



Old Testament Survey



The Fall of Israel: Nahum

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“Do theologians believe that God spoke through prophets in that manner only in that day?”



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“What is the reasoning for the views that these prophets had special knowledge that God no longer dispenses today?”



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“Is the idea that there was a greater need for the knowledge then and with the Bible now we don’t need such insight?”



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“Was the prophetic voice we read in the Old Testament the same idea or gift that the New Testament calls the gift of prophecy?”

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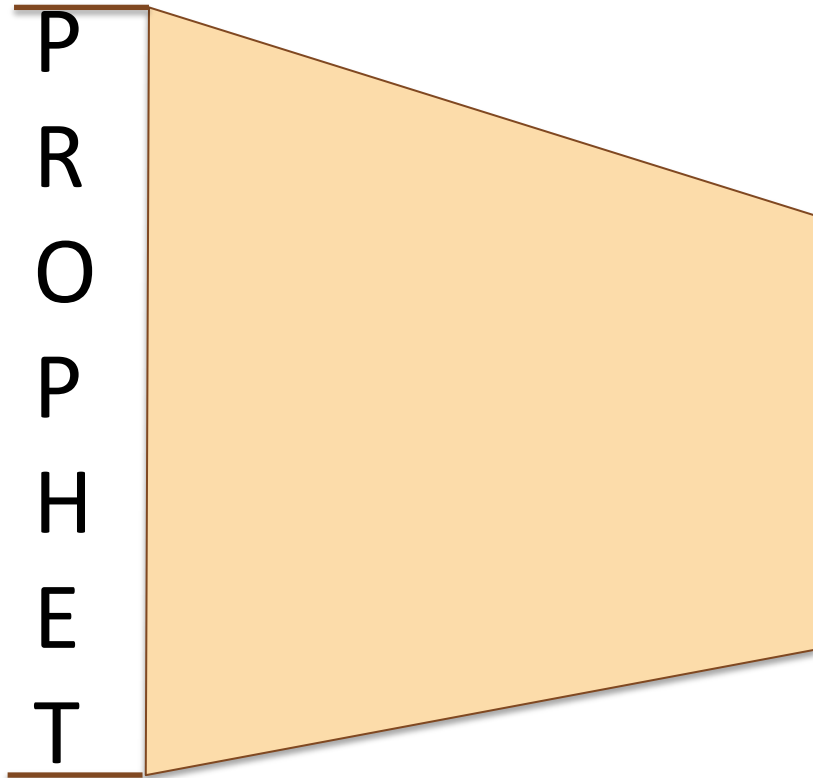
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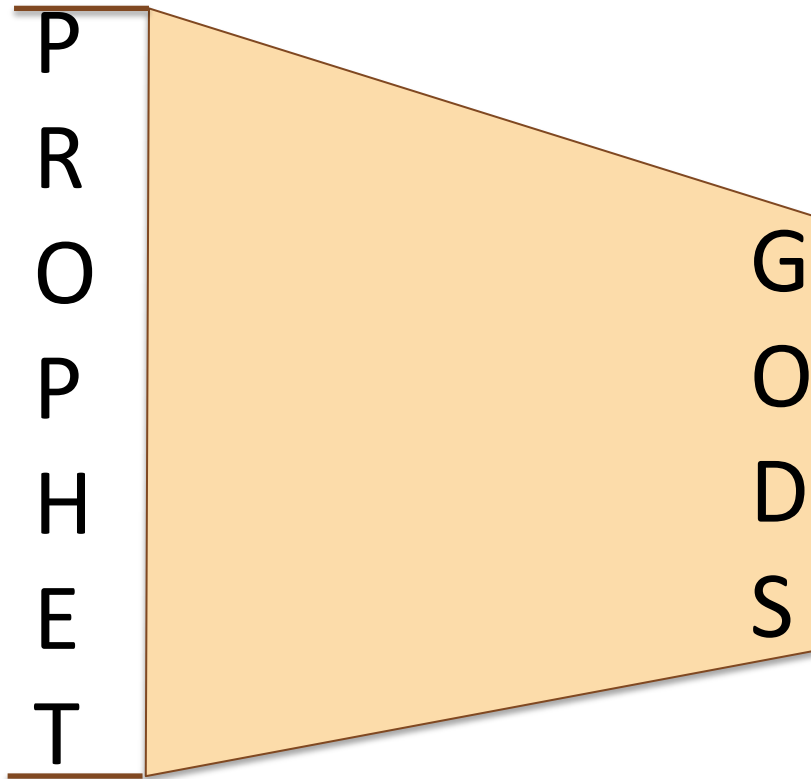
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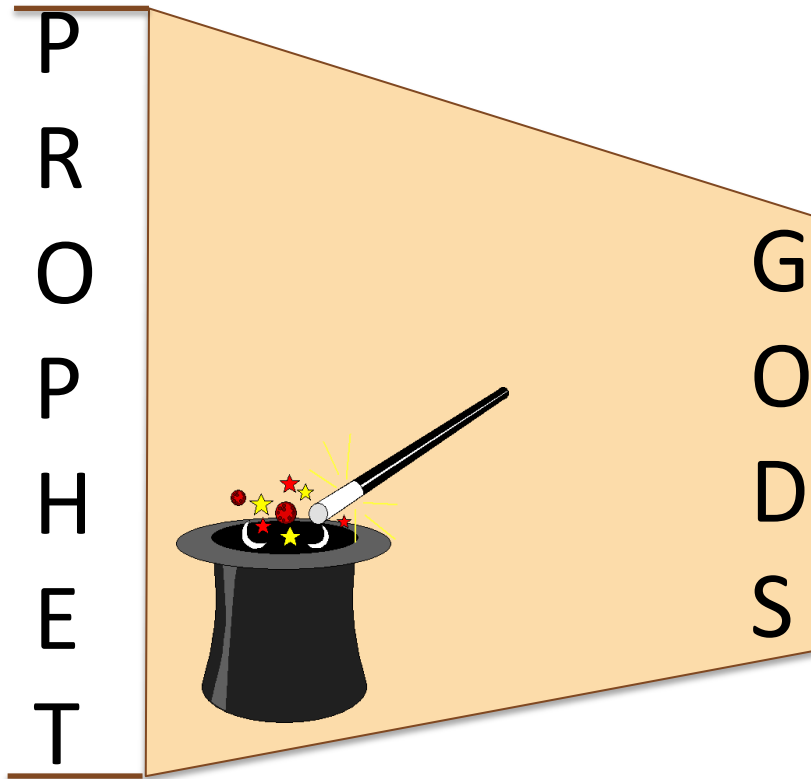
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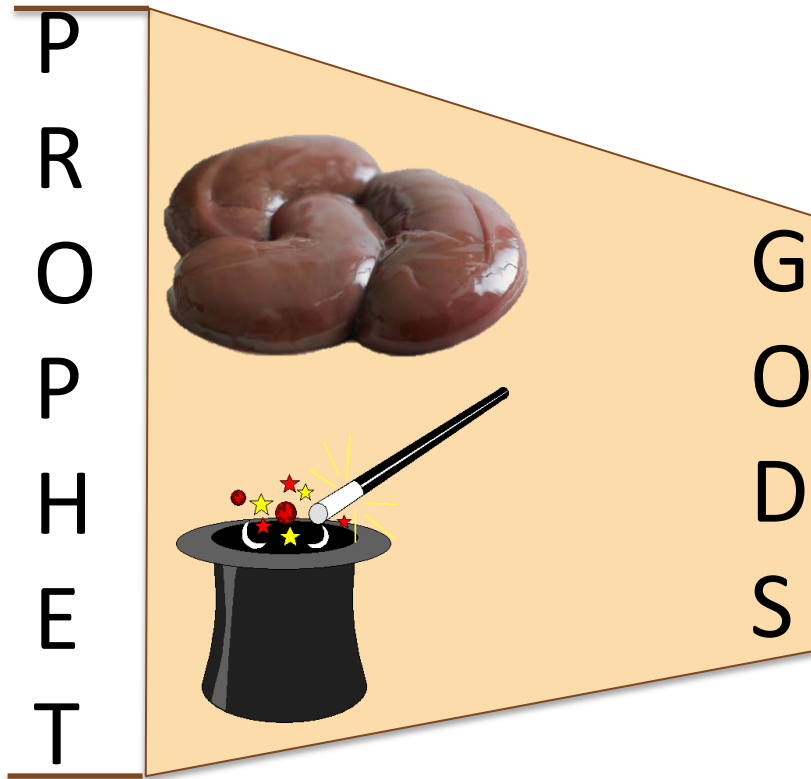
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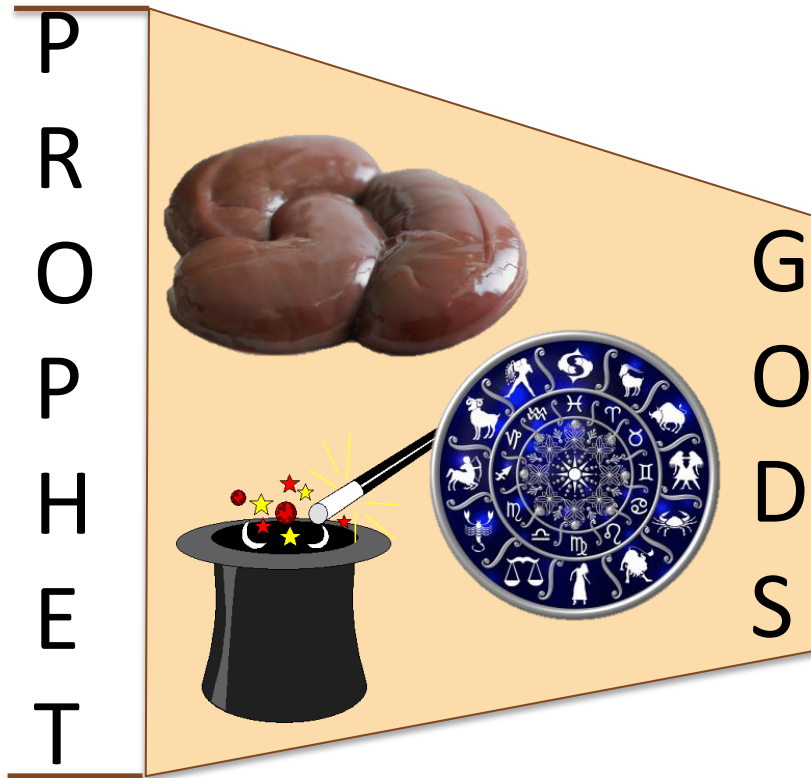
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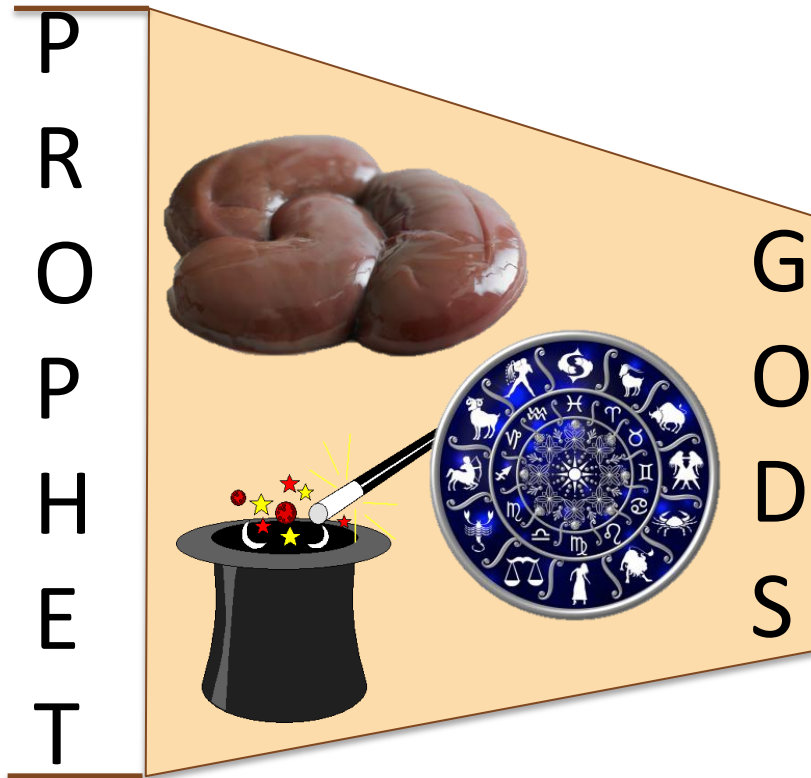
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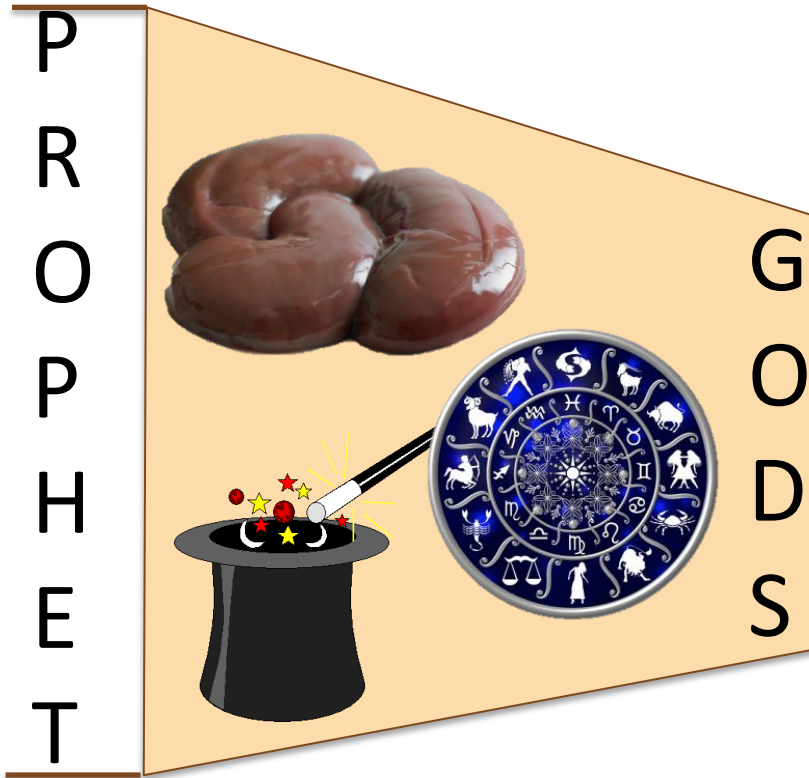
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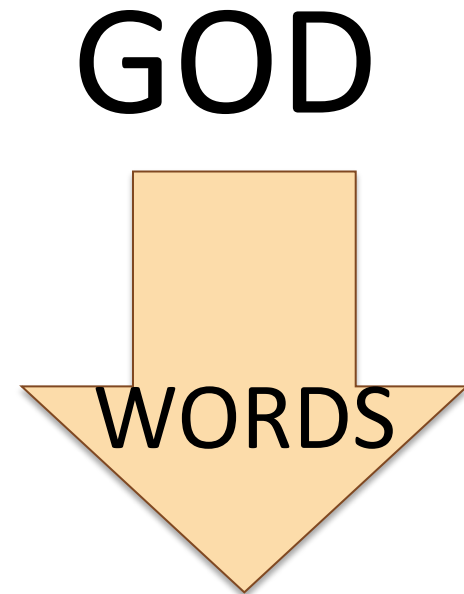
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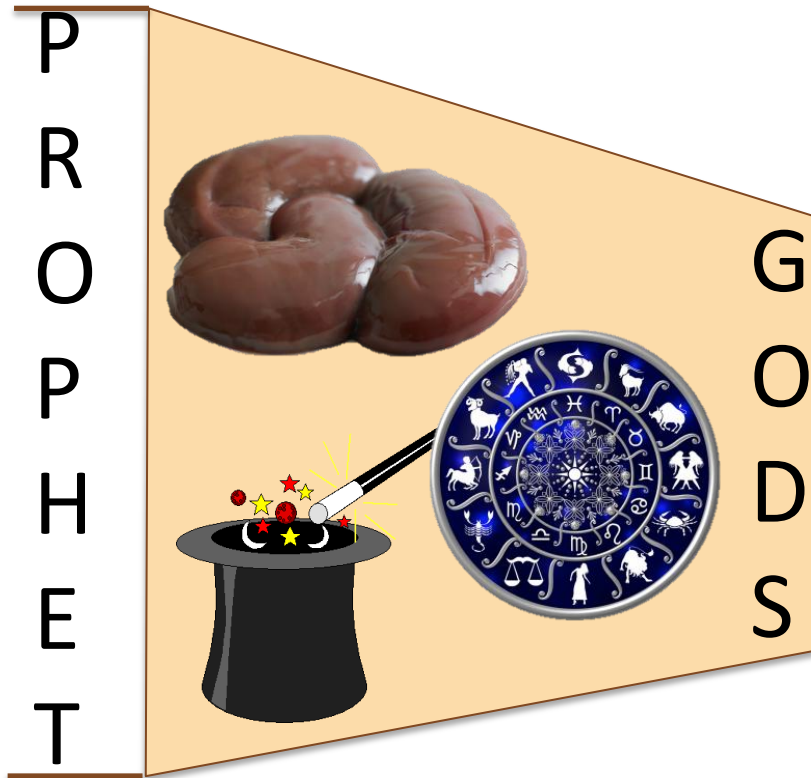
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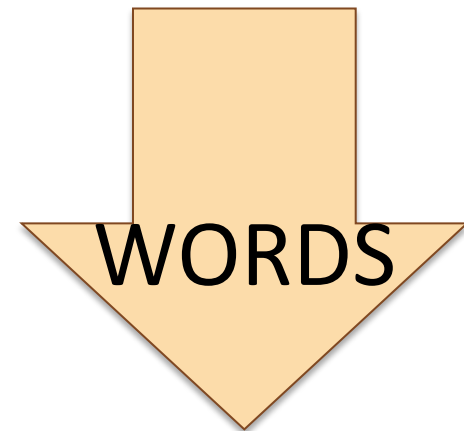


