

# *Stone: From Technique to Technology*

*Part One:*  
*From Antiquity to the Romans*







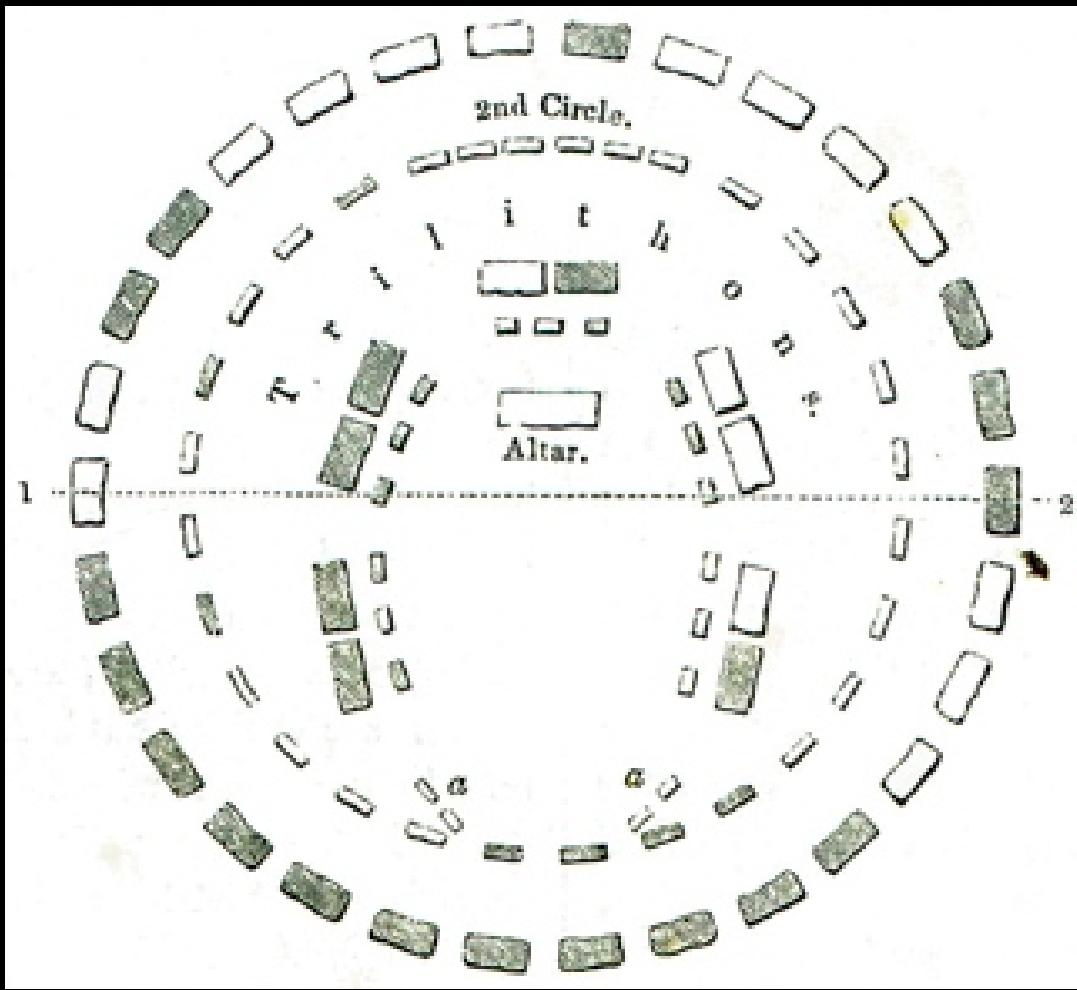


Technique vs Technology

Trial and Error vs Mathematics and Physics

Stonehenge  
Wiltshire, England  
Circa 3000 BCE



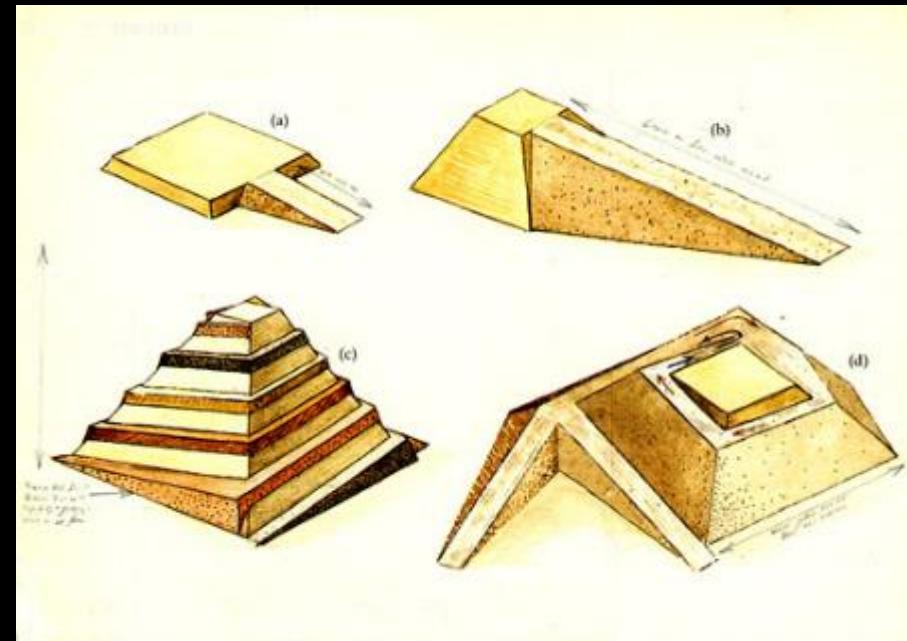


Law Code of Hammurabai  
1750 BCE

If a builder build a house for a man and do not  
make its construction firm,  
and the house which he has built collapse  
and cause the death of the owner of the house,  
that builder shall be put to death.

If it cause the death of a son of the owner of the house,  
they shall put to death a son of that builder.

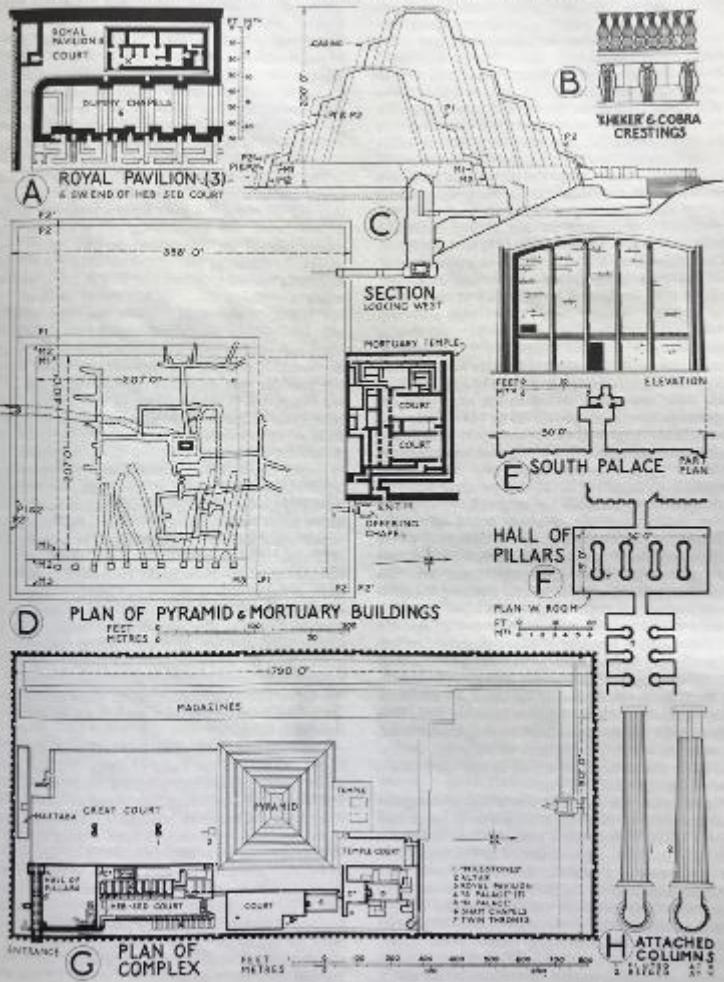
ancient stone techniques





The Stepped Pyramid of Djoser at Saqqara  
27<sup>th</sup> Century BCE

# STEP PYRAMID OF ZOSER: SAKKARA



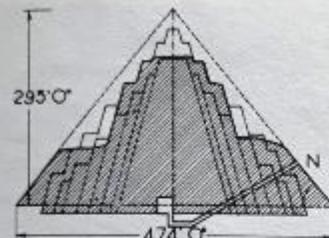




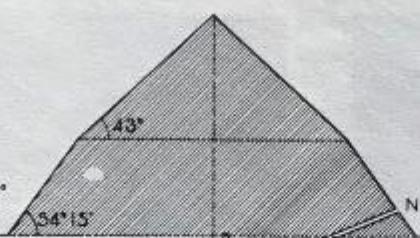


Pyramids at Giza  
(Khufu/Cheops, Khafre/Chephren and Menkaure)  
2580 BCE

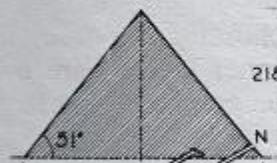
# PYRAMIDS AND ATTENDANT BUILDINGS



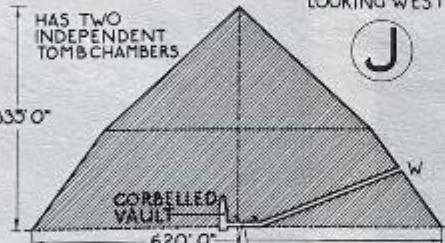
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SECTION  
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'BENT' PYRAMID: DASHUR: SECTION  
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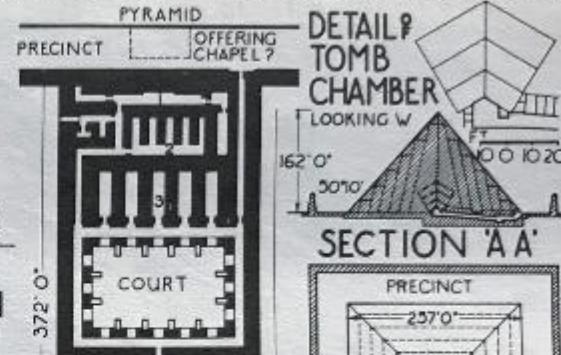


200 FEET METRES

SCALE FOR  
ALL PYRAMID  
SECTIONS

100  
0  
10  
100  
200

FEET METRES  
SECTION  
PYRAMID OF CHEPHREN GIZEH



MORTUARY TEMPLE & VALLEY  
BUILDING & CHEPHREN: GIZEH

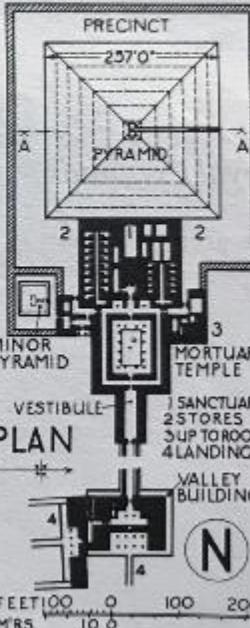
FEET 0 METRES 10 100 200

PLANS  
470' 153'

