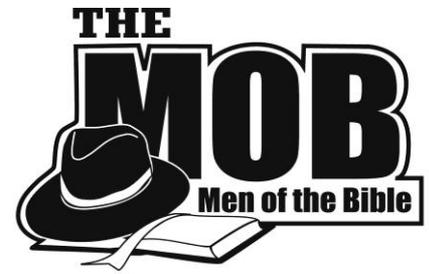




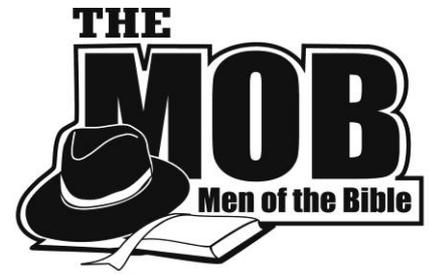
Announcements



- Welcome to MOB!
- [IBC Inductive Bible Study Marathon: "Heaven, Hell and Life After Death," 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, April 9, Room A209, \\$14.00, POC: Scott Faught, \(703\) 897-0738, \[sfaught@preceptnetwork.org\]\(mailto:sfaught@preceptnetwork.org\)](#)
- Pray for MOB Fall 2016 – Spring 2017 planning
- Website: www.ibcmob.net



Memory Verse



Daniel 6:26b-27 (ESV)

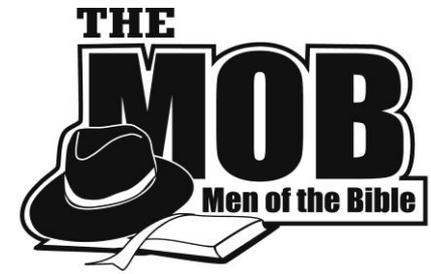
"for he is the living God, enduring forever; his kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion shall be to the end. He delivers and rescues; he works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth, he who has saved Daniel from the power of the lions."

Daniel 6:26b-27 (ESV)

(King Darius' decree about God after the lion's den)



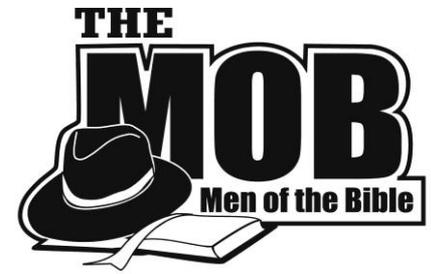
Daniel Outline



Focus	Daniel's History	Prophetic Plan for the Gentiles				Prophetic Plan of Israel		
Reference	1	2 - 4	5	6	7	8	9	10 - 12
Division	Personal Life of Daniel	Visions of Nebuc-hadnezzar	Visions of Balshazzar	Decree of Darius	Four Beasts	Vision of Ram and Male Goat	Vision of Seventy Weeks	Vision of Israel's Future
Topic	Daniel's Background	Daniel Interprets Others' Dreams				Angel Interprets Daniel's Dreams		
	Hebrew	Aramaic				Hebrew		
Time	Written in Babylon or Persia around 605 – 536 BC							



Last Week



The Handwriting on the Wall

[Daniel 5:1-12](#)

Daniel Interprets the Handwriting

[Daniel 5:13-30](#)

Daniel and the Lions' Den

[Daniel 6:1-28](#)

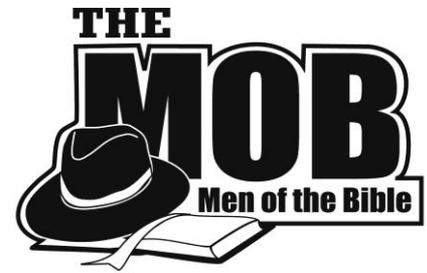


Daniel's Answer to the King by Briton Rivière, 1892 (25 x 35 in)



Daniel 6 (ESV)

