



# Daniel





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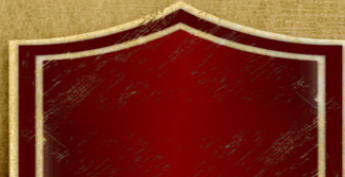




# An Introduction

## ❖ Author/Date

- ✓ Daniel is the author (8:1, 15, 27; 9:2; 10:2, 7; 12:4, 5)
- ✓ Daniel is charged with the care of this book in 12:4
- ✓ Writes in 1<sup>st</sup> person from 7:2 on.
- ✓ Settled by Jesus: Matt 24:15-16
- ✓ Written shortly after 10:1 (cir. 535—531B.C.)
- ✓ Contemporaries with Ezekiel, Habakkuk, Jeremiah, and Zephaniah.
- ✓ He is mentioned in Jer. 1:1-3 and in Ezekiel (14:14, 20; 28:3)





## An Introduction

### Purpose and Theme of the Book.

- ✓ “To demonstrate that God is sovereignly in control of the nations under whom Israel is being disciplined until the time comes when He will bring in Messiah’s kingdom, and that Israel will ultimately be restored and blessed in His kingdom after he has first undergone tribulation and sufferings imposed by the antichrist.”  
Tanner.
- ✓ “Daniel was written to encourage the exiled Jews by revealing God’s program for them, both during and after the time of Gentile power in the world. Prominent above every other theme in the book is God’s sovereign control over the affairs of all rulers and nations, and their final replacement with the True King.” MSB

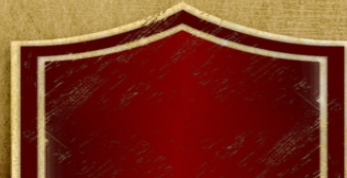




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### Purpose and Theme of the Book (continued).

- ✓ God's sovereign power through miracles. Making His name known through that which is impossible.
- ✓ "1 of 6 in the Bible with a major focus on miracles by which God accomplished His purposes...."
- ✓ "...Others are (1) Creation and Flood...(2) Moses, (3) Elijah/Elisha, (4) The Apostles... (5) [Future] the Second advent"





# A Brief History of Israel:

## A. United Kingdom (12 tribes)

- Saul, then David.
- David sins.
- Infighting (“The sword shall never depart from your house”)
- Solomon unites, an age of glory and wonder.

## B. Divided Kingdom 1 Kings 11-12

- Solomon sins (1 Kings 11).
- Nation is split.
- Jeroboam (10 tribes) Rehoboam (2)
- “Israel” in the North (all other tribes)
- “Judah” in the South (Judah/Benjamin)