FEET 0 METRES 10 100 200

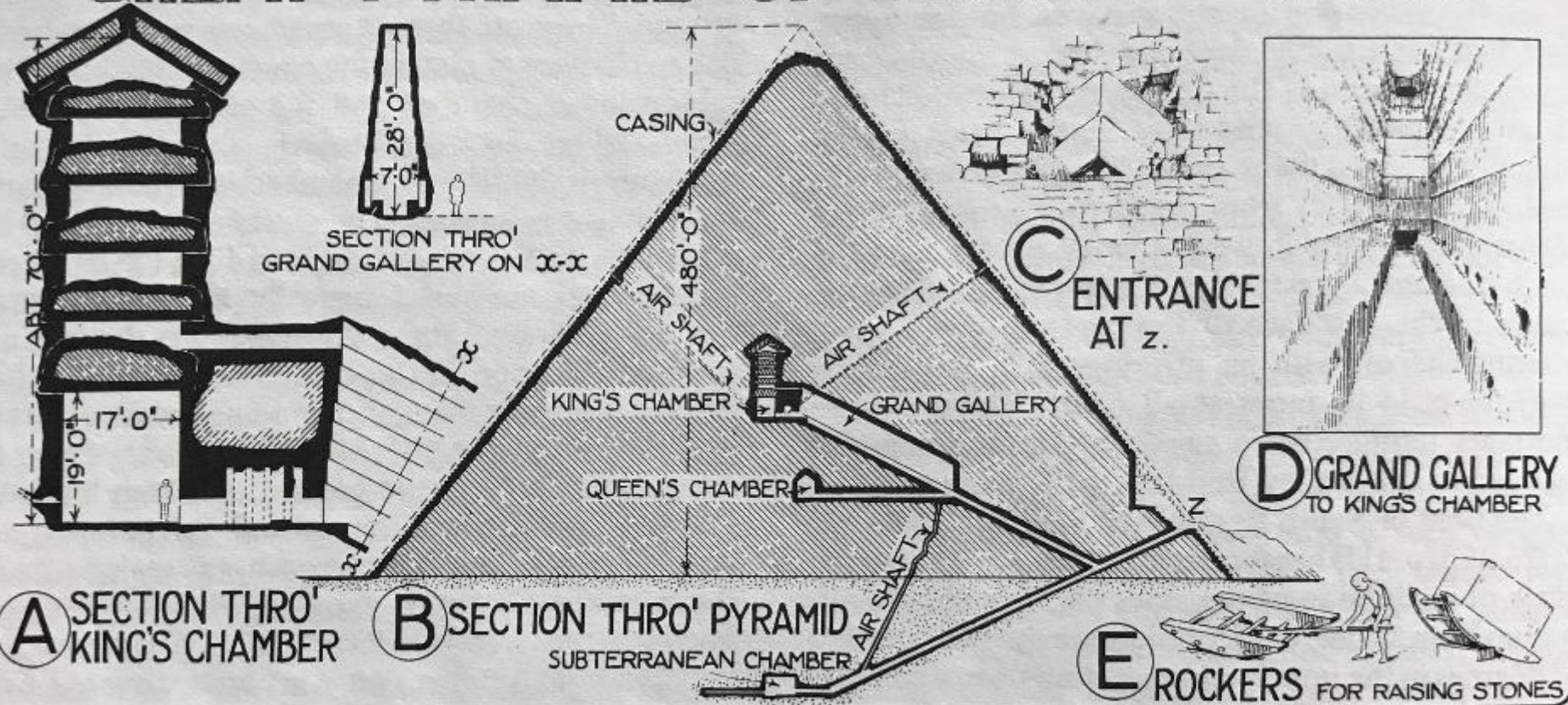


SECTION 'AA'



PYRAMID COMPLEX  
& SAHURA : ABUSIR

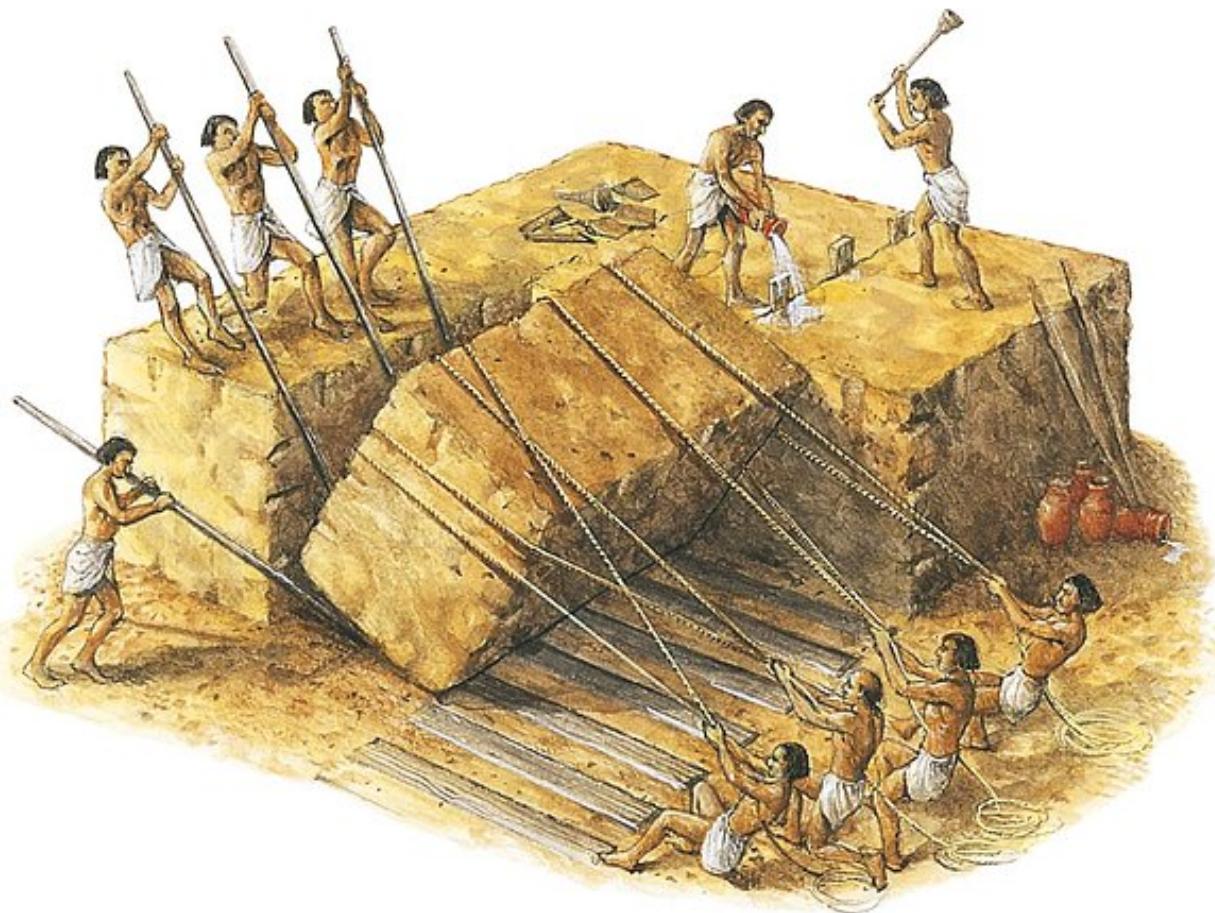
# GREAT PYRAMID OF CHEOPS : GIZEH







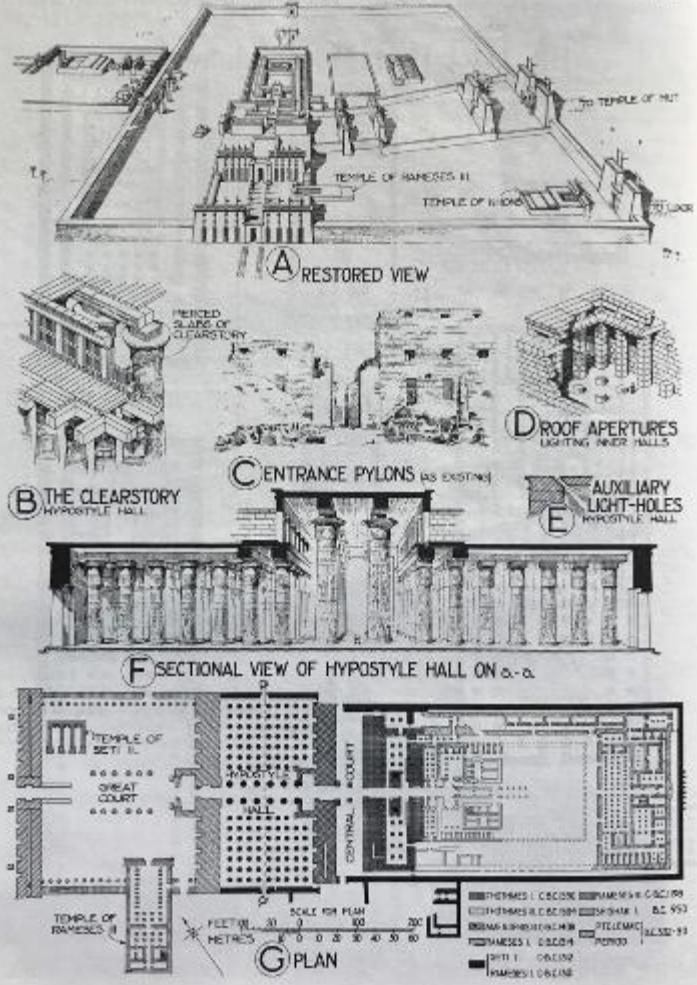






Temple at Karnak  
Thebes, Egypt  
2050 BCE

# GREAT TEMPLE OF AMMON: KARNAK





## Hypostyle Hall

Where the roof is  
supported by a sea of  
closely spaced columns









STONE CANNOT SPAN!  
IT HAS ZERO TENSILE ABILITY





Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut  
Valley of the Queens, Egypt  
1479 BCE





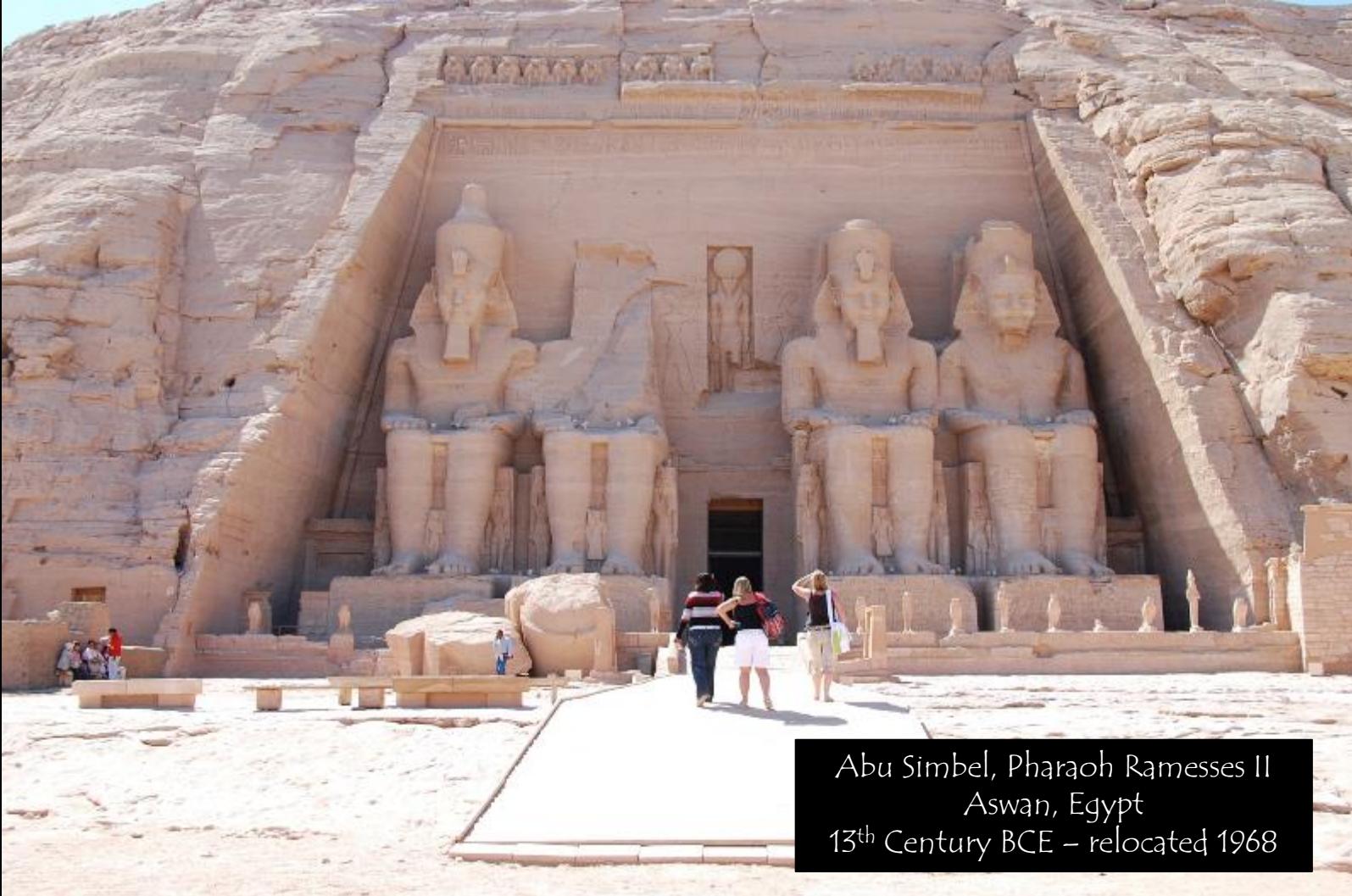












Abu Simbel, Pharaoh Ramesses II  
Aswan, Egypt  
13<sup>th</sup> Century BCE – relocated 1968

