



# Rise of Empires and Prophets; Fall of Northern Kingdom

- 2 Kings 9-17
- 2 Chronicles 22-28
- Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Micah

*Jehu  
of  
Israel*



Other translations: “like a maniac”, “madman”,

PENNSYLVANIA

JEHU

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# Jehu

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- Elisha selected
- Outsider who sought reform
- Rough around the edges
- Fighter, alpha male
- Defeated Jezebel and killed all Ahab's family
- Zeal without submission
- Best of the northern kings
- Did not finish well (idolatry)

# Joash and Jehoiada

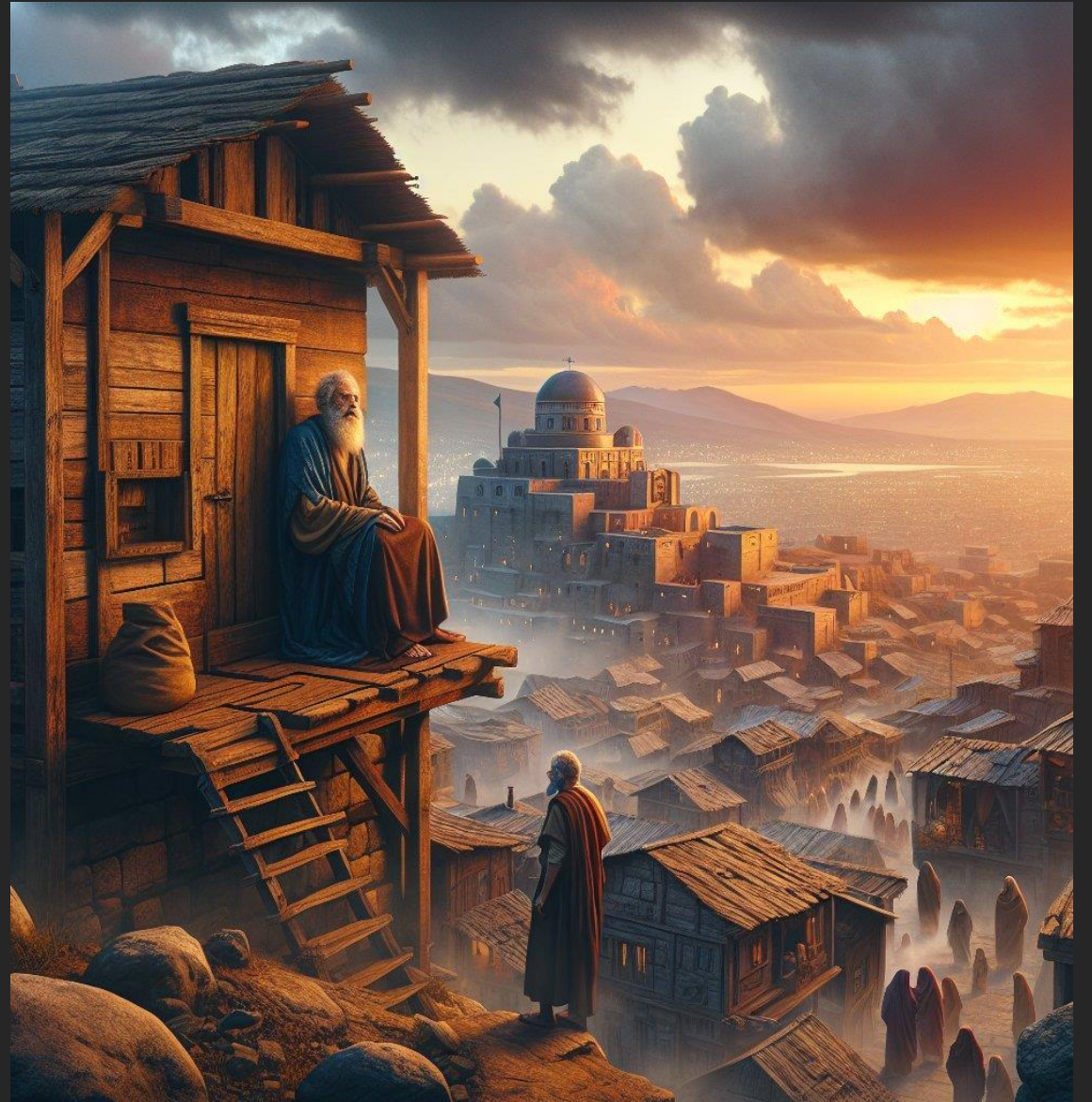
2 Chronicles 24:17 After the death of Jehoiada, the officials of Judah came and paid homage to the king, and he listened to them. <sup>18</sup> They abandoned the temple of the LORD, the God of their ancestors, and worshiped Asherah poles and idols. Because of their guilt, God's anger came on Judah and Jerusalem. <sup>19</sup> Although the LORD sent prophets to the people to bring them back to him, and though they testified against them, they would not listen.

<sup>20</sup> Then the Spirit of God came on Zechariah son of Jehoiada the priest. He stood before the people and said, "This is what God says: 'Why do you disobey the LORD's commands? You will not prosper. Because you have forsaken the LORD, he has forsaken you.'"





Uzziah (*aka Azariah*)



# Kings of Israel & Judah

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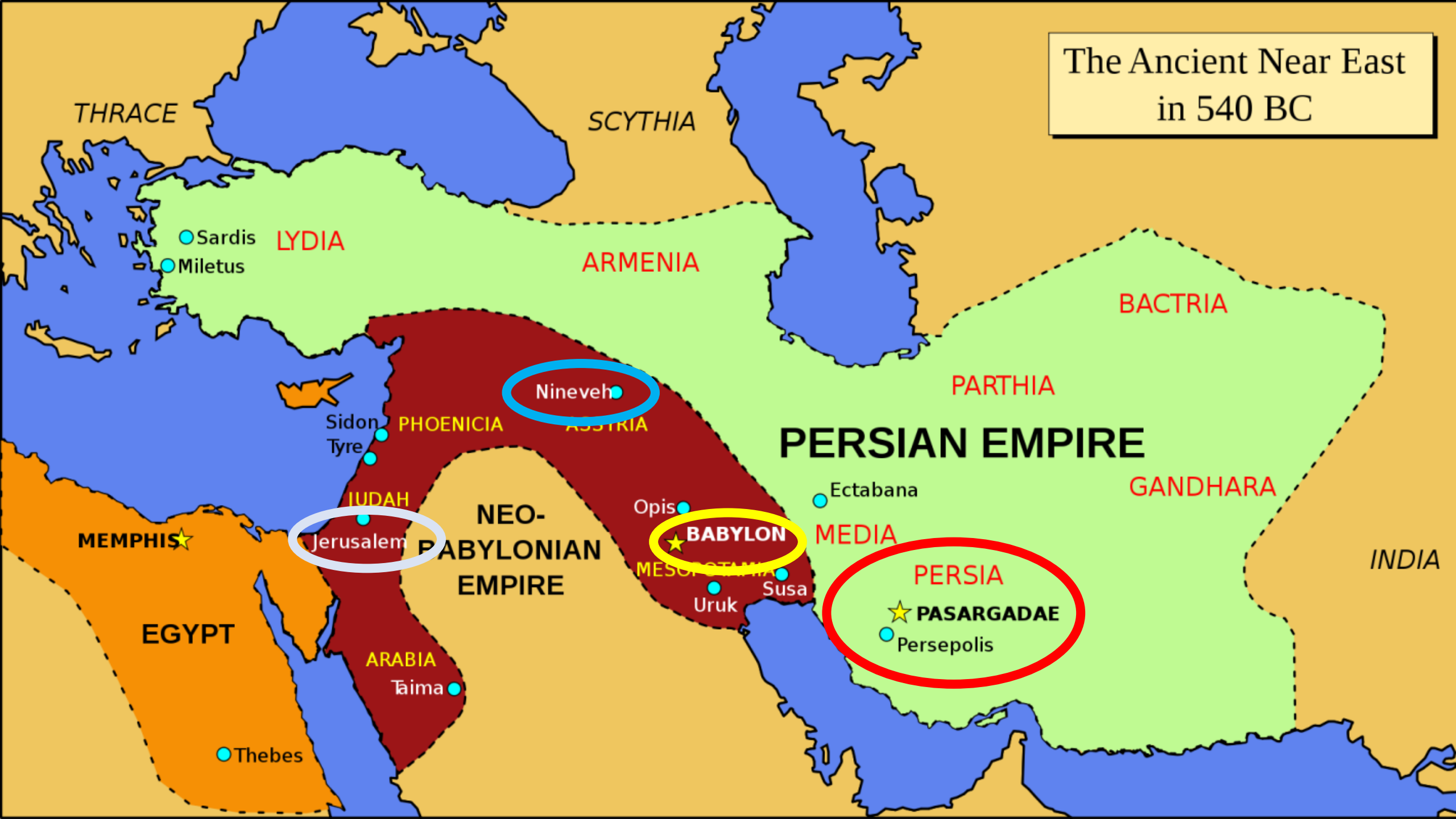
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The Ancient Near East  
in 540 BC



