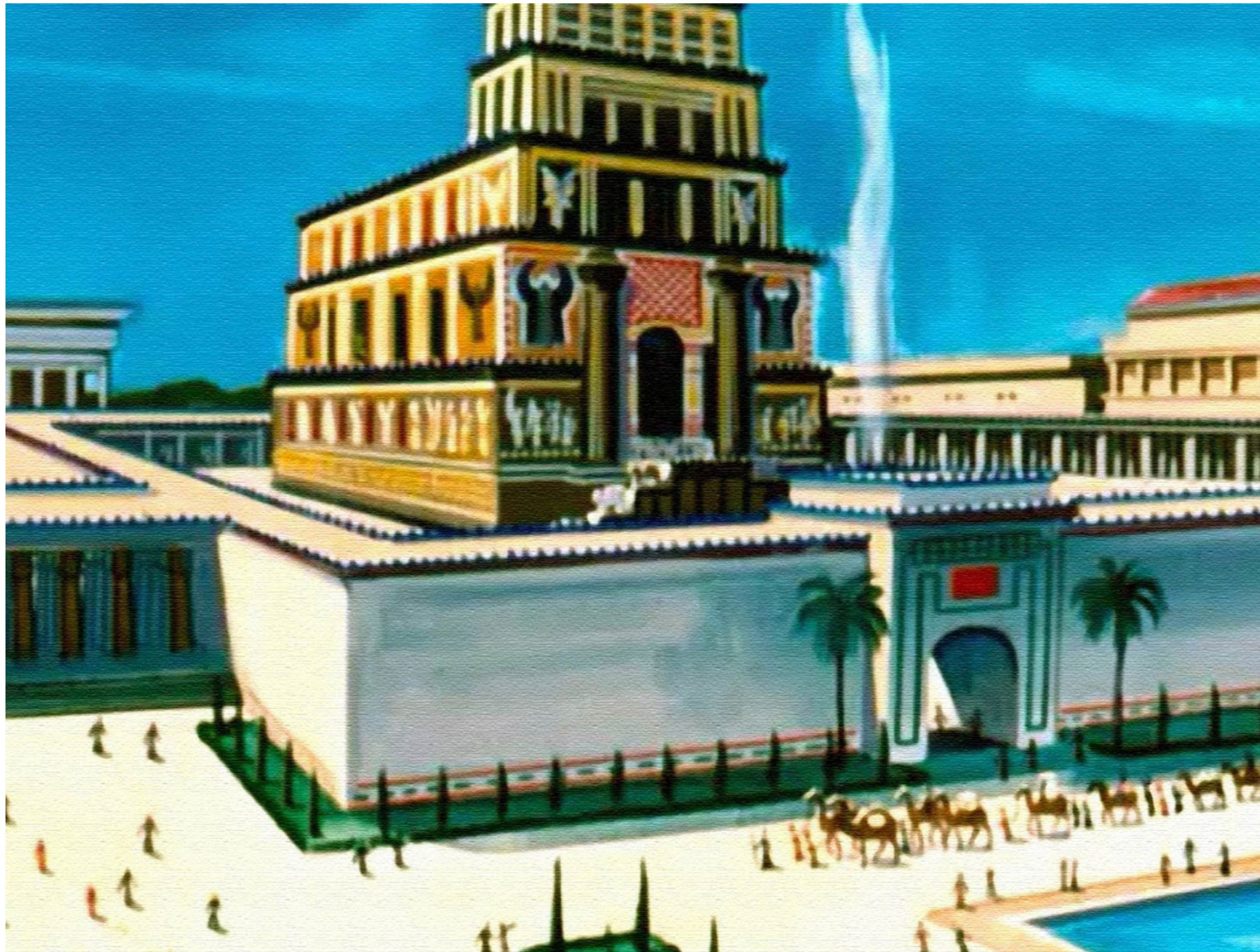




King Solomon writes Proverbs and Ecclesiastes
The Books of Proverbs & Ecclesiastes



Solomon's father King David was a writer. He wrote the book of Psalms. This book was filled with praise and songs about God.



