THE BIBLE AND VOTING

Part 9



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Introductory Remarks

- A stewardship issue (1 Cor. 4:2)
- A biblical issue (2 Tim. 3:16)
- Biblical principles rather than partisanship

The Bible and Voting

1. Economic issues
2. Social issues
3. Foreign affairs



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Economic Issues

1. Ownership of private property? (Deut. 19:15)
2. Pursuit of economic self interest? (Gen. 8:21)
3. Proper definition of compassion? (2 Thess. 3:10)
4. Who provides charity? (1 Tim. 5:3-8)
5. Family is the building block of society? (Deut. 6:6-7)
6. Wealth retained within the family? (Prov. 13:22)
7. The earth experiences cyclical patterns? (Gen. 8:22)
8. Environmental stewardship rather than earth worship? (Rom. 1:22-23)
9. Opposition to runaway debt? (Prov. 22:7)
10. Limitations upon the government? (Acts 5:29)

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Social Issues

1. Legal protection for the unborn? (Gen. 25:23)
2. Legal protection for the elderly? (Lev. 19:32)
3. Hetero-sexual monogamous marriage as the standard for society? (Gen. 2:18-25)
4. Advocacy capital punishment? (Gen. 9:6)
5. The right to restrict alcohol, pornography, & gambling? (Lev. 10:9; Matt. 5:27-28; Prov. 13:11)
6. Parental authority over children? (Eph. 6:4)
7. Public expressions of Christianity? (Mark 16:15)
8. Right to keep and bear arms? (Luke 22:36)

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They said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks and
burn them thoroughly.” And they used brick for stone, and
they used tar for mortar. 4 They said, “Come, let us build for
ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into
heaven, and let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise
we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole
earth.”



Genesis 11:5-7

5 The Lord came down to see the city and the tower
which the sons of men had built. 6 The Lord said,
“Behold, they are one people, and they all have the
same language. And this is what they began to do,
and now nothing which they purpose to do will be
impossible for them. 7 “Come, let Us go down and
there confuse their language, so that they will not
understand one another’s speech.”



Genesis 11:8-9

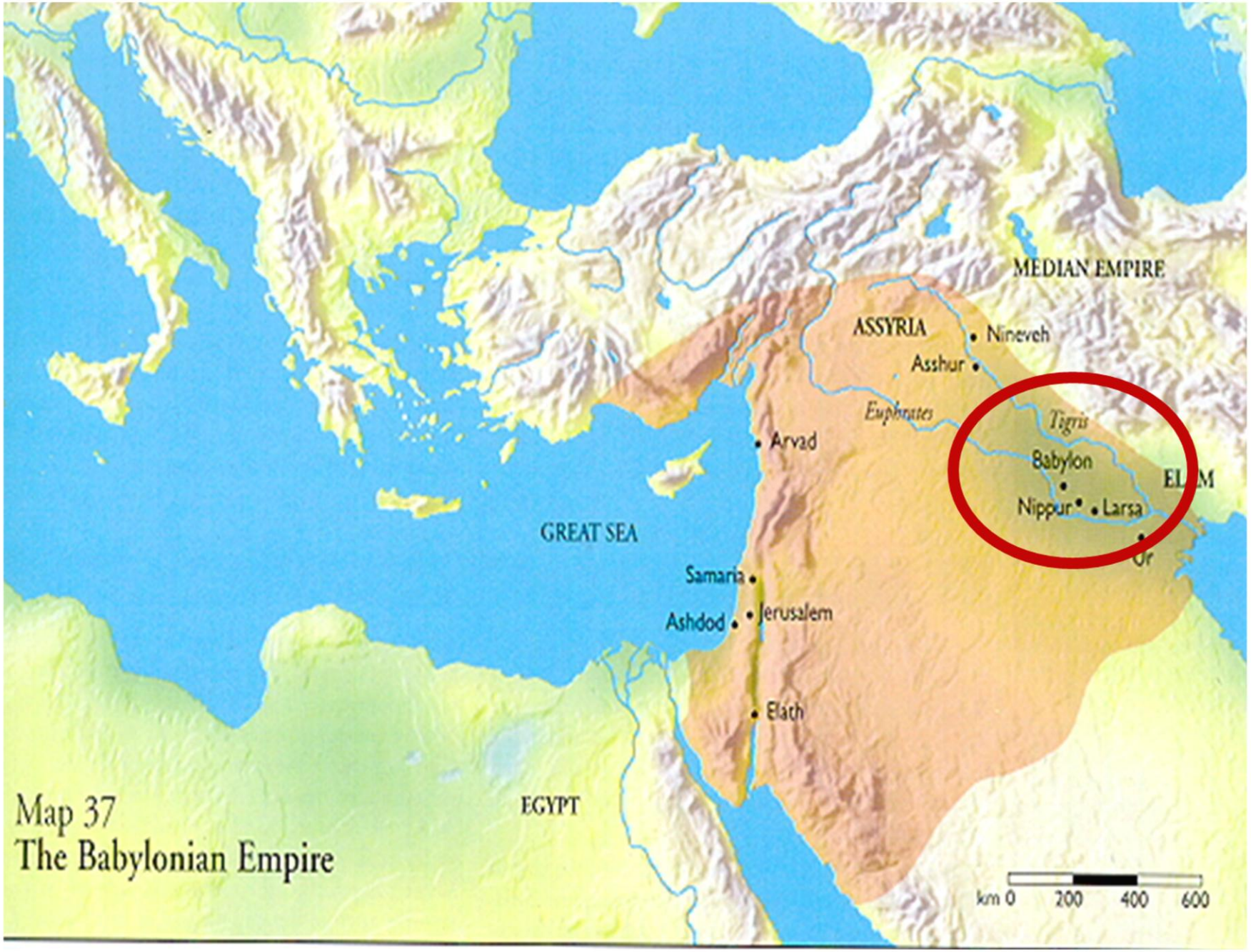
8 So the Lord scattered them abroad from there
over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped
building the city. 9 Therefore its name was called
Babel, because there the Lord confused the
language of the whole earth; and from there the
Lord scattered them abroad over the face of the
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Map 37
The Babylonian Empire