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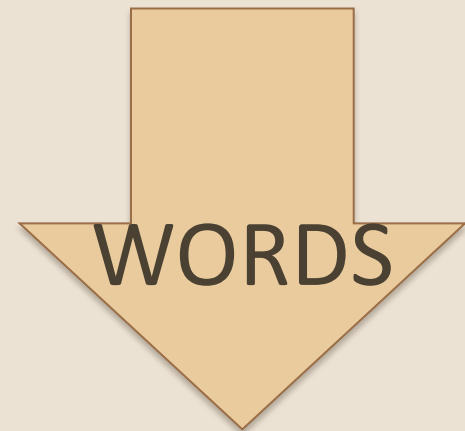
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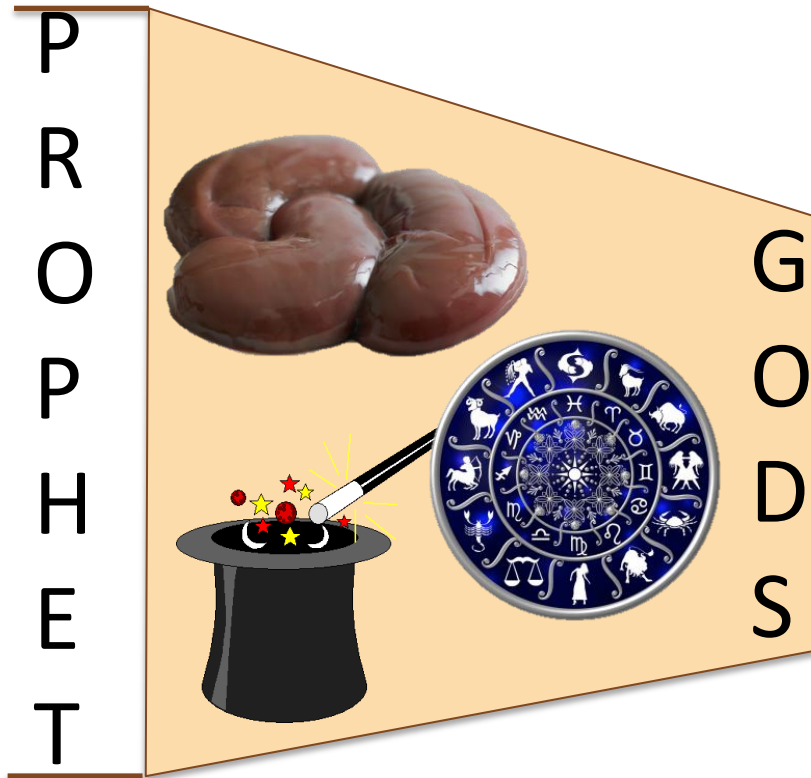