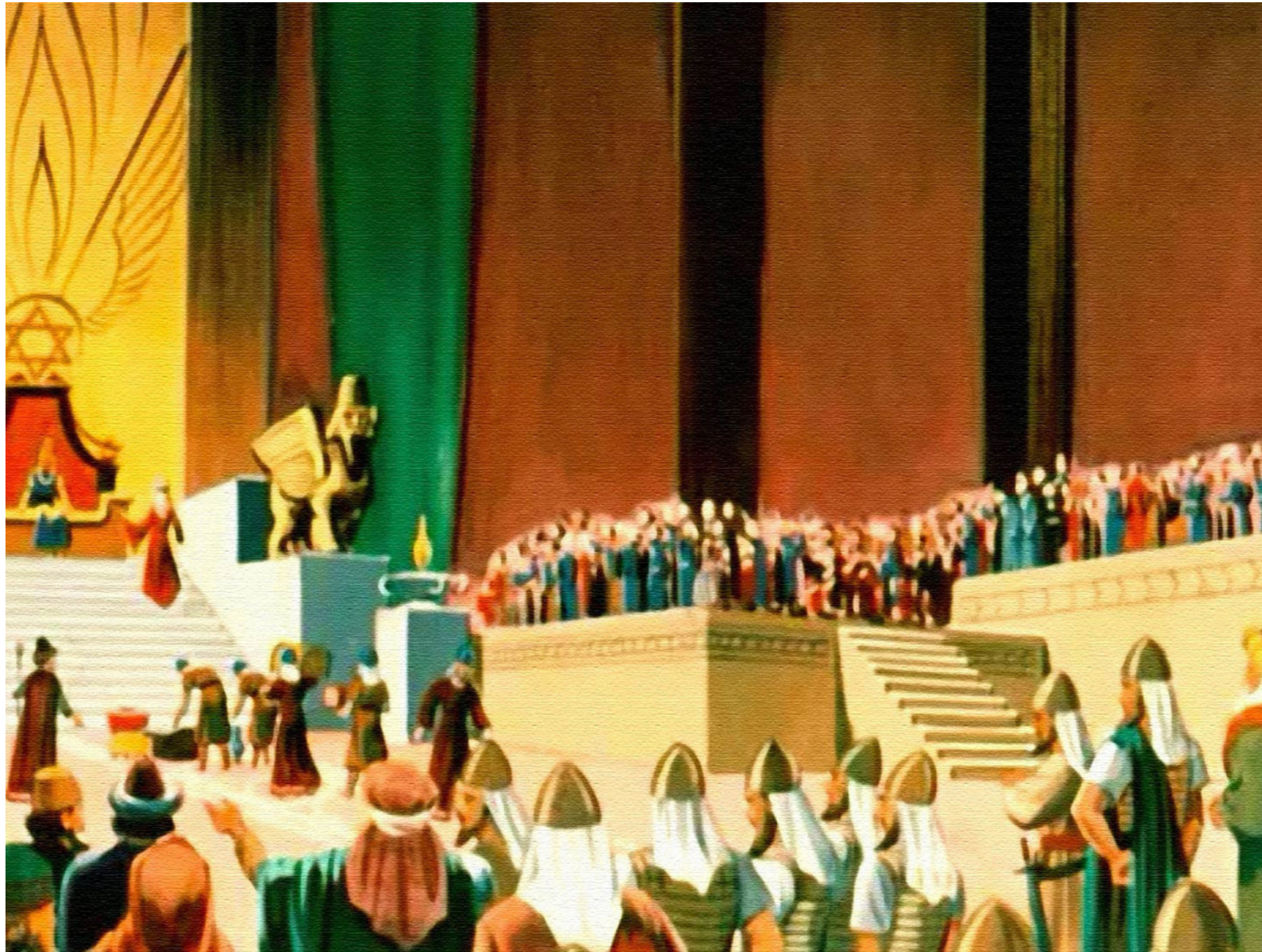
Solomon built a magnificent temple for the praise and worship of God. He also built courts and palaces in Jerusalem. His fame spread far and wide.



In the distant court of Sheba, in southern Arabia, merchants told their queen of the wealth and wisdom of Solomon, but she could hardly believe their stories. She wanted to see for herself ...



... so she travelled a thousand miles across the harsh desert, followed by camels bearing gifts for the king – gold, spices and jewels.



At last she stood in Solomon's magnificent court! There were many things she wanted to see and many questions she wanted to ask this wise man. Solomon showed her the temple where his people worshipped God and took her to see his palace.