Daniel and the Lions' Den

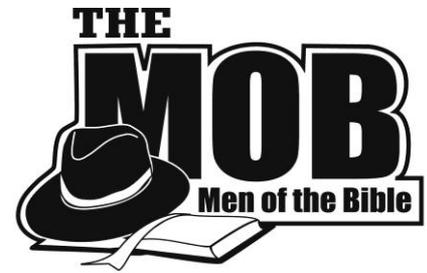


¹ It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom 120 satraps, to be throughout the whole kingdom; ² and over them three high officials, of whom Daniel was one, to whom these satraps should give account, so that the king might suffer no loss. ³ Then this Daniel became distinguished above all the other high officials and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him. And the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom. ⁴ Then the high officials and the satraps sought to find a ground for complaint against Daniel with regard to the kingdom, but they could find no ground for complaint or any fault, because he was faithful, and no error or fault was found in him. ⁵ Then these men said, “We shall not find any ground for complaint against this Daniel unless we find it in connection with the law of his God.”



Daniel 6 (ESV)

Daniel and the Lions' Den

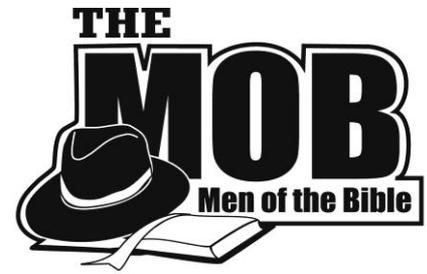


⁶ Then these high officials and satraps came by agreement to the king and said to him, “O King Darius, live forever! ⁷ All the high officials of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an injunction, that whoever makes petition to any god or man for thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions. ⁸ Now, O king, establish the injunction and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked.” ⁹ Therefore King Darius signed the document and injunction.



Daniel 6 (ESV)

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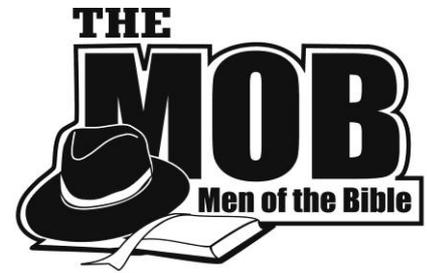


¹⁰ When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously. ¹¹ Then these men came by agreement and found Daniel making petition and plea before his God. ¹² Then they came near and said before the king, concerning the injunction, “O king! Did you not sign an injunction, that anyone who makes petition to any god or man within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?” The king answered and said, “The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked.” ¹³ Then they answered and said before the king, “Daniel, who is one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or the injunction you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day.”



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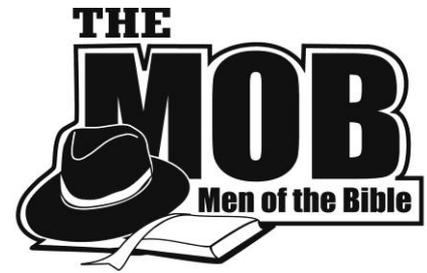
¹⁴ Then the king, when he heard these words, was much distressed and set his mind to deliver Daniel. And he labored till the sun went down to rescue him. ¹⁵ Then these men came by agreement to the king and said to the king, “Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no injunction or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed.”

¹⁶ Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, “May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you!” ¹⁷ And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. ¹⁸ Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no diversions were brought to him, and sleep fled from him.



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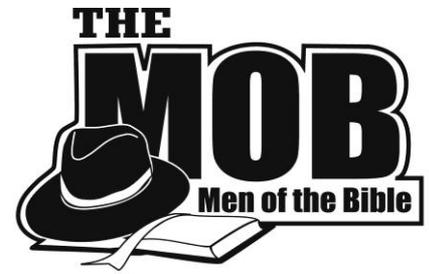


¹⁹ Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions. ²⁰ As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?” ²¹ Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever! ²² My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm.” ²³ Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God. ²⁴ And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions - they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.



Daniel 6 (ESV)

Daniel and the Lions' Den



²⁵ Then King Darius wrote to all the peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth: “Peace be multiplied to you. ²⁶ I make a decree, that in all my royal dominion people are to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel,

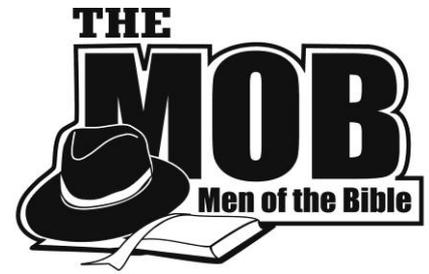
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²⁷ He delivers and rescues;
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²⁸ So this Daniel prospered during the reign of Darius and the reign of Cyrus the Persian.