THRACE

SCYTHIA

Sardis  
Miletus

LYDIA

ARMENIA

BACTRIA

PARTHIA

PERSIAN EMPIRE

GANDHARA

INDIA

Sidon  
Tyre

PHOENICIA

Nineveh

ASSYRIA

Ectabana

Opis

BABYLON

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NEO-BABYLONIAN EMPIRE

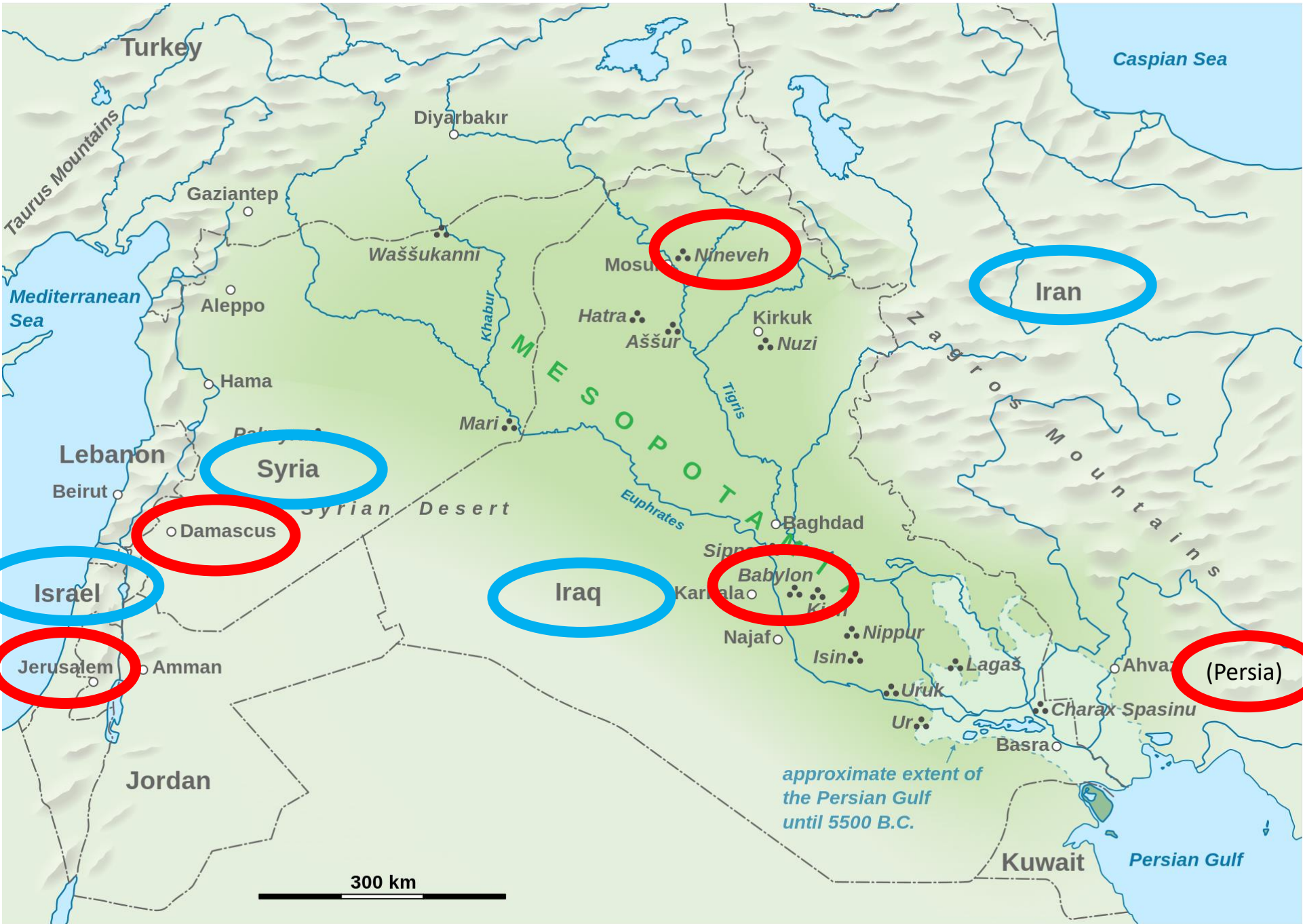
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Taima

EGYPT

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# Ancient Empires in Mesopotamia

Fertile Crescent / Cradle of Civilization

- Assyrian
- Babylonian
- Persian
- Greek
- Roman



The background of the image is a collage of four panels. The top-left panel shows a relief of a man in a long robe with his hands raised in a gesture of submission or prayer. The top-right panel is a relief depicting a scene of violence, with a figure being held or restrained. The bottom-left panel shows a relief of a man in a long robe, possibly a captive, being led. The bottom-right panel is a drawing of a man in a long robe being led by a soldier or captor. The text 'Assyrian Psychological Warfare' is overlaid in white on the top two panels.

# Assyrian Psychological Warfare

Impalement

Flaying alive

Amputations

Beheading

Blinding

Castration

Burning alive

# Jonah



**Tarshish**

**Nineveh**

**2500 miles**

**550 miles**

**Joppa**







The four last but not least, the related repentant but regentia people, and amongst themselves, but has more been seen in religious state to have killed the spirit of the world to be a man.





But it displeasēd Jonah exceedingly,  
and he was very angry.