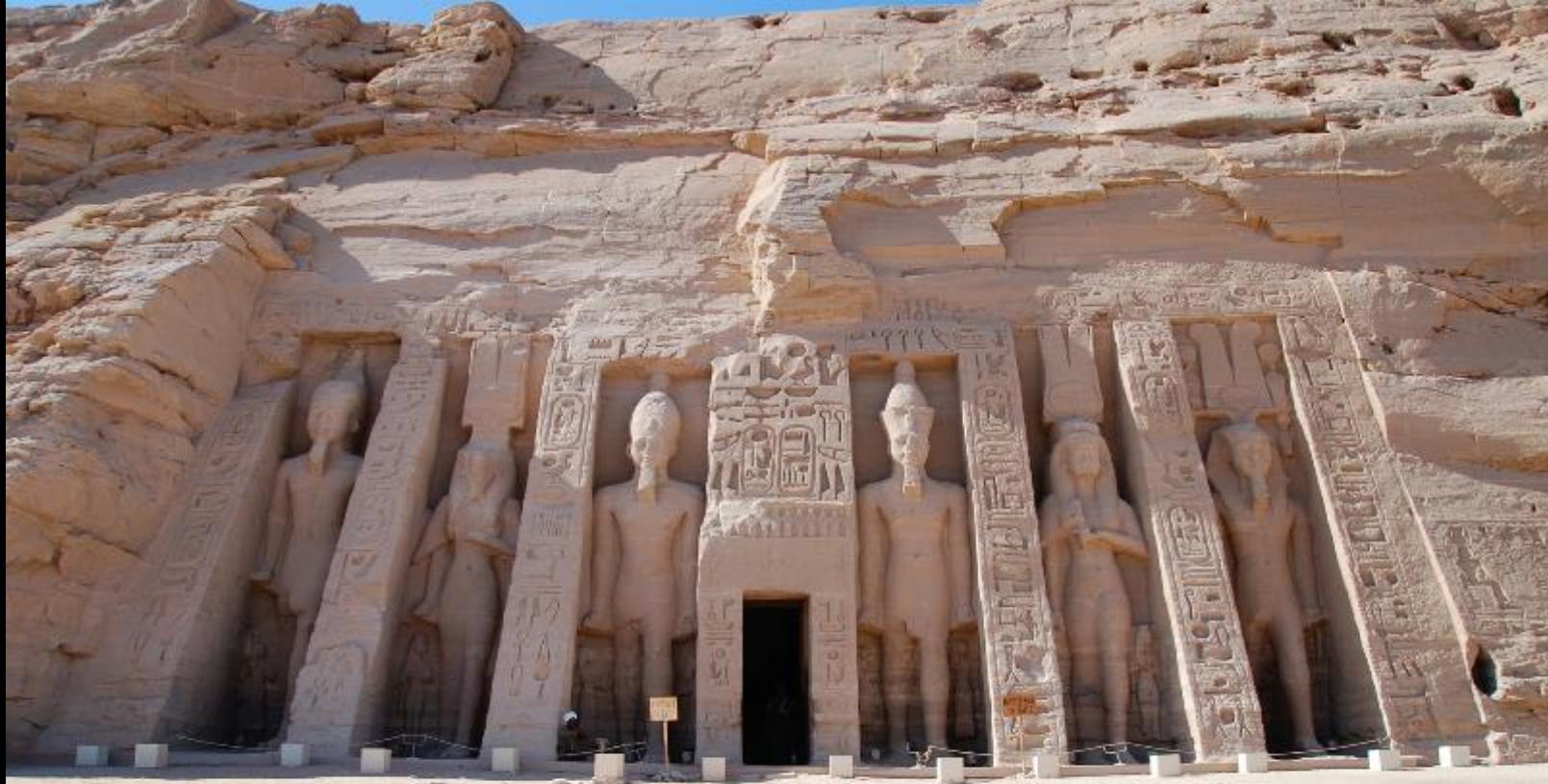


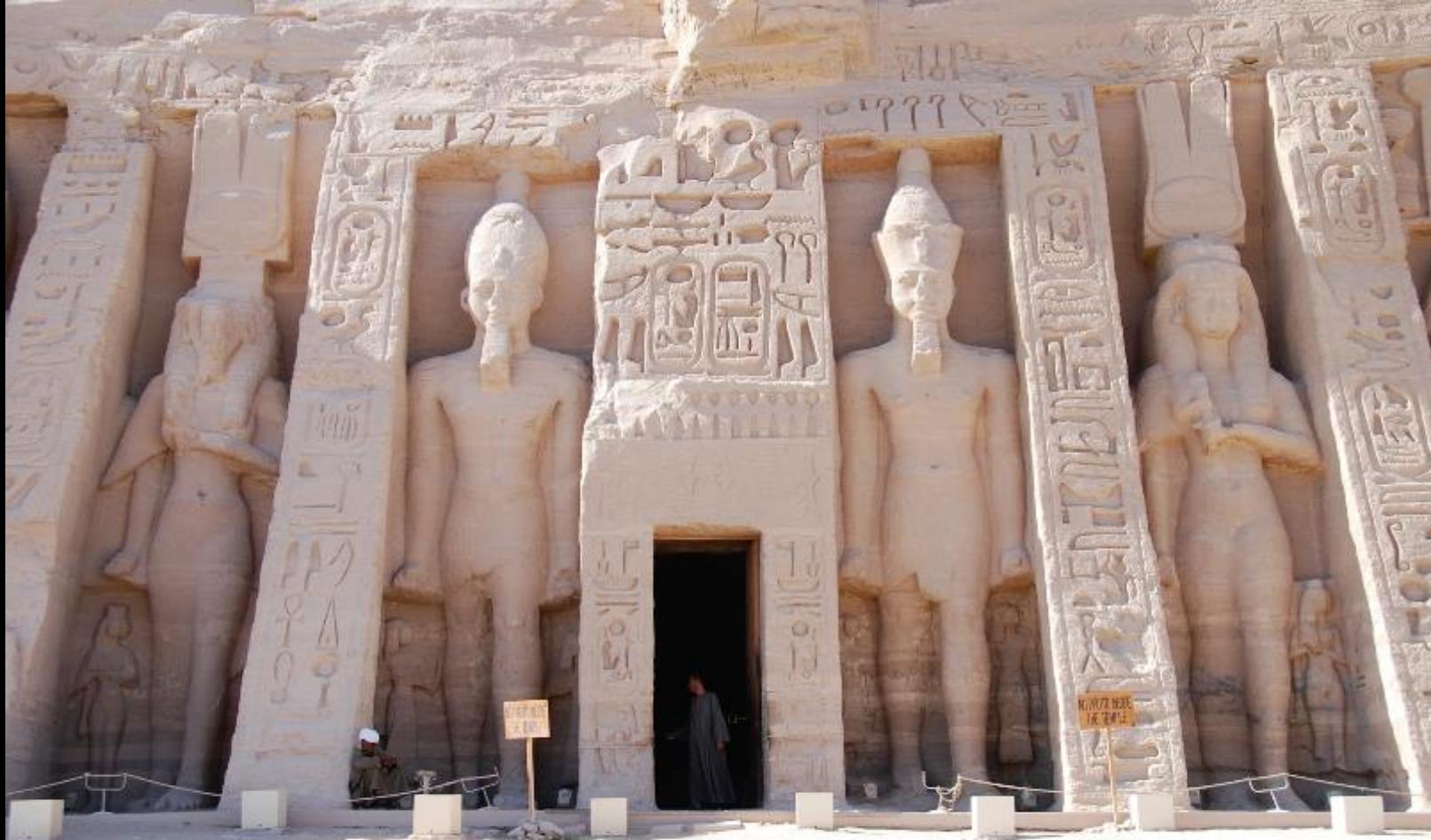














**NO PHOTO INSIDE  
THE TEMPLE**





Tomb of Ramesses III  
Valley of the Kings, Egypt  
1155 BCE





Stuckerkapitelle von Philae.