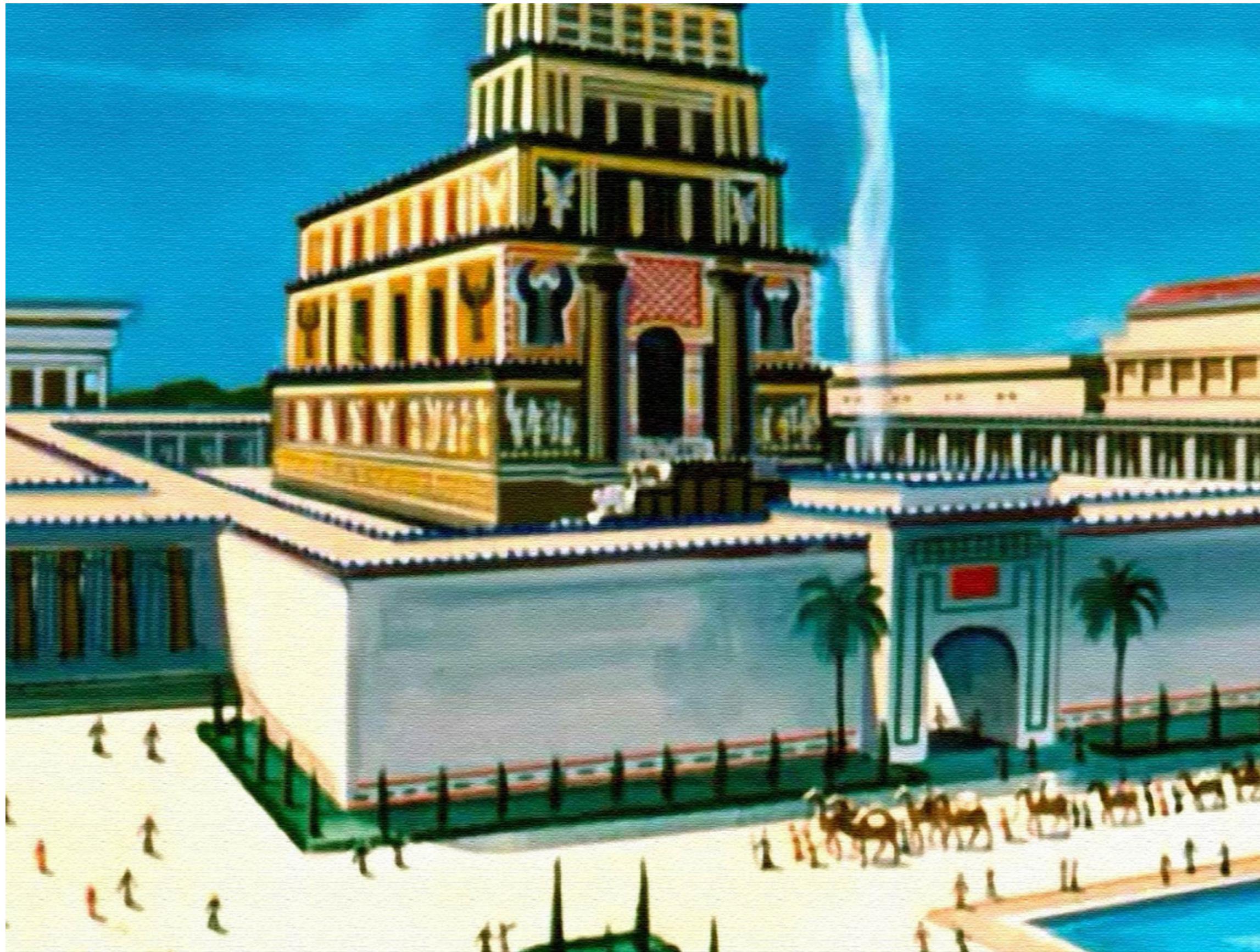
As the Queen of Sheba sat at Solomon's table and listened to him, she realised that his people loved and served him because he was a wise and good king.