# Amos

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- Shepherd from Judah sent to Israel
  - Primary themes are injustice, poverty, pride, complacency, and God's omnipotence and divine judgment.
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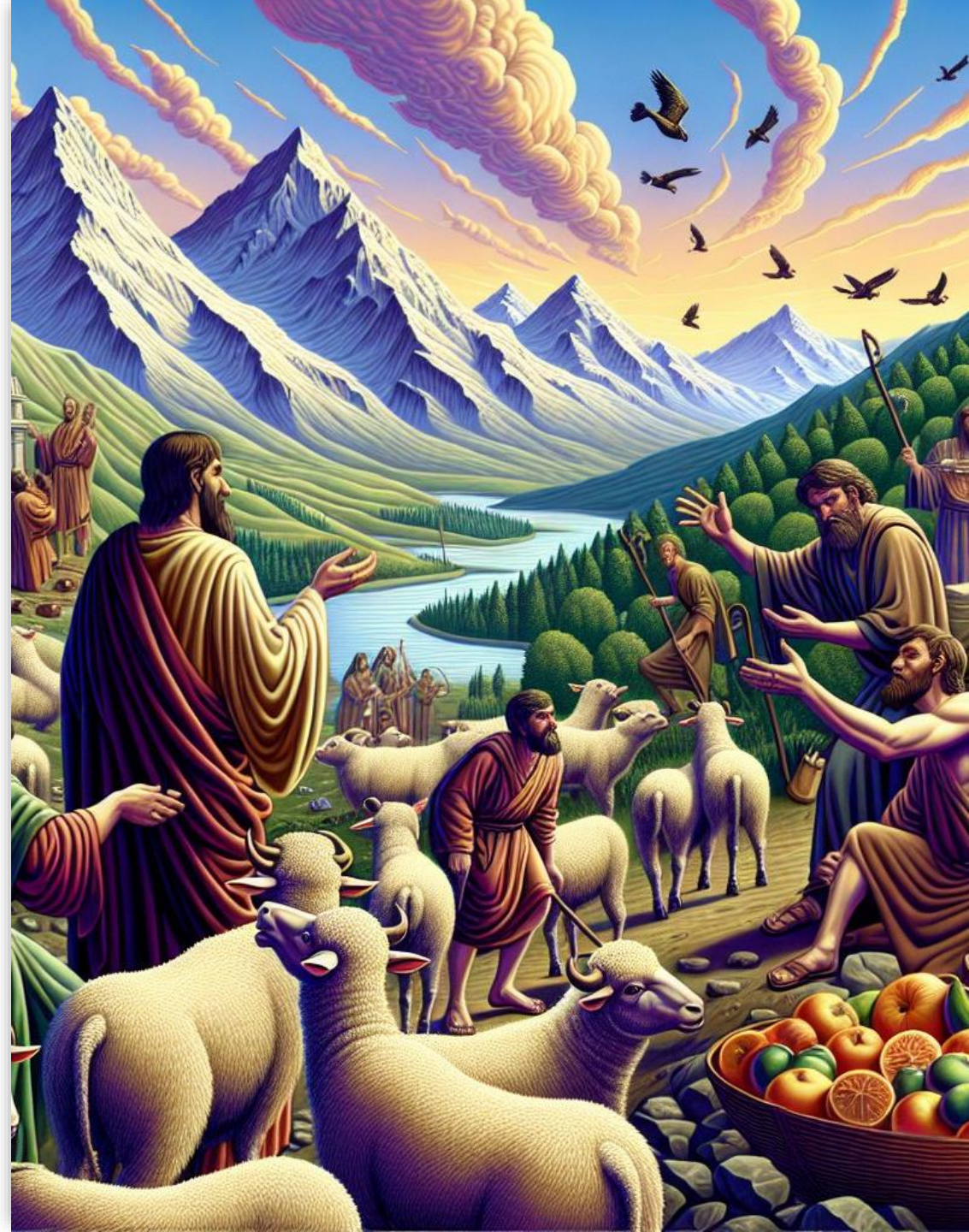


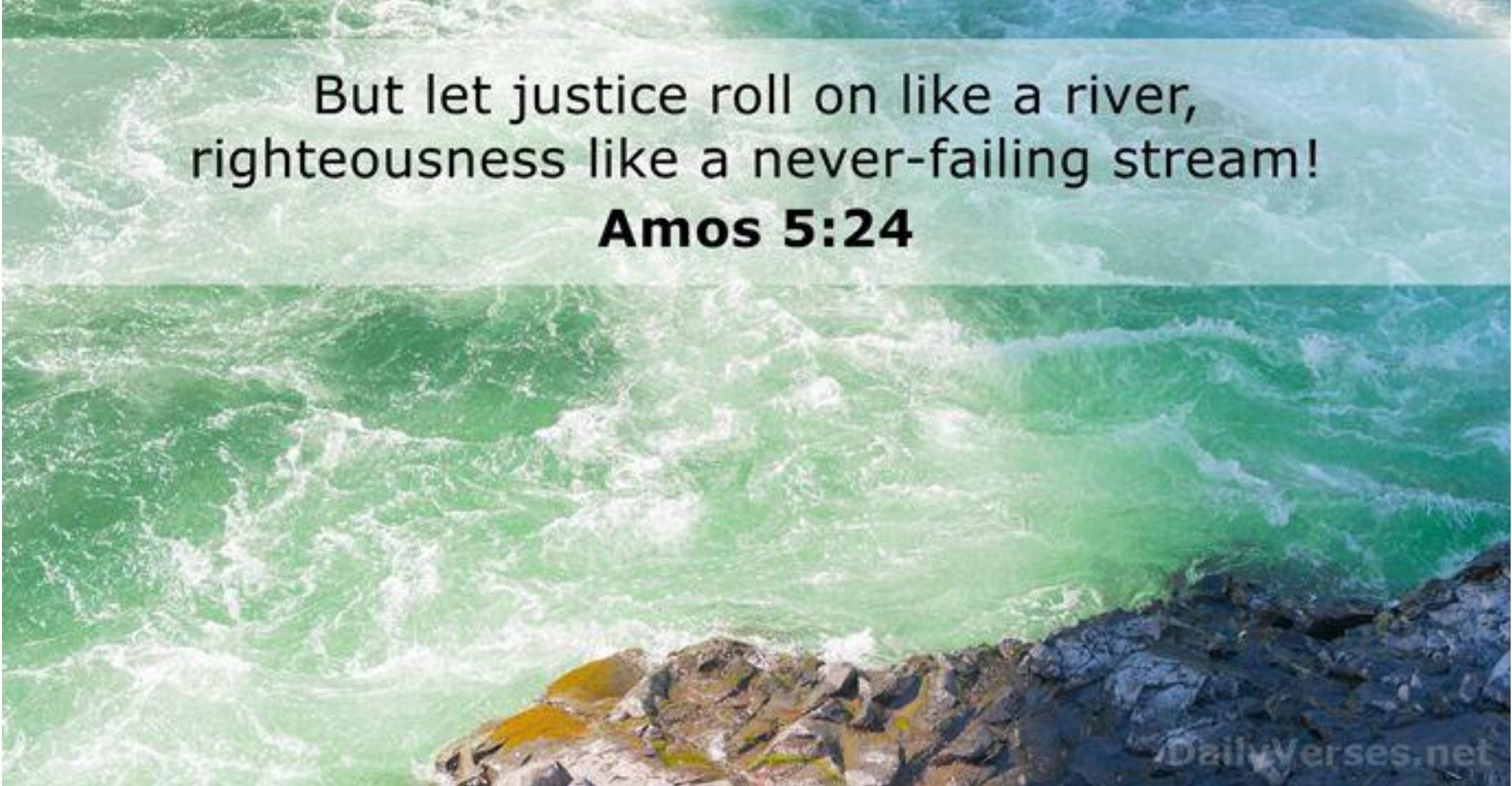
Amos 7:14 “I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. <sup>15</sup> But the LORD took me from tending the flock and said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

Amos 4:1 Hear this word, you cows of Bashan on Mount Samaria,  
you women who oppress the poor and crush the needy  
and say to your husbands, “Bring us some drinks!”