Daniel 6 Observation

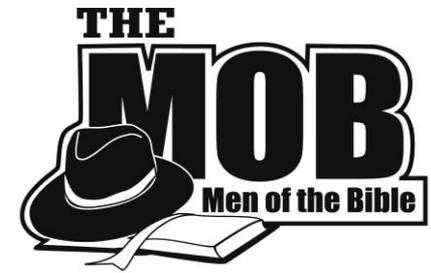


5 W's - Who, What, When, Where, Why

- **Who** is involved?
- **When** does this event occur?
- **Where** does this event occur?
- **What** happens?
- **Why?** (Observation & Interpretation)



Daniel 6 Observation

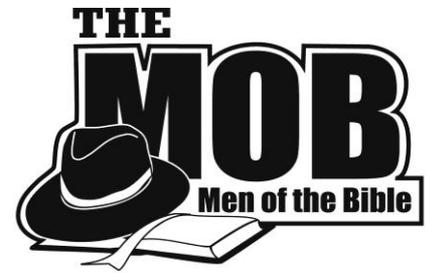


- **Who** is involved?
 - Darius the Meade, King of Babylon after [Belshazzar](#)
NOT [Darius I](#) (521-486 BC); possibly [Gubaru](#) or [Gobryas](#)
Possibly [Cyrus the Persian](#) ([Daniel 6:28](#) ...even the reign of...)
 - 120 [Satraps](#) (What's a *Satrap*?)
 - 3 [Chiefs or Overseers](#) of whom Daniel was one (approx. 82 yrs old)
 - [Cyrus the Persian, Cyrus the Great, Cyrus II, Cyrus the Elder](#)
[Daniel 1:21](#), [Daniel 6:28](#), [Daniel 10:1](#), [Isaiah 45:1](#), [Ezra 1:1](#)
- **When** does this event occur? 539 – 537 BC
- **Where** does this event occur? Babylon (city)



Daniel 6

Observation

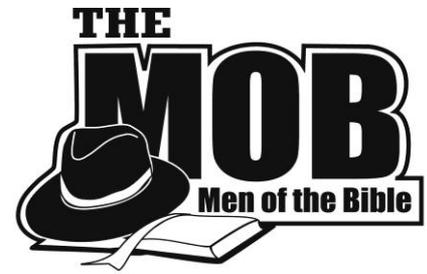


- **What happened?**
 - Meades & Persians conquer Neo-Babylonian Empire (Oct 539 BC)
 - New Emperor (Cyrus) & New King of Babylon (Darius)
 - 120 Satraps (Princes or Provincial Governors) appointed
 - 3 Chiefs or Overseers appointed to prevent [damage](#)
 - King Darius decides to make Daniel #1 Overseer
 - Other Overseers and Satraps unhappy; want to get rid of Daniel
 - Can't find any faults in Daniel, except perhaps his faith
 - Flatter (trick) the king & leverage the law to trap and kill Daniel
 - Law was not unreasonable: temporary test of loyalty to new King
 - Plan works – Daniel keeps on praying, is caught, reported and judged
 - [Psalm 55:17](#), [1 Kings 8:35-54](#), [Philippians 4:6-7](#)
 - King *must* execute Daniel same day found guilty (custom)
 - King goes with Daniel to lion's den – no food, music or sleep that night
 - King goes to lion's den at "[the break of dawn](#)" and calls Daniel
 - Daniel replies respectfully, explains, and **gives glory to God**
 - King has Daniel pulled out of lion's den (custom)
 - King punishes Daniel's accusers and their families
 - King makes a royal decree **praising God**



