

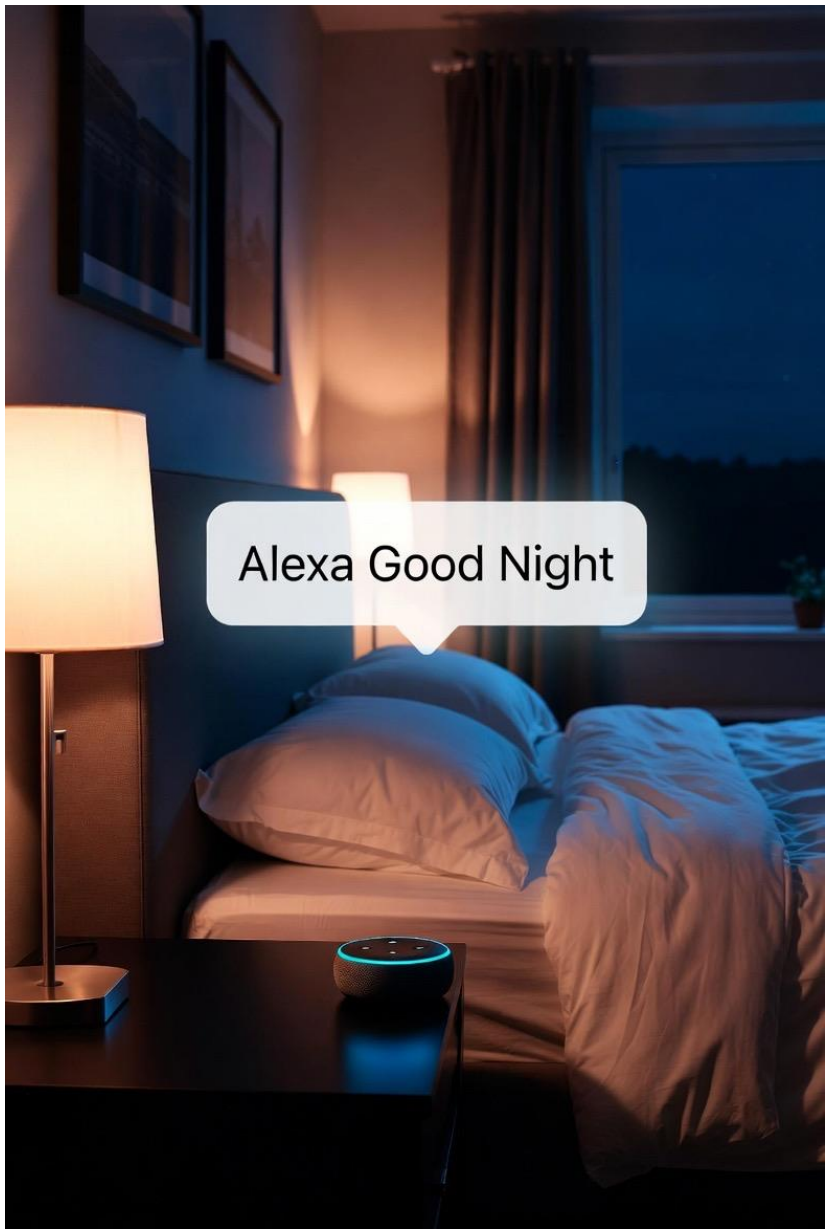


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Gamma App - How AI Transforms Presentations and Drives Growth



Technology template
Data, Analytics and Integration

01 What is data integration?
Simply defined as the process of combining data from different sources and making it available for analysis and reporting.



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Oak Hollow - What we stand for?

