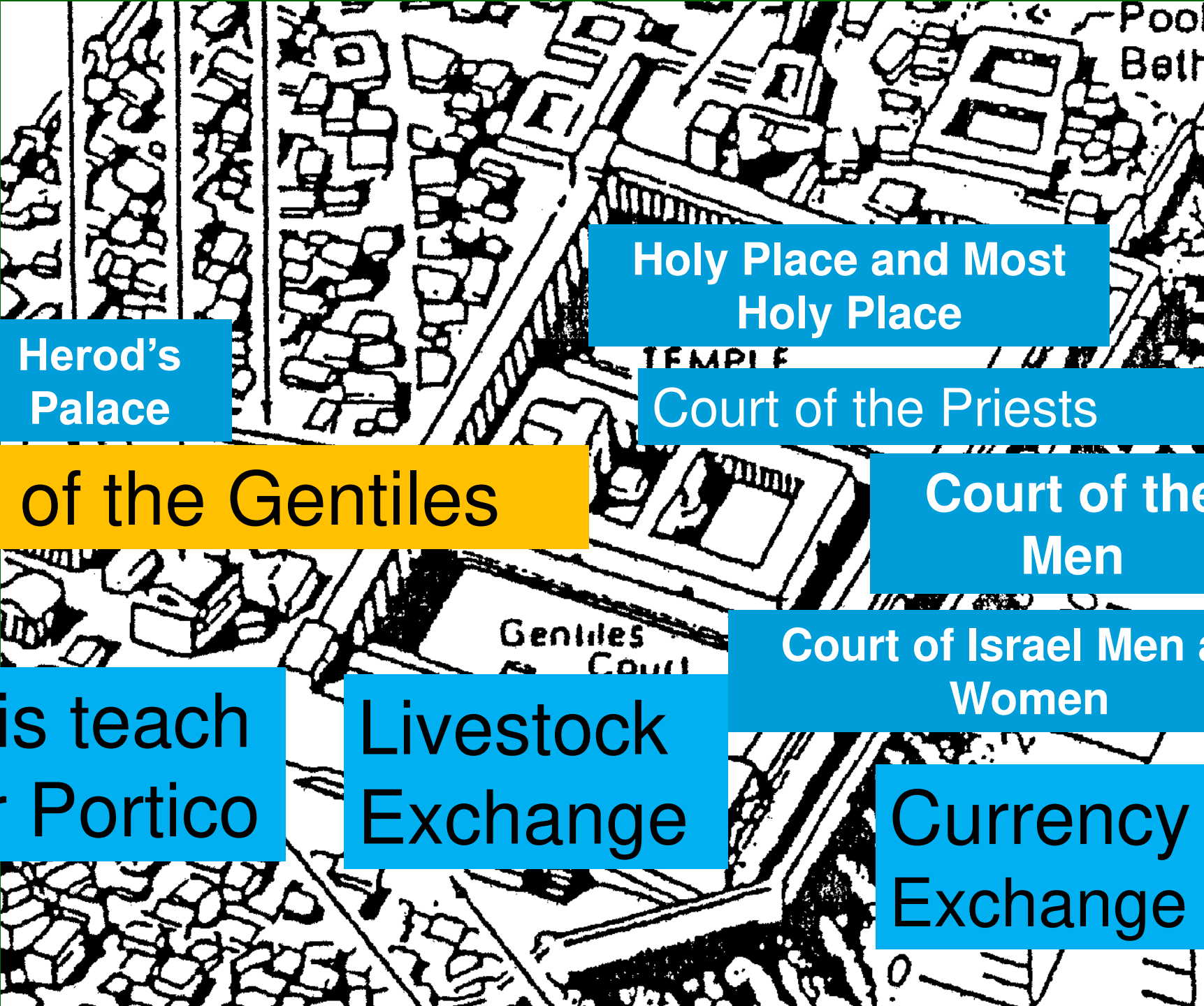
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**Give to Caesar
what belongs
to Caesar**

**Whose Image
and whose
Inscription?**

Give to God what is God's.

Who or What bears the image of God?

YOU



**You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul
and with all your mind**

**We bear the image of God
The Genesis story tells us we are
made in the image and likeness of
God**

What is an Image?

An Image in the Ancient days (bronze age) was an object or objects placed in a temple or sacred place as representation of the presence of the god or gods

In the Genesis story the patriarchs raised pillars or altars whenever and wherever they encountered God



**In the Exodus story a Pillar of Cloud by
day and a Pillar Fire by night
guided and guarded the people of God
these were the images in this story**

**In the Tabernacle and Temple
the Ark of the Covenant
was placed in the most Holy Place**

**When the people of God went to war
they carried the Ark onto the battlefield
to show God was present**

**When Humankind was made
in the image of God
and placed on the Earth
Humankind was to be
the representation of God on Earth
(but unfortunately Humankind acted as if
they were God and look where that got us)**

**Humankind was to tend and care for the
Earth
and in return the Earth would provide the
bounty on which Humankind would be
sustained**

**The First People of this land
along with First Peoples around the
Earth
have lived within this pattern
to a greater lesser extent**

**We as People of the Resurrected Jesus
and as Second People on this country
have a responsibility to tend and care for the
Earth and act as God's image on the Earth**

**Part of that is to listen and learn
from the First People of this country,
the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin
Nation**

**As Jesus' People we are called
as Ambassadors of Christ
to tell the World
of the works of God
in creation , salvation and sanctification
(becoming more like Jesus)**

**To God be the Glory
in the Church,
in the World
and over all the Earth**