

DANIEL

HIS ENTIRE
PROPHECY

CHAPTER ONE



The
FBI CLASS

1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.

2 And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God: which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.

Daniel 1:1-3

NEBUCHADNEZZAR (KING OF BABYLON)

- 1. Besieges Jerusalem in 605 BC.**
- 2. Plunders the temple of God.**
- 3. The best of the educated young men are taken.**

How Did We Get Here?

I AM MORE AND MORE CONVINCED THAT THERE IS A REASON FOR EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS.

THIS IS CERTAINLY A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THAT.

WE'LL GO TO ISAIAH 39
TO SEE HOW THIS HAPPENED.

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Hezekiah is King of Judah.
The year is 702 BC.
Hezekiah is 39 years old.



Visitors come from
Babylon.

Hezekiah shows them
everything he's got –
all Judah's riches.



Isaiah says, “Hear the word of the LORD of hosts: Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

Isaiah 39:1-7



And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.



WHAT OF THE THINGS THAT HAPPEN IN OUR LIVES?

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BAD THINGS HAPPEN: WE WANT TO BLAME GOD,
OR WE SAY VERY LITTLE.

Two things would happen when Judah is taken captive.

- 1. Hezekiah's big-mouthed foolishness would be rewarded.**
- 2. God would judge a wicked, rebellious people.**

FAST-FORWARD ABOUT A HUNDRED YEARS.

Jehoiakim is king, and the year is 605 BC.

Egyptian Pharaoh Necco has marched north to fight the Assyrians.

Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar meets his armies in Carchemish.

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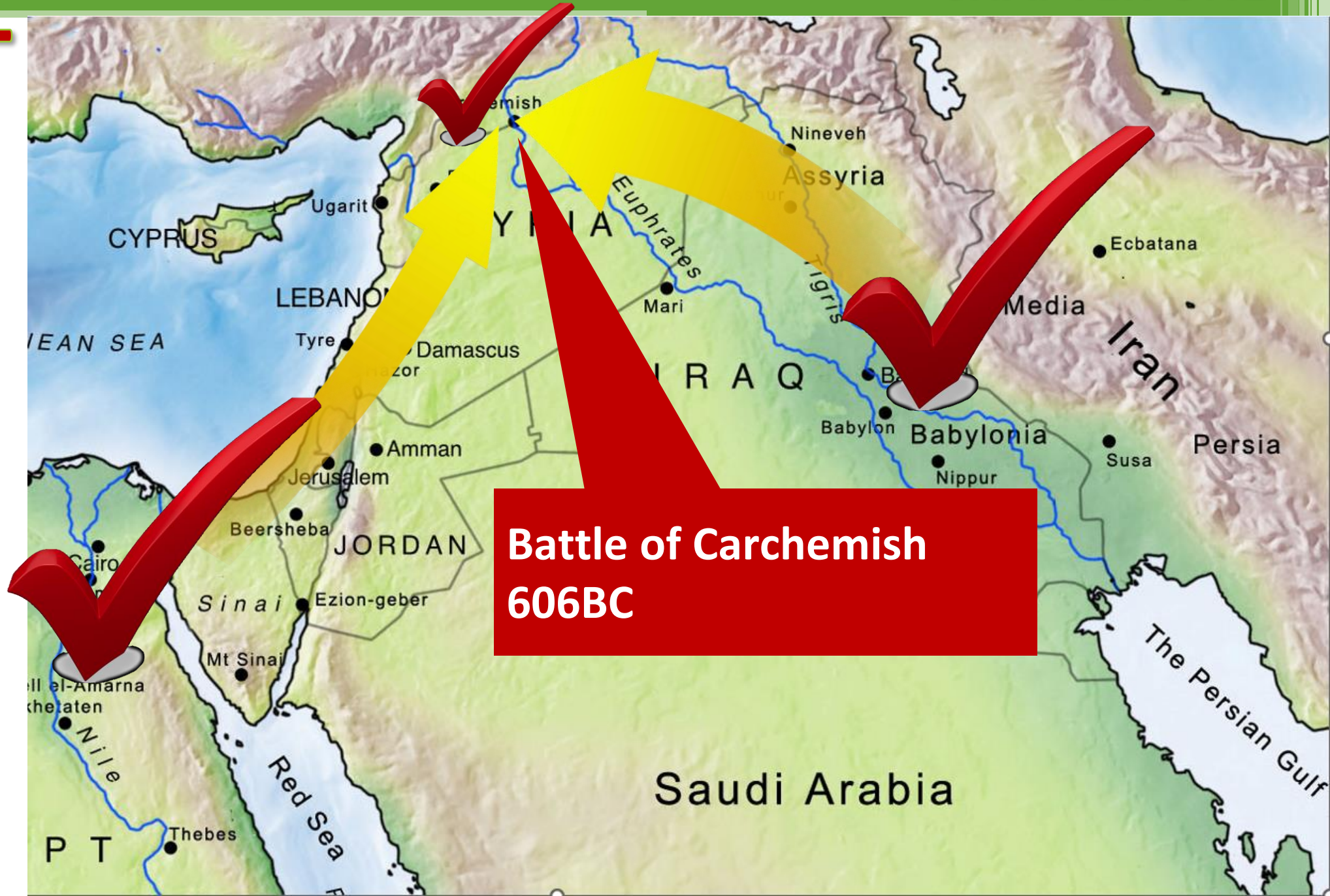
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EGYPT
IS
DEFEATED!