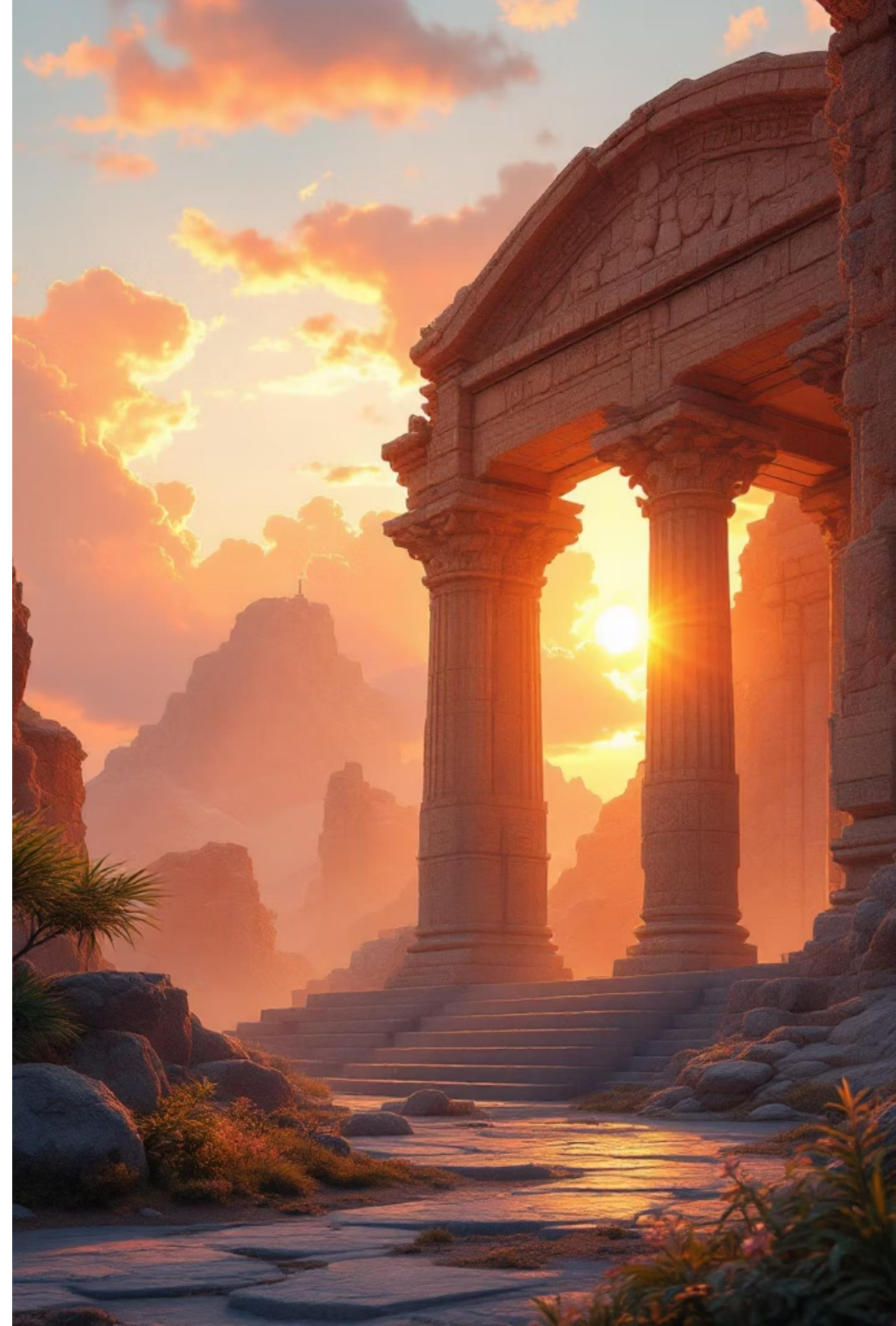
- Loving God and Loving Our Neighbor
- The Truth - as laid out in God's Word
- Grace
- Redemption
- Sanctification from the world
- Unity in the church
- Everyone has a sense of belonging and has a purpose
- Everyone is connected
- Transparent Leadership



OAK HOLLOW
CHURCH OF CHRIST

Building God's House

We are not called to build a physical temple in Jerusalem – but we do have kingdom work. Our calling is to build a people, a spiritual house, through the gospel. In 1 Kings 5–7, we encounter the greatest building project of the Old Testament era – and discover what it means for us today.





Our Calling Today — A Spiritual House



The church is now the dwelling place of God by His Spirit. We are the living temple. Our great building project.

"As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

— *1 Peter 2:4-5*



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Doing the Work of the Lord

1 Kings 5-7

His Promises & Provision



 POINT 1

The Work of the Lord Flows from His Promises

God's promises are not passive words – they motivate and direct His servants. Solomon's entire life and reign were shaped by one foundational promise God made to his father David. The promises of God give us our marching orders.

The Promise God Made to David

"When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you... He shall build a house for my name."

– *2 Samuel 7:12-13*

This single, breathtaking promise defined Solomon's calling and work. God spoke – and an entire kingdom moved in response.



Solomon Steps Out in Faith

"I intend to build a house for the name of the Lord my God, as the Lord said to David my father, 'Your son... shall build the house for my name.'"

– *1 Kings 5:5*



God Promised

A word given to David about his son



Solomon Believed

He received the promise as his own calling



Solomon Acted

He did not sit back and wait – he got to work!