The Temple of Isis at Philae  
Aswan, Egypt  
380 BCE



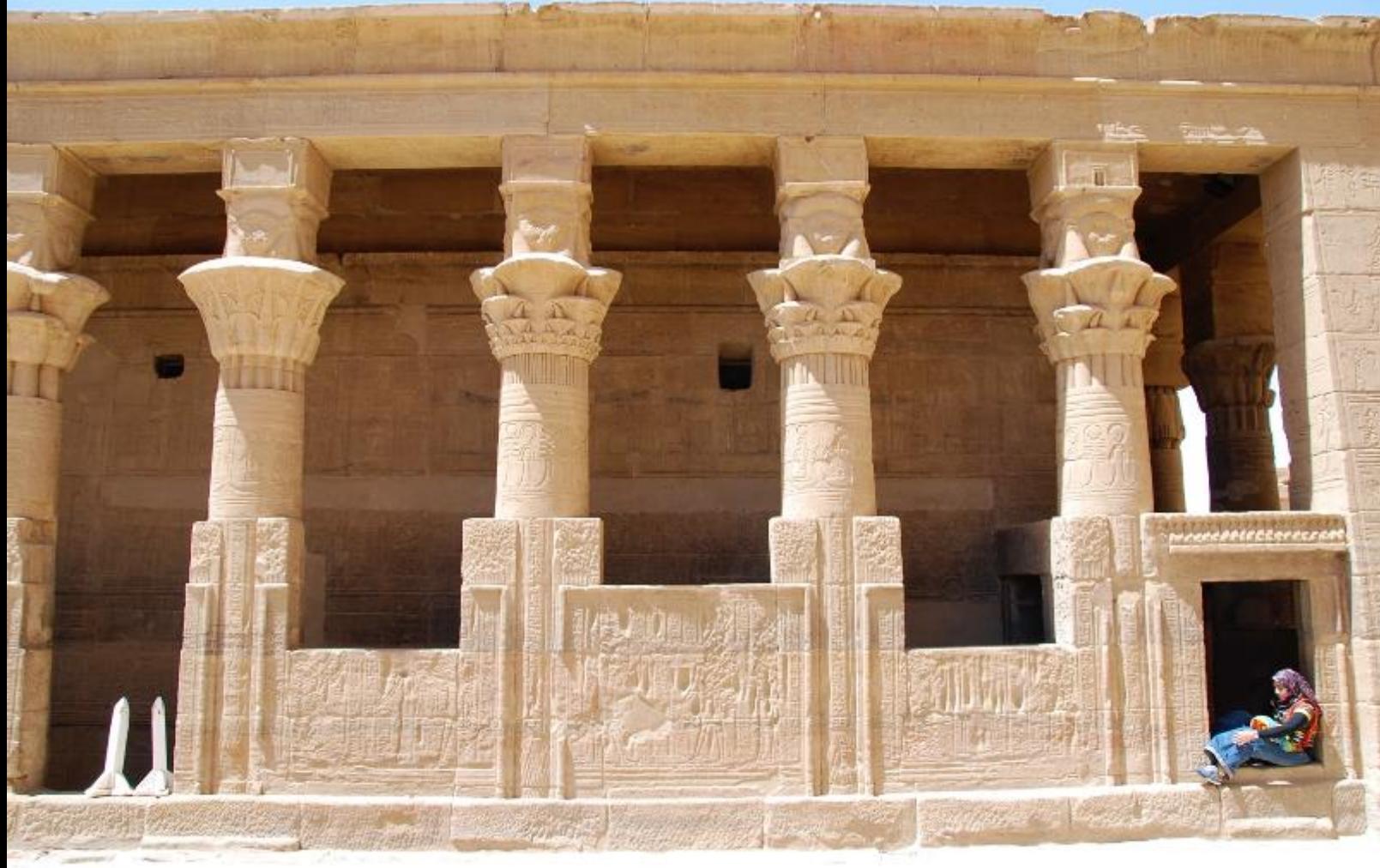


















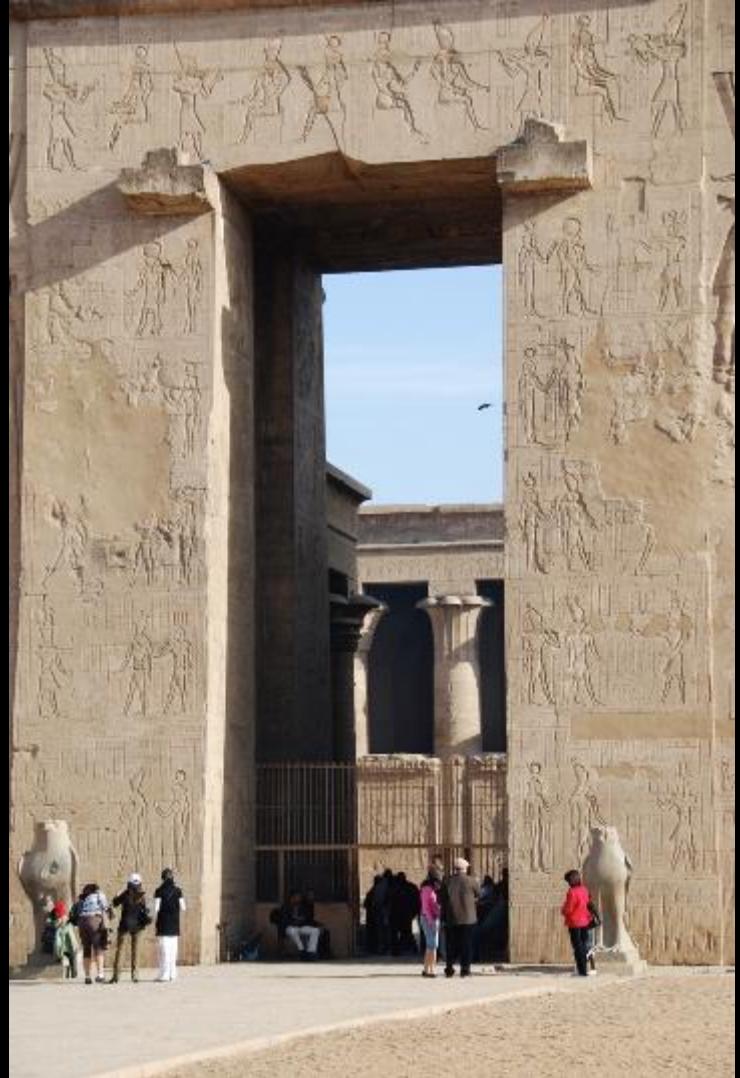








The Temple of Horus at Edfu  
Ptolemaic Kingdom  
237 BCE













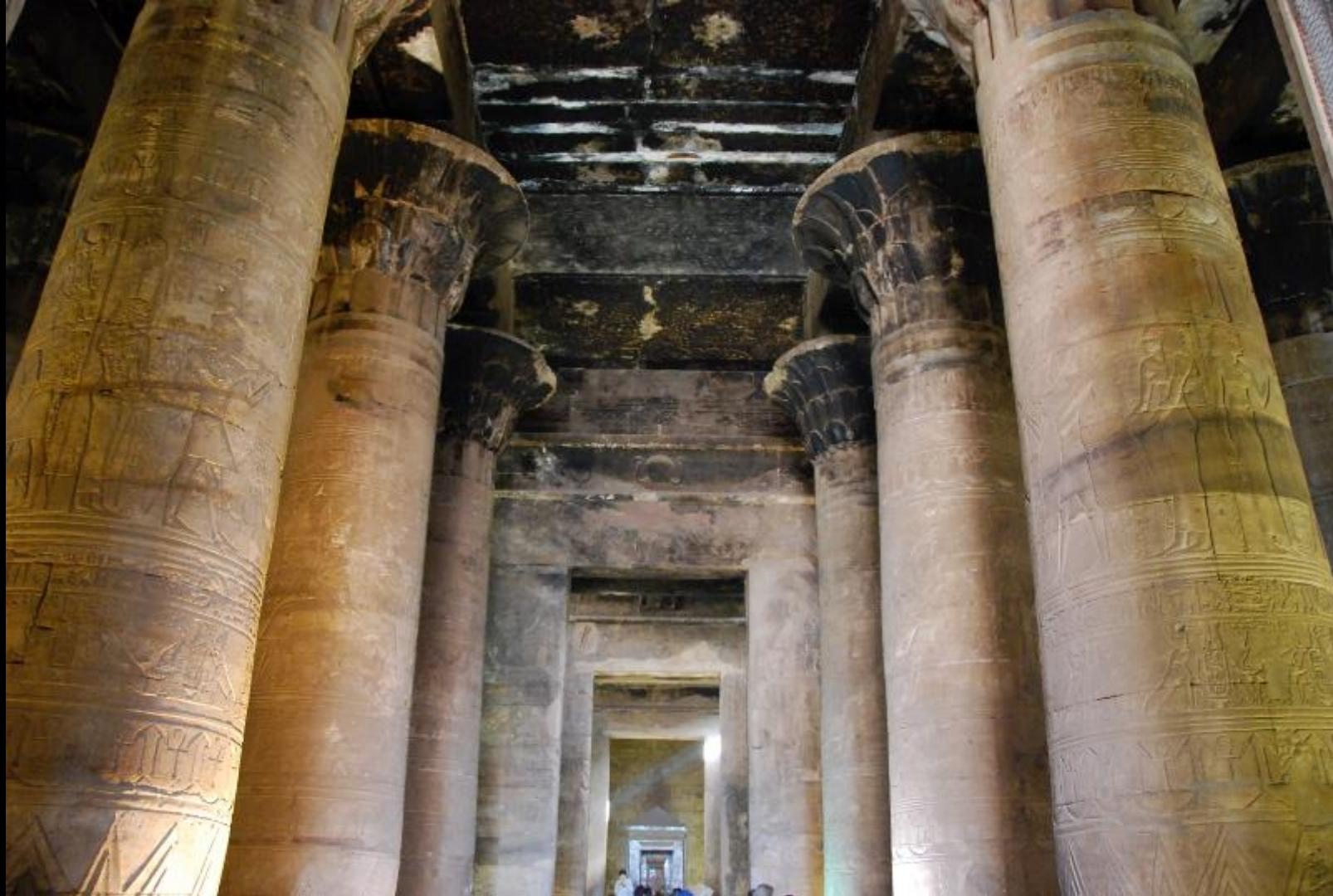














Lion Gate  
Bronze Age Citadel  
Mycenae, Greece  
1250 BCE







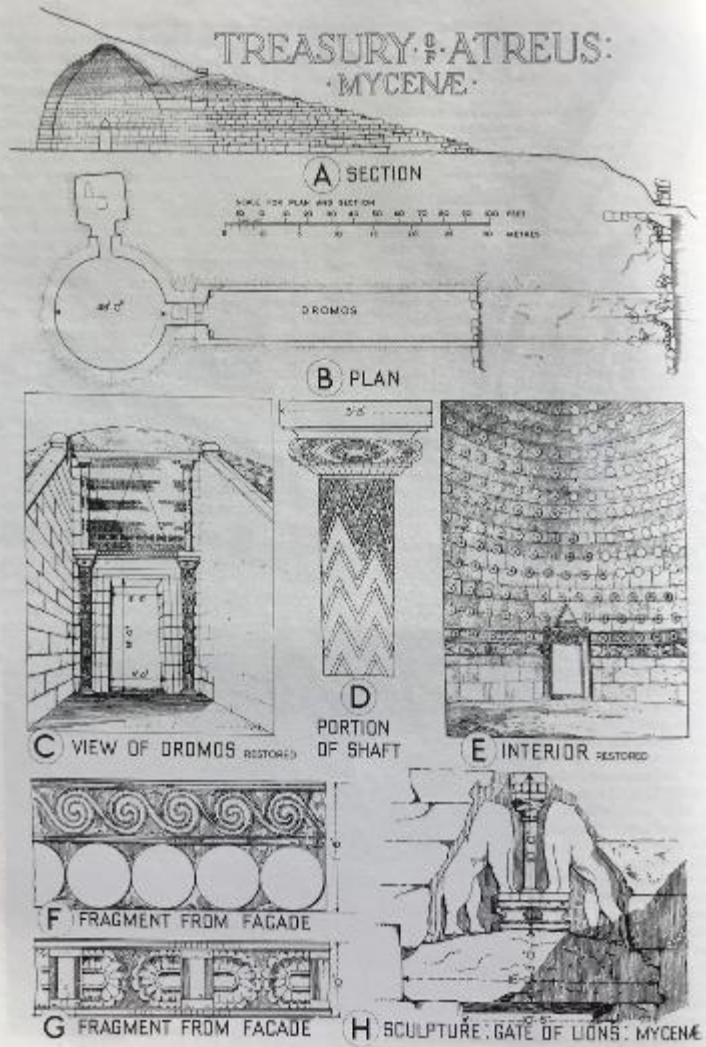








TREASURY OF ATREUS:  
MYCENÆ













Great Wall of China  
From 7<sup>th</sup> Century BCE









# Four main Classical Column Styles

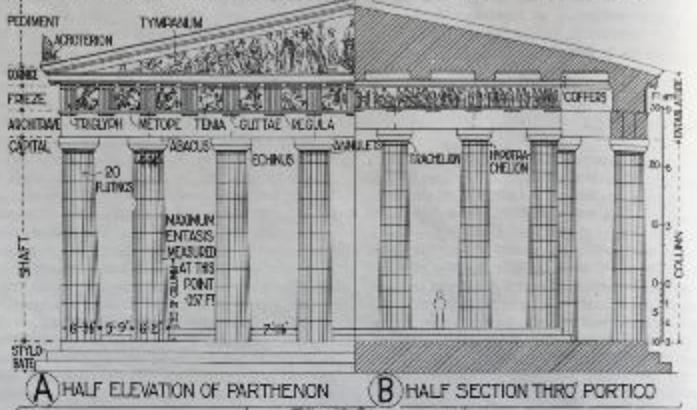
Doric

Ionic

Corinthian

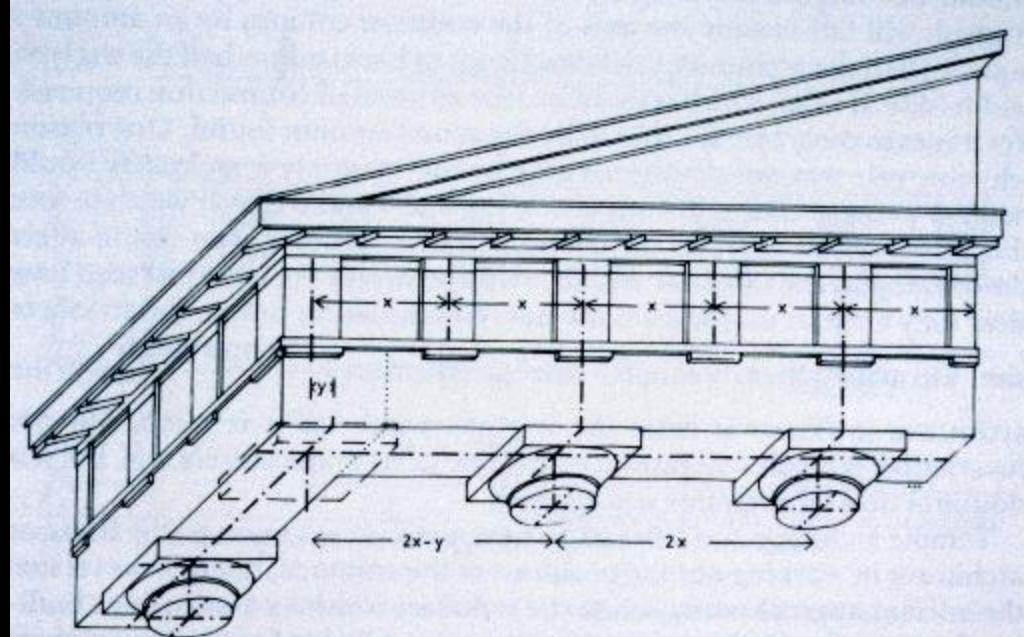
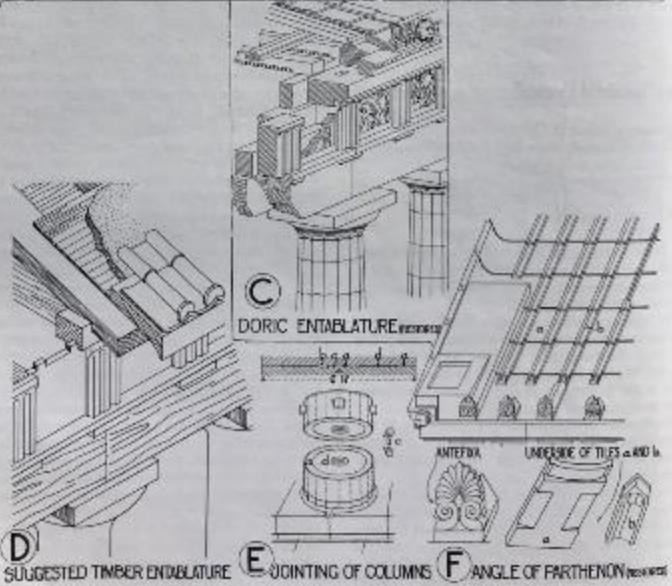
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# EVOLUTION OF A DORIC ORDER

