TEMPLE OF ARTEMIS AT EPHESUS



The Temple of Artemis at Ephesus was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, renowned for its grandeur and architectural beauty. Located in the ancient city of Ephesus (modern-day Turkey), it was dedicated to the Greek goddess Artemis, the goddess of hunting and fertility. The temple was first built around 550 BCE, during the reign of King Croesus of Lydia, and was later rebuilt after it was destroyed by a fire in 356 BCE. The new structure, which was even more magnificent than the original, was known for its 127 towering marble columns, each standing 60 feet tall.

The temple was a major religious and cultural center, attracting pilgrims from all over the ancient world. It was eventually destroyed again in 262 CE by the Goths, and only ruins remain today.