FOR US TODAY



Jesus' Promises Fuel Our Work

"I Will Build My Church"

"And the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it." – *Matthew 16:18*

The Great Commission

"Go and make disciples of all nations." – *Matthew 28:19*

Labor That Lasts

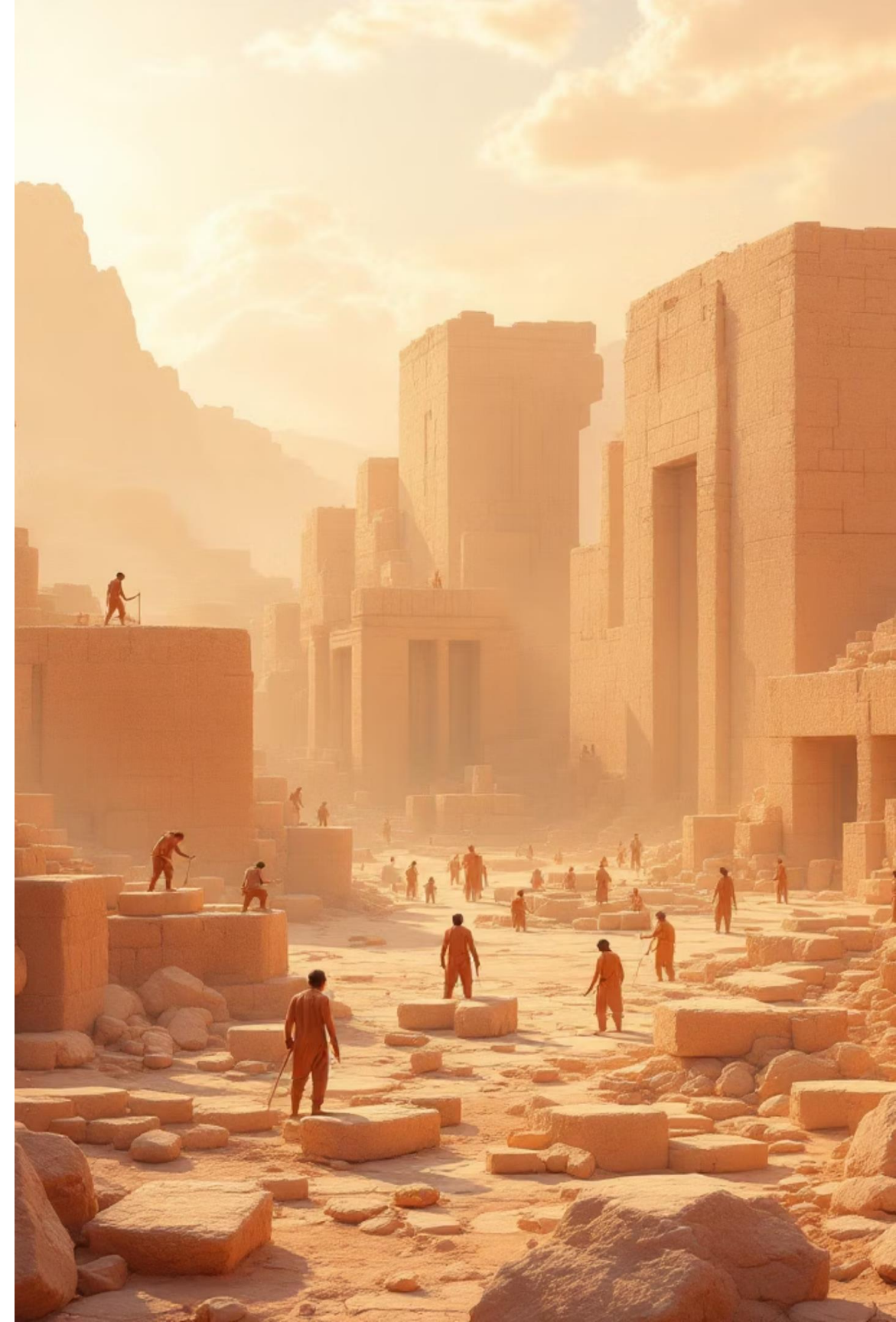
"Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." – *1 Corinthians*

15:58

📁 POINT 2

The Work of the Lord Rests Upon His Provision

Kingdom projects often look impossible at the start. The temple was a superhuman, gargantuan undertaking – yet God provided everything Solomon needed. Not one resource was lacking.