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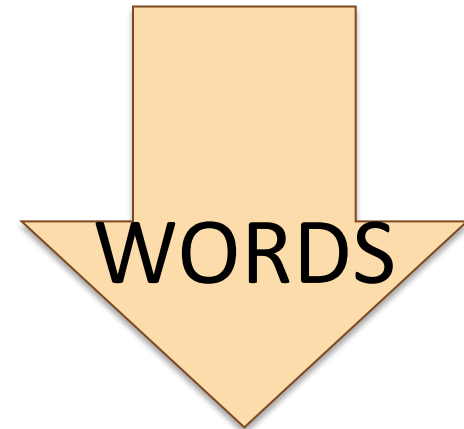
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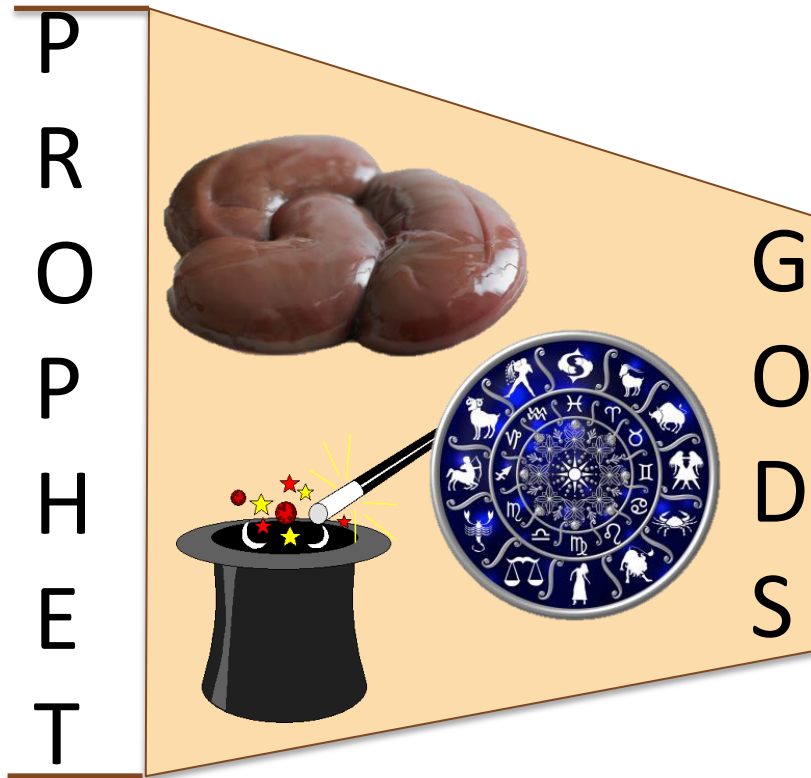


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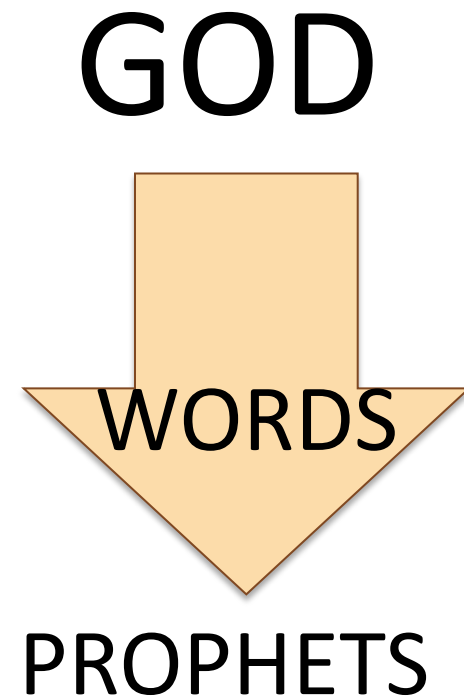


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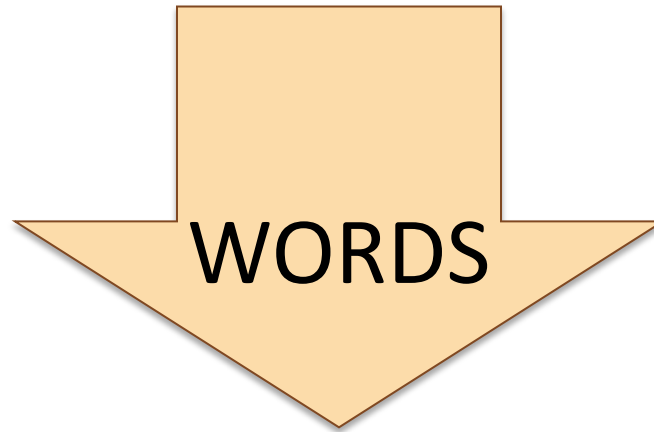


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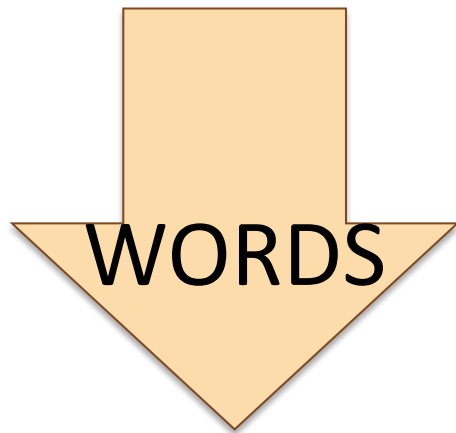
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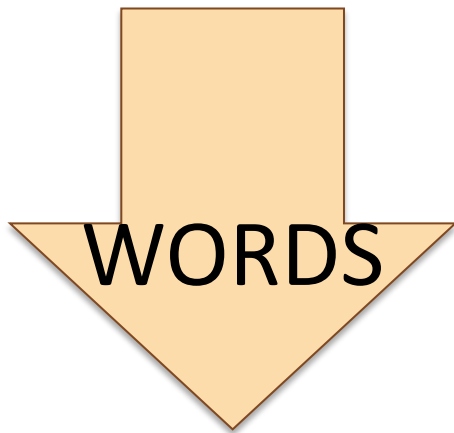


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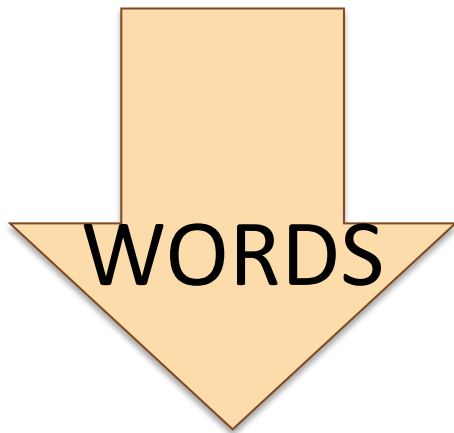


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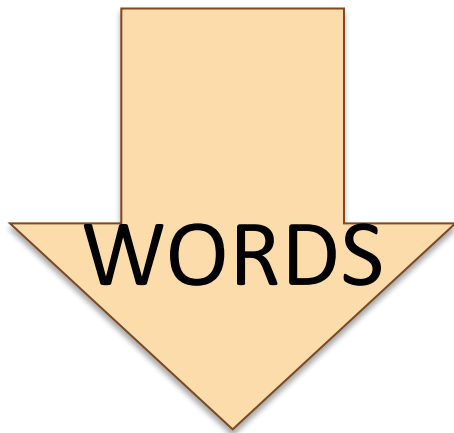
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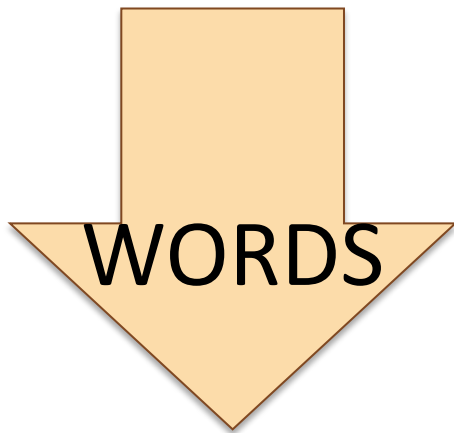
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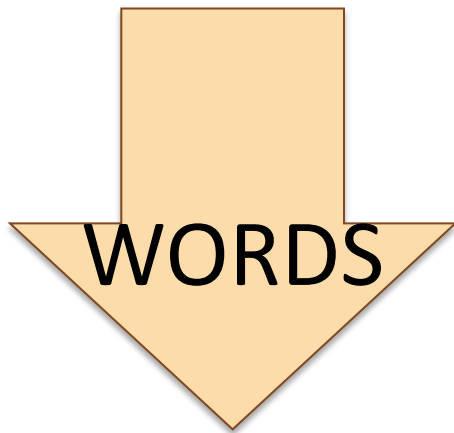
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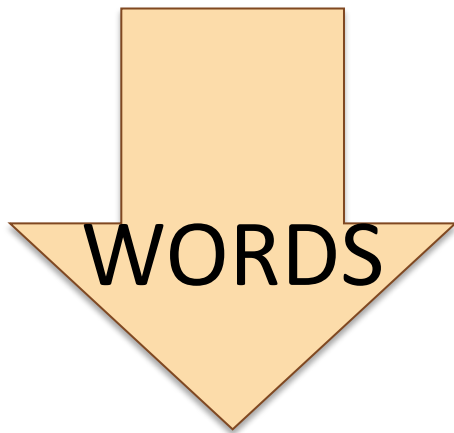
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God chose prophets
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(Jer. 1:5)

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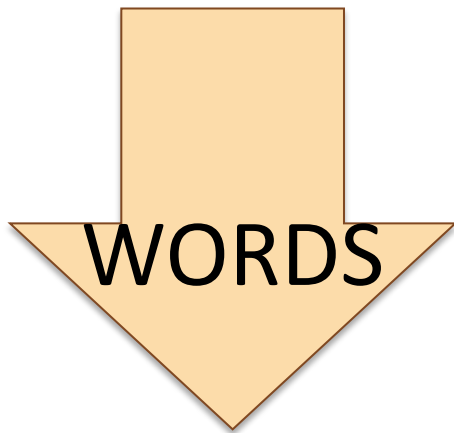


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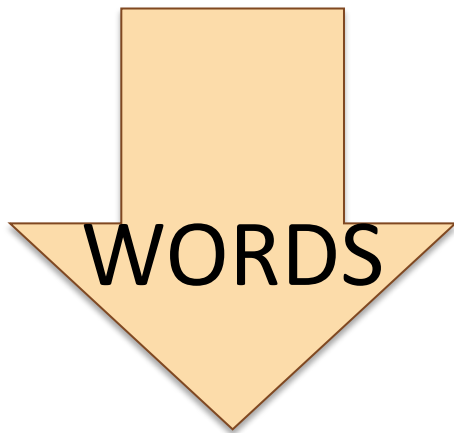


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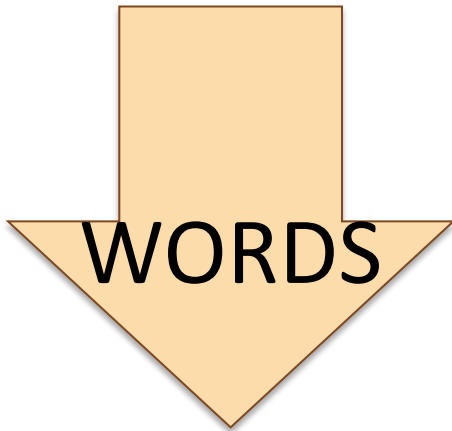
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Long ago, at many times
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(Heb. 1:1)