**Battle of Carchemish
606BC**

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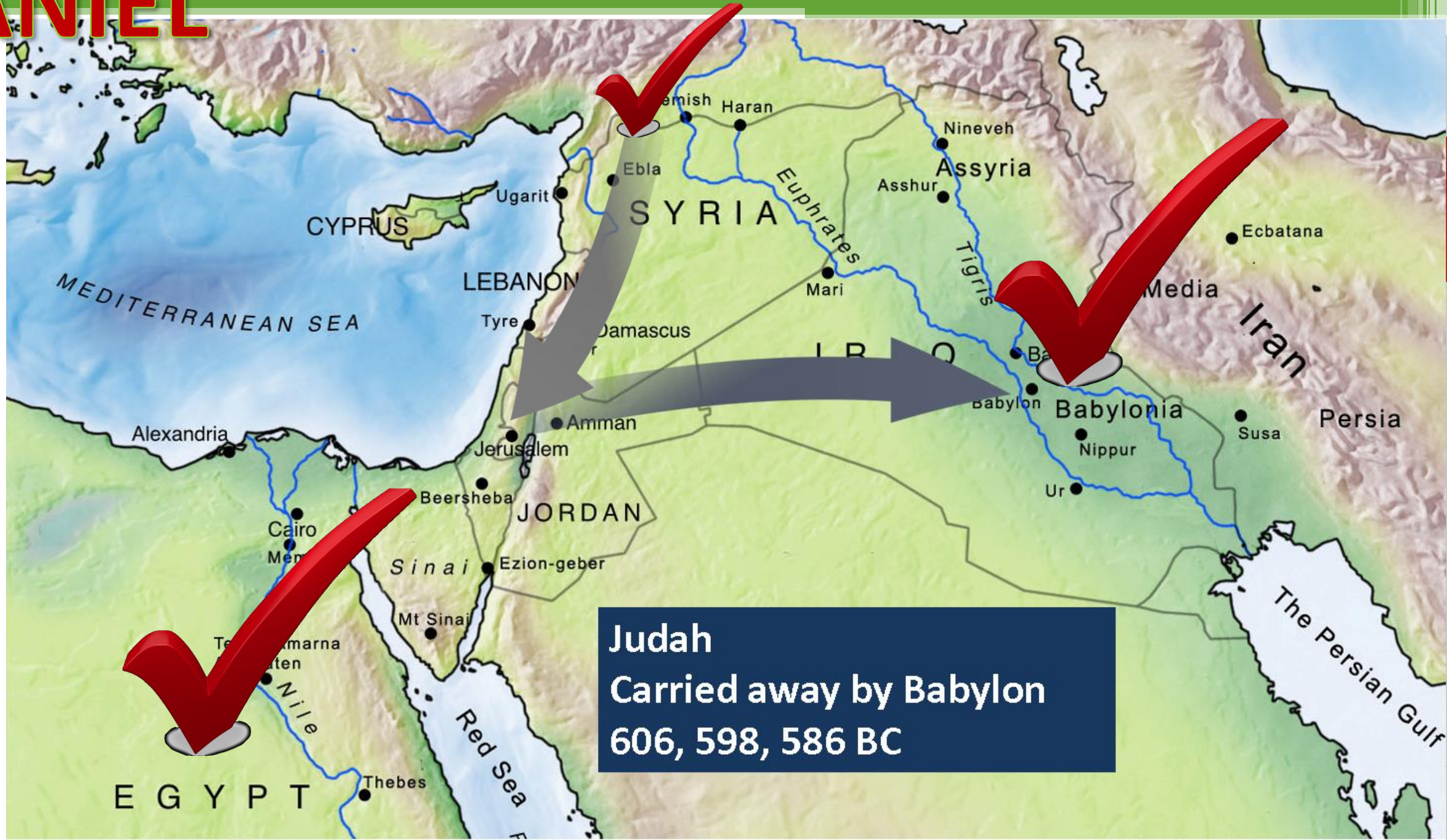
JOSIAH IS DEFEATED IN BATTLE AGAINST PHAROAH NECCO. NECCO SWEEPS SOUTH TO JUDAH.