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	Mother	Child
Assyria	Ishtar	Tammuz
Phoenicia	Astarte	Baal
Egypt	Isis	Osirus/Horus
Greece	Aphrodite	Eros
Rome	Venus	Cupid
Asia	Cybele	Desius
India	Isi	Iswara

Alexander Hislop, *The Two Babylons; or, the Papal Worship Proved to Be the Worship of Nimrod and His Wife*, 2nd American ed. (Edinburgh: Wood, 1862; reprint, New York: Loizeaux, 1959).

Genesis 3:15

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel." (NASB)



From Adam to Abraham

- Gen 3:15
- Gen 5:1 (Adam) to Gen. 5:28-29, 32 (Noah)
- Gen 6:9
- Gen 7:1
- Gen 9:26
- Gen 11:10 (Shem) to Gen 11:32 (Terah)




Hittites
Taurus Mts.
Amanus Mts.
Charchemish
Hurrians
Assyria
Subartu
Mersin
Yamhad
Haran
Nineveh
Alalakh
Aleppo
Habur River
Calah
Turukku
Zagros Mts.
Ammuru
Paddan Aram
Tigris River
Assur
Diyala River
Imar
Ebla
Yaminum
Nuzi
Ugarit
Tepra
Guti
Hamath
Qatna
Mari
Der
Cyprus
Euphrates River
Eshnunna
Dur-Kurigalzu
Yamutbal
Orontes R.
Byblos
Akkad
Sidon
Damascus
Babylon
Nippur
Elam
Tyre
Sumer
Lagash
GREAT SEA
Astoreth
Hazor
Ur
Shechem
Arabian Desert
Jerusalem
Amman
Ashdod
Hebron
Gaza
Beersheba
King's Highway
Eastern Desert
R. Egypt
ABRAHAM'S JOURNEY
Succoth
Desert Shur
Beer-lahai-roi
Egypt
On (Heliopolis)
Paran
Ezion-geber
Noph (Memphis)
Gulf of Aqaba
Nile River
Red Sea
Abraham's Journey
(To Egypt)
Jacob's Flight
Eliezer Brings Rebekah to Isaac
Approximate Location
200.0 mile
100.0 mile
50.0 mile
327.0 km.
163.5 km.
Larry Wood, 6-6-03
www.Biblenews1.com

Genesis 12:3

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Israel's Three Blessings to the World
(Gen 12:3b)

1) Scripture (Rom 3:2)

2) Savior (John 4:22)

3) Kingdom (Isa 2:2-3)



How Israel Has Blessed the World
(Gen 12:3; Rom 9:4-5)

- Patriarchs
- Law
- Prophets
- Messiah (John 4:22; Rom 9:5)
- Apostles
- Biblical writers
- Early church
- Early Christian martyrs
- Paul
- Future kingdom



Abrahamic Covenant

ABRAHAMIC
Genesis
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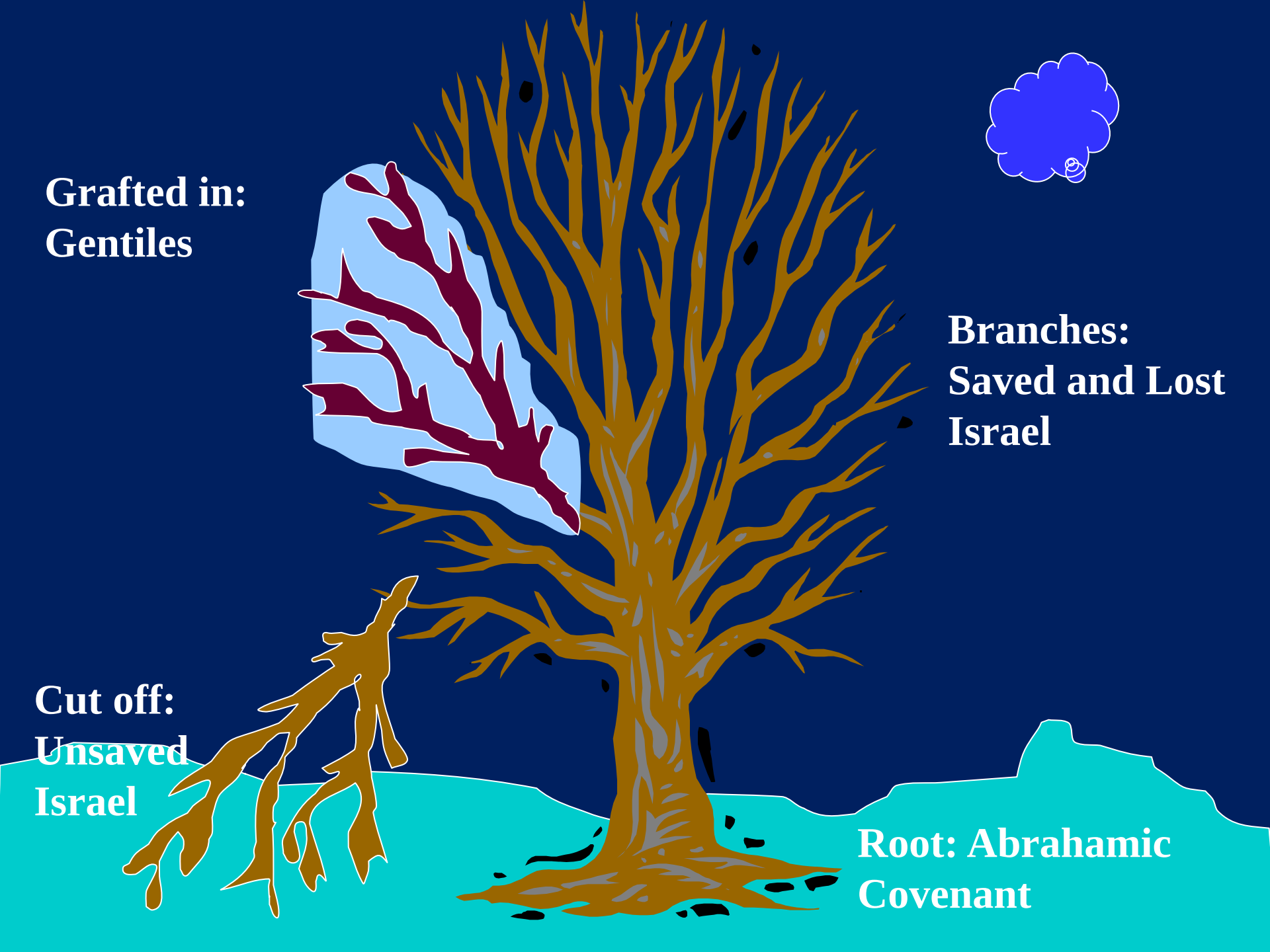
LAND	SEED	BLESSING
LAND **Deuteronomy** **29-30**	**DAVIDIC** **2 Samuel** **7:12-16**	**NEW** **Jeremiah** **31:31-34**