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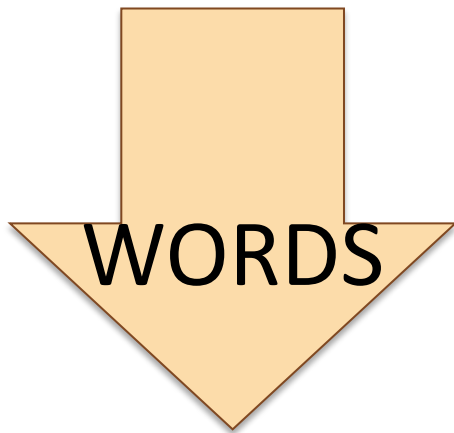
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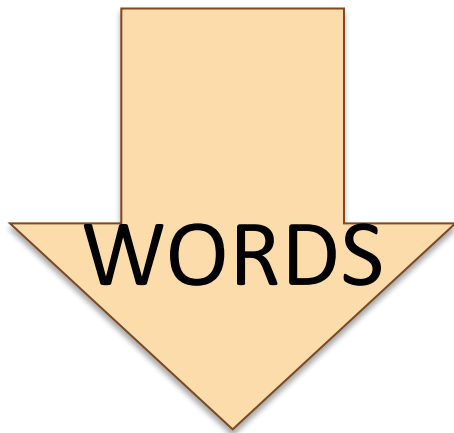


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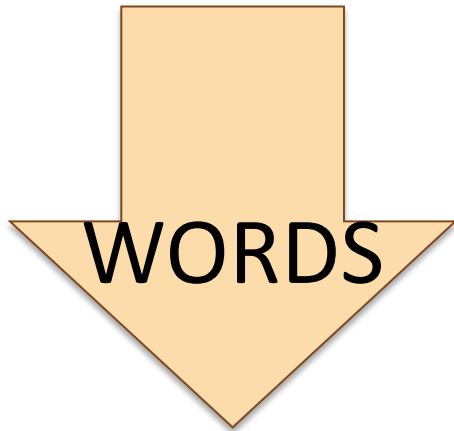


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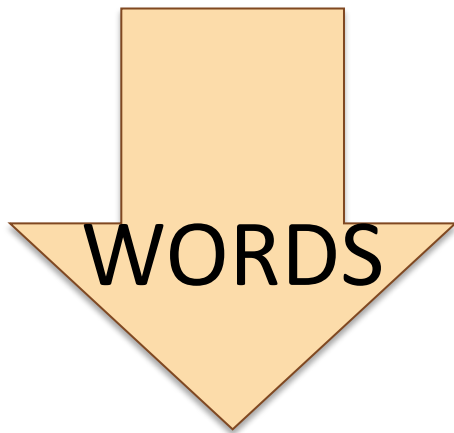