Daniel 6

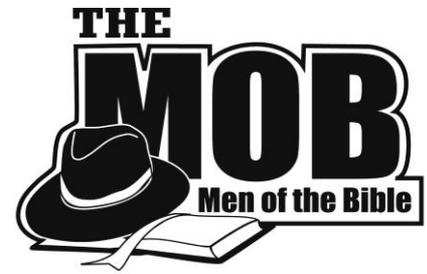
Interpretation



- **Why** was the king going to make Daniel #1 president?
[Daniel 6:3](#)
- **Why** did the other two presidents and satraps object?
- **Why** couldn't the King's decree be changed?
[Daniel 6:8,12,15](#); [Esther 1:19, 8:8](#)
- **Why** did God allow this to happen to Daniel?
- **Who** probably got a better night's rest that night?
[Daniel 6:18-19](#)
- **Why** wasn't Daniel hurt in any way? [Daniel 6:22-23](#)
- **Who** was in the lion's den with Daniel overnight?
[Daniel 6:22](#) vs. [Exodus 3](#), [Judges 6:21-22](#), [Zechariah 12:8](#)
- **Why** did the king have the conspirators and their families thrown into the lion's den?
[Deuteronomy 24:16](#), [Genesis 12:1-3](#), [Proverbs 11:8, 26:27](#)



Daniel 6 Interpretation



True or **FALSE** If you are a child of God, you should expect to be promoted to positions of greatness.

True or **FALSE** If you are a child of God, others (ungodly) will like you or at least leave you alone.

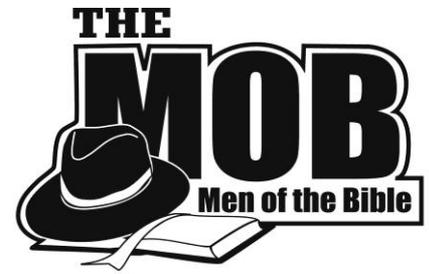
True or **FALSE** If you are a child of God, He will always keep you from hardship, injury and death.

[2 Timothy 3:12](#), [Genesis 37:1-44:9](#), [Hebrews 11:1-40](#)

TRUE or False God is completely sovereign in the affairs of all men, all national rulers, and all nations.



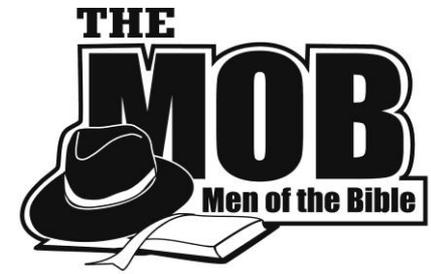
Daniel 6 Application



1. Do conspiracies like the one we observe in Daniel 6 occur today? Why?
2. Have you ever witnessed a situation like the one we observe in Daniel 6? Describe the situation. What happened? Was God ultimately glorified? How?
3. Have you ever been the victim of unfair or unjust treatment because of your faith? How did God work in your life during and after this experience?
4. Is civil disobedience ever acceptable?
[Romans 13:1-2, Acts 5:29](#)
5. What lessons have you learned by studying the book of Daniel so far that you are applying in your life now?