Unconditional covenant with a conditional blessing (Deut. 28; Lev. 26)


Grafted in:
Gentiles
Branches:
Saved and Lost
Israel
Cut off:
Unsaved
Israel
Root: Abrahamic
Covenant

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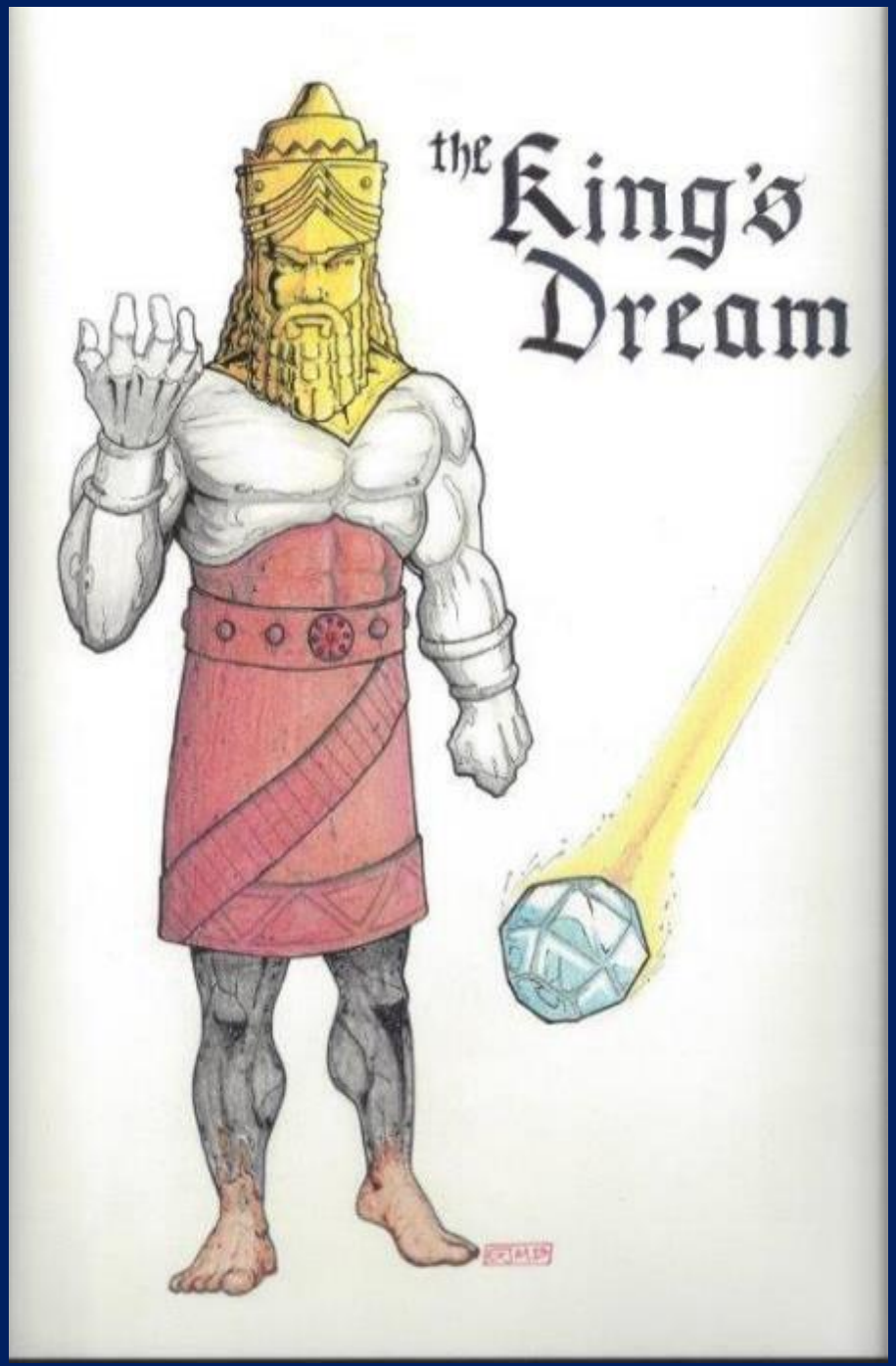
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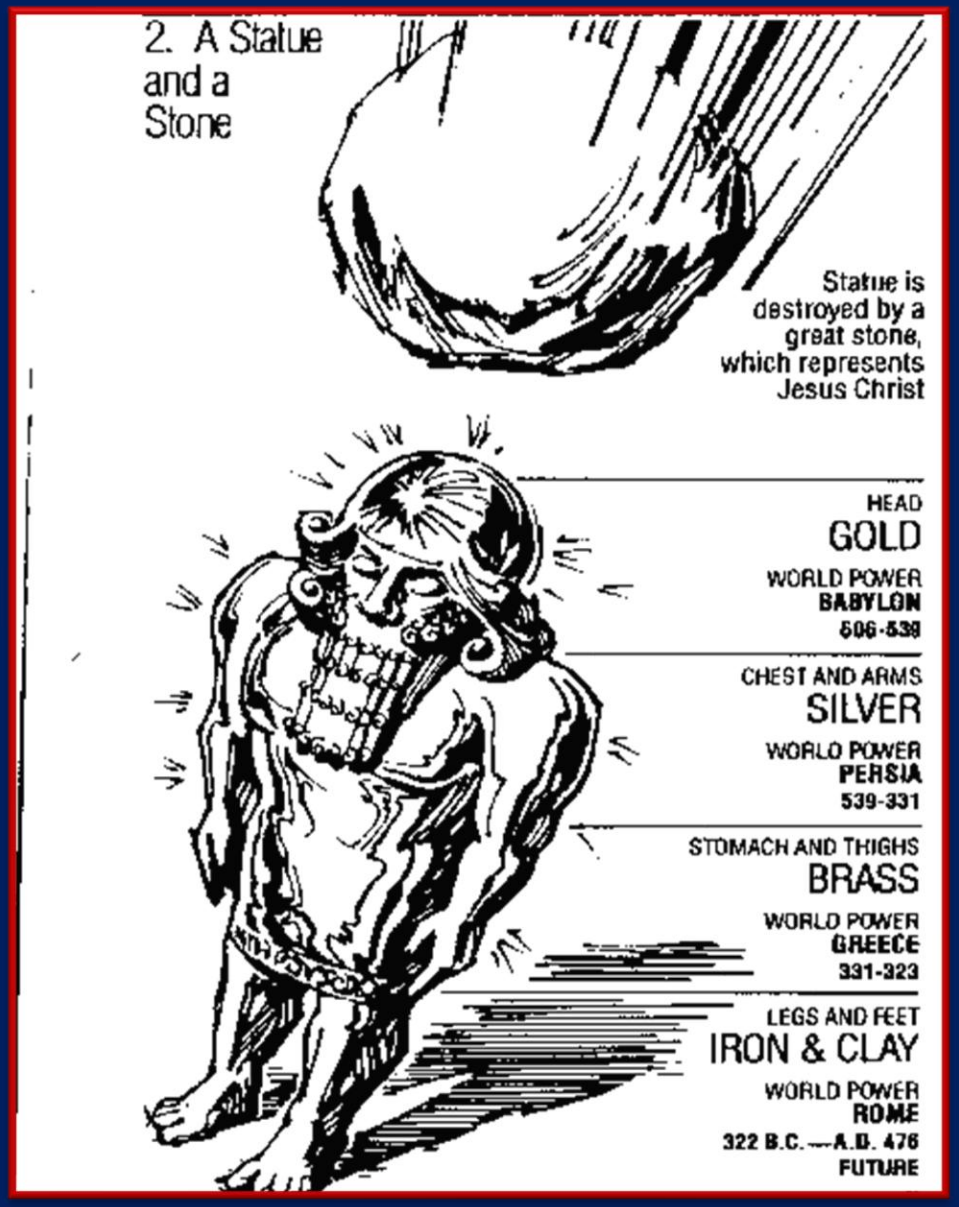
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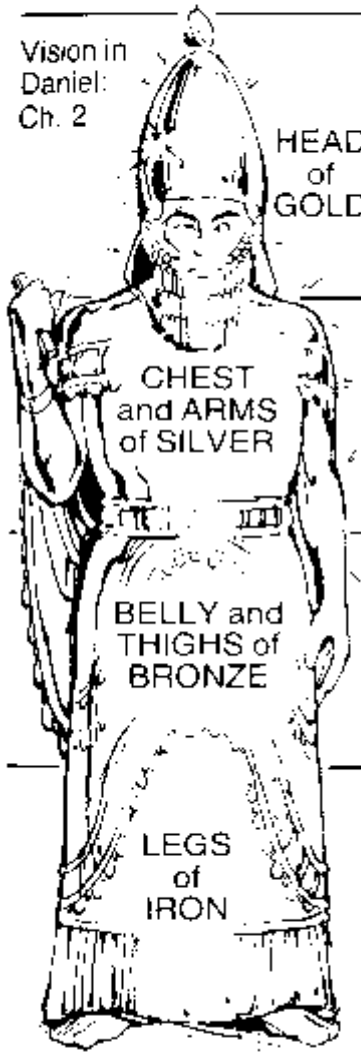

