



Daniel the man who...



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knew protection!

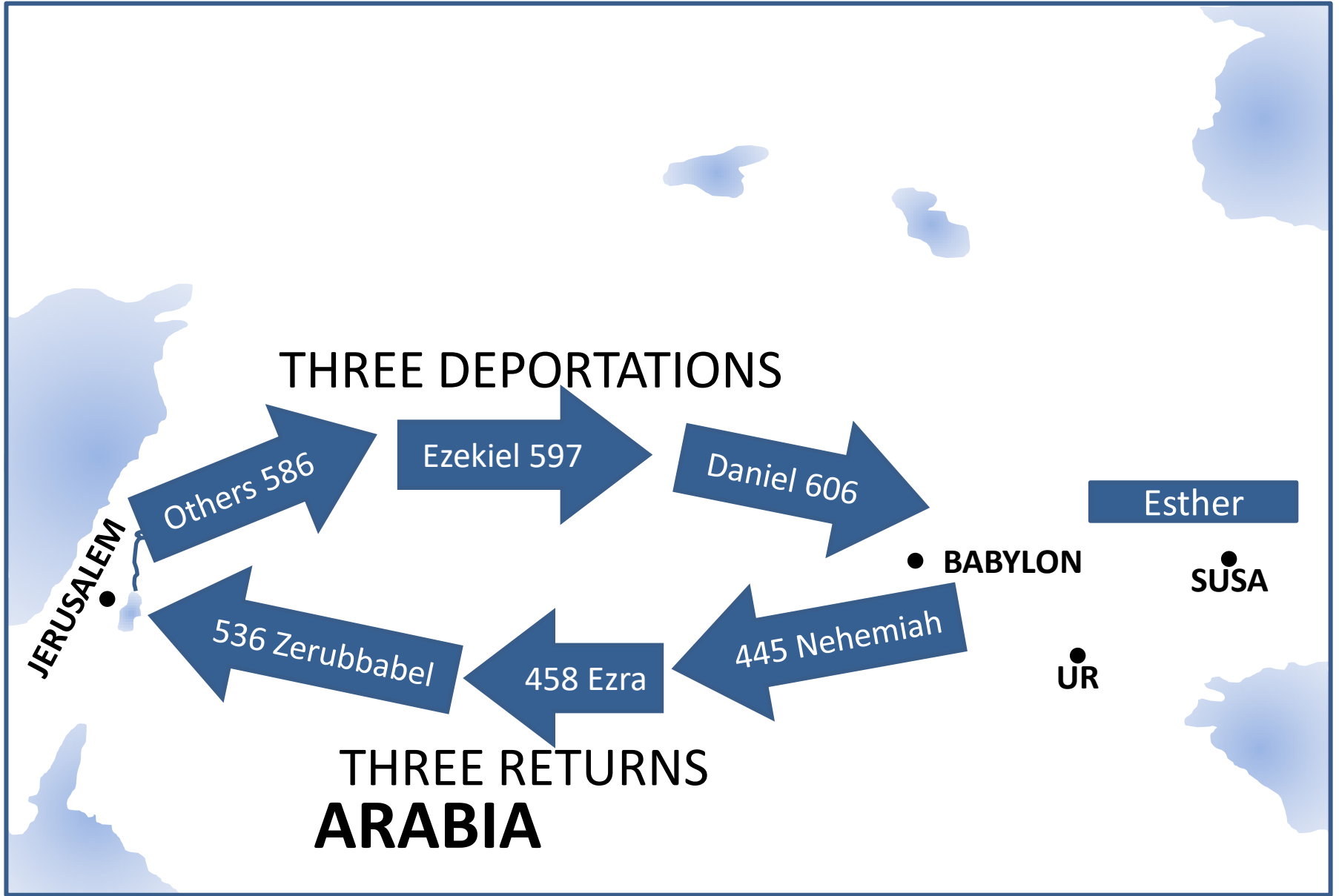


Exiles taken from Judah to Babylon (597 & 586 BC)



THE BABYLONIAN EMPIRE c. 600 BC

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KEY DATES

606 B.C. – First Deportation. Daniel and other youths taken to Babylon.

597 B.C. – Second Deportation. 10,000 taken, including Ezekiel.

586 B.C. – Destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple. Final deportation.

539 B.C. – Fall of Babylon to the Persians.

536 B.C. – Cyrus allows Jews to return to Jerusalem.

Zerubbabel leads about 50,000 exiles back to Jerusalem.