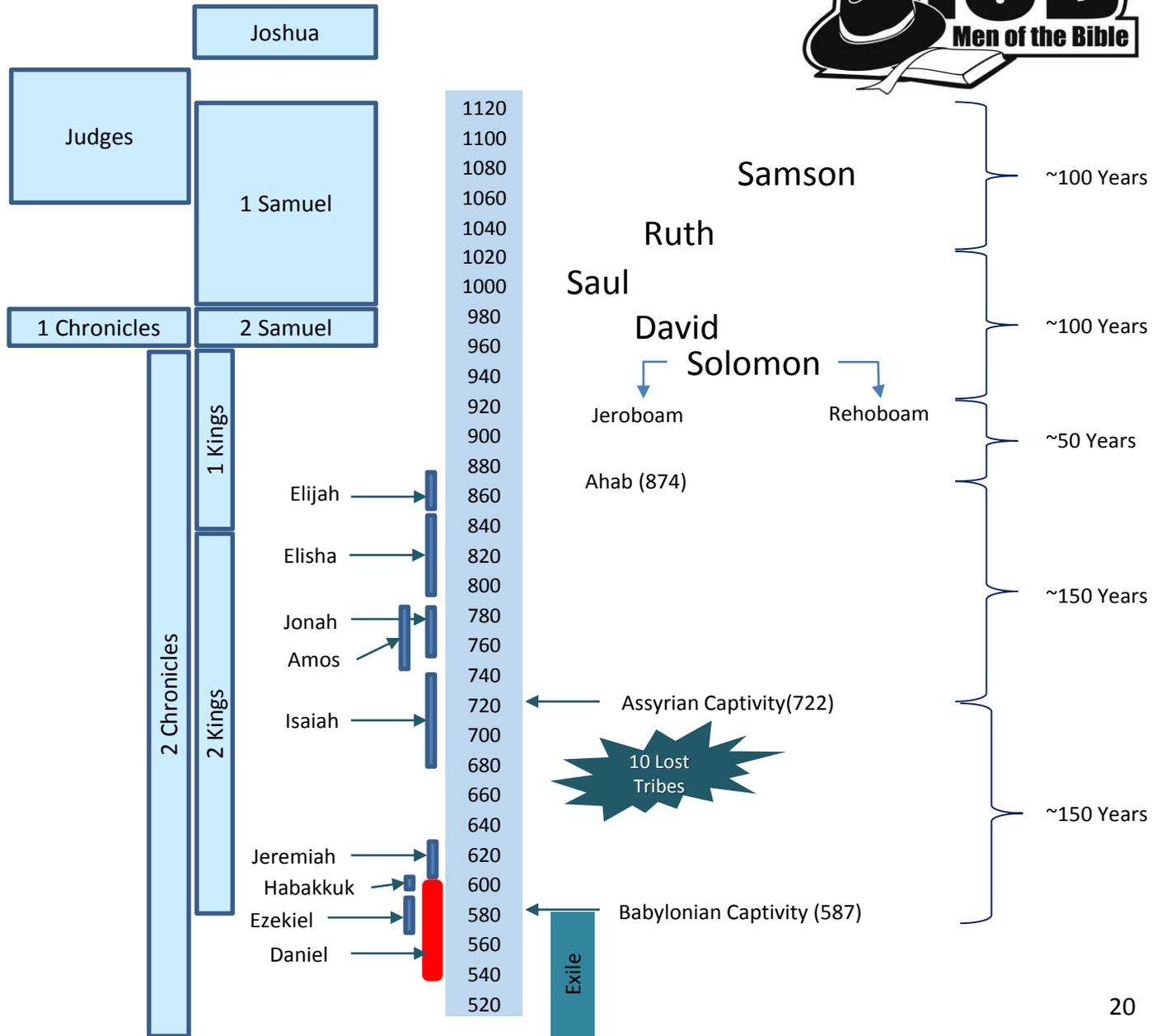
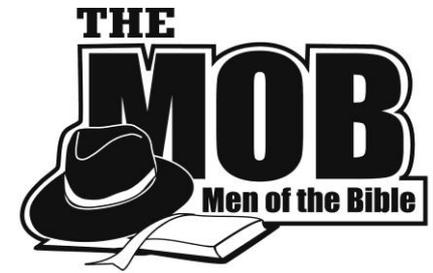
Closing