Mediterranean Sea
AMMON
CANAAN
MOAB
Nile Delta
Tanis
GOSHEN
Etham
Wilderness
of Shur
EDOM
Kadesh
barnea
SINAI
Peninsula
Ezion-geber
EGYPT
Land of
Midian
Rephidim
SINAI
Arabia
Red Sea


the King's Dream

Statue & Stone



Identification of the Four Kingdoms



Vision in Daniel: Ch. 2	Vision in Ch. 7	Vision in Ch. 8	IDENTIFICATION
HEAD of GOLD	LION		BABYLON 2:48
CHEST and ARMS of SILVER	BEAR	RAM	MEDO-PERSIA 8:20
BELLY and THIGHS of BRONZE	LEOPARD	GOAT	GREECE 8:21
LEGS of IRON	TERRIFYING and FRIGHTENING BEAST		ROME

Chronology of Major Empires in Daniel

626 B.C.

600

BABYLONIA

539 B.C.

500

MEDO-PERSIA

400

330 B.C.

300

GREECE
(Including Ptolemies and Seleucids)

200

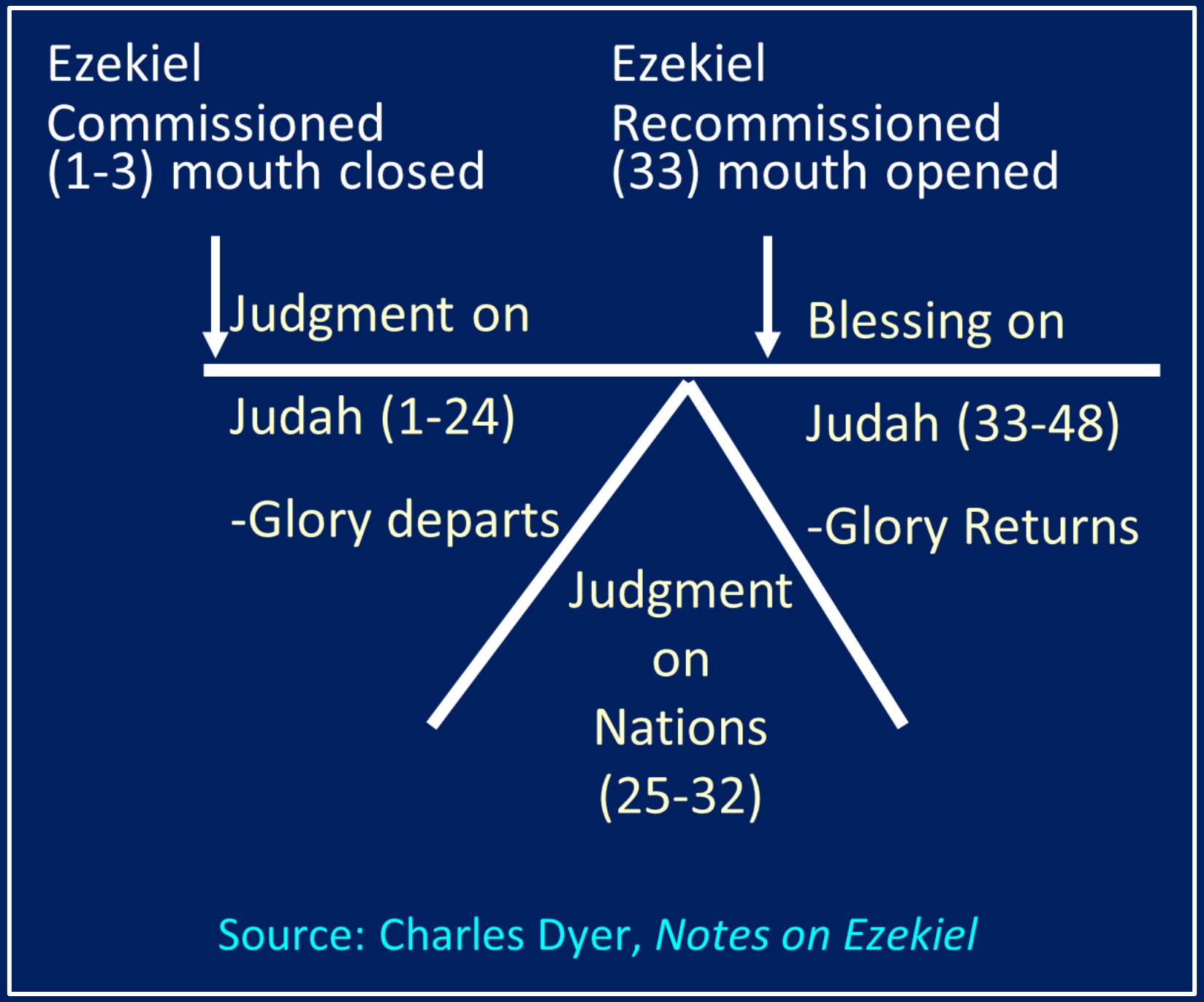
(167 B.C. Maccabees and Hasmoneans)

100

63 B.C.

ROME

A.D. 70
Fall of Jerusalem



Source: Charles Dyer, *Notes on Ezekiel*

Judgment Against the Nations (Ezekiel 25–32)