516 B.C. – Temple is rebuilt under urging of Haggai and Zechariah.

486-465 B.C. – Events in Persia recorded in book of Esther.

458 B.C. – Ezra and a few others return to Jerusalem.

445 B.C. – Nehemiah returns to Jerusalem; city walls rebuilt.

Overview pt 1

Ch1 - Nebuchadnezzar King - Daniel in training

**Ch2 - Nebuchadnezzar King - Nebuchadnezzar's first dream
- the large statue**

Ch3 - Nebuchadnezzar King - Image of Gold and the fiery furnace

Ch4 - Nebuchadnezzar King - Nebuchadnezzar's dream of a tree

Ch7 - First year Belshazzar - Daniel's vision of four beasts

Ch8 - Third year Belshazzar - Daniel's vision of a ram and a goat

Ch5 - Belshazzar's feast - Writing on the wall

Overview pt 2

Ch9 - First Year of Darius the Mede

- Daniel prays for his people and God's reply

Ch6 - Darius - Daniel in the Lions Den **BUT**

Ch10 - Third year of Cyrus King of Persia - Daniel's vision

Ch11 - Cyrus King - Daniel's vision

Ch12 - Cyrus King - Daniel's vision

The protected life Daniel

There are a number of times he knows God's protection

1. From the curse of eating the King's food.
2. Daniel ch2 vs 5 threat v 46 – 48 the answer
3. His friends from the fiery furnace
4. Daniel from the mouth of the lions – ch6

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Ex34 v 15

Acts 15 v 29

Acts 21 v 25

1 Cor 8 v 1

1 Cor 8 v 24

1 Cor 8 v 7

Rev 2 v 14 & 20

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Ch3 v 1 - 30



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4. Daniel from the mouth of the lions – ch6

The order of the chapters are

1 – 4, 7, 8, 5, 9, **6**, 10 - 12



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4. Daniel from the mouth of the lions

BUT

It's not about the Lions!



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Impetuous King, manipulated by advisors to destroy a man of God.



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It's not about the Lions!

a) The envy of the Kings advisors

Ch 6 vs 3 – 5

⁵ Then these men said, “We shall not find any charge against this Daniel unless we find *it* against him concerning the law of his God.”



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It's not about the Lions!

- a) The envy of the Kings advisors
- b) The folly of the King

Ch 6 vs 6 – 9 – edict written

v10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went home. And in his upper room, **with his windows open toward Jerusalem**, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, **as was his custom since early days.**

Ch6 vs 12 – reminded the King
of his law



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It's not about the Lions!

- a) The envy of the Kings advisors
- b) The folly of the King
- c) The peril of Daniel

Ch6 vs 13 – “**That Daniel....**”



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It's not about the Lions!

- a) The envy of the Kings advisors
- b) The folly of the King
- c) The peril of Daniel
- d) The anguish of the King

ch6 vs 14 – 15

“set *his* heart on Daniel to deliver him”



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It's not about the Lions!

- a) The envy of the Kings advisors
- b) The folly of the King
- c) The peril of Daniel
- d) The anguish of the King
- e) The deliverance of Daniel

Ch6 vs 19 - 23

v22 My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, **because I was found innocent before Him;** and also, **O king, I have done no wrong before you."**



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It's not about the Lions!

- a) The envy of the Kings advisors
- b) The folly of the King
- c) The peril of Daniel
- d) The anguish of the King
- e) The God's deliverance of Daniel
- f) God's judgement on the adversaries

Ch 6 vs 24



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v28 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

WHY?

v10 And in his upper room, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as was his custom since early days.

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Psalm 91

- ⁹ If you say, “The LORD is my refuge,”
and you make the Most High your dwelling,
¹⁰ no harm will overtake you,
no disaster will come near your tent.
- ¹¹ For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways;
- ¹⁴ “Because he loves me,” says the LORD, “I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.

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Daniel was a man... of

Prayer

and

Integrity

It's about the man

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4. Daniel from the mouth of the lions – ch6

²¹ Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever!

²² My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, **because I was found innocent before Him**; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you.”

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