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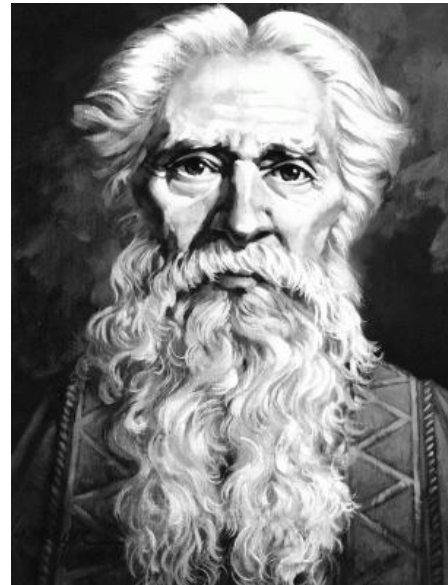
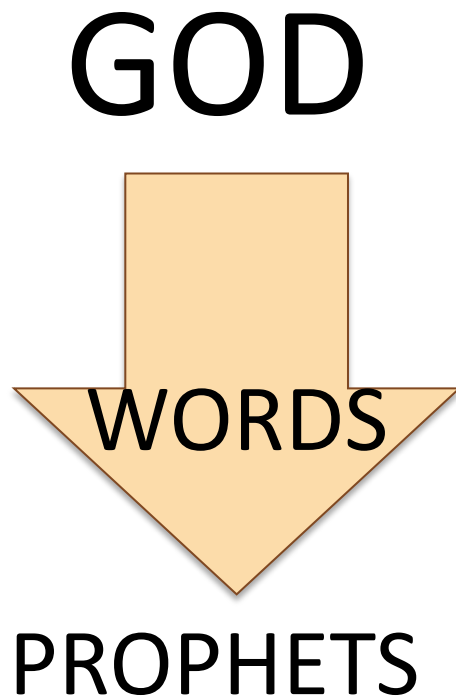
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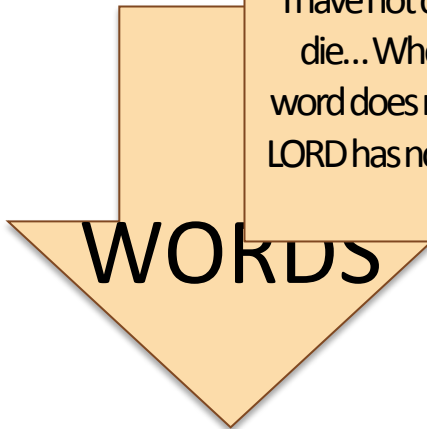
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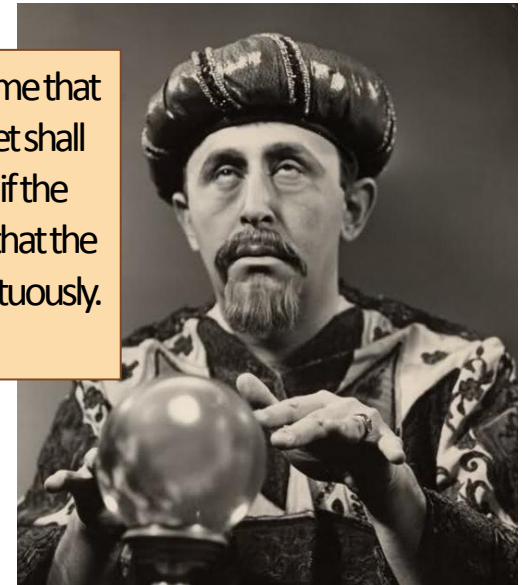
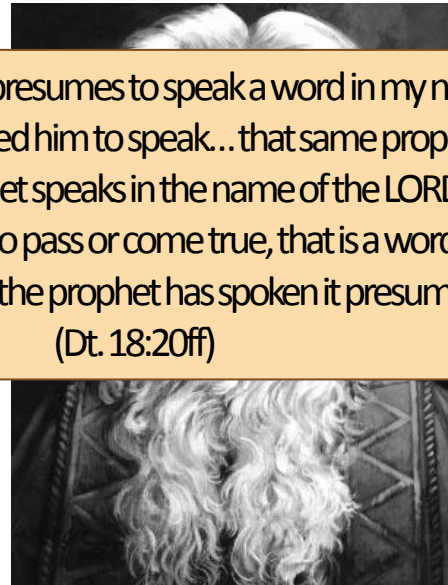
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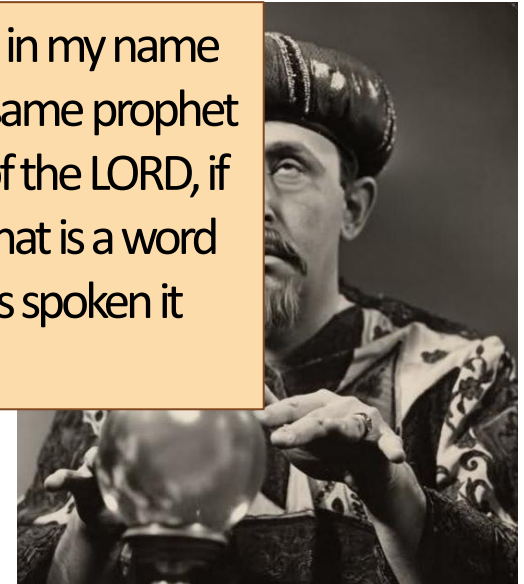
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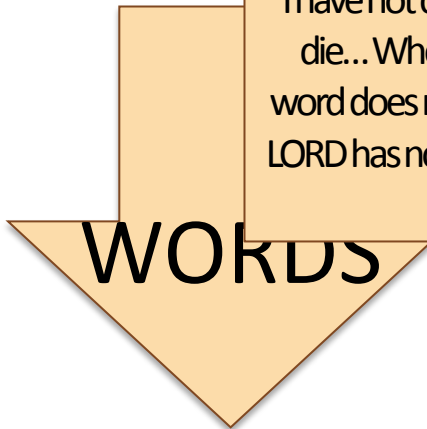
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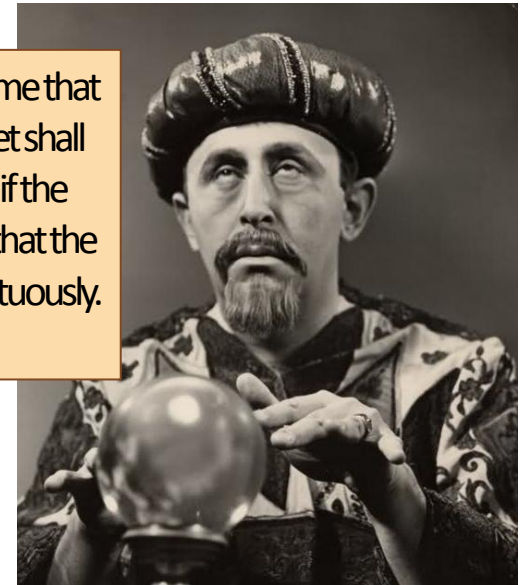
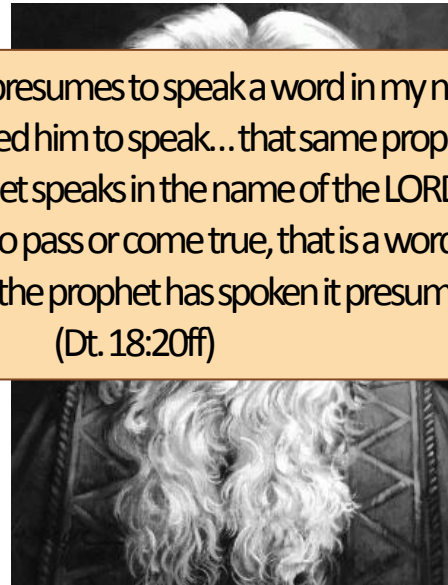
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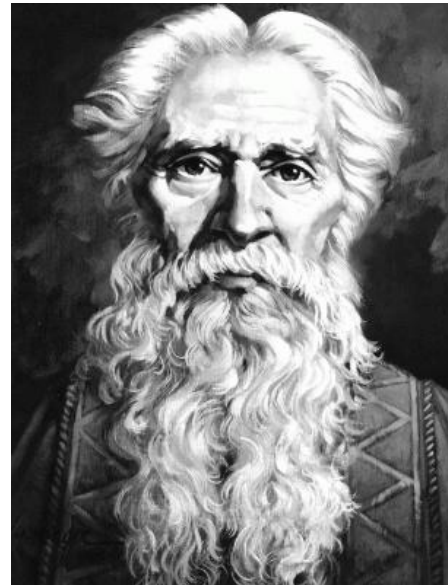
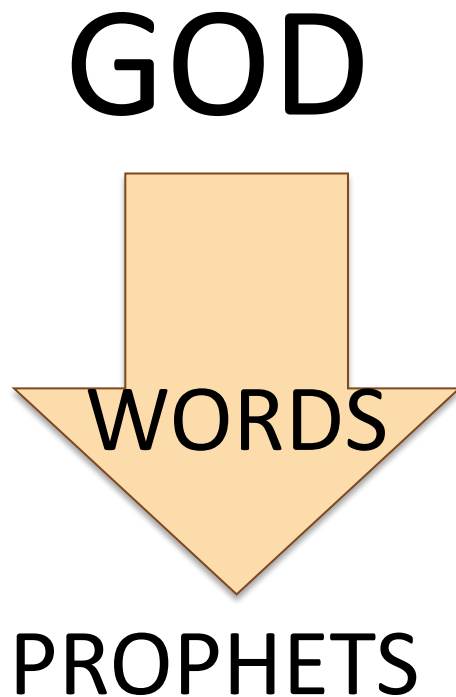
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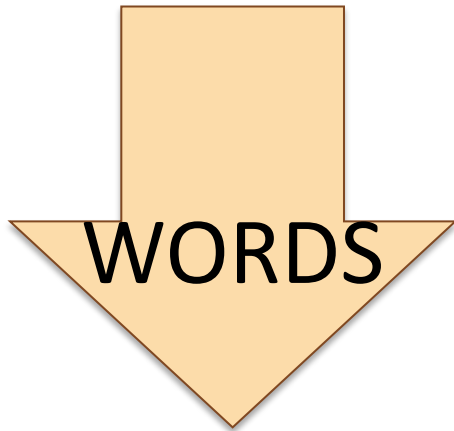
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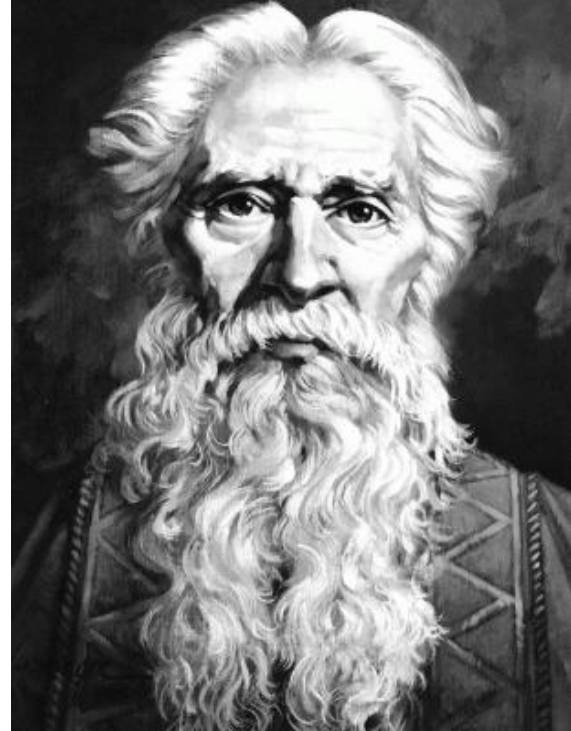
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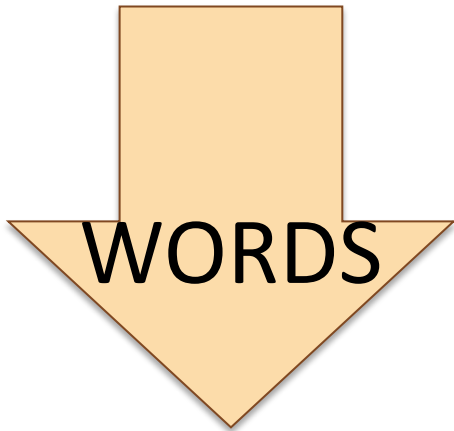
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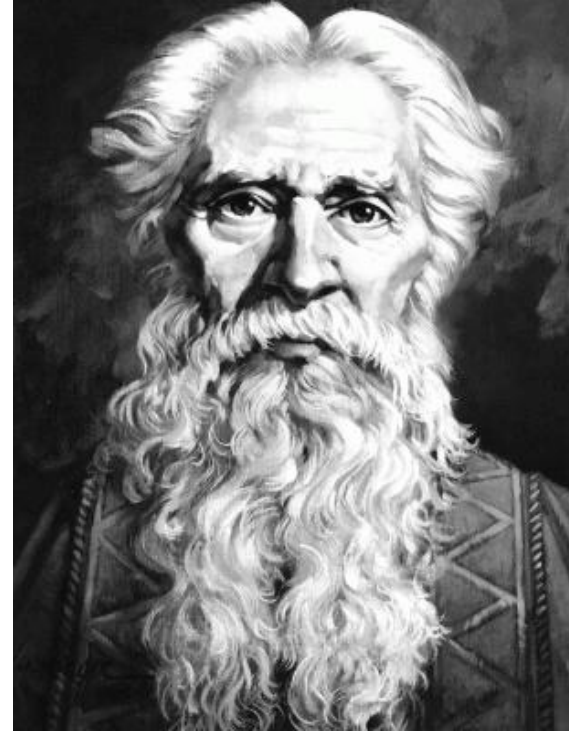
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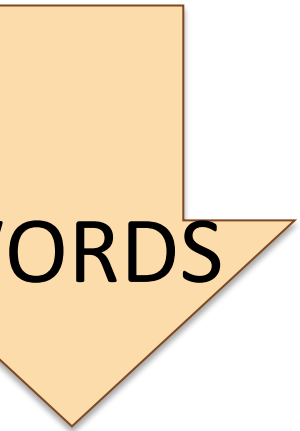
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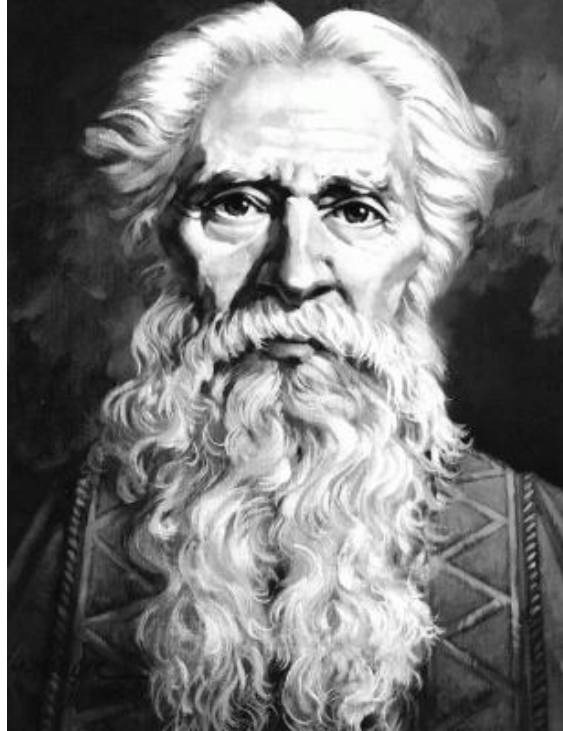
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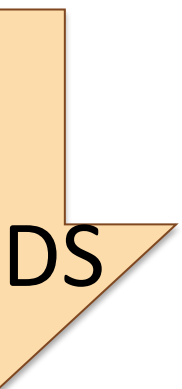
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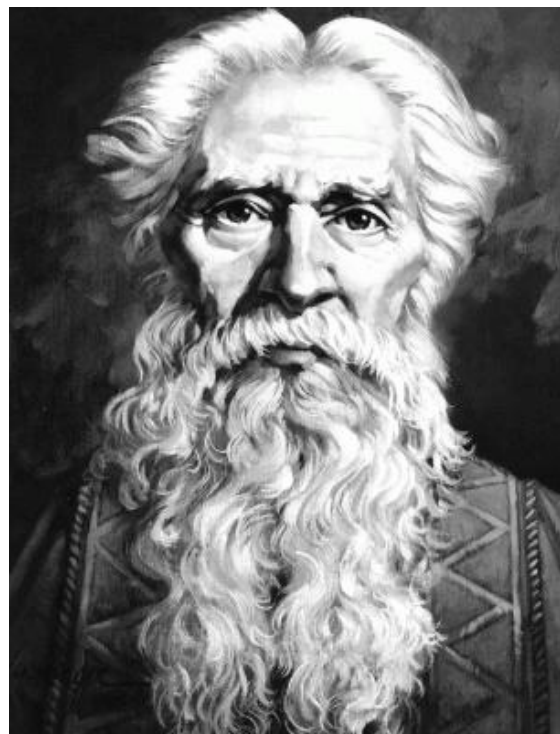
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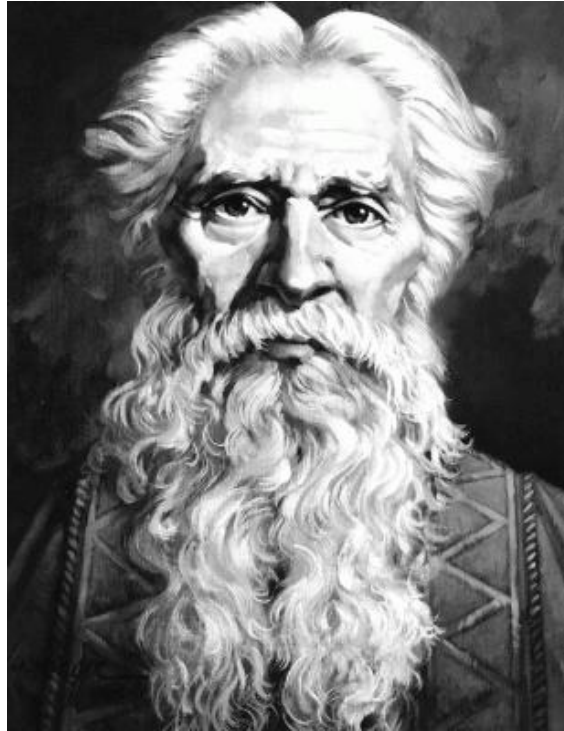
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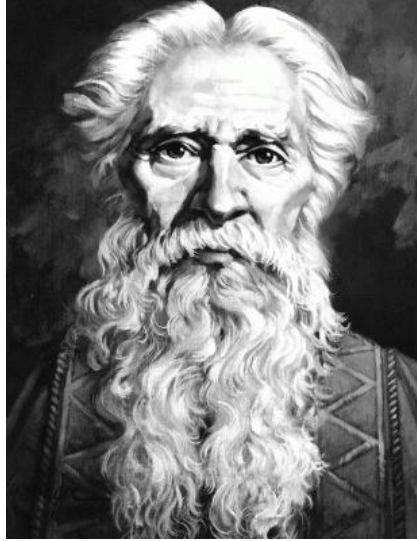
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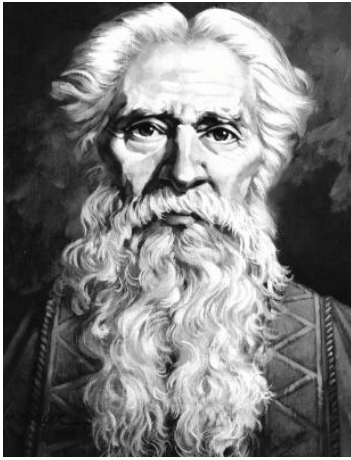
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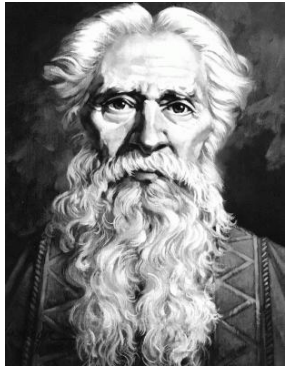
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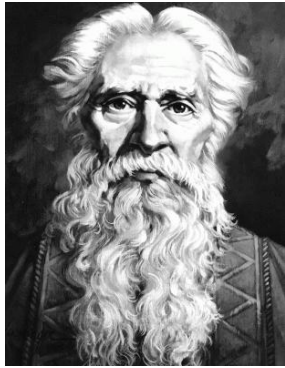
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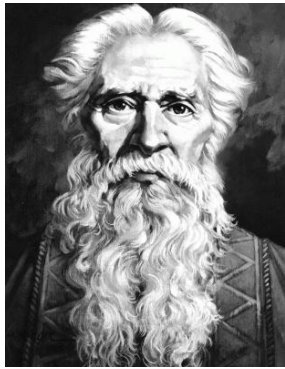