<sup>2</sup> The Sovereign LORD has sworn by his holiness:


“The time will surely come when you will be taken away with hooks, the last of you with fishhooks.





But let justice roll on like a river,  
righteousness like a never-failing stream!

**Amos 5:24**

A sunset scene with a bright sun in the sky, casting a warm glow over a mountain range. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a darker purple at the top. The mountains are silhouetted against the bright light of the setting sun.

Seek good, not evil, that you may live.  
Then the LORD God Almighty will be with you,  
just as you say he is.

**Amos 5:14**



# AMAZING LOVE

THE STORY OF HOSEA

# Isaiah

**6** In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. <sup>3</sup> And they were calling to one another:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.”





Isaiah 40:3 A voice of one calling:

“In the wilderness prepare  
the way for the LORD;  
make straight in the desert  
a highway for our God.

<sup>4</sup> Every valley shall be raised up,  
every mountain and hill made low;  
the rough ground shall become level,  
the rugged places a plain.

<sup>5</sup> And the glory of the LORD will be  
revealed,  
and all people will see it together.  
For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

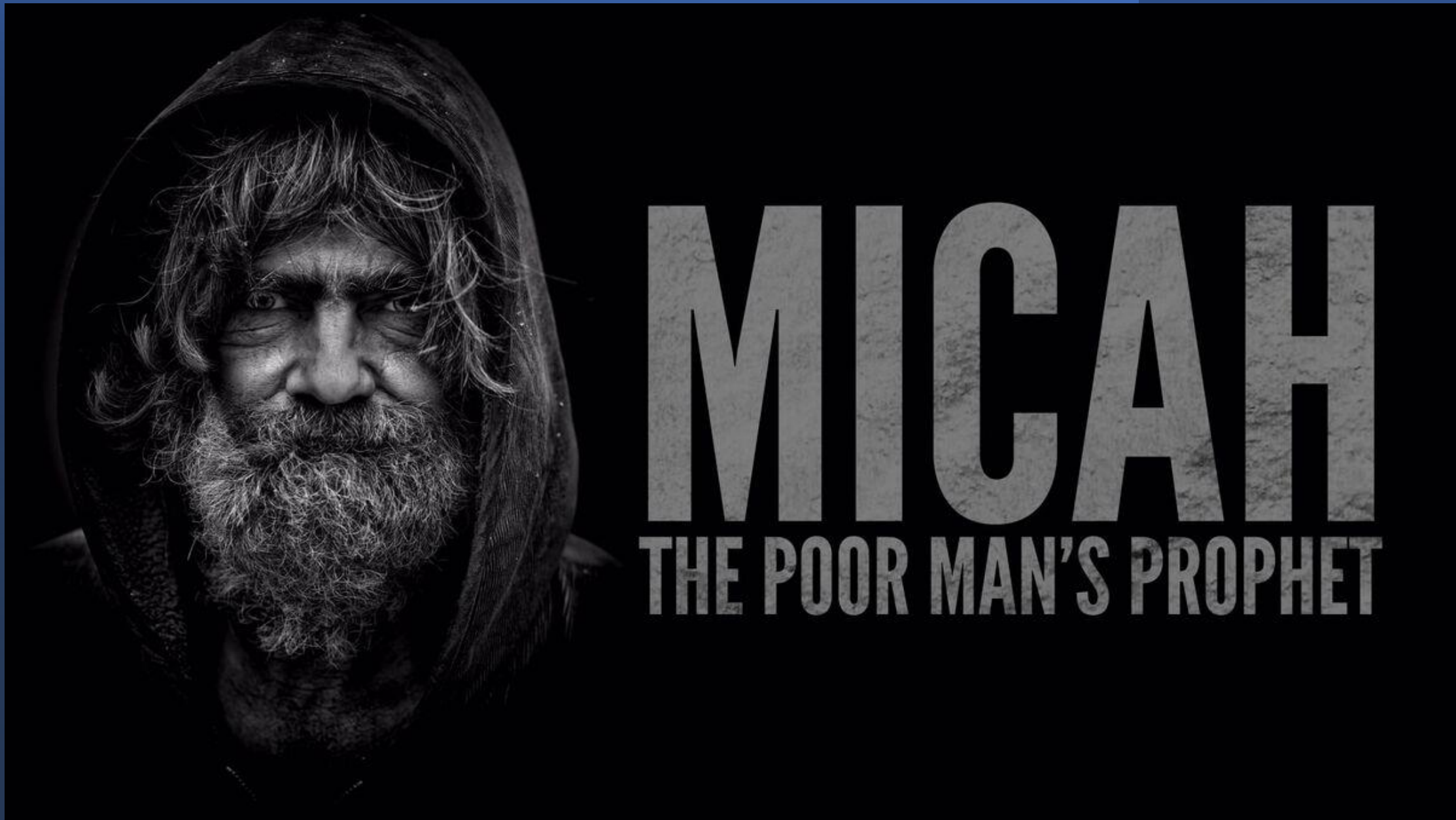




**53** Who has believed our message  
and to whom has the arm of  
the LORD been revealed?

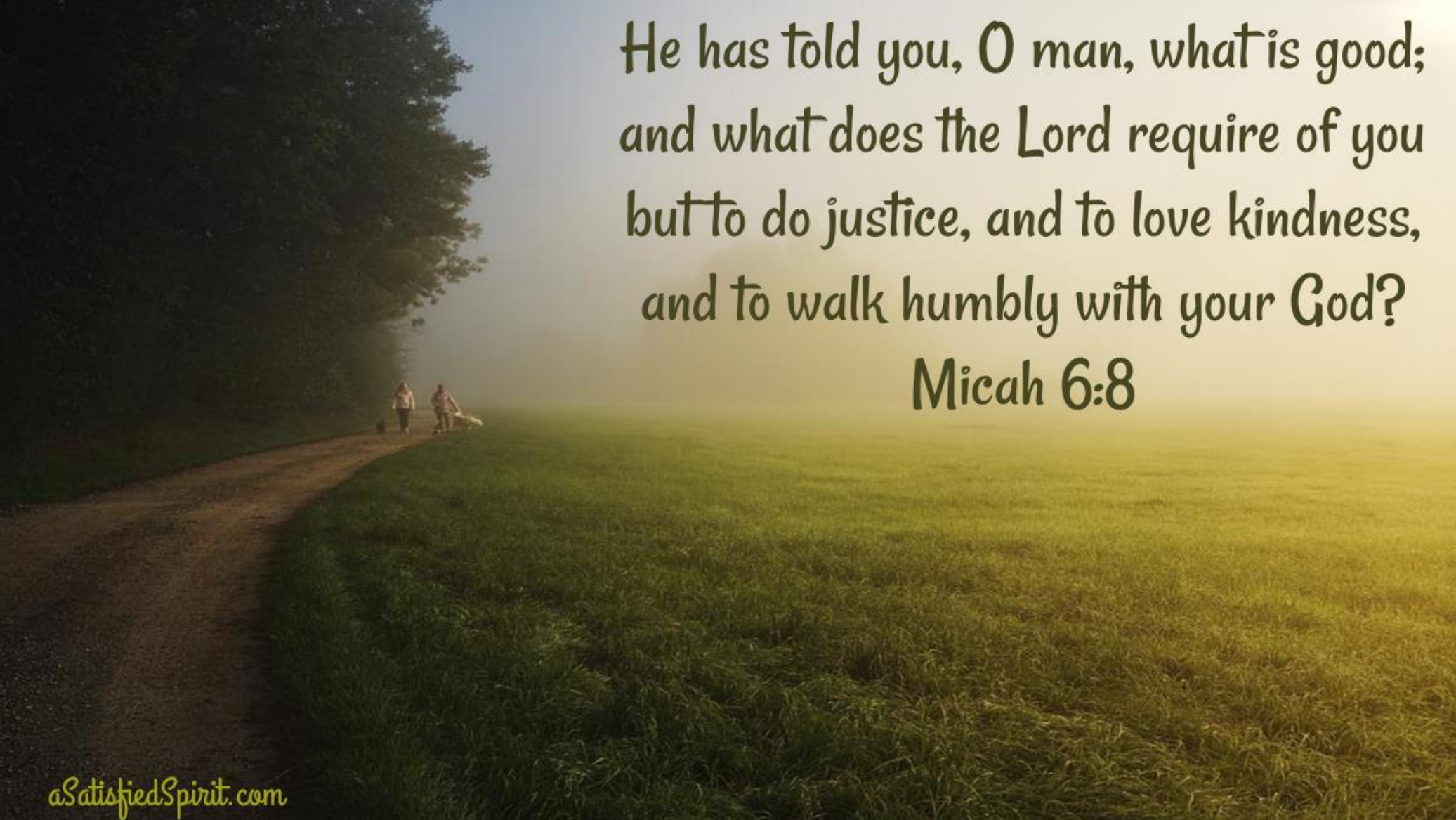
<sup>2</sup> He grew up before him like a tender  
shoot, and like a root out of dry  
ground. He had no beauty or majesty  
to attract us to him, nothing in his  
appearance that we should desire him.