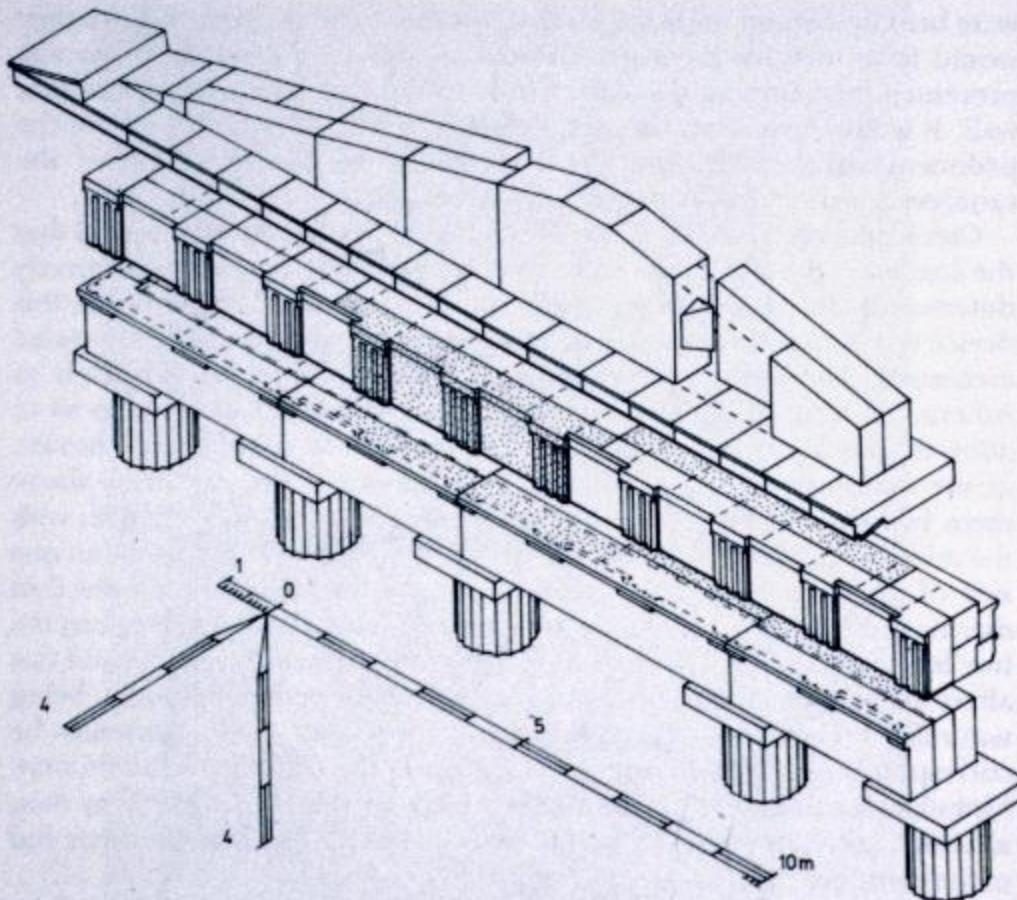


A HALF ELEVATION OF PARTHENON

B HALF SECTION THRO' PORTICO

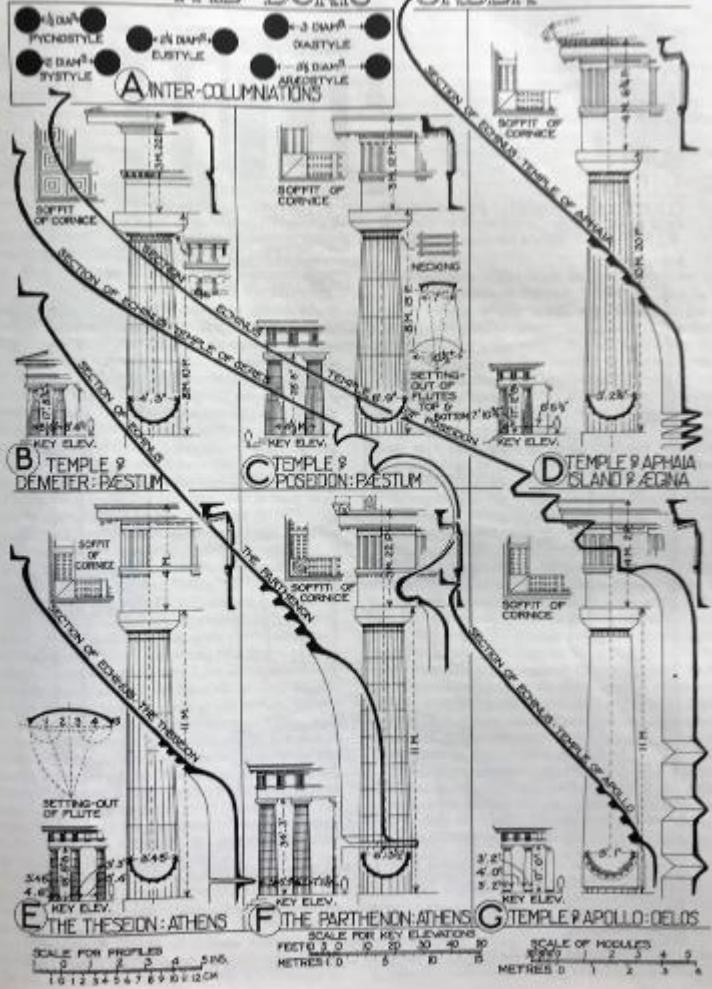


18 Angle contraction in the Doric order: elevation with oblique projection



67 Propylaia at Athens, east façade (c. 437–432 B.C.): exploded isometric view showing cantilevered frieze beams

# THE DORIC ORDER





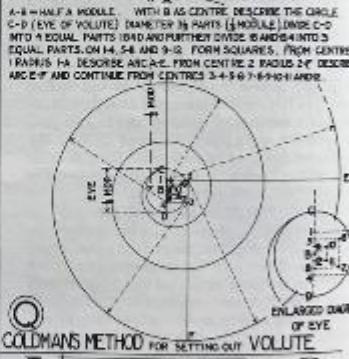
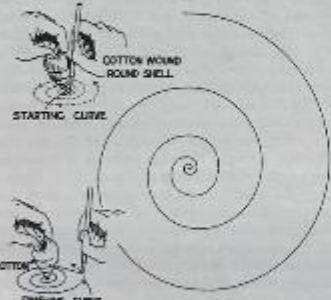
Temple of Apollo  
Ancient Corinth,  
Greece  
550 BCE



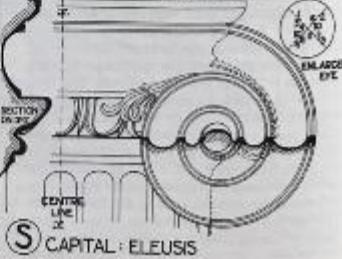
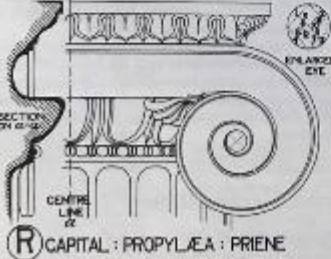




## THE IONIC VOLUTE



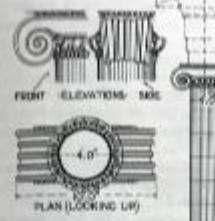
IONIC VOLUTE DRAWN FROM A WHELK SHELL COLDMANS METHOD FOR SETTING OUT VOLUTE



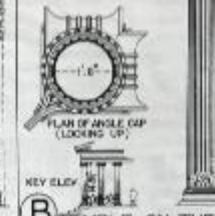
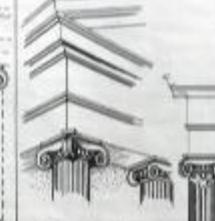
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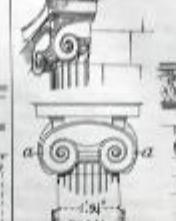
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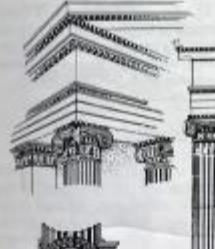
A KEY ELEV.  
ARCHAIC TEMPLE OF ARTEMIS : EPHESUS



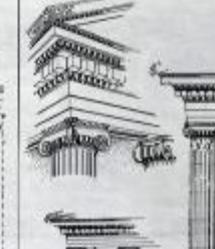
B KEY ELEV.  
TEMPLE ON THE ILISSUS : ATHENS



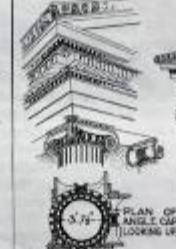
C KEY ELEV.  
TEMPLE OF APOLLO EPICURIUS : BASSÆ



D KEY ELEV.  
THE ERCHTHEION : ATHENS



E KEY ELEV.  
LATER TEMPLE OF ARTEMIS : EPHESUS



F KEY ELEV.  
TEMPLE OF ATHENA POLIAS : PRIENE

SCALE FOR KEY ELEVATIONS  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 MODULES

10 20 30 40 50 FEET

SCALE OF MODULES  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 MODULES



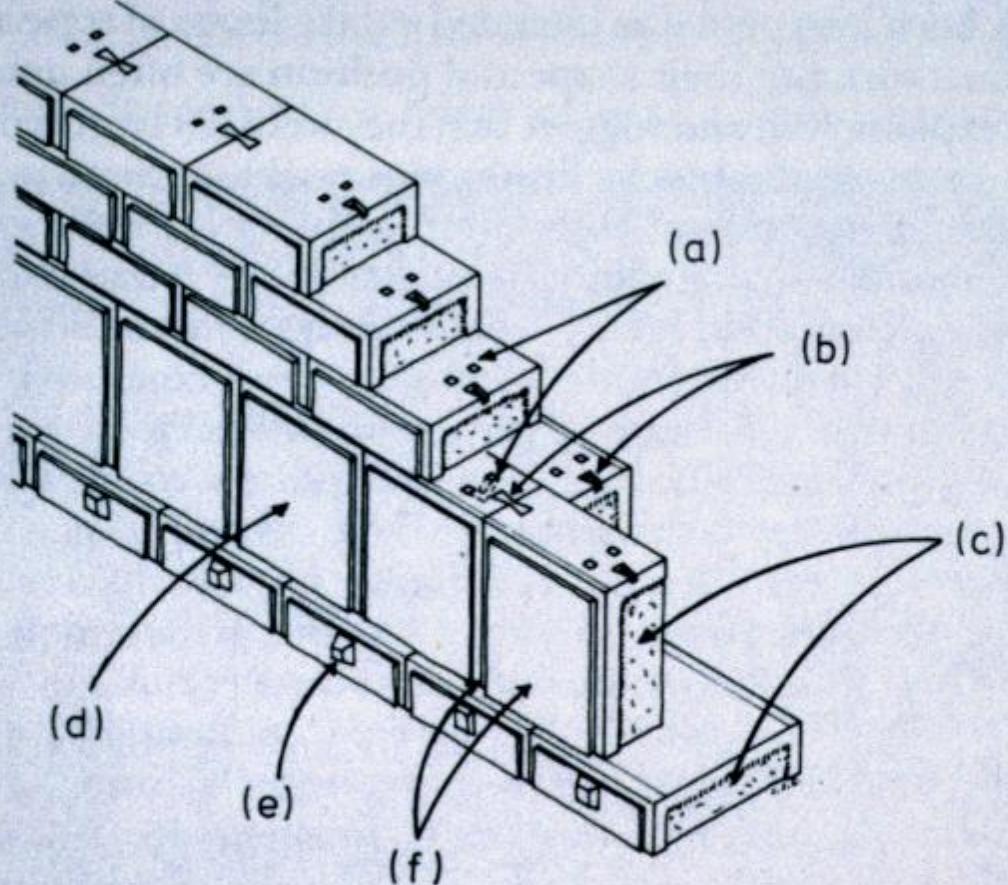


A. Wedd  
ACANTHUS COLUMN



KIONOKPANON  
META XIMAIPΩN  
CHIMAERA CAPITAL





12 Features of early Greek monumental masonry: (a) U-shaped hole; (b) dove-tail clamp; (c) band anathyrosis; (d) orthostate; (e) handling boss; (f) preliminary dressing