A. East



1) Ammon

1) Moab

1) Edom

Judgment Against the Nations (Ezekiel 25–32)

a. West: Philistia

b. North: Tyre & Sidon

c. South: Egypt




EZEKIEL'S PROPHECIES AGAINST THE NATIONS
N
W
E
S
MEDITERRANEAN SEA
SYRIA
ASSYRIA
Tigris River
Euphrates River
TYRE
AMMON
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JERUSALEM
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ARABIA
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Biblical Reality of the Angelic World

- Job 1:12
- 2 Kings 6:15-17
- 1 Chron 21:1
- Dan 10:12-13, 20
- Matt 16:21-23
- Eph 6:12



Revelation 12:1-5

And a great sign appeared in heaven:
a woman clothed in the sun, and the
moon under her feet, and upon her
head a crown of twelve stars; [2]and she
was with child; and she cried out,
being in labor pain to give birth. [3]And
another sign was seen in heaven: and
behold, a great red dragon, having
seven heads and ten horns, and upon
his heads seven diadems.

American Standard Version. 1995 .

Revelation 12:1-5

4 And his tail swept a third part of the
stars of heaven, and did cast them to
the earth: and the dragon stood before
the woman that is about to give birth,
so that when she gave birth he may
devour her child. 5 And she gave birth
to a son, a man child, who is to rule all
the nations with a rod of iron: and her
child was caught up unto God, and to
his throne.

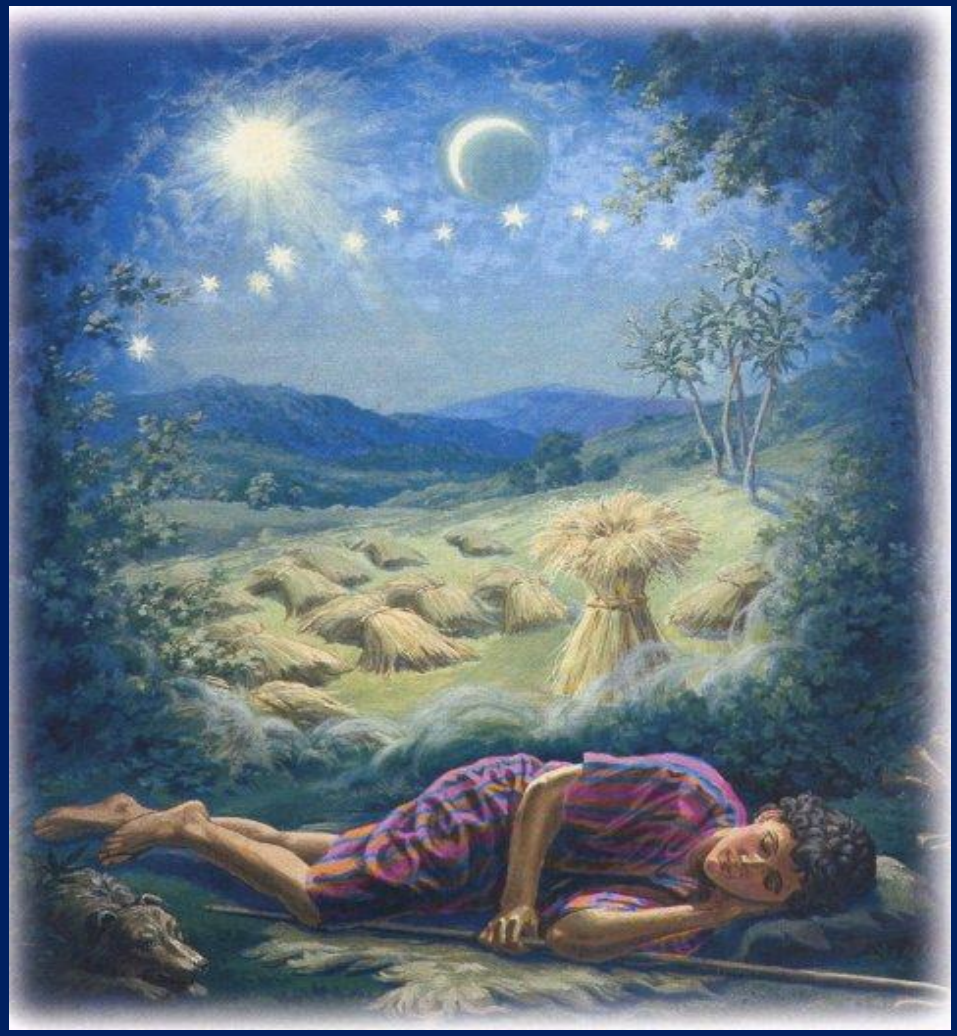
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Rev 12 Symbols

- Son = Messiah (Rev 12:5; Ps. 2:9; Acts 1:9)
- Dragon = Satan (Rev 12:3, 9)
- Woman = Israel (Rev 12:1; Gen 37:9-10)