- Questions?
- Comments?
- Closing Prayer



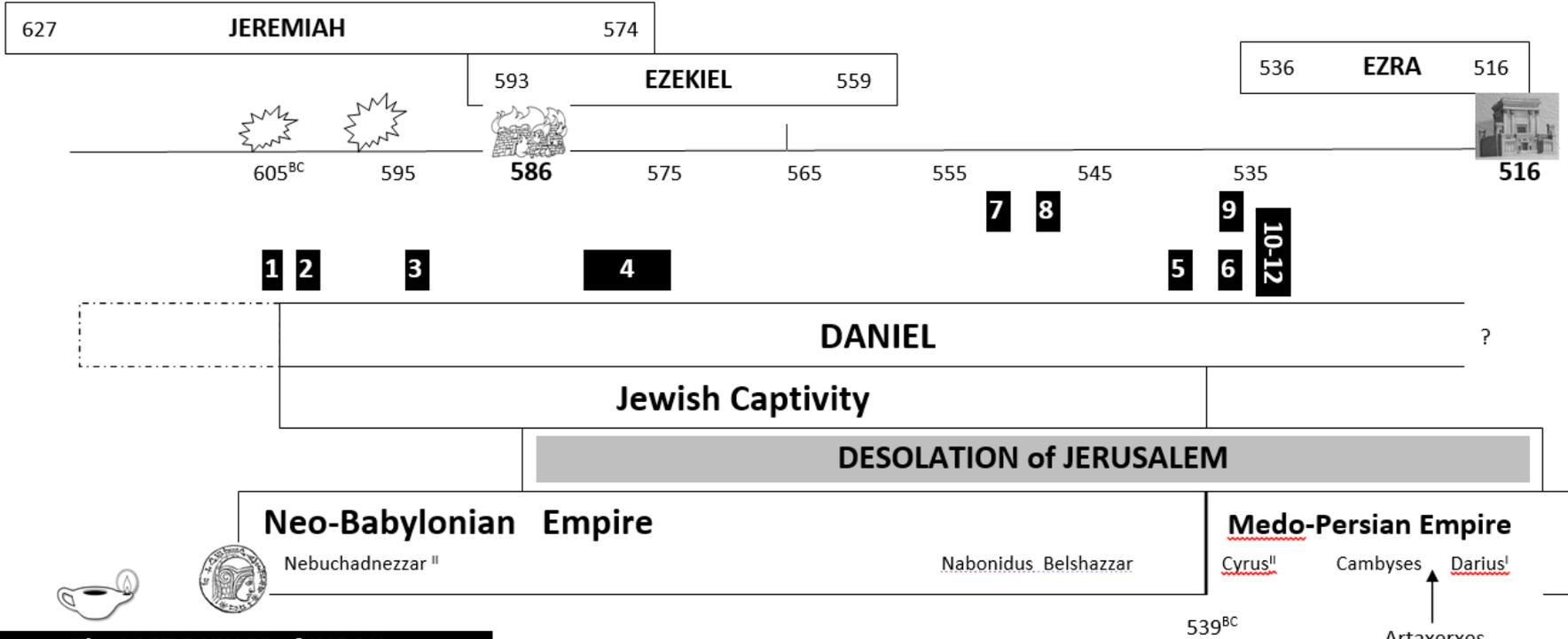
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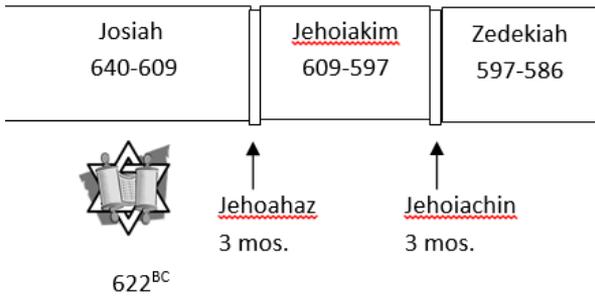
739-681 **ISAIAH**
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Precept Upon Precept
 Daniel, Part I
 Lesson 1-2