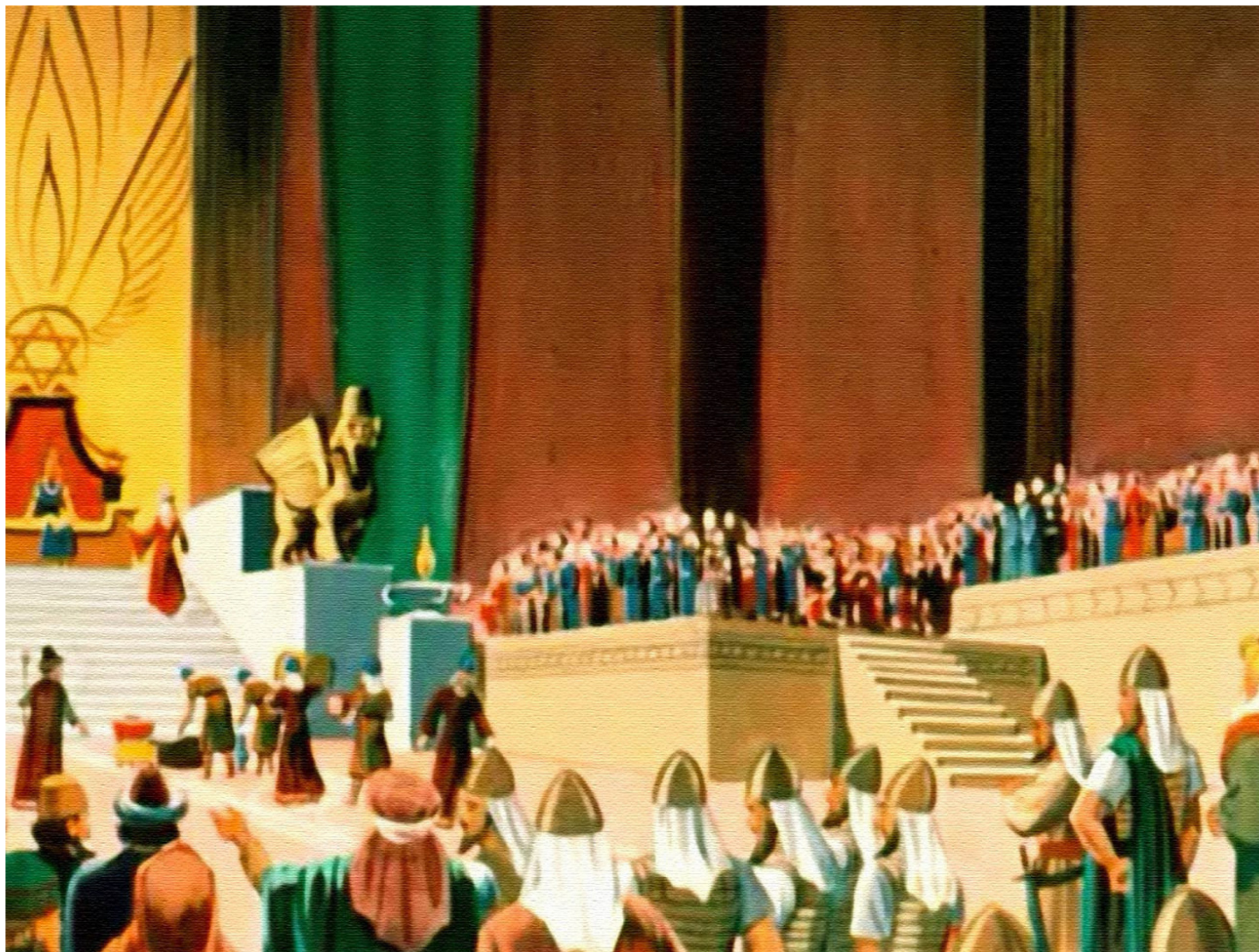
She said, 'Happy are your men. Happy are your servants that hear your wisdom!'



But Solomon knew that his wealth and earthly possessions would not last forever, for he said, 'Riches make themselves wings.'



Solomon knew that the magnificent temple, which had taken thousands of men seven years to build ... and his palace ...



... of carved stone, the jewelled courts, the ivory throne, all the riches of his great kingdom... would pass away some day. The glory of Solomon has long since departed.