<sup>3</sup> He was despised and rejected by  
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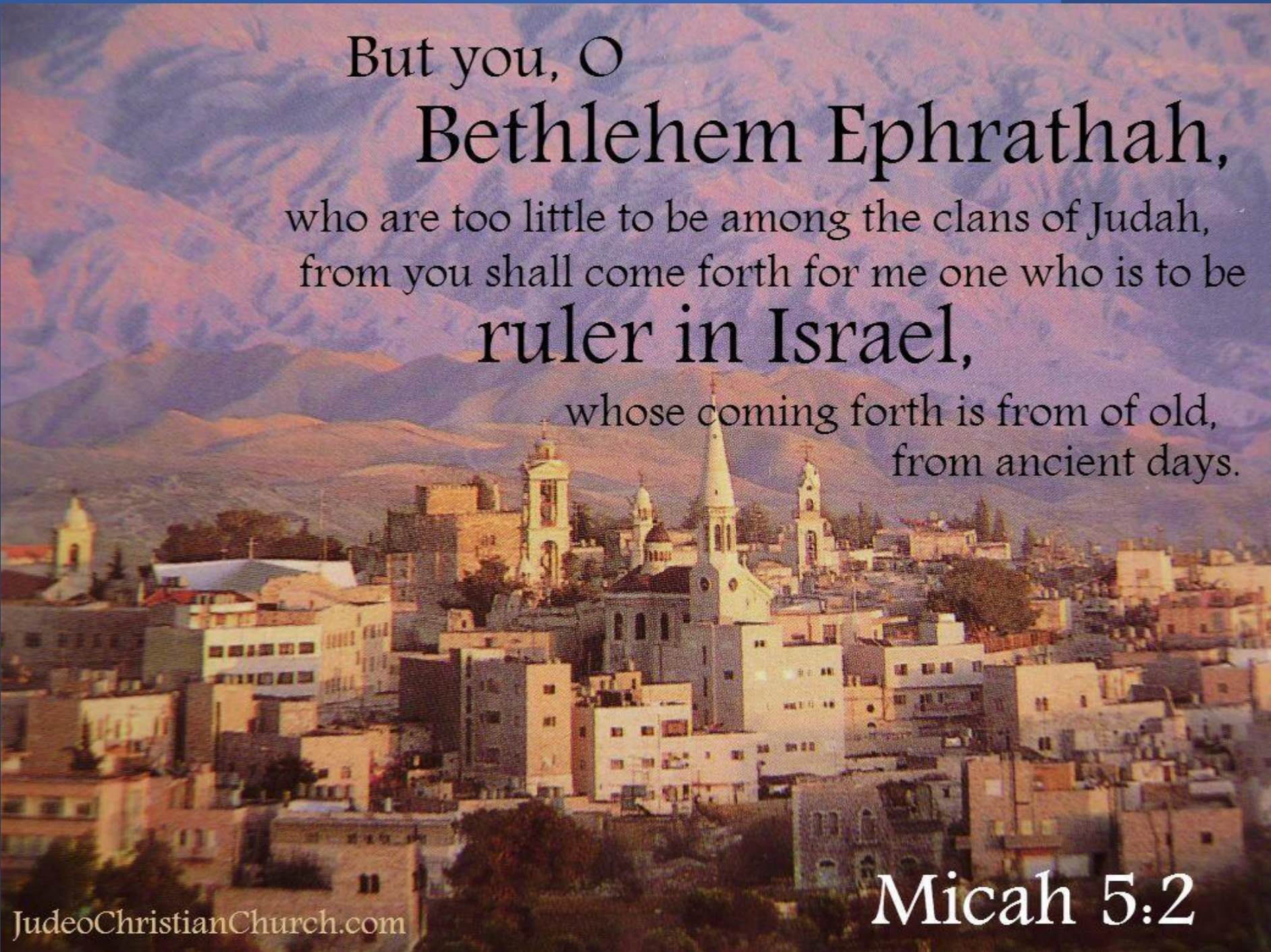
# MICAH

THE POOR MAN'S PROPHET

A scenic landscape featuring a dirt path on the left that curves into a vast, green grassy field. In the distance, two people are walking along the path. The sky is a soft, hazy yellow, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Micah 6:8



But you, O  
Bethlehem Ephrathah,  
who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me one who is to be  
ruler in Israel,  
whose coming forth is from of old,  
from ancient days.