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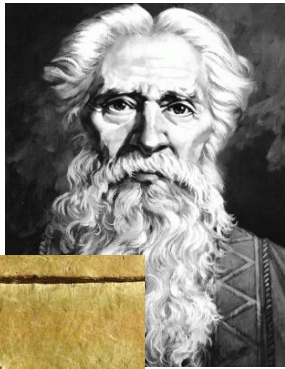


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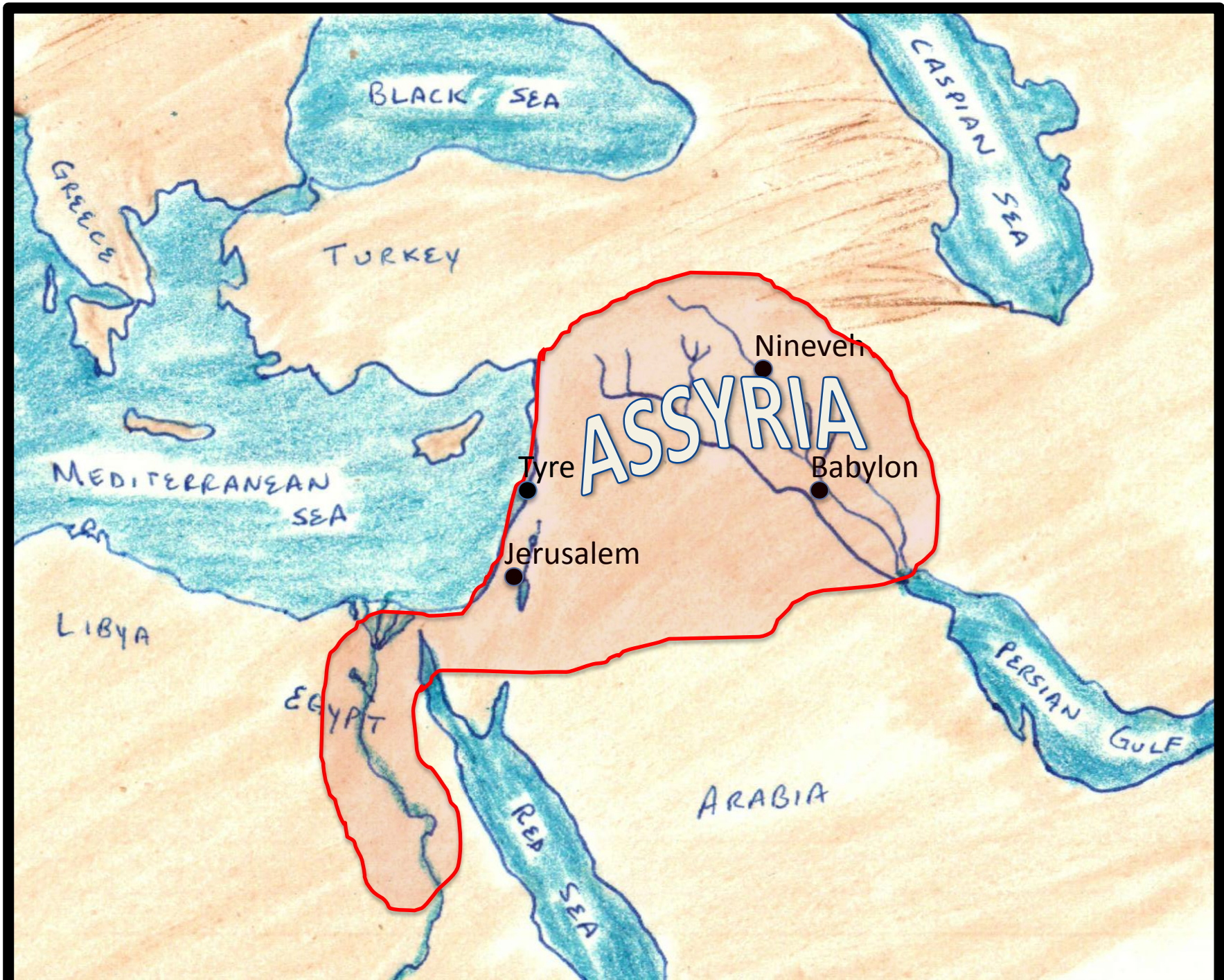


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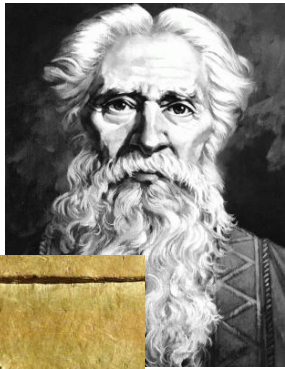
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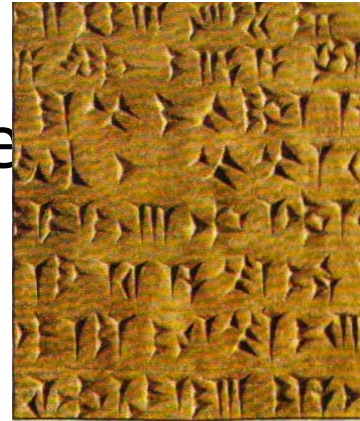
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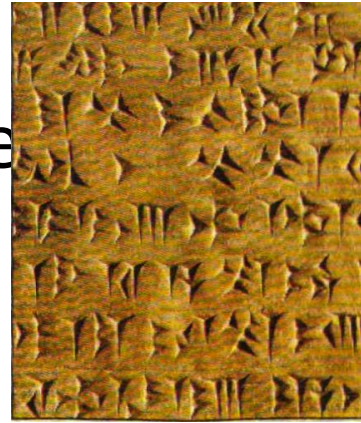
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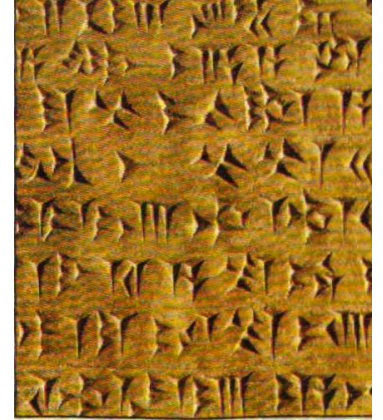
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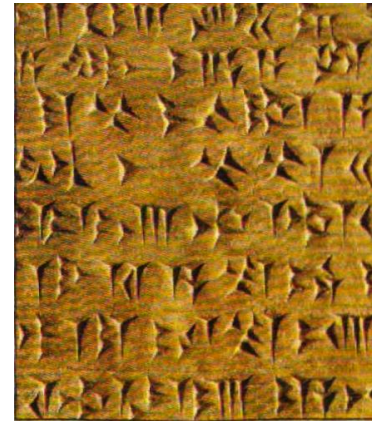


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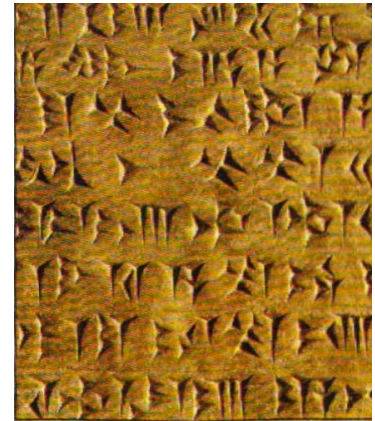
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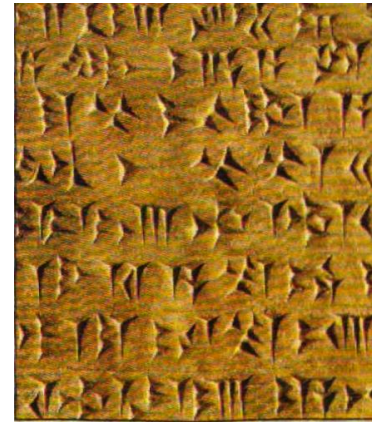