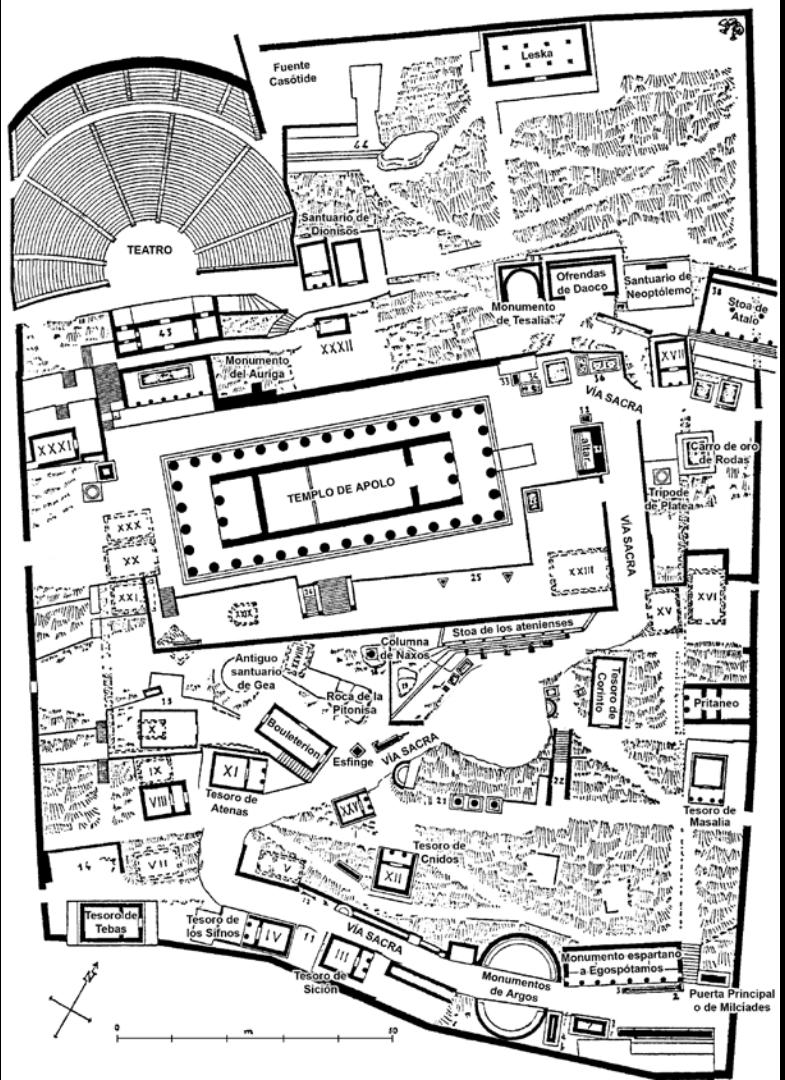
Temple of Poseidon  
Cape Sounion, Greece  
440 BCE





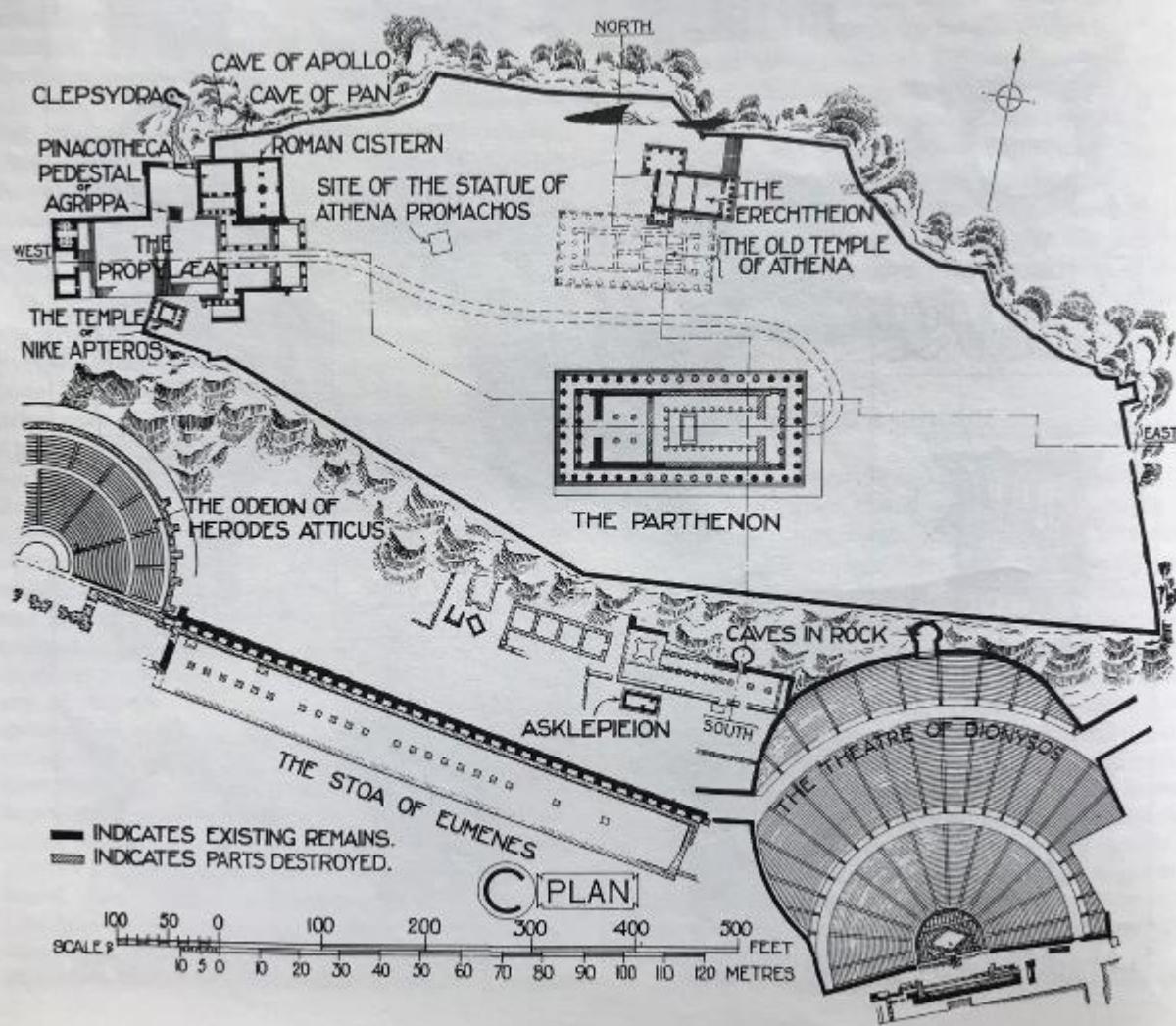
Delphi Theatre  
Greece  
4<sup>th</sup> Century BCE