# The Fall of Israel – 722 B.C.

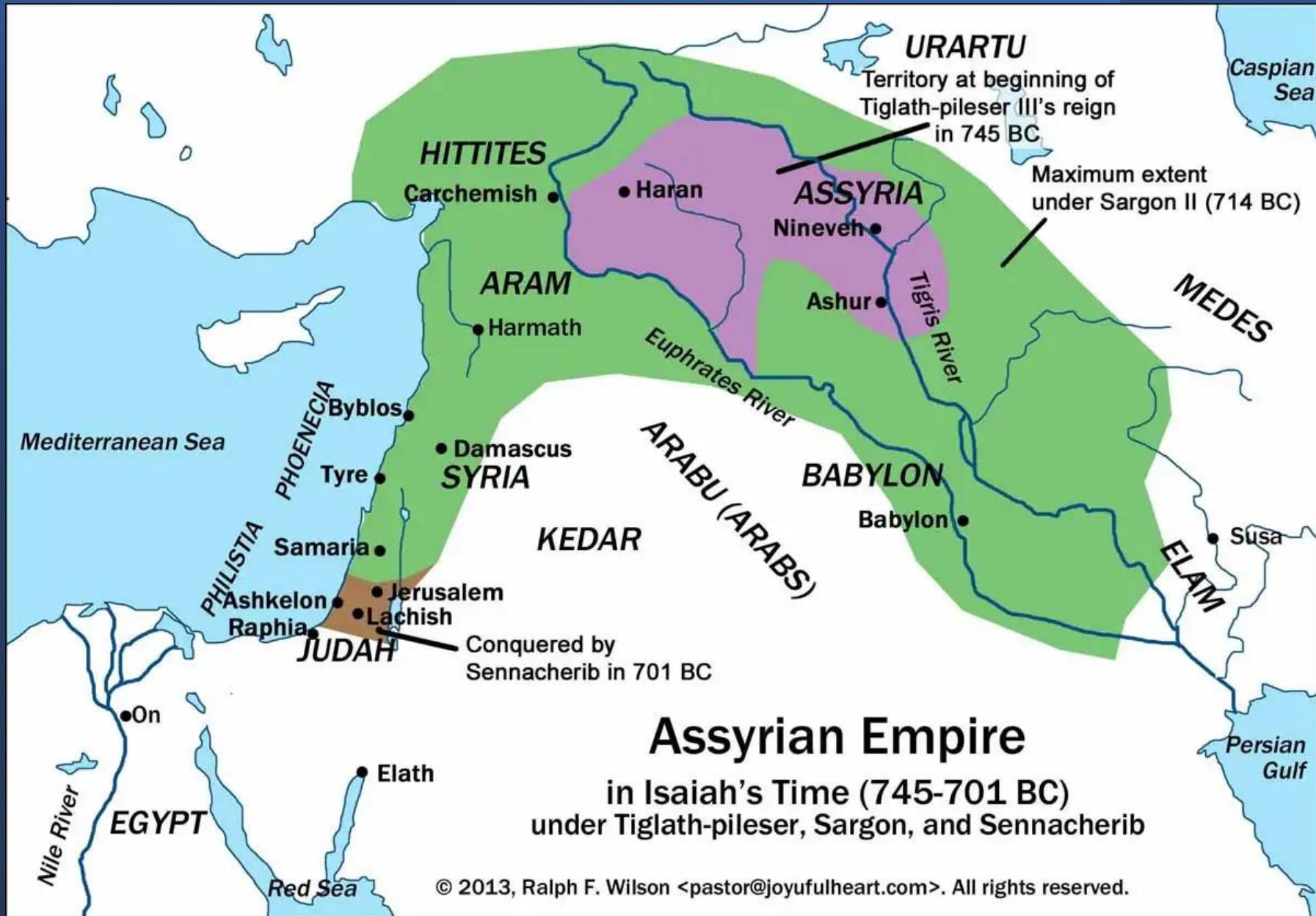


# Themes and Key Takeaways









# The Nation of Israel

## *Schedule*

1. Overview
2. Israel's Dark Ages: Judges
3. Lights Amid the Darkness: Ruth and Samuel
4. Beginnings of the Monarchy in Israel  
1 Sam 8-15
5. Prelude to the reign of David  
1 Sam 16 – 2 Sam 5
6. The reign of David  
2 Sam 6 - ; 1 Chronicles 28
7. The reign of Solomon  
1 Kings 3, 2 Chron 5, 1 Kings 8,11
8. The division of the kingdom and early ministry of Elijah  
1 Kings 12-18
9. The divided monarchy in the times of Elijah and Elisha  
1 Kings 21-22, 2 Kings 5-7