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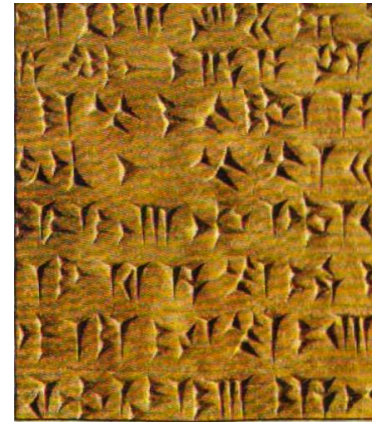
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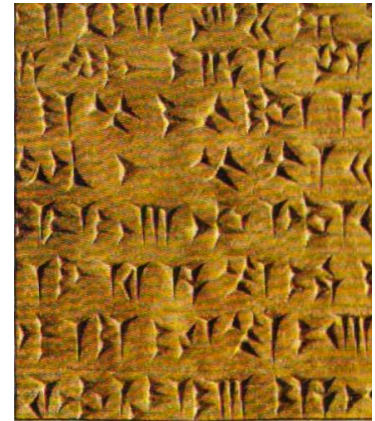
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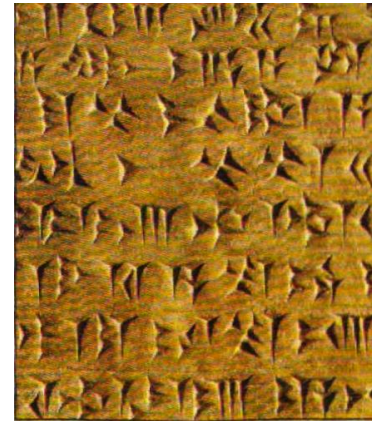
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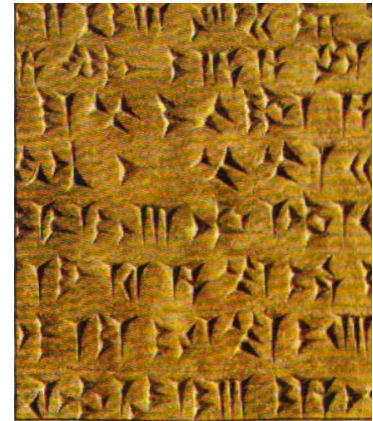
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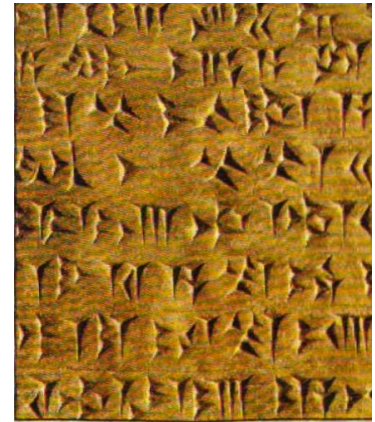
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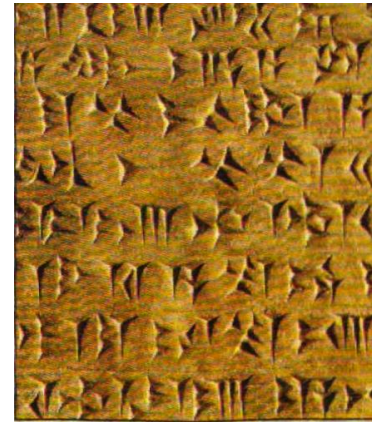
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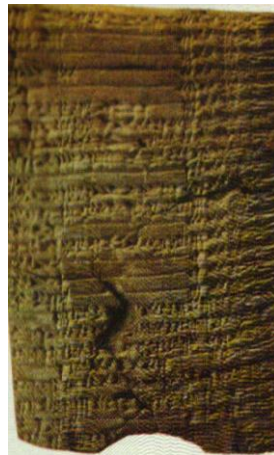
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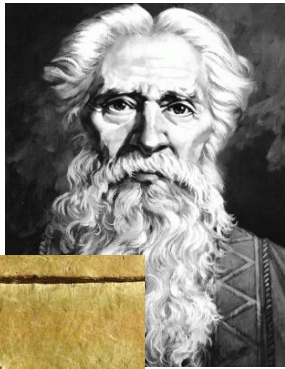








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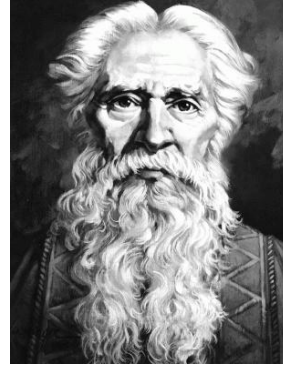
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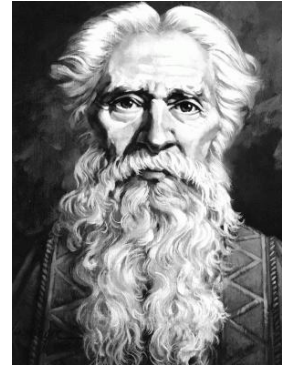
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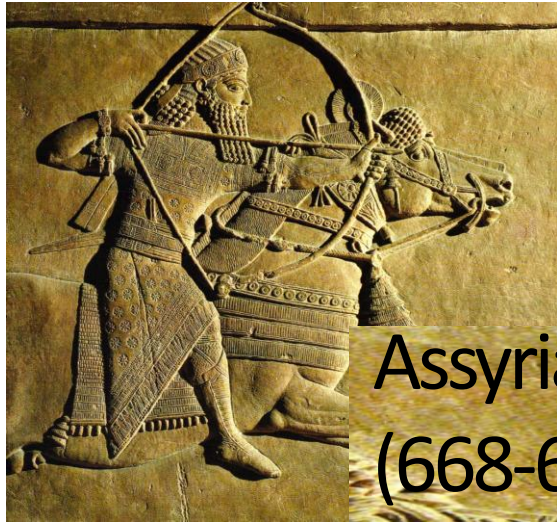