**PHAROAH NECCO INSTALLS JEHOIAKIM
AS KING OF JUDAH.**

JUDAH IS NOW A CLIENT STATE OF EGYPT!

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Judah
Carried away by Babylon
606, 598, 586 BC

Daniel 1:3 And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring certain of the children of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the princes;

Now the “sons” of Hezekiah are taken captive, just as Isaiah had prophesied.

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4 Children in whom was no blemish,
and skilful in all wisdom, and
understanding science, and
stand in the king's palace, and
learning and the tor

5 And the king appointed
king's meat, and of the wine which he drank: so nourishing
them three years, that at the end thereof they might stand
before the king.

**“STAND IN
THE KING’S
PALACE”**

6 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:

7 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abednego.

Prince of the Eunuchs?

WHY DID THEIR NAMES GET CHANGED?

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“GOD IS MY JUDGE”

HANANIAH

“Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by **his name JAH**, and rejoice before him.”

MISHAEL

AZARIAH

-- Psalm 68:44

**Each of their names was changed
to have something to do with a
Babylonian god.**

8 But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

WHAT DID DANIEL **NOT SAY?**

“I HAVE A HEALTH PROBLEM.”

“I WANT A RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION.”

“I DON'T EAT CUTE LITTLE ANIMALS.”

You're
telling me
"No?"

NG IN YOUR HEART"

**DANIEL WAS BOLD
FOR GOD!**



“PURPOSING IN YOUR HEART”

IS THE VERY IDEA OF REPENTANCE.



**WE DECIDE IN OUR HEARTS TO CHOOSE GOD,
AND REJECT SIN AND EVIL.**

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9 Now God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs.

DO YOU REMEMBER HOW
JOSEPH WAS GIVEN FAVOR
WHEN HE WAS IN THE EGYPTIAN PRISON?

DANIEL IS EXPERIENCING THE SAME THING.

JOSEPH INTERPRED DREAMS FOR PHAROAH.

**DANIEL WILL INTERPRET DREAMS FOR
NEBUCHADNEZZAR.**

**THINK ABOUT ALL THE
“MAJOR” PEOPLE IN THE BIBLE...**

**NOTHING BAD IS SPOKEN ABOUT EITHER
DANIEL OR JOSEPH.**

**TOUGH CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT THEY BOTH
STAYED FAITHFUL THROUGH IT ALL.**

QUITTING TIME?



1. Your country is defeated.
2. You lose your home forever.
3. You're taken from your family.



QUITTING TIME?

4. You're carried to Babylon as a slave.
5. You're mutilated to become a eunuch.
6. You're forced to become a Babylonian.