10. The divided monarch from Jehu to the fall of the northern kingdom  
2 Kings 9-17
11. The kingdom of Judah from Hezekiah to the fall of Jerusalem  
2 Chron 30, 2 Kings 19-34



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OLD TESTAMENT VOLUME TWO

## The History of Israel

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# Kings of Israel & Judah

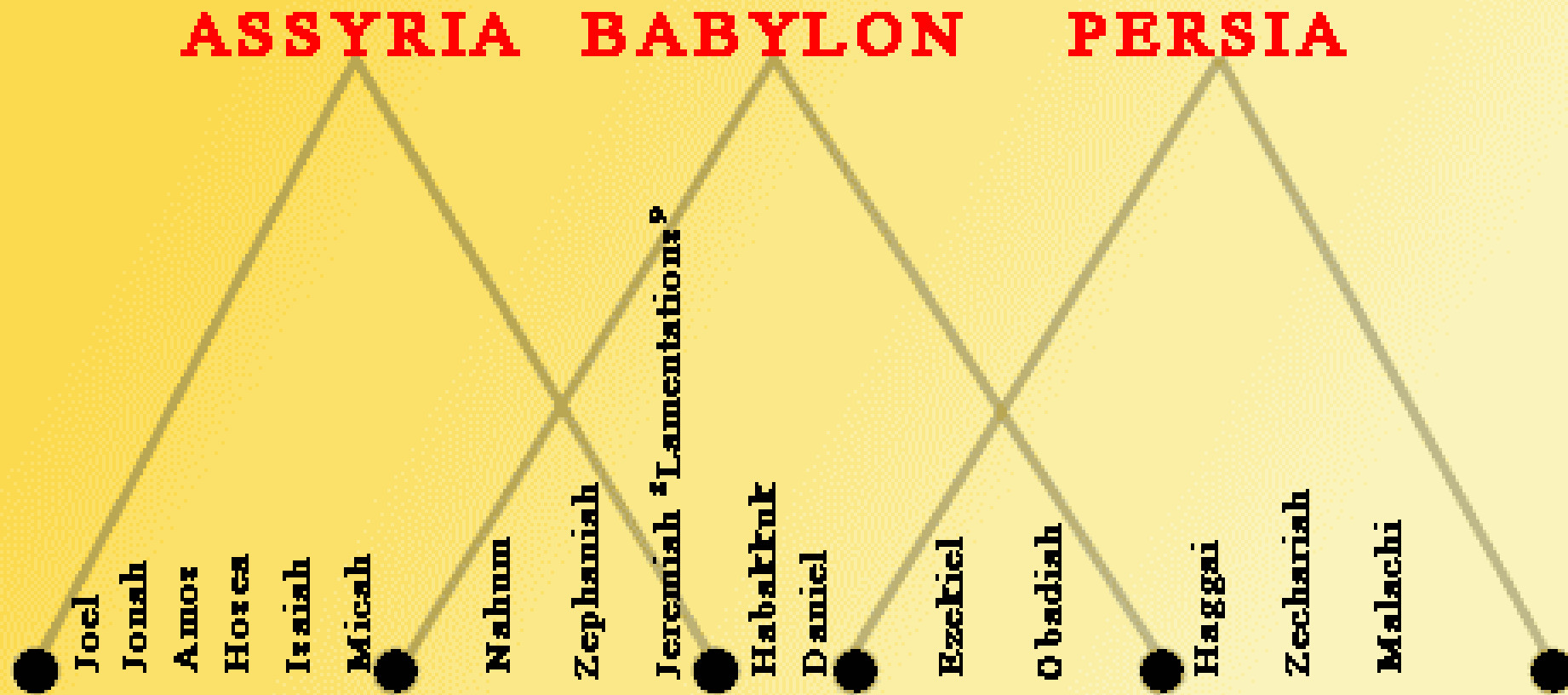
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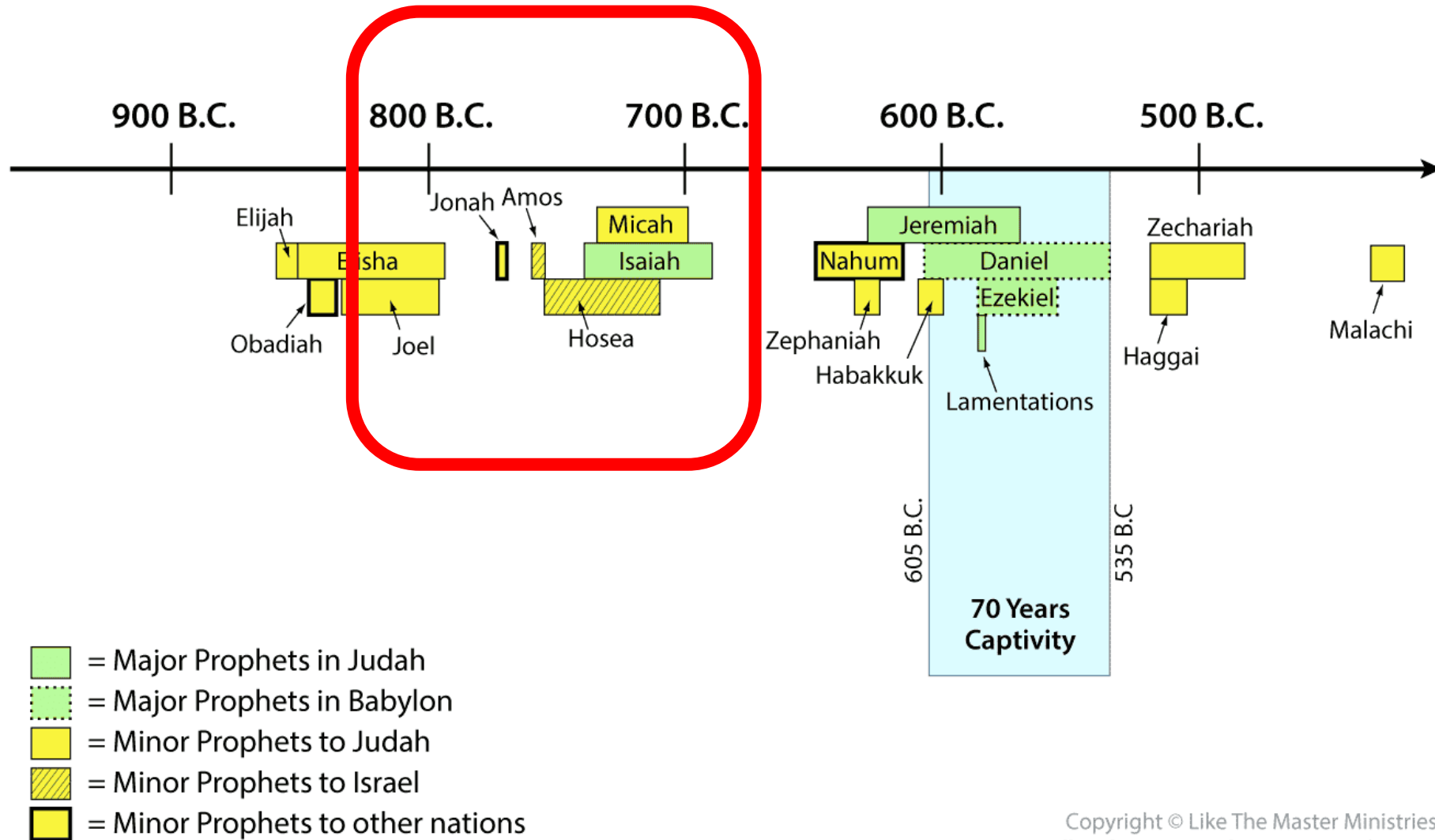
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**Old Testament Prophetic Books  
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THREE GREAT ENEMIES OF ISRAEL**