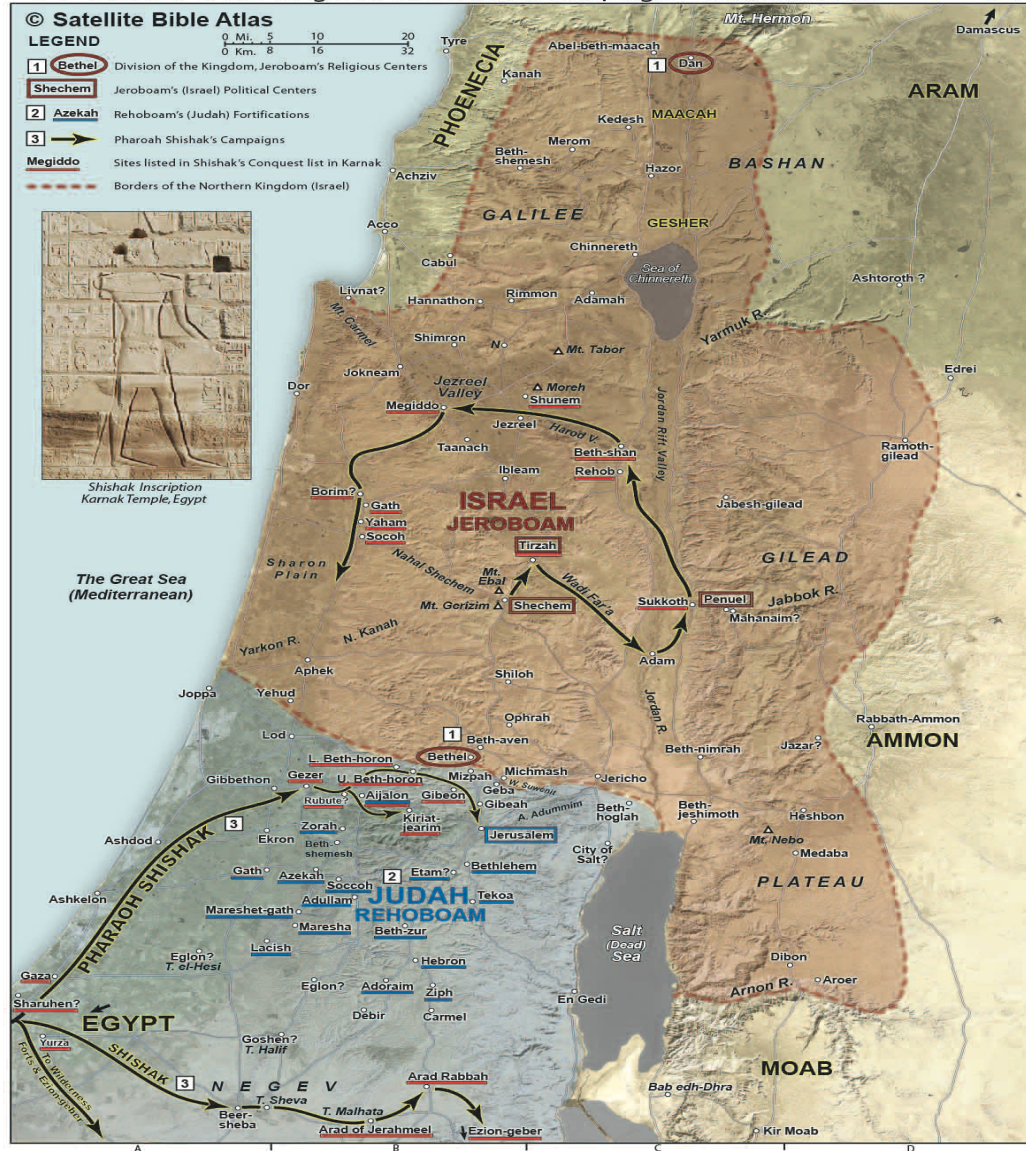








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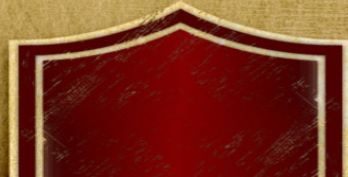




# Different Nation Powers

## Egypt

- Was always a power of sorts (at one time the most powerful). Often times Israel would seek to ally themselves with Egypt when confronted with other threats.

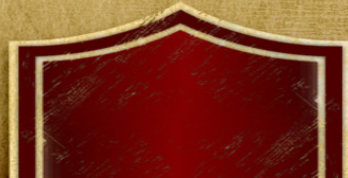




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## Assyria:

- For nearly 300 years before Daniel's time, Assyria dominated the Middle East.
- It was called the Neo-Assyrian Period (900-612 bc)





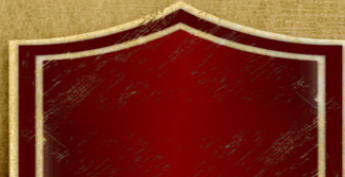




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## Assyria:

- Tiglath-Pileser III (727-722bc). (2 Kings 15:29, 16:7, 10)
- Shalmaneser V (705-681bc) (2 Kings 17:3; 18:9)
- Sennacherib (705-681bc) (2 Kn. 18:13, 19:16, 20, 36, Chr. 32, Isaiah 36:1; 37:17, 21, 37)
- Ashurbanipal (669-627bc) (Ezra 4:10)
- **Nabopolassar** a Chaldean and father of Nebuchadnezzar wins independence for **Babylon** in 626 BC

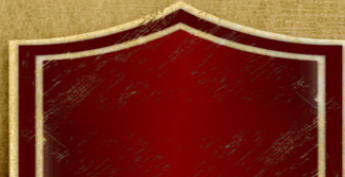




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## Babylonian:

- **Nabopolassar** begins a new dynasty.
- **Nebuchadnezzar** gains great victory at Carchemish in 605bc, Judah becomes a victim of the shakeup.
- This sets the stage for where we open in Daniel 1:1.