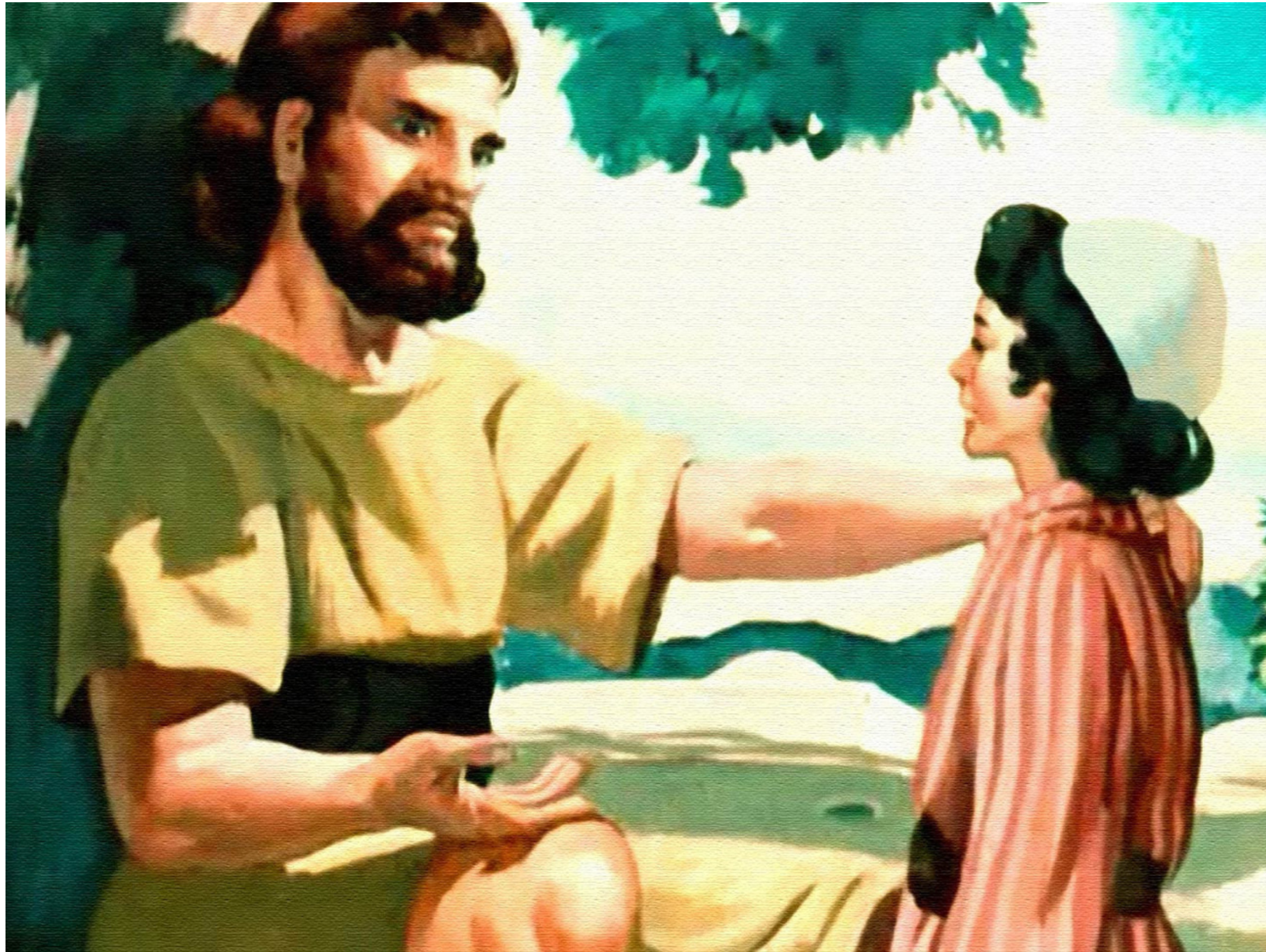
But the wisdom God gave him survived the passing years, and has been strengthened with each test of time.