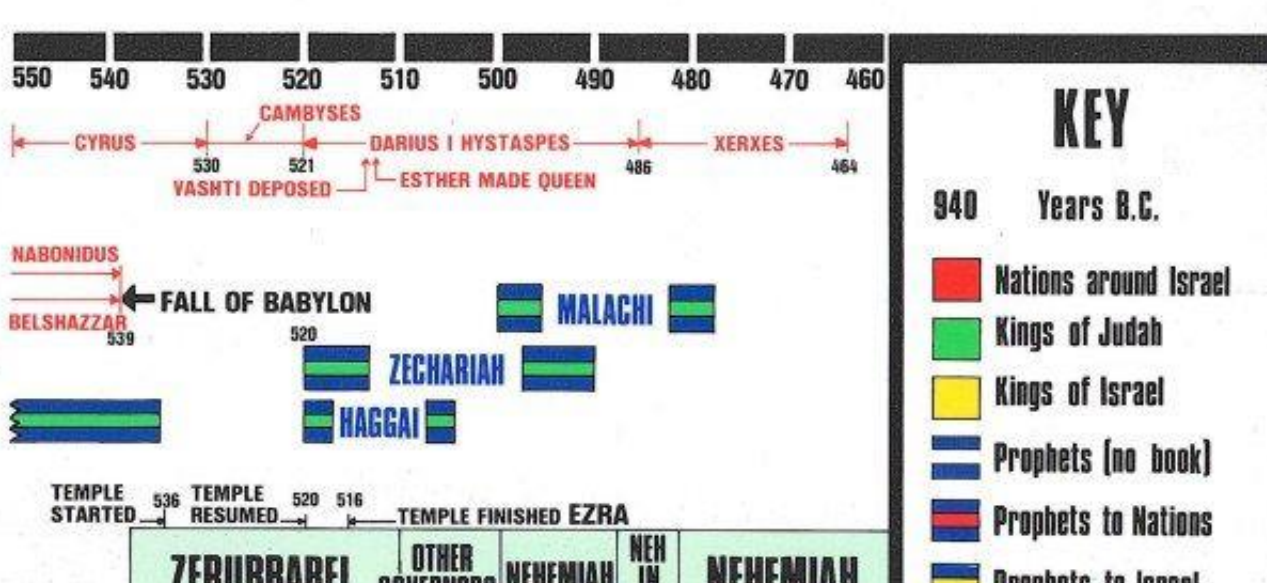
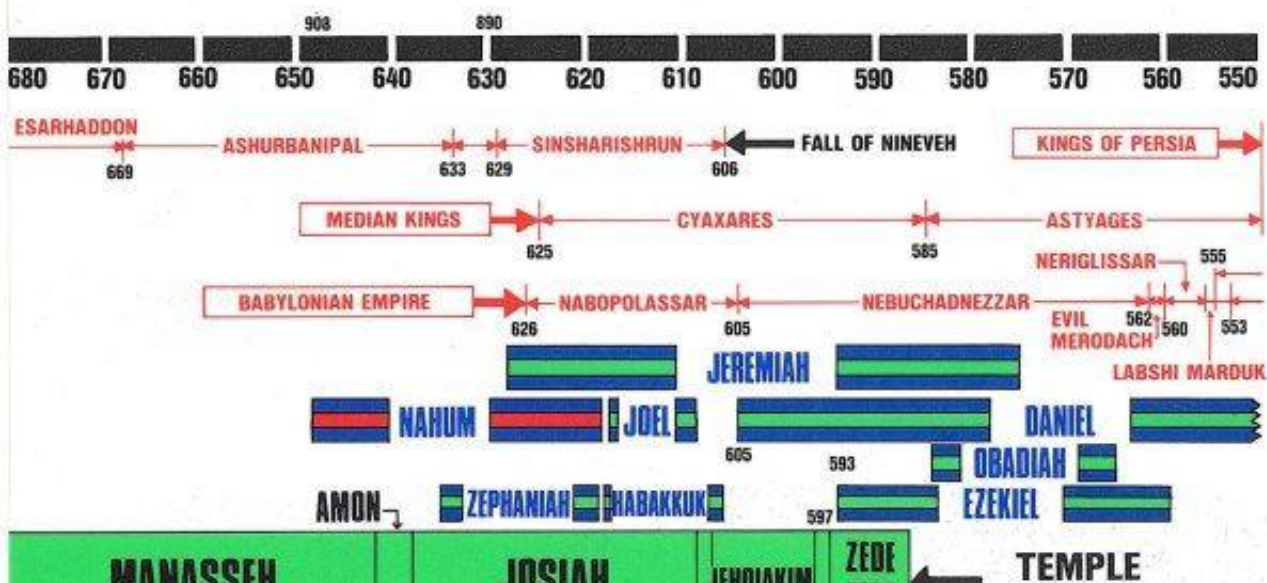
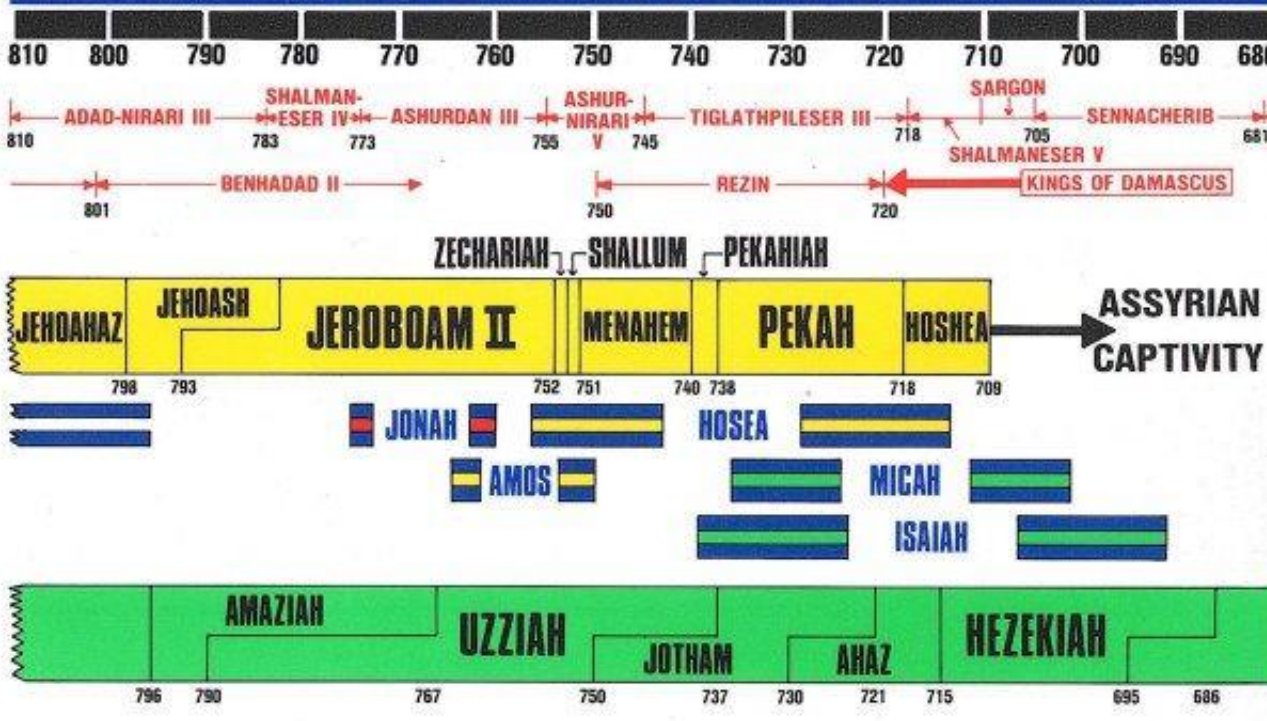
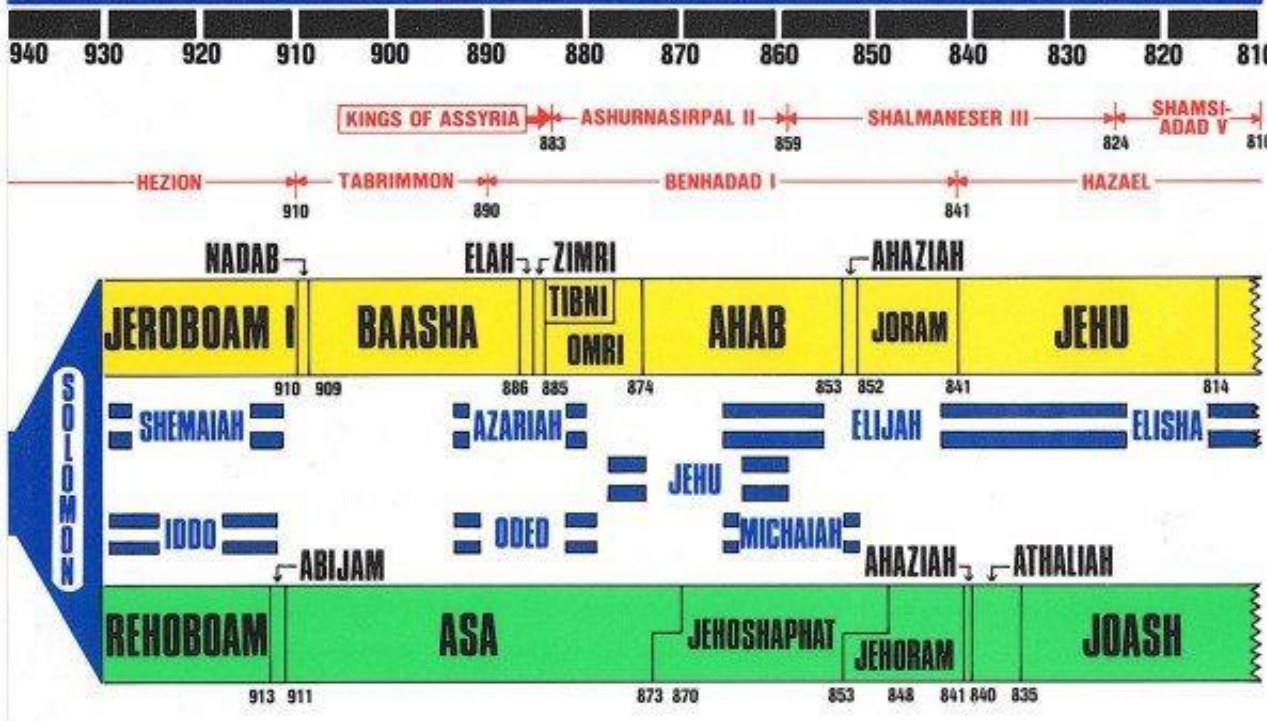


# Major and Minor Prophets



# THE KINGS AND PROPHETS

# OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH



## KEY

- 940 Years B.C.
- █ Nations around Israel
- █ Kings of Judah
- █ Kings of Israel
- █ Prophets (no book)
- █ Prophets to Nations
- █ Prophets to Israel

Joel



THE MINOR PROPHETS

# THE BOOK OF MICAH

WHO IS LIKE THE LORD?

