

# What is Daniel About?

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Daniel's vision of two empires.

Daniel's prayer and vision of Jerusalem.

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# Jeremiah

Age 20

Age 26

Age 39

609 BC

23 years

586 BC

## Josiah

Jehoahaz  
3 months

Jehoiakim  
11 years

Zedekiah  
11 years

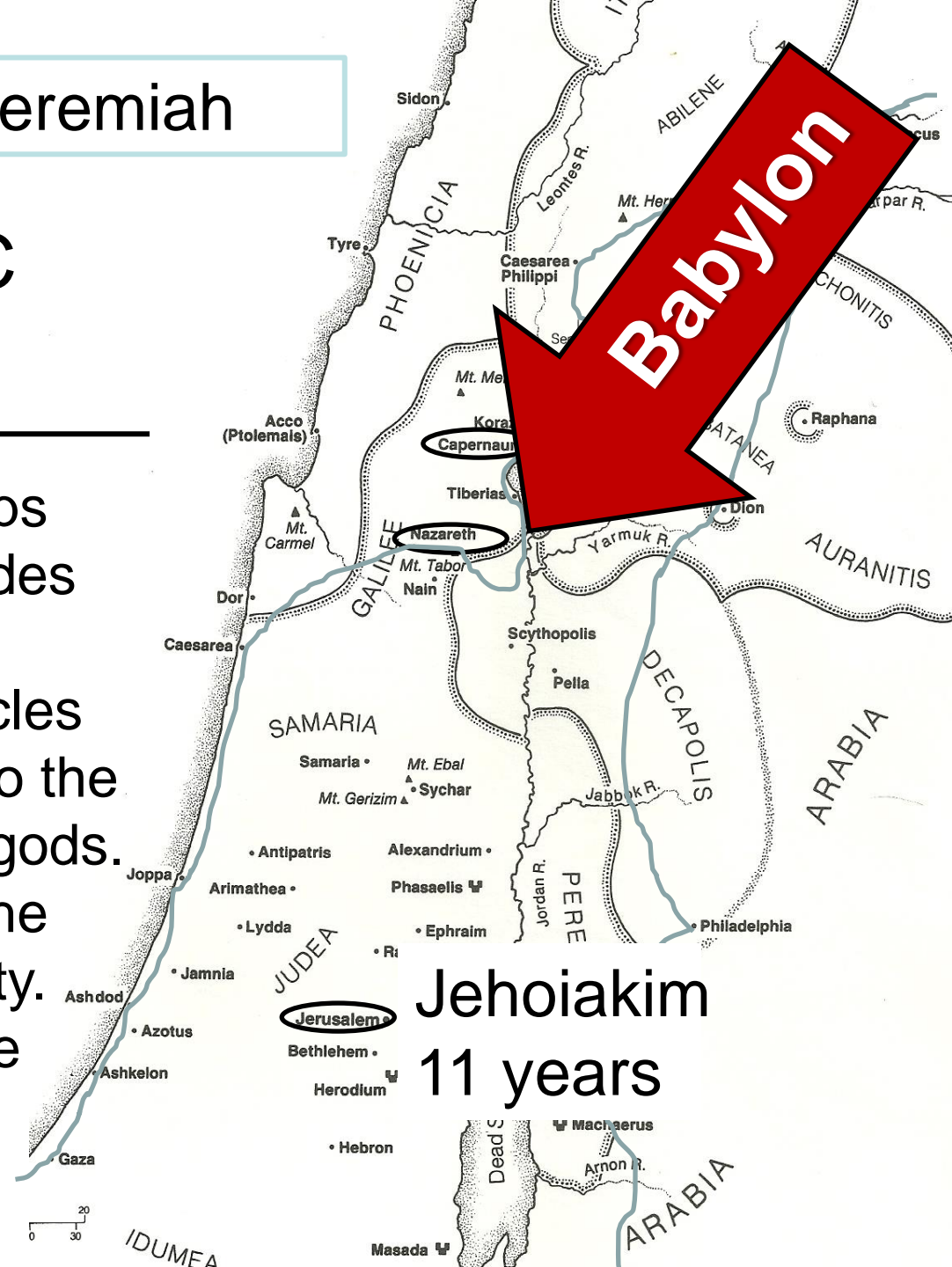
Jehoiachin  
3 months

# Jeremiah

605 BC

After 3 years, Jehoiakim stops paying tribute. Babylon invades Jerusalem for the first time.

- He takes some of the articles of God's Temple to put into the temple of his Babylonian gods.
- He takes the youth from the royal family and the nobility. DANIEL and his 3 friends are taken at this time.