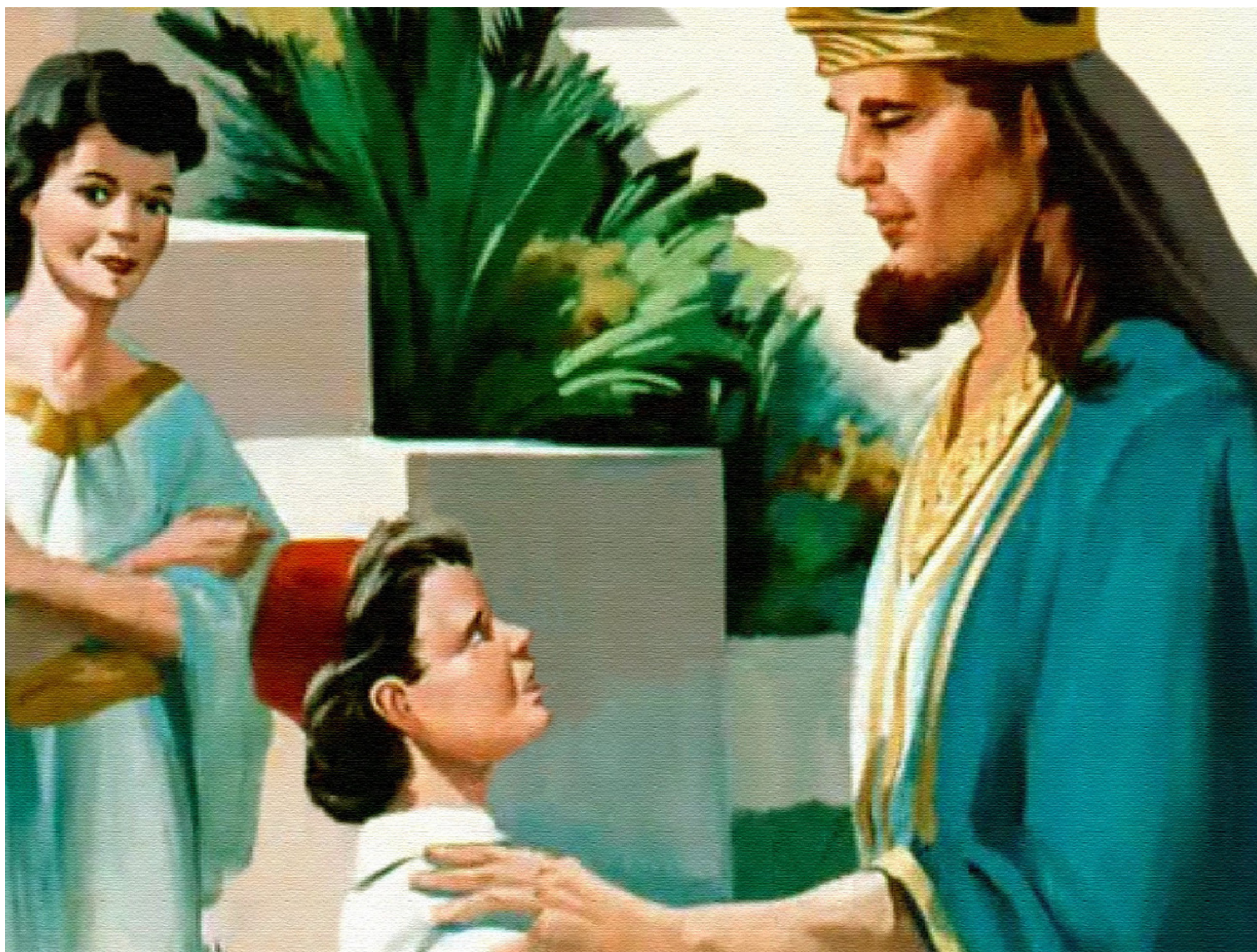
And today, we can find blessing in the wisdom of God, as spoken by His servant Solomon, wisdom recorded in the Book of Proverbs and the Book of Ecclesiastes.



He wrote Proverbs such as he 'that has friends must show himself friendly.'



He wrote 'A wise son hears his father's instructions.'



Another Proverb is: "a good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

In Ecclesiastes he observed and recorded that there was an appointed time for everything.



Solomon's greatest treasure was the wisdom that God had given him. The Bible tells us that we can find true wisdom too by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ and following Him. For we read that in Him are hidden 'all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.' (Colossians 2:3)

**Let's Talk About
The Story...**



**Who came to visit King
Solomon to learn about
his wisdom?**



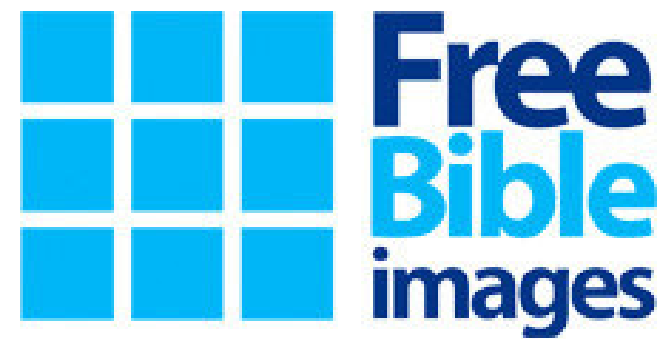
**What two books did
King Solomon write?**



**What two things was
King Solomon most
known for?**



Which one has lasted longer? The temple or his wisdom?



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