Acropolis  
Athens, Greece  
Circa 500 BCE



















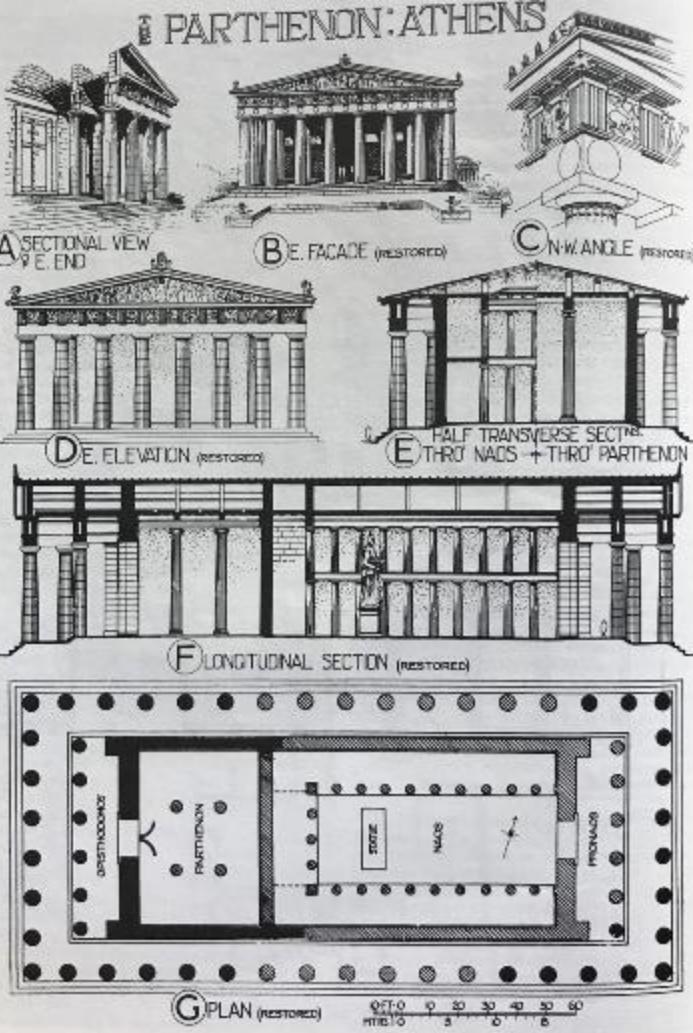






The Parthenon  
Acropolis  
Athens, Greece  
Circa 500 BCE

# THE PARTHENON: ATHENS















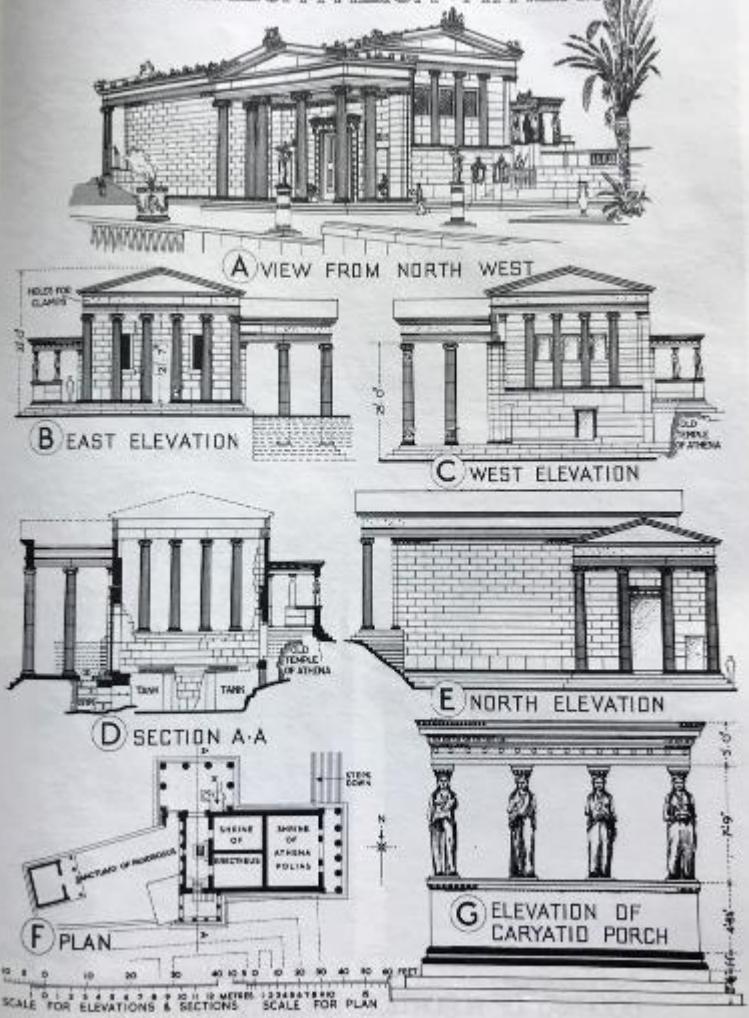






Erectheum  
Acropolis  
Athens, Greece  
Circa 500 BCE

# THE ERECHTHEION : ATHENS





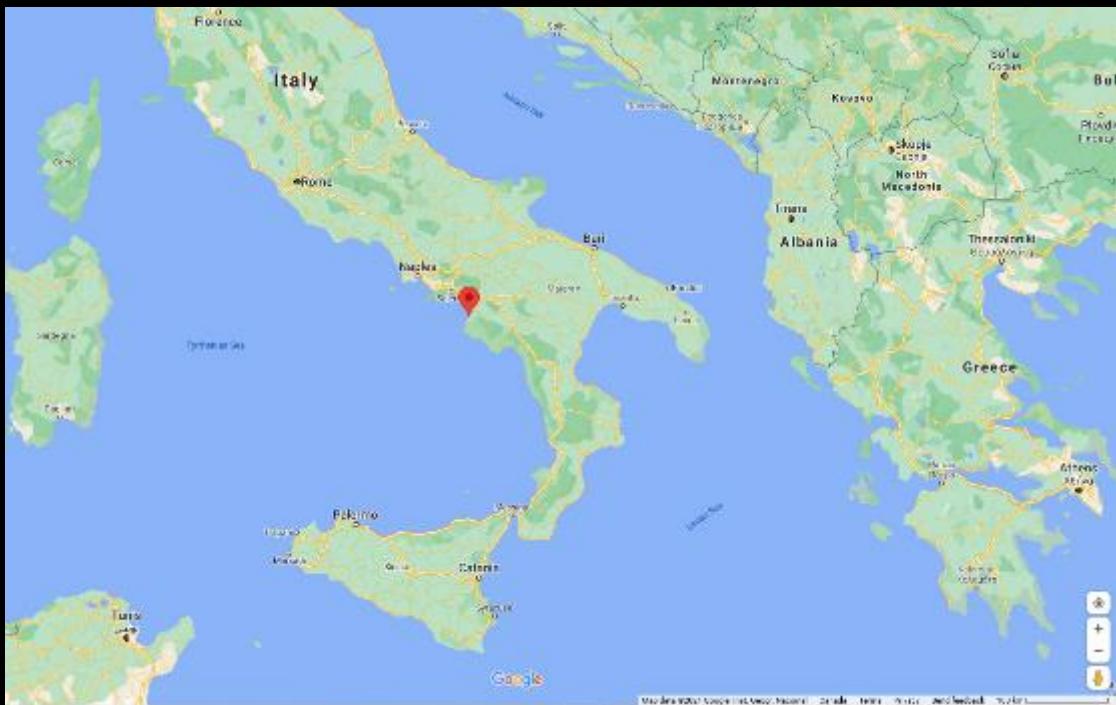
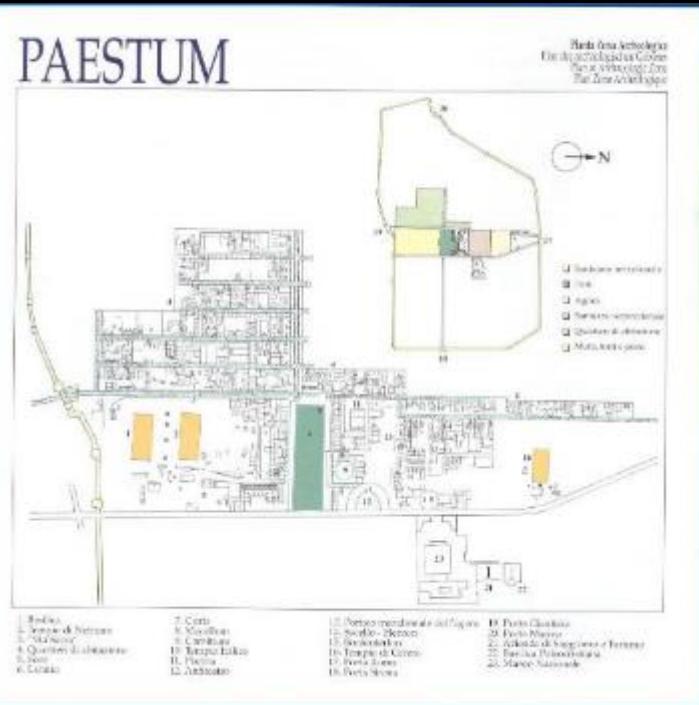








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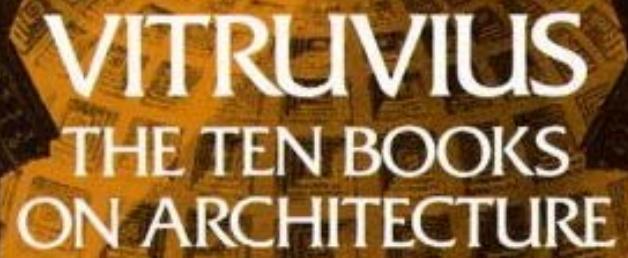
First Temple of Hera  
Paestum, Italy  
550 BCE





Second Temple of Hera  
Paestum, Italy  
450 BCE





# VITRUVIUS

## THE TEN BOOKS ON ARCHITECTURE



TRANSLATED BY MORRIS HICKY MORGAN  
68 ILLUSTRATIONS

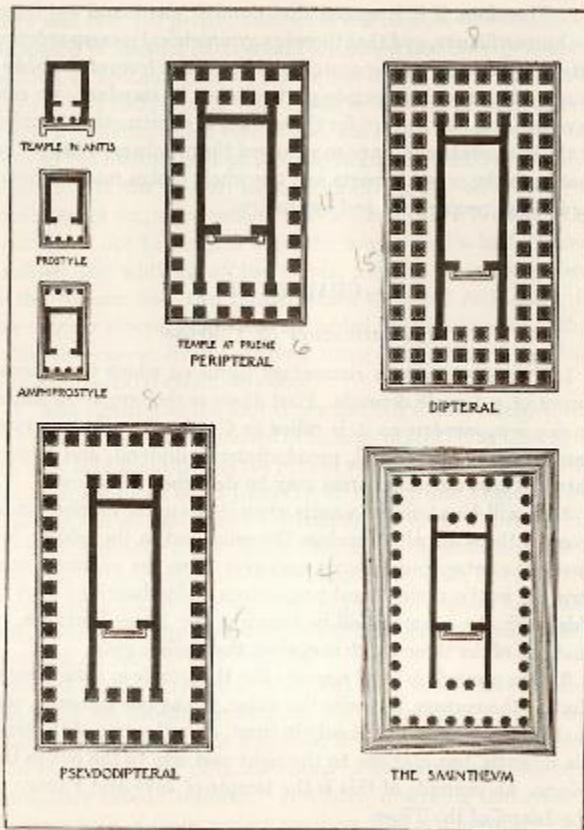
## CHAPTER I

### THE EDUCATION OF THE ARCHITECT

1. THE architect should be equipped with knowledge of many branches of study and varied kinds of learning, for it is by his judgement that all work done by the other arts is put to test. This knowledge is the child of practice and theory. Practice is the continuous and regular exercise of employment where manual work is done with any necessary material according to the design of a drawing. Theory, on the other hand, is the ability to demonstrate and explain the productions of dexterity on the principles of proportion.

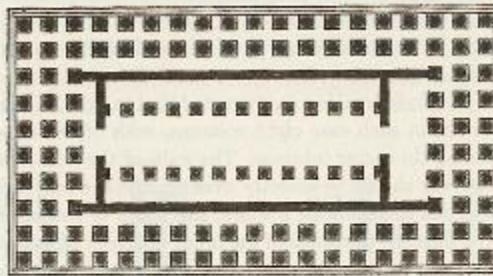
2. It follows, therefore, that architects who have aimed at acquiring manual skill without scholarship have never been able to reach a position of authority to correspond to their pains, while those who relied only upon theories and scholarship were obviously hunting the shadow, not the substance. But those who have a thorough knowledge of both, like men armed at all points, have the sooner attained their object and carried authority with them.

3. In all matters, but particularly in architecture, there are these two points: — the thing signified, and that which gives it its significance. That which is signified is the subject of which we may be speaking; and that which gives significance is a demonstration on scientific principles. It appears, then, that one who professes himself an architect should be well versed in both directions. He ought, therefore, to be both naturally gifted and amenable to instruction. Neither natural ability without instruction nor instruction without natural ability can make the perfect artist. Let him be educated, skilful with the pencil, instructed in geometry, know much history, have followed the philosophers with attention, understand music, have some knowledge of medi-

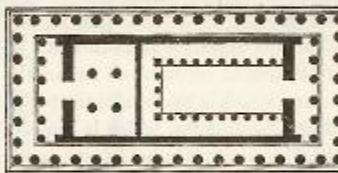


THE CLASSIFICATION OF TEMPLES ACCORDING TO THE ARRANGEMENTS  
OF THE COLONNADES

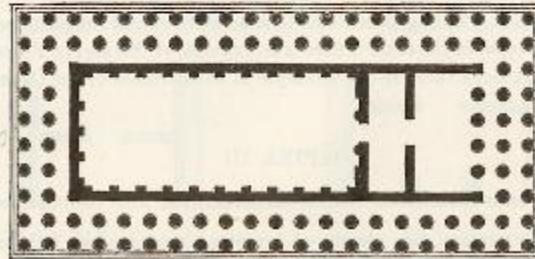
umns. Let the columns be so placed as to leave a space, the width of an intercolumniation, all round between the walls and the rows of columns on the outside, thus forming a walk round the cells of