Jehoiakim  
11 years

# Jeremiah

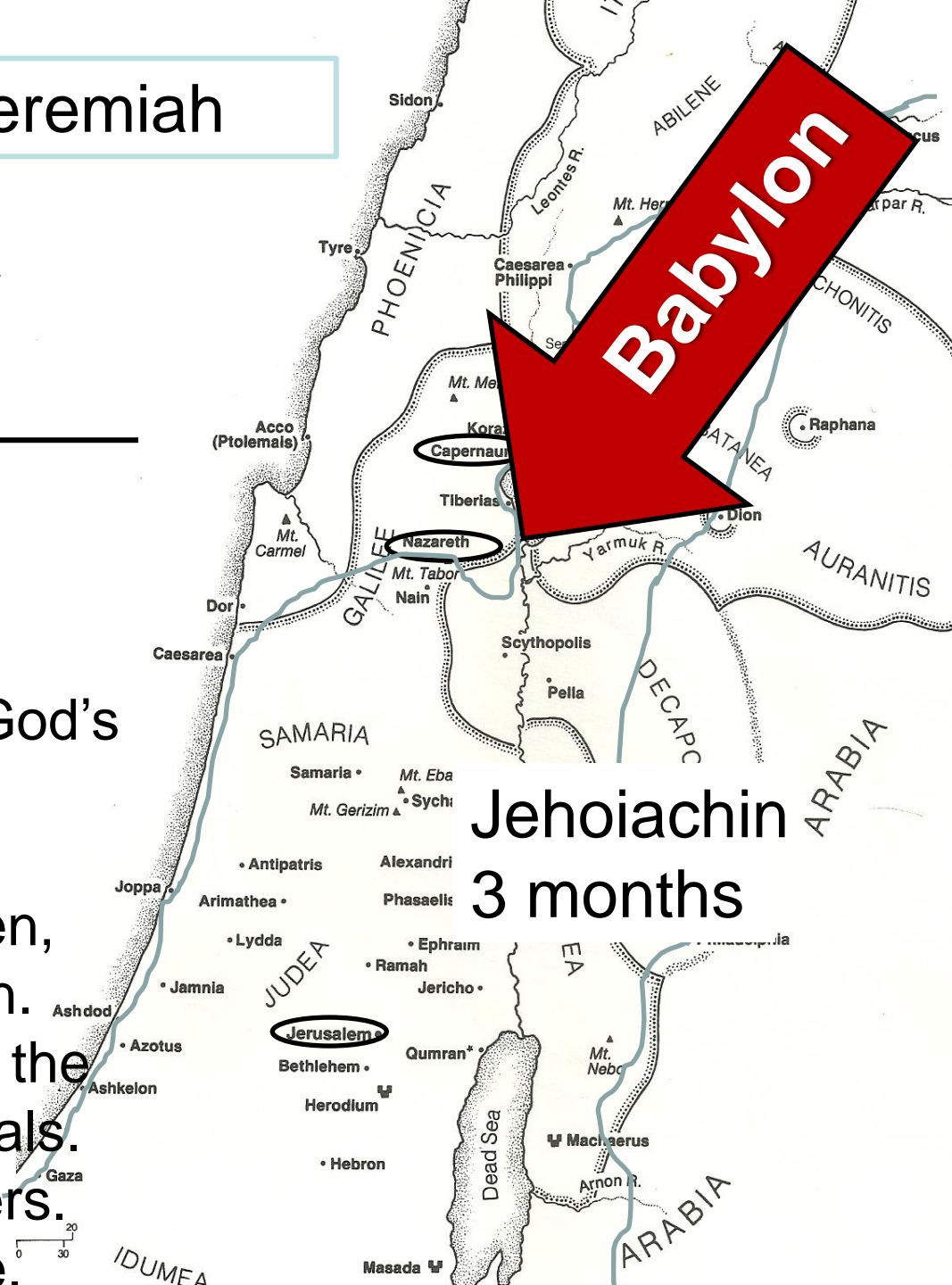
597 BC

About 7 years later..

Nebuchadnezzar returns to Jerusalem and Jehoiachin SURRENDERS to him.

- N. takes the treasures of God's Temple and of the king's palace.
- He takes all the mighty men, 10,000 captives, craftsmen.
- He takes King Jehoiachin, the king's mother, wives, officials.
- He takes 7,000 elite soldiers.

EZEKIEL is taken at this time.



Jehoiachin  
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- Is the theme of Daniel the failure, sin, and punishment of Israel? Which prophet talks about that?
- Is it a biography of Daniel? No.
- Is it telling us what is going on in Heaven? Which prophet sees that?

What is it about?

Kingdoms. It has to do with Nations. These are POLITICAL issues, not SPIRITUAL issues.

What kind of nations? Unbelieving nations

**Daniel is the only one that talks about Unbelieving “World” (Empire) Politics.**

There was a great change in the political situation—you had had a theocracy, and now there is a new era.

Ezekiel is what had happened spiritually—God’s presence had left.

Daniel is perfect person for this because he is a statesmen. He is working among a **GENTILE power**.

*(Mr. Buck Hatch Daniel-Revelation course)*

# *Intertestamental Times*

Babylon:

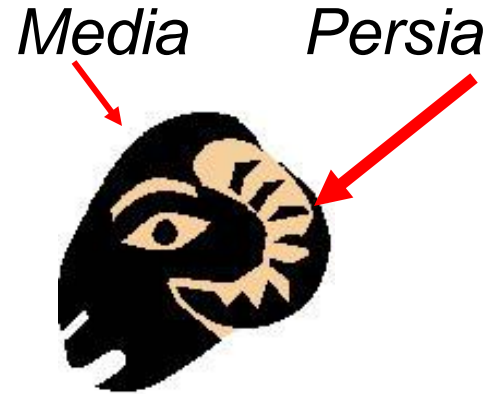
- No more idols
- Sabbath observance
- Temple destroyed—synagogues
- Focus on being “different”

Daniel 8 c. 540 B.C.



*Alexander the Great  
(323 B.C.)*

- Hellenized the world
- Common language
- Greek gods/philosophy
- Alexandria
- Septuagint (OT)



- Jews allowed to return to Jerusalem
- Rebuild temple
- Esther Queen
- Rebuild walls of Jerusalem





*Seleucids (Syria)*  
*Ptolomies (Egypt)*

*Antiochus IV (175 B.C.)*  
*The Abomination that*  
*makes Desolate*



*Matthias (167 B.C.) revolts.*  
*Judas Maccabeus, his son,*  
*takes over.*



*Pompey (63 B.C.)*  
*Captures*  
*Jerusalem and*  
*desecrates*  
*Temple*

*December 25—cleanses*  
*Temple: Hanukkah*

