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- **Stone Age (to 10,000 BCE)**
- **Neolithic Age (10,000–4,000 BCE)**
- **Bronze Age (3,000–1,200 BCE)**
- **Iron Age (1,200–600 BCE)**





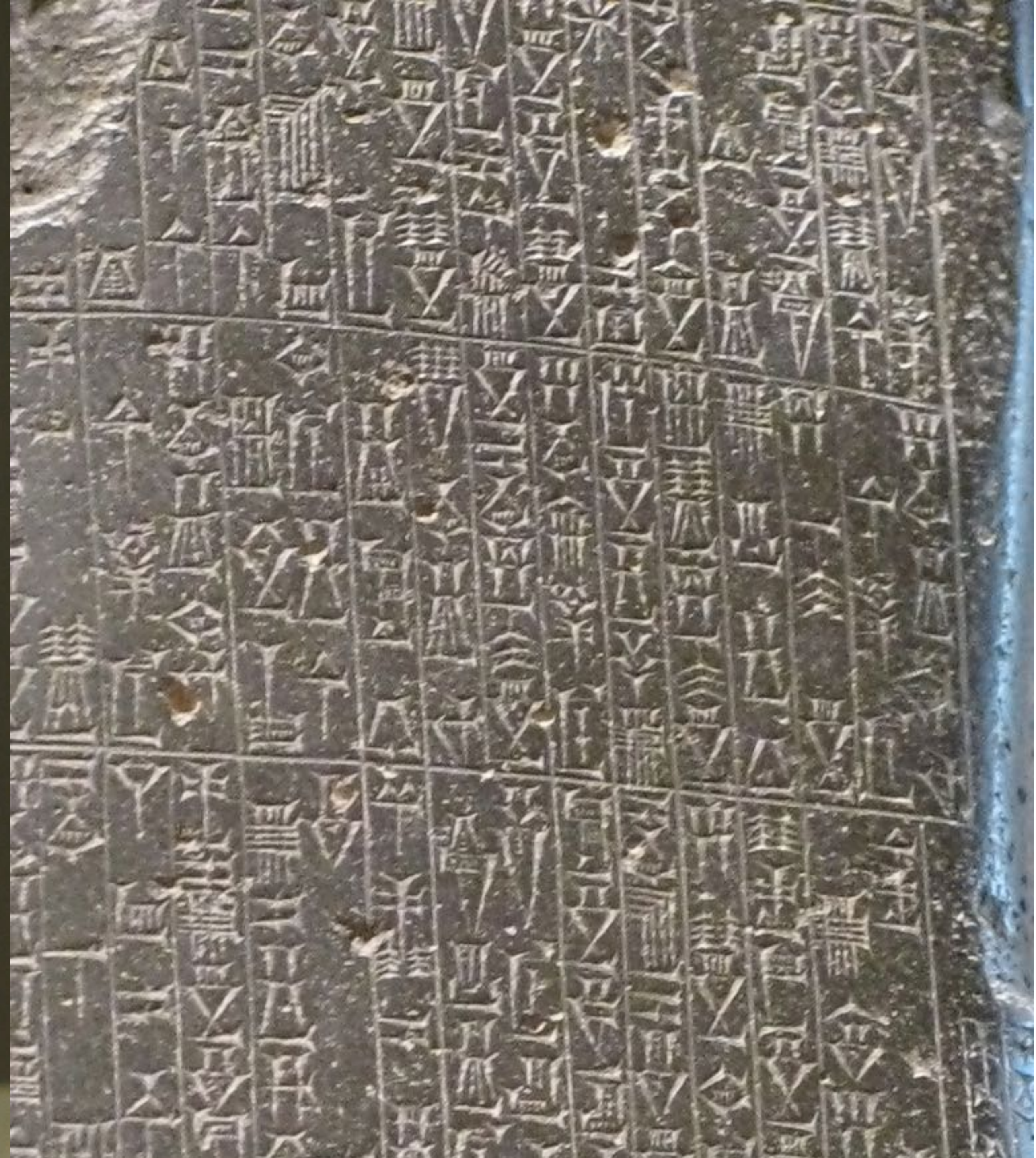
1.2. Early Empires in Mesopotamia (the Middle East)

- **Tigris and Euphrates Rivers**
- **Sumerians**
- **Akkadians**
- **Amorites/Babylon**





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1.4. Religion, Society and Literacy

- **Polytheism**
- **Monotheism**
- **Epic of Gilgamesh**
- **Appease the Gods**



1.5. Ancient Egypt: Pharaoh and the Nile

- **Pharaoh as Divine Link**
- **KA and Osiris,
Mummies**
- **Judgment Day**
- **Rituals Appease the
Gods**



1.6. The Hebrews: Rise of Israel and Judah

- **Scriptures as.....**
- **Saul c. 1025, David c. 1000, Solomon c. 970**
- **Israel and Judah**
- **Emerging Monotheism**



- **Israel and 10 Tribes, 722 BCE fall to invasion**
- **Prophets had warned....**
- **Judah and 2 tribes, 586 BCE fall to invasion**
- **Enslavement in Babylon**

1.7. Phoenicians, Assyrians and Persians

- **The Phoenicians:
Alphabet model, trade**
- **The Assyrians, 1360-700
BCE, The Terror**
- **The Persians: Cyrus the
Great and
Zoroastrianism**