**IF YOU QUIT:
YOU.
MISS.
EVERYTHING.**

10 And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse liking than the children which are of your sort? then shall ye make me endanger my head to the king.

**THE PRINCE OF THE EUNUCHS FAVORS DANIEL,
BUT HE ALSO WANTS TO LIVE!**

**NEBUCHADNEZZAR:
WOULD BURN PEOPLE ALIVE.
COULD KILL AT THE DROP OF A HAT.
COULD NOT BE CONTRADICTED.**

DANIEL'S TEST (verses 11-13)

**TEN DAYS. VEGETABLES ONLY.
THEN CHECK OUT OUR APPEARANCE.**

THE RESULT OF DANIEL'S TEST

(verses 14-16)

TEN DAYS PASS:

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FAIR AND FAT!

16 Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse.

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noun

1. The edible seeds of certain pod-bearing plants, such as lentils and chickpeas.
2. A plant yielding these seeds.
3. The rhythmical throbbing of arteries produced by the regular contractions of the heart, especially as palpated at the wrist or in the neck.

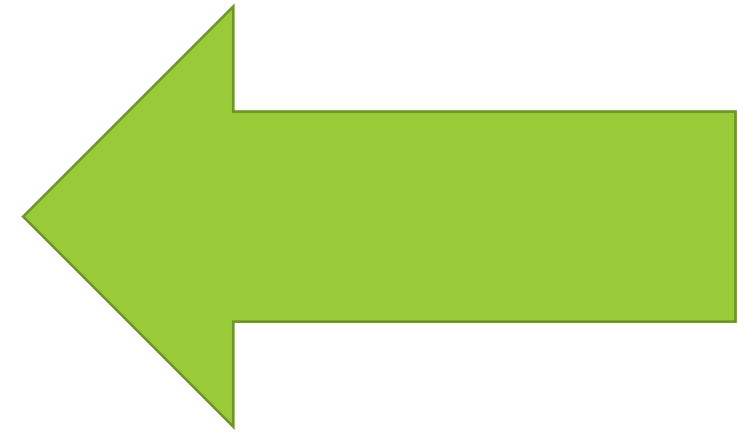


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DANIEL AND THE REST WERE NOW ABLE TO MAINTAIN A KOSHER DIET IN BABYLON, AND NOT DEFILE THEMSELVES.

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GOD DID THIS!
GAVE THEM FAVOR.
GAVE THEM KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL.
GAVE DANIEL UNDERSTANDING OF DREAMS.

**WHAT WILL YOU DO
WHEN THE HARD TIMES COME?**

**WHEN YOU'RE STANDING IN A COURTROOM
AND YOUR LIFE HANGS ON WHAT YOU SAY?**

WHAT HAVE YOU "PURPOSED IN YOUR HEART?"

Mark 13:11

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**THE POINT IS,
GOD GIVES US WHAT WE NEED
WHEN WE NEED IT MOST!**

IF, LIKE DANIEL, YOU'VE

*** BEEN TAKEN CAPTIVE.**

*** LOST YOUR FAMILY.**

*** HAD YOUR CITY DESTROYED.**

*** SEEN YOUR NATION DEFEATED.**

*** BEEN PHYSICALLY MUTILATED.**

GOD KNOWS WHAT YOU NEED.

**GOD GIVES EACH OF US TALENTS AND ABILITIES
TO SERVE HIM WITH.**

**OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO SERVE HIM,
AND USE WHAT HE'S GIVEN US.**

18 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

19 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king.

20 And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.

THE KING “COMMUNED” WITH THEM (V 18)