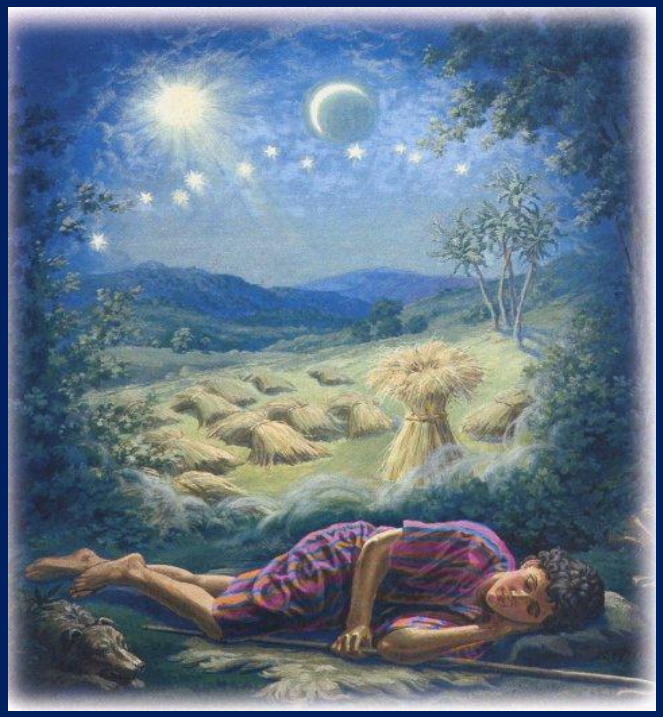
Genesis 37:9

Now he had still another dream, and related it to his brothers, and said, “Lo, I have had still another dream; and behold, the sun and the moon and eleven stars were bowing down to me.



Genesis 37:10

He related *it* to his father and to his brothers; and his father rebuked him and said to him, “What is this dream that you have had? Shall I and your mother and your brothers actually come to bow ourselves down before you to the ground?”



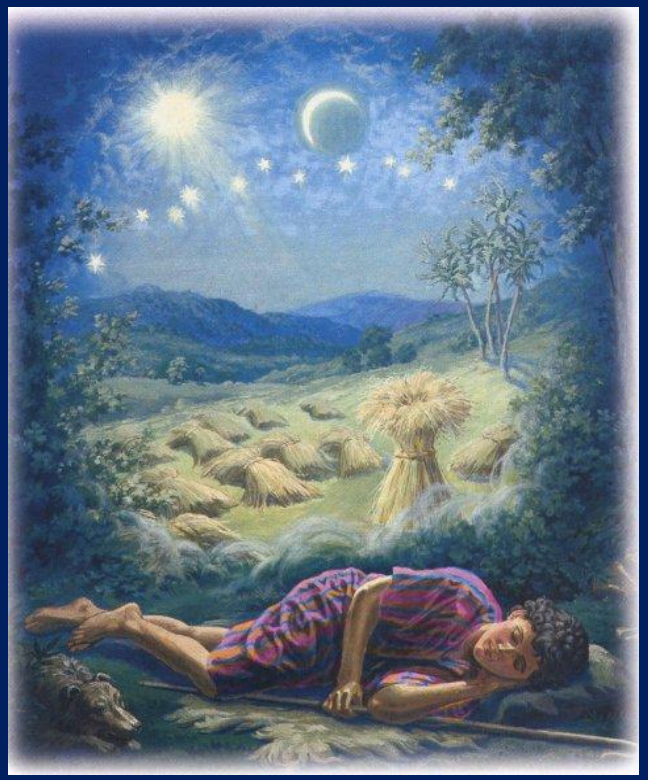
Sun = Jacob

Moon = Leah

11 Stars=Joseph's brothers

12th Star = Joseph

12 Stars=Israel's twelve tribes



2 CYCLES OF SATANIC PERSECUTION

(Revelation 12:13-16)



1. *"Pursues the woman" =* persecution of Israel 12:13-14

2. *"Flood from his mouth" =* tries to destroy Israel 12:15-16

Descriptions of Satanic Hatred
(Revelation 12:12-17)