1 KINGS 5-7

A Superhuman Project



The Temple was massive in scale and grand in every dimension – a gargantuan undertaking accomplished with nothing but ancient tools and human hands.

Yet here is the miracle: the Lord provided everything He commissioned. He never calls His people to a work without equipping them for it. What He commands, He supplies.

God's Amazing Provision Highlights



Wisdom

"People of all nations came to hear the wisdom of Solomon."
— *1 Kings 4:34*



Alliance with Hiram

Cedar timber and skilled labor through a sovereign friendship. — *1 Kings 5:1-12*



Peace on Every Side

"The Lord my God has given me rest on every side. There is neither adversary nor misfortune." — *1 Kings 5:3-4*

Alliance with Hiram...

God gave Solomon an abundance of wisdom that drew the nations to his door. *"People of all nations came to hear the wisdom of Solomon"* (1 Kings 4:34). That very wisdom attracted King Hiram of Tyre, who would become an essential partner in the Temple project.

01

Solomon's Shrewd Request

He asked Hiram for the famed cedars of Lebanon — the finest timber in the ancient world (1 Kings 5:6).

02

Hiram's Joyful Response

"Blessed be the Lord... who has given David a wise son" (1 Kings 5:7).

03

A Divine Partnership

God's wisdom in Solomon opened doors no human strategy could have planned.

God's Provision: Hiram of Tyre



Hiram, son of a widow, was *"full of wisdom, understanding, and skill"* in bronze work (1 Kings 7:13–14). God raised up a master artisan for this sacred task.

Two Great Pillars

1 Kings 7:15

The Molten Sea

1 Kings 7:23

10 Stands & 10 Basins

1 Kings 7:27, 38



Requires Obedience to God's Word

In the midst of construction, the word of the Lord came to Solomon with a solemn promise and a searching condition:

"If you walk in my statutes and obey my rules and keep all my commandments... then I will dwell among the children of Israel."— 1 Kings 6:11-13

Here is the danger: busy Christian service can quietly replace personal godliness. Activity for God is no substitute for obedience to God. He desires our hearts before our hands.

✦ FOR HIS GLORY

Finally - Must Reflect God's Glory

Every surface, every vessel, every detail of the Temple was crafted to reflect the surpassing worth of the One who would dwell there. "Everything had to be the very best... it's for the Lord."



Cedar Walls

Carved with gourds and open flowers (1 Kings 6:14-18)



Pure Gold Overlay

Inside and out, overlaid with finest gold (1 Kings 6:21-22)



Golden Vessels

Altar, table, lampstands – all pure gold (1 Kings 7:48)

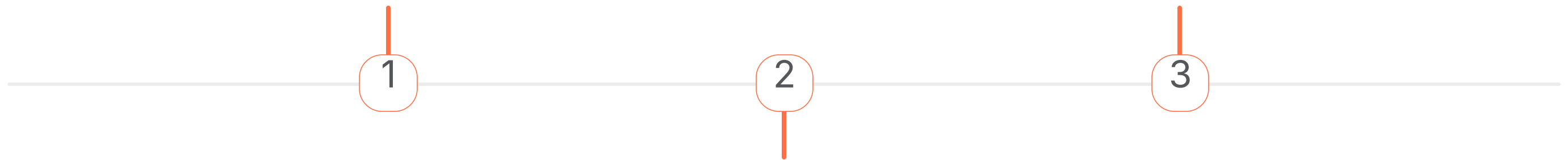
The Work Happens in God's Time

The Exodus

480 years before construction began – God was already preparing (1 Kings 6:1).


7 Full Years

Completed in Solomon's 11th year (1 Kings 6:37–38).
Patient, faithful labor.



Month of Ziv

Construction began in Solomon's 4th year as king – in
God's appointed season.

 The lesson for us: God works on His timetable, not ours. Learn patience. Trust His timing and remain faithful in the building.

Therefore — Abound in the Work of the Lord

Be steadfast. Be immovable. Abound.

If God calls us to kingdom work, He will provide everything we need.

- Work flows from His promises
- Work rests on His comprehensive provision
- Our labor in the Lord is never in vain

THE CLOSING THOUGHT FOR US

Are We Giving God Our Very Best?

In ministry, in gospel work, in every act of service – are we offering the Lord the fullness of what He has entrusted to us? The Temple Solomon built stands as a stunning rebuke to half-hearted devotion. No expense was spared. Nothing was done by half measures.

Time

Devoted fully to His purposes

Treasure

Given generously for His glory

Talent

Employed with excellence and care