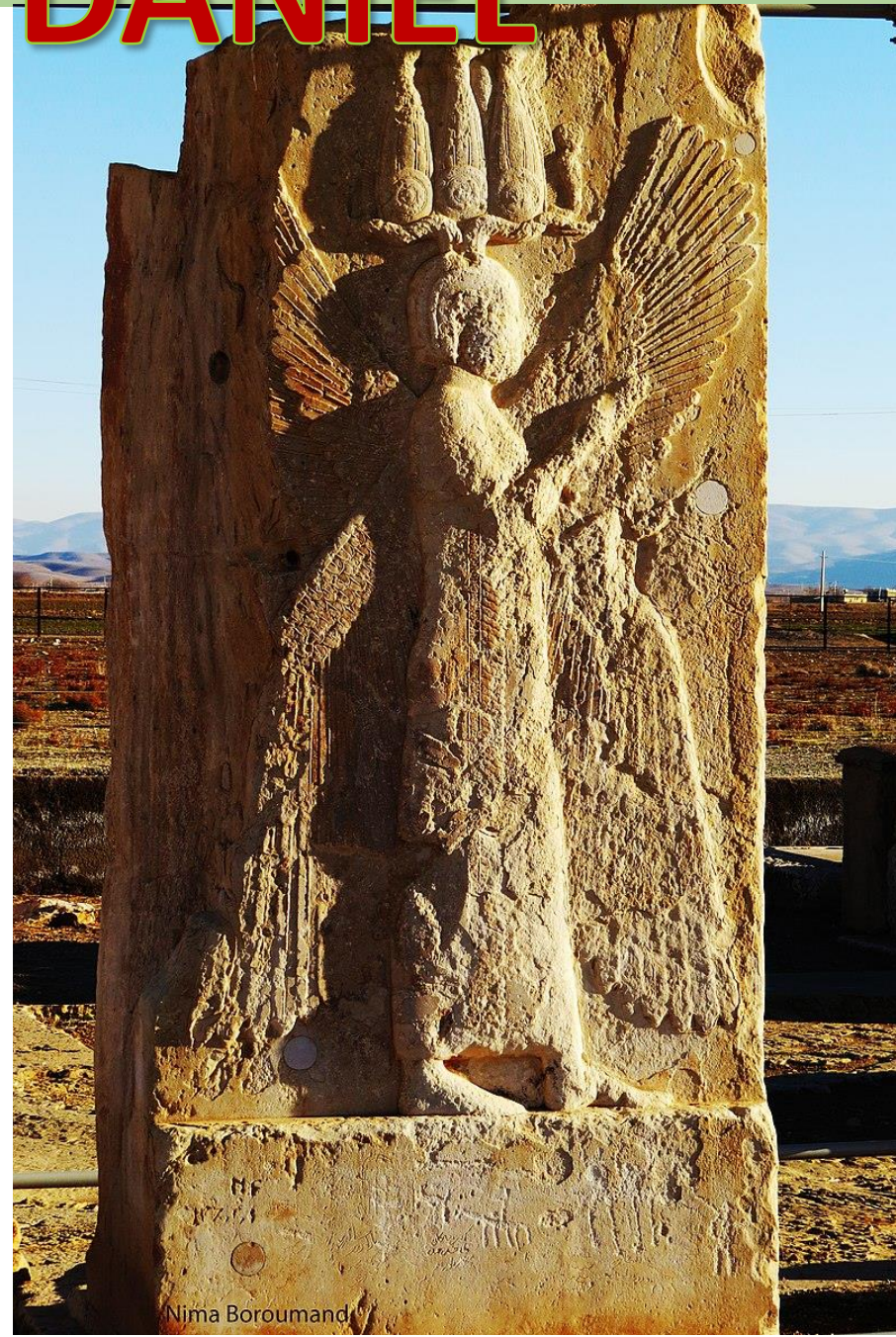
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INTENSE INTERROGATION.

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MAGICIANS: PRACTICED OCCULT MAGIC.

ASTROLOGERS: PRACTICED OCCULTISM WITH
HOROSCOPES.

**21 And Daniel continued
even unto the first year of
king Cyrus.**





**CYRUS CONQUERED
BABYLON MANY YEARS
LATER.**

**Cyrus was the king of the
MEDO-PERSIAN EMPIRE**

DANIEL LIVED TO BE 85 OR 90 YEARS OLD, BUT THIS VERSE DOESN'T MEAN THAT HE DIED WHEN CYRUS BEGAN HIS RULE.

IT JUST MEANS HE WAS *STILL LIVING* AT THAT TIME.



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CHAPTER TWO,

“A DISTURBANCE IN THE FORCE”