Israel's SOVEREIGN GOD



The LAST 5 KINGS of JUDAH



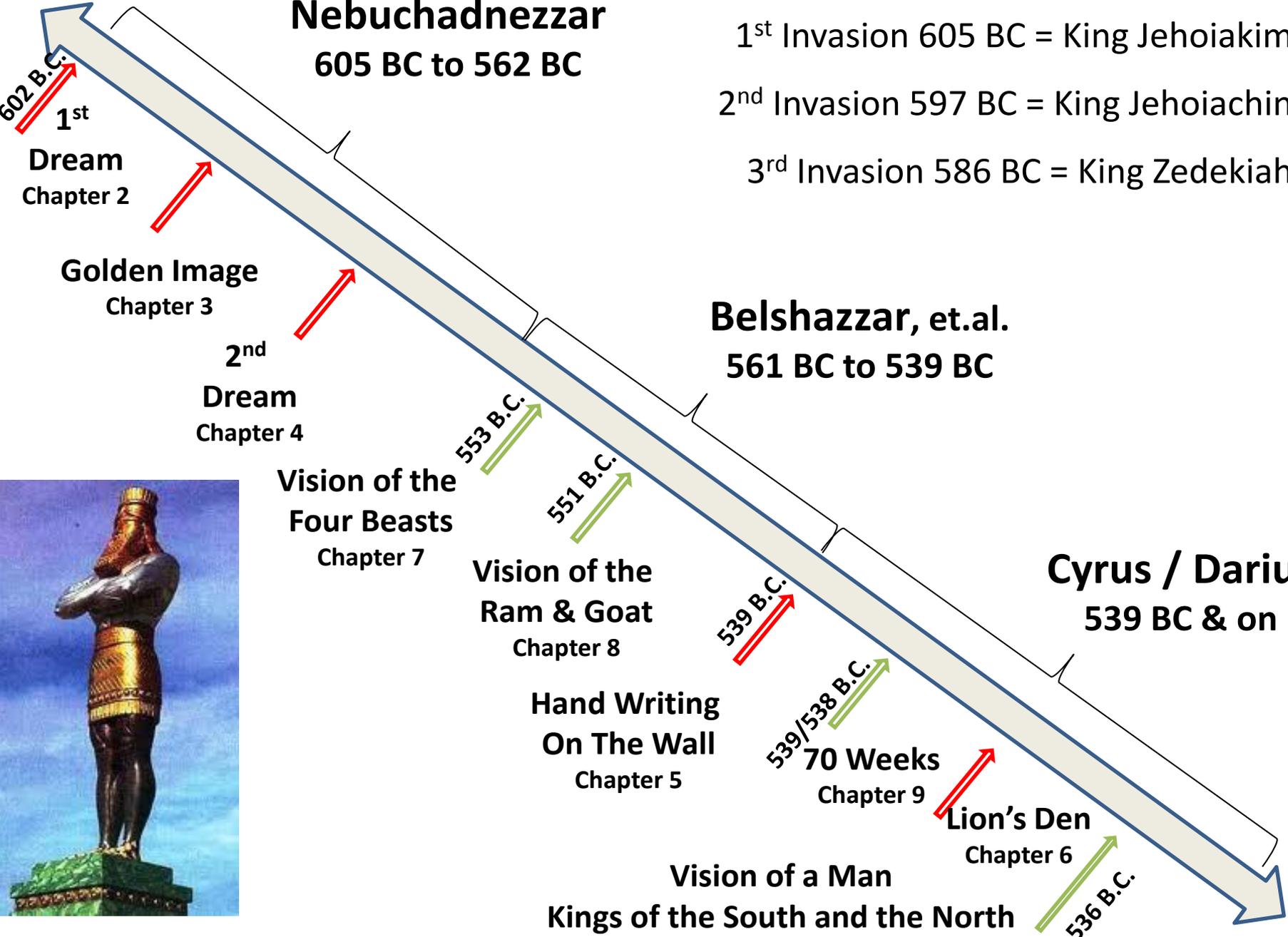
Apocalyptic Literature: Unveiling the secret purposes of God that were previously unknown. These purposes concern world events leading up to the Messianic Kingdom and the end of the world. These events are unveiled mainly by visions.

Nebuchadnezzar 605 BC to 562 BC

- 1st Invasion 605 BC = King Jehoiakim
- 2nd Invasion 597 BC = King Jehoiachin
- 3rd Invasion 586 BC = King Zedekiah

Belshazzar, et.al. 561 BC to 539 BC

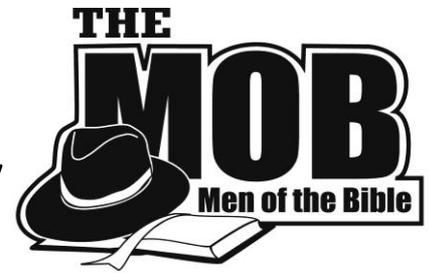
Cyrus / Darius 539 BC & on





Daniel 1:17-21 (ESV)

God Gave Daniel a Long Life & Ministry



83 Years

620 BC

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605 BC Captivity

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539 BC King Cyrus

537 BC 4th Vision