- Wrath 12:12
- Persecution 12:13
- Sweep away 12:15
- Enraged 12:17
- War 12:17

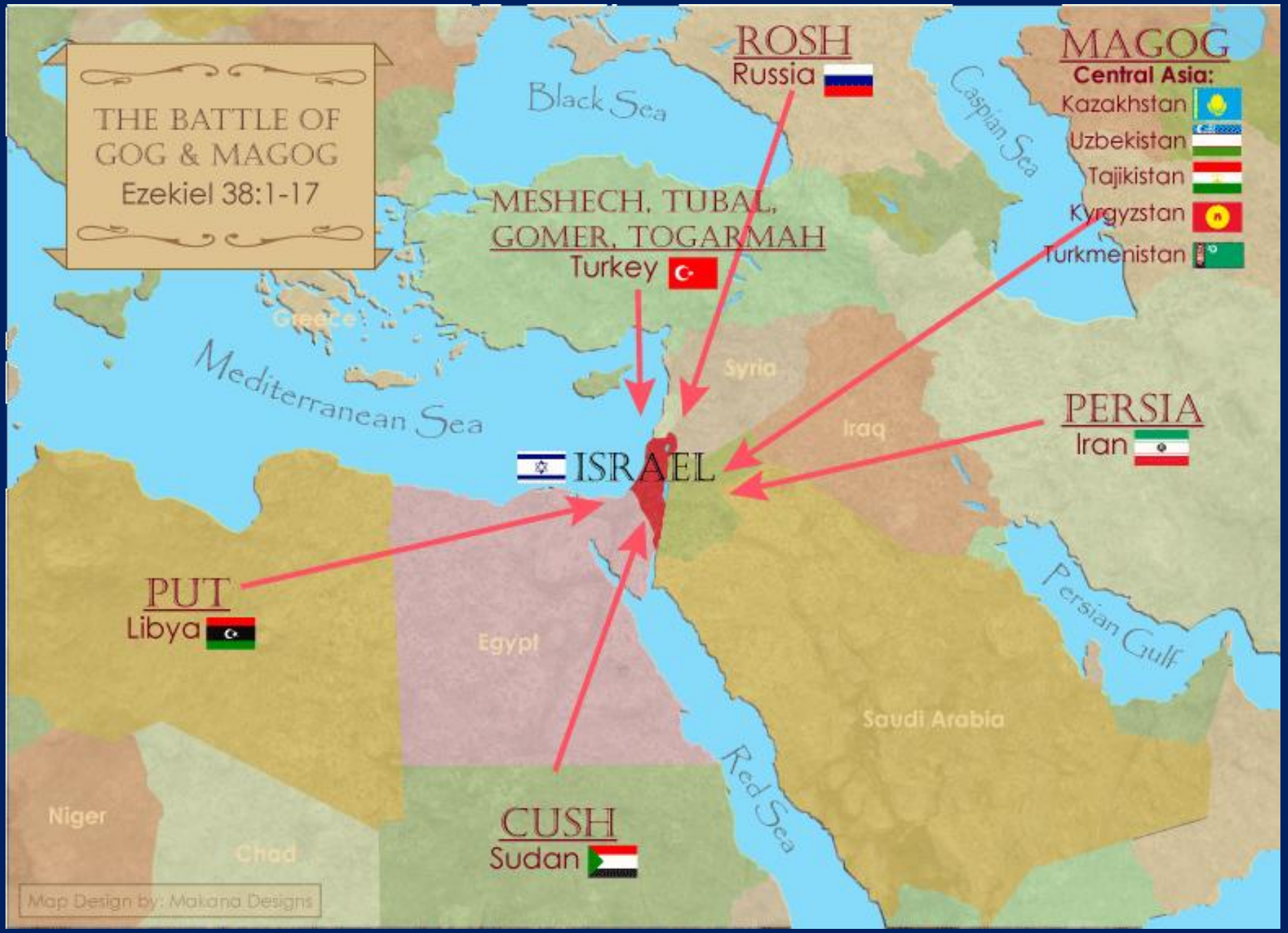


Israel's Two Regatherings

THE PRESENT (FIRST) REGATHERING	THE PERMANENT (SECOND) REGATHERING
Return to part of the land	Return to all the land
Return in unbelief	Return in faith
Restored to the land only	Restored to the land and the Lord
Sets the stage for Tribulation (discipline)	Sets the stage for Millennium (blessing)

Adapted from: Price, *Jerusalem In Prophecy*, 219


Russia
Germany
Ukraine
France
Italy
Spain
Turkey
Russia
Kazakhstan
Mongolia
Uzbekistan
Turkmenistan
Syria
Iraq
Iran
Afghanistan
China
Morocco
Algeria
Libya
Egypt
Pakistan
India
Saudi Arabia
Oman
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Mali
Niger
Chad
Sudan
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Ethiopia
Somalia
Malaysia
Zaire
Indonesia

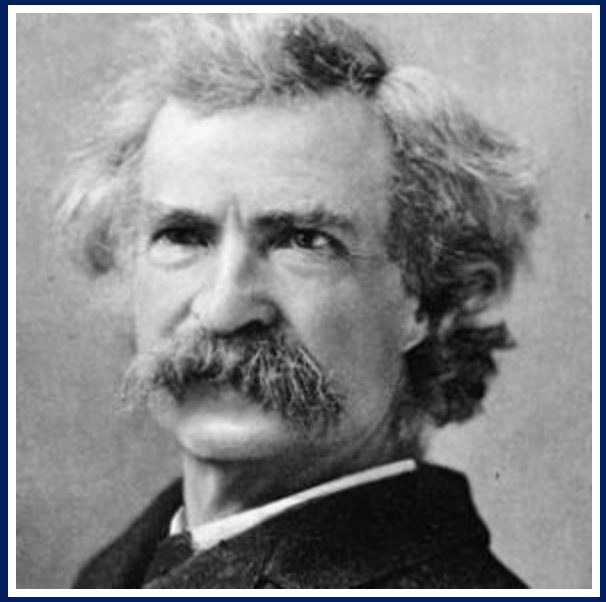

THE BATTLE OF
GOG & MAGOG
Ezekiel 38:1-17
ROSH
Russia
MAGOG
Central Asia:
Kazakhstan
Uzbekistan
Tajikistan
Kyrgyzstan
Turkmenistan
Black Sea
Caspian Sea
MESHECH, TUBAL,
GOMER, TOGARMAH
Turkey
Greece
Mediterranean Sea
Syria
Iraq
PERSIA
Iran
ISRAEL
PUT
Libya
Egypt
Persian Gulf
Saudi Arabia
Red Sea
CUSH
Sudan
Niger
Chad
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"If the Arabs put down their weapons today, there would be no more violence. If the Jews put down their weapons today, there would be no more Israel. "

Benjamin Netanyahu



"... A desolate country whose soil is rich enough, but is given over wholly to weeds… a silent mournful expanse…. a desolation is here that not even imagination can grace with the pomp of life and action…. we never saw a human being on the whole route…. there was hardly a tree or shrub anywhere. Even the olive tree and the cactus, those fast friends of a worthless soil, had almost deserted the country."



Mark Twain, *The Innocents Abroad, Complete*, 1st ed. (A Public Domain Book, 1869), 267, 285, 302. These quotes can be found in chapters 47, 49, 52.

Why?

COUNTRY	GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT
Israel	$123 billion
Egypt	$81 billion
Syria	$26 billion
Lebanon	$21 billion
Jordan	$12 billion

Source: CIA World Fact Book, 2005

Conclusion

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