THE HYPAETHRAL TEMPLE

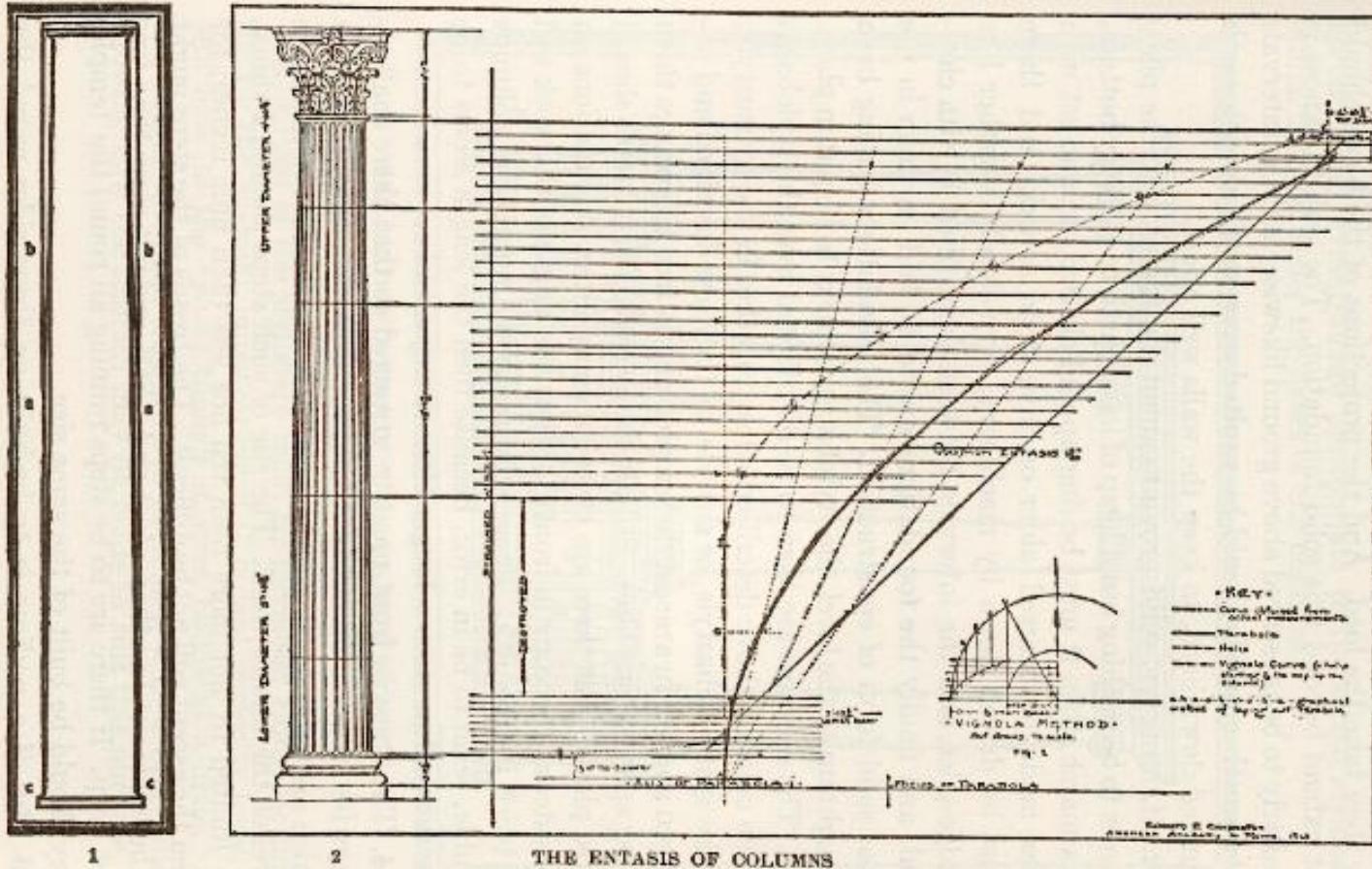


THE PARTHENON



TEMPLE OF  
APOLLO DIDYMÆUS NEAR MILETUS  
SCALE OF FEET

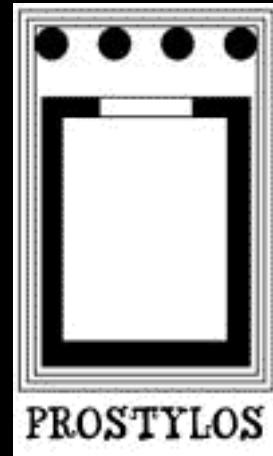
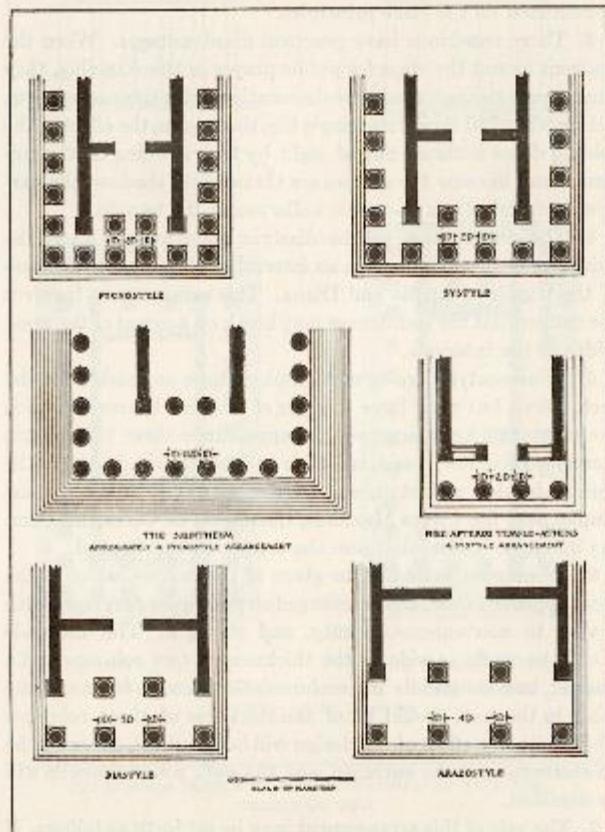
THE HYPAETHRAL TEMPLE OF VITRUVIUS COMPARED WITH THE PARTHENON  
AND THE TEMPLE OF APOLLO NEAR MILETUS



THE ENTASIS OF COLUMNS

1. The entasis as given by Fra Giocondo in the edition of 1511.
2. The entasis from the temple of Mars Ultor in Rome compared with Vignola's rule for entasis.

2. The pycnostyle is a temple in an intercolumniation of which the thickness of a column and a half can be inserted: for example, the temple of the Divine Caesar, that of Venus in Caesar's forum, and others constructed like them. The systyle is a temple in which



PROSTYLOS



Temple of Portunus  
Rome, Italy  
3<sup>rd</sup> Century BCE



a COLUMN is a freestanding support

a PILASTER looks like a column  
except that it is partially embedded  
in the wall

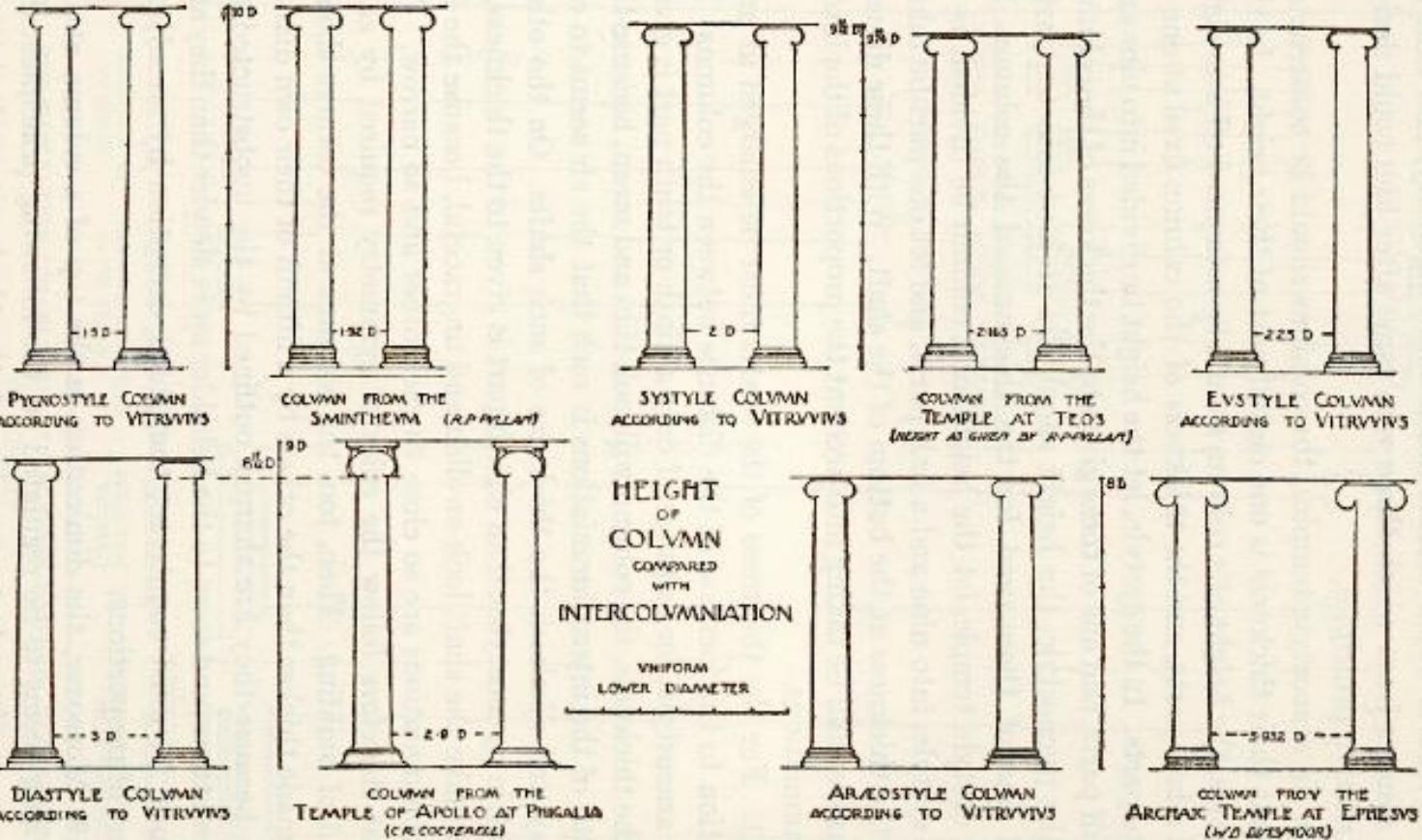




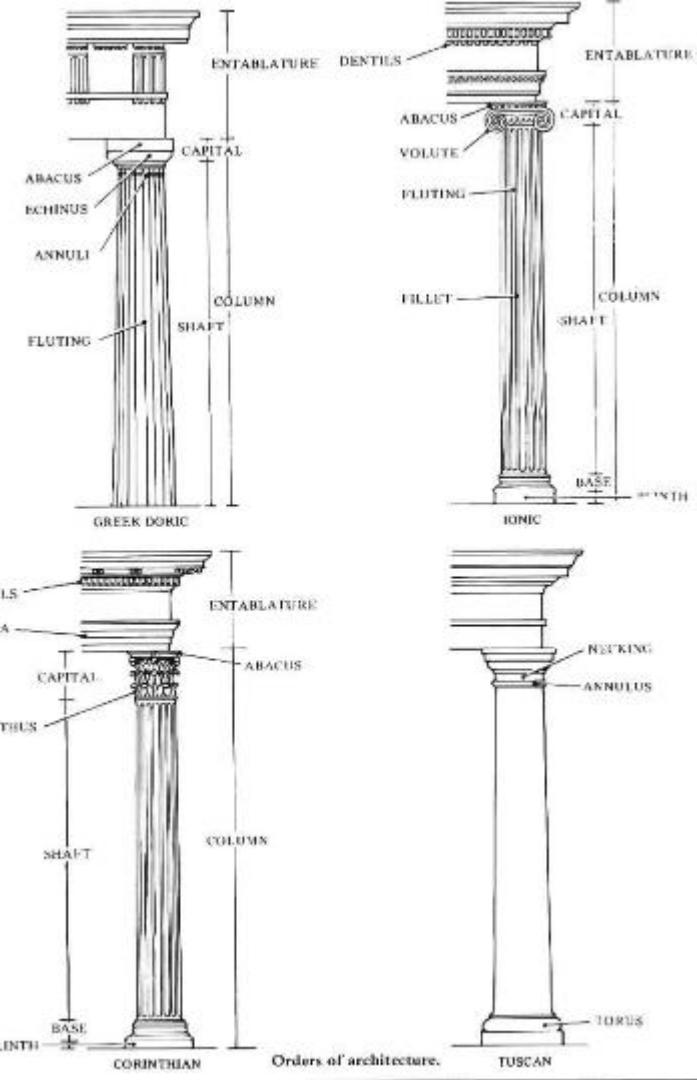
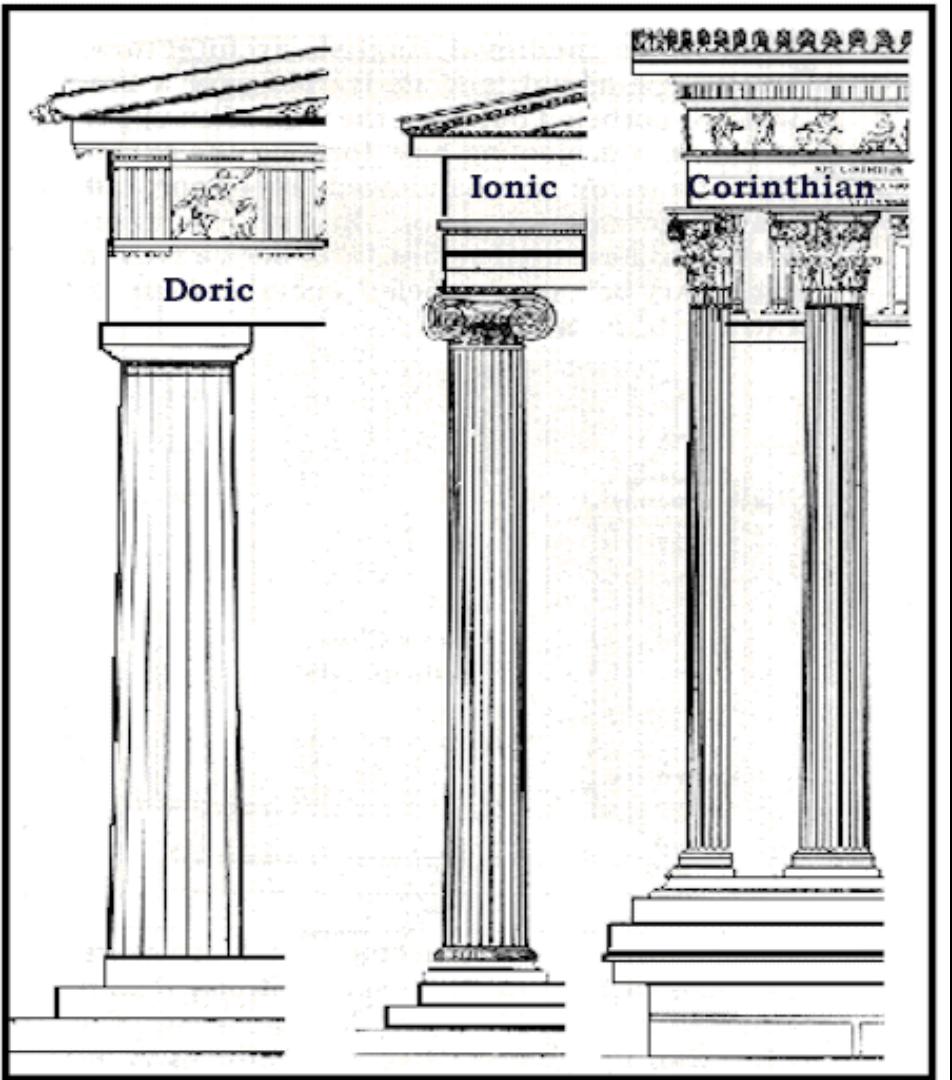
Temple of Hercules Victor  
Rome, Italy  
2<sup>nd</sup> Century BCE







VITRUVIUS' RULES FOR THE DIAMETER AND HEIGHT OF COLUMNS IN THE DIFFERENT CLASSES OF TEMPLE  
COMPARED WITH ACTUAL EXAMPLES





Temple of Saturn  
Roman Forum  
497 BCE (contested)