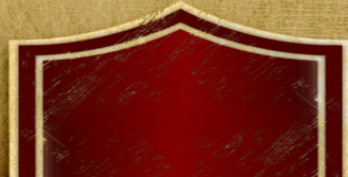






# Last Kings of Judah before exile

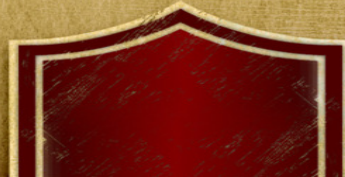
Josiah	(641-609bc)
Jehoahaz	(July 609-Oct. 609bc)
Jehoiakim	(609-598bc)
Jehoiachin	(Dec. 598-march 597bc)
Zedekiah	(April 597-Aug. 586bc)



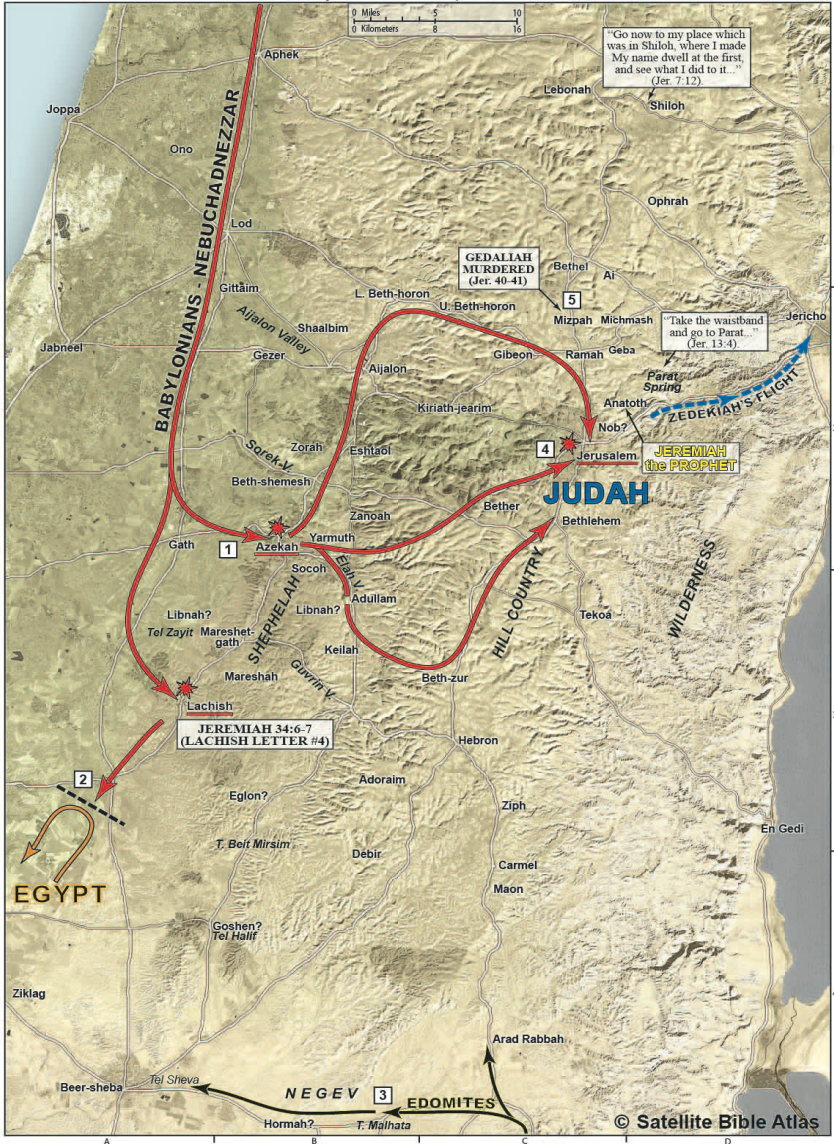


## 3 Major Deportations of Jews to exile in Babylon:

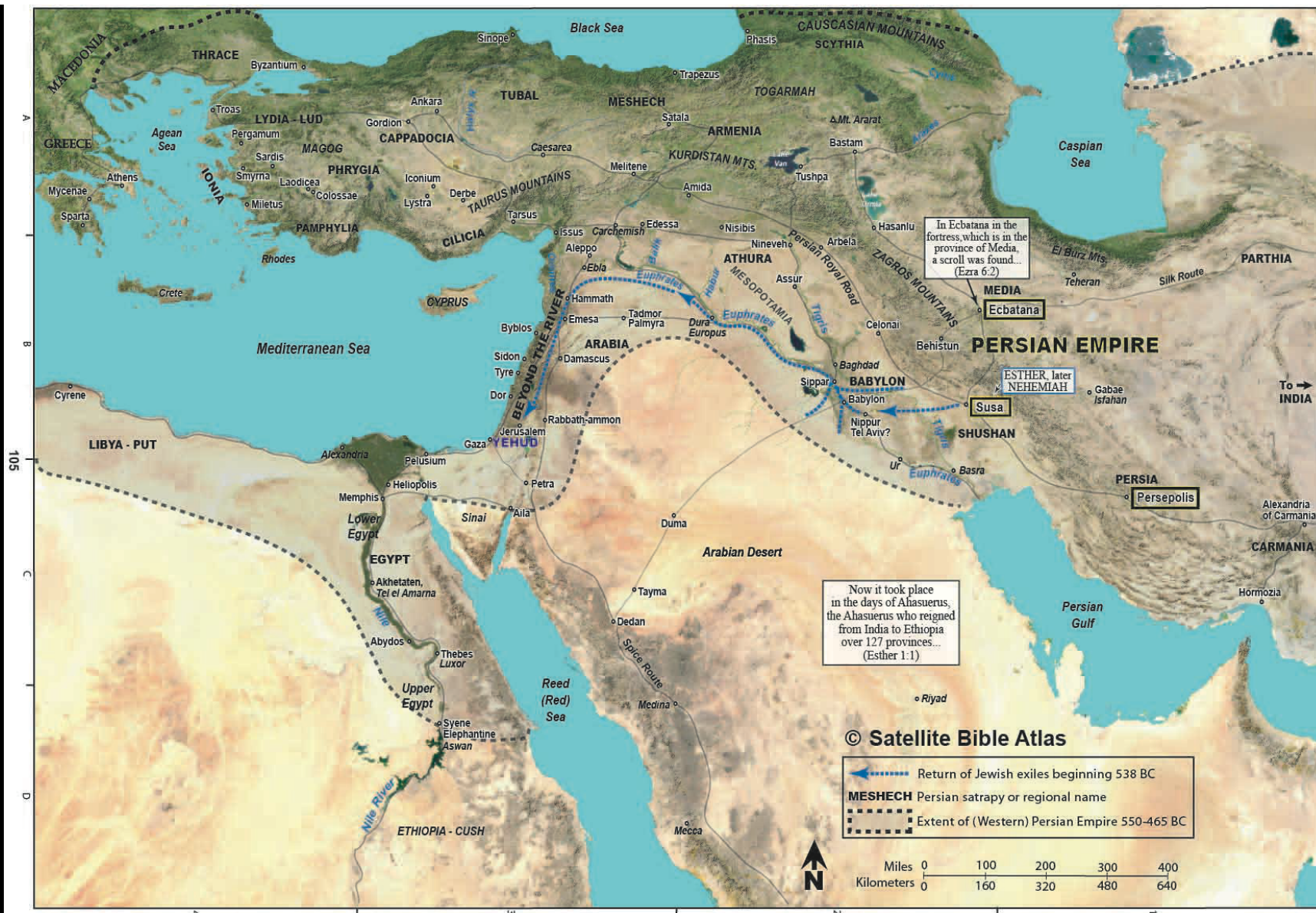
- 1) 605 BC. Only nobility and leading youth taken. Daniel and his companions among them.
- 2) 597 BC. In response to Jehoiachin's rebellion, 10,000 taken to Babylon. Ezekiel among them.
- 3) 586 BC. Zedekiah's rebellion brought about the final siege of Jerusalem, culminating in 586 BC with the city and temple being utterly destroyed. Many killed, many deported to Babylon.







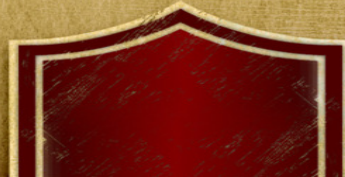






# Final Tidbits

- Chapters 2-6 Primarily Historical, focus being on God's dealing with kingdoms in Daniel's lifetime.
- Chapters 8-12 are primarily future-oriented, the focus being on matters that went beyond the lifetime of Daniel.
- Chapter 7 has both.
- Ch. 2-7 Emphasizes the Gentile nations.
- Ch. 7-12 mainly Israel.
- Narration:
  - a. Ch. 1-6      3<sup>rd</sup> person.
  - b. Ch. 7      1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> person.
  - c. Ch. 8-12    1<sup>st</sup> person.





Questions?