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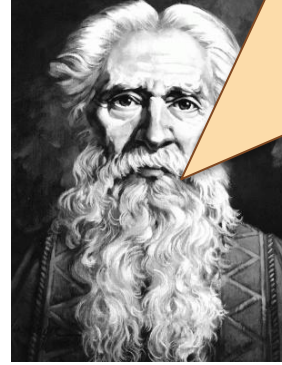
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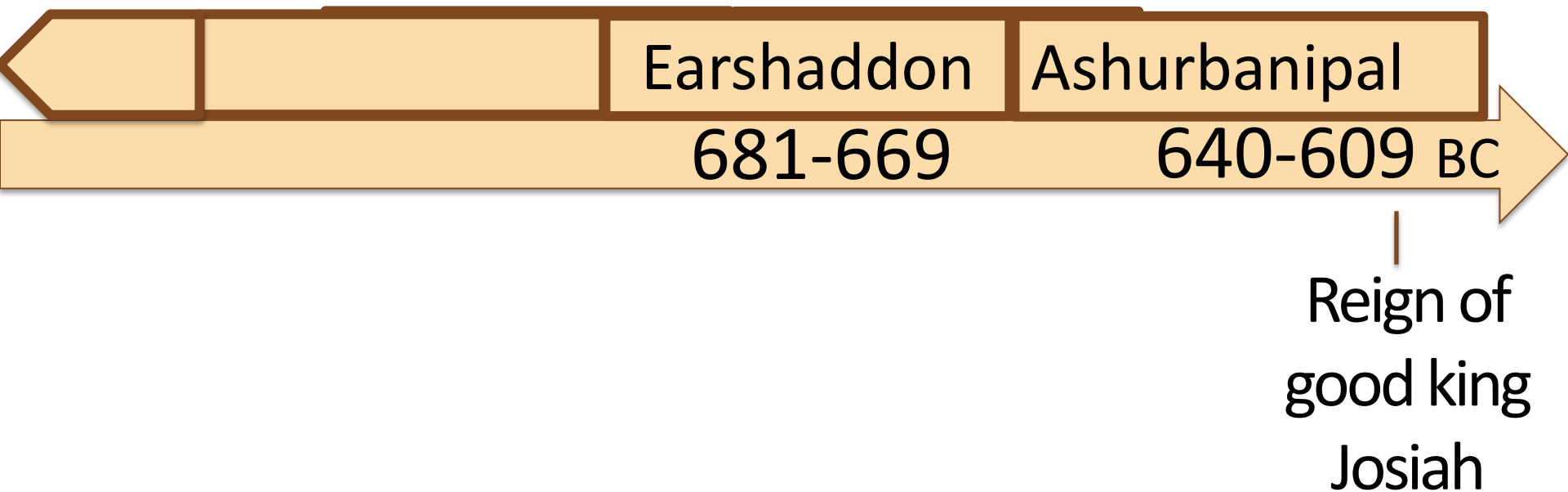
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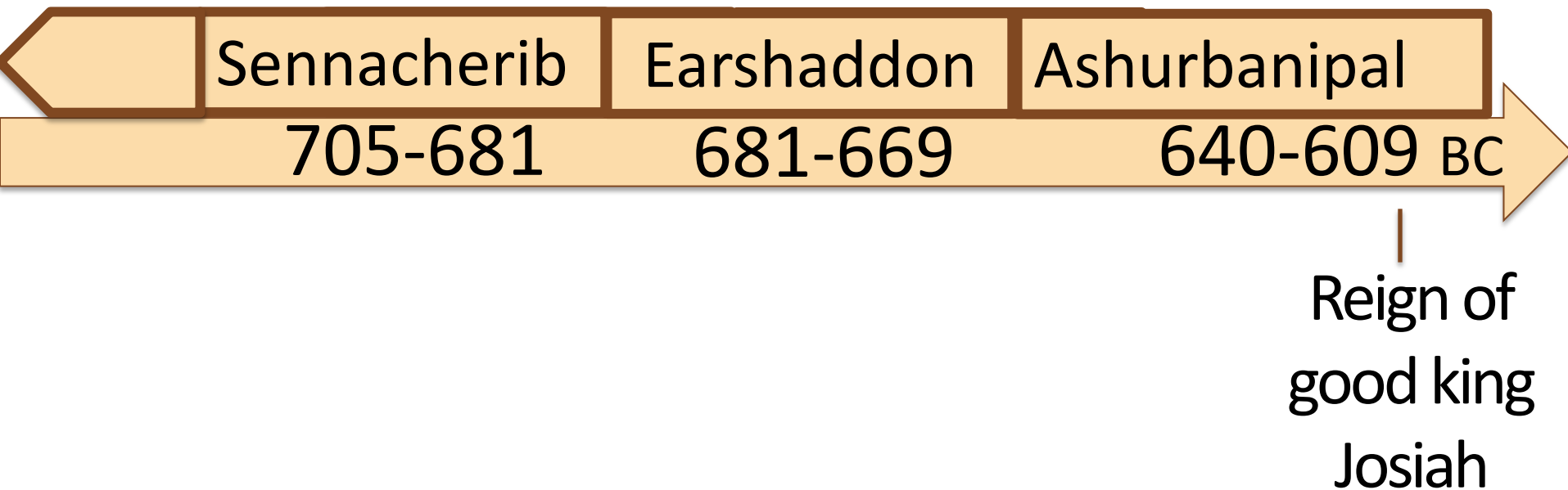
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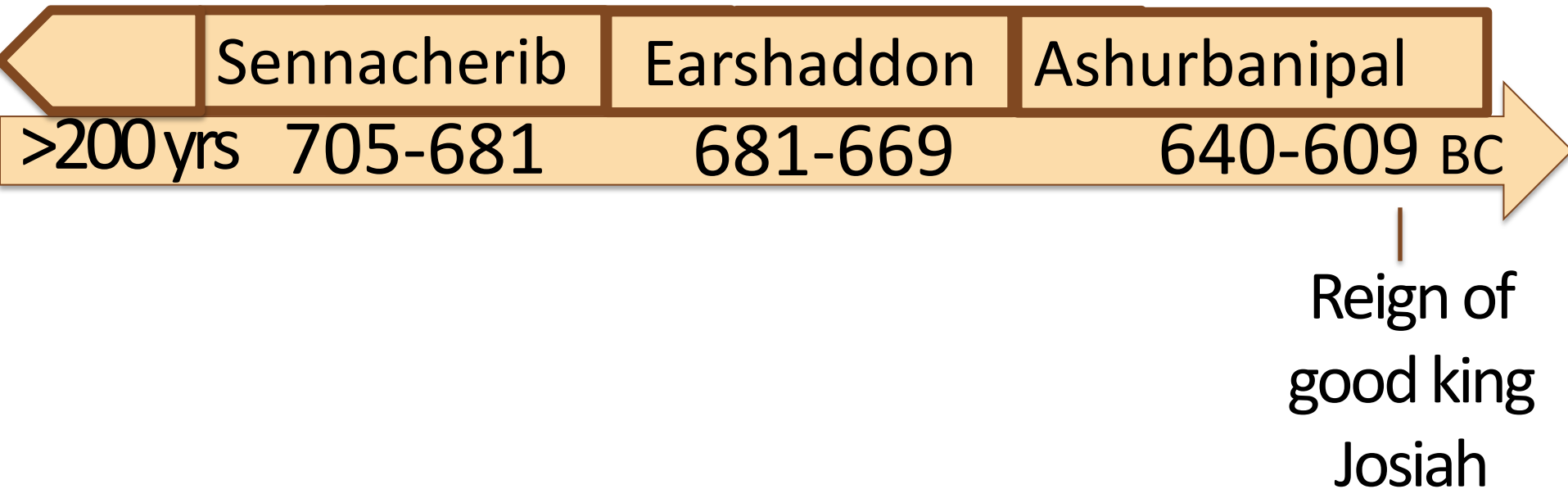
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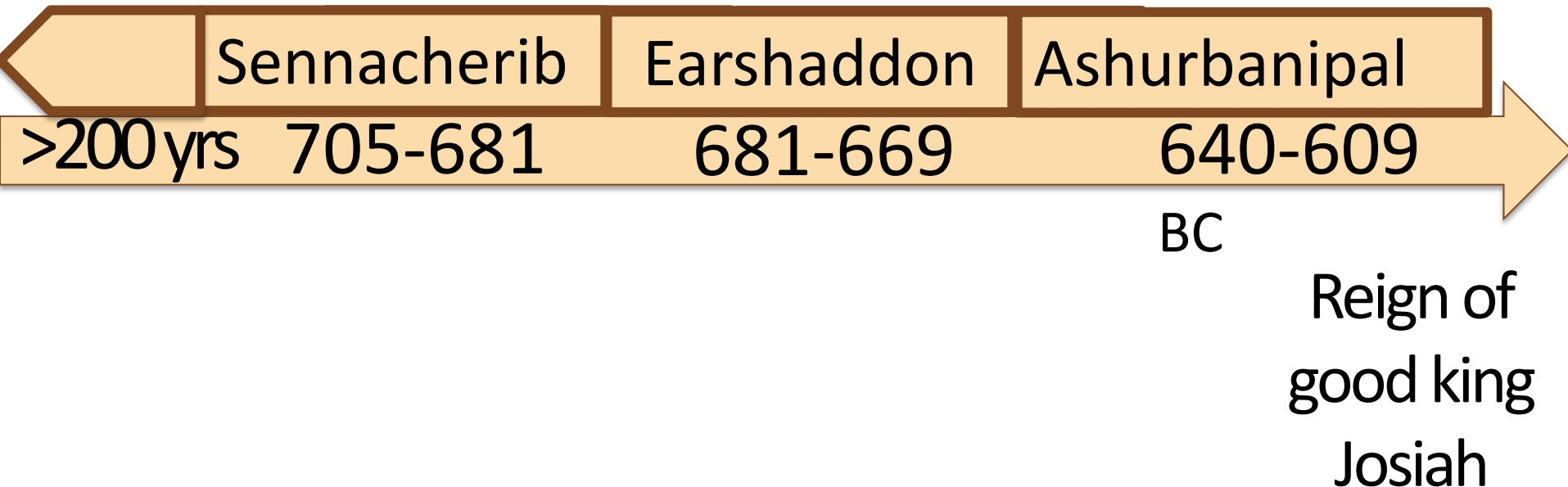
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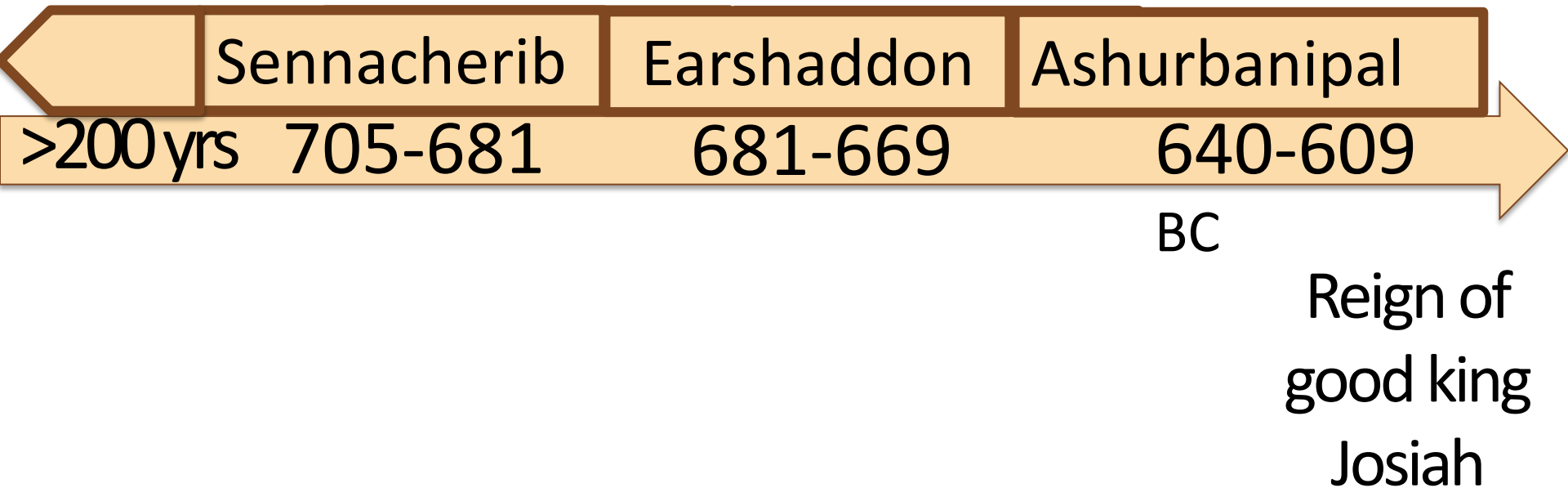
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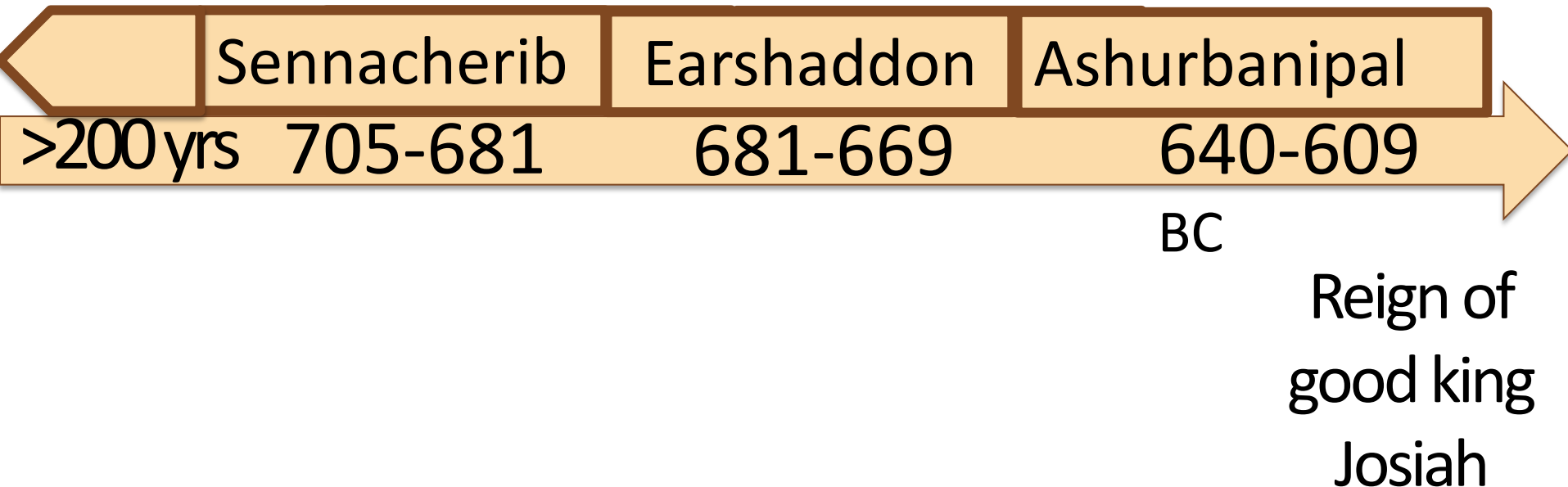
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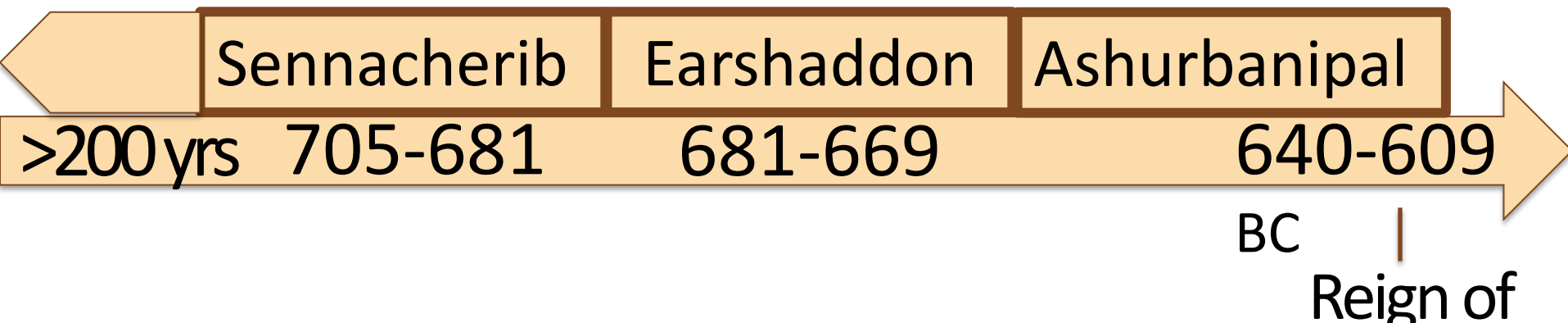
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(Nahum 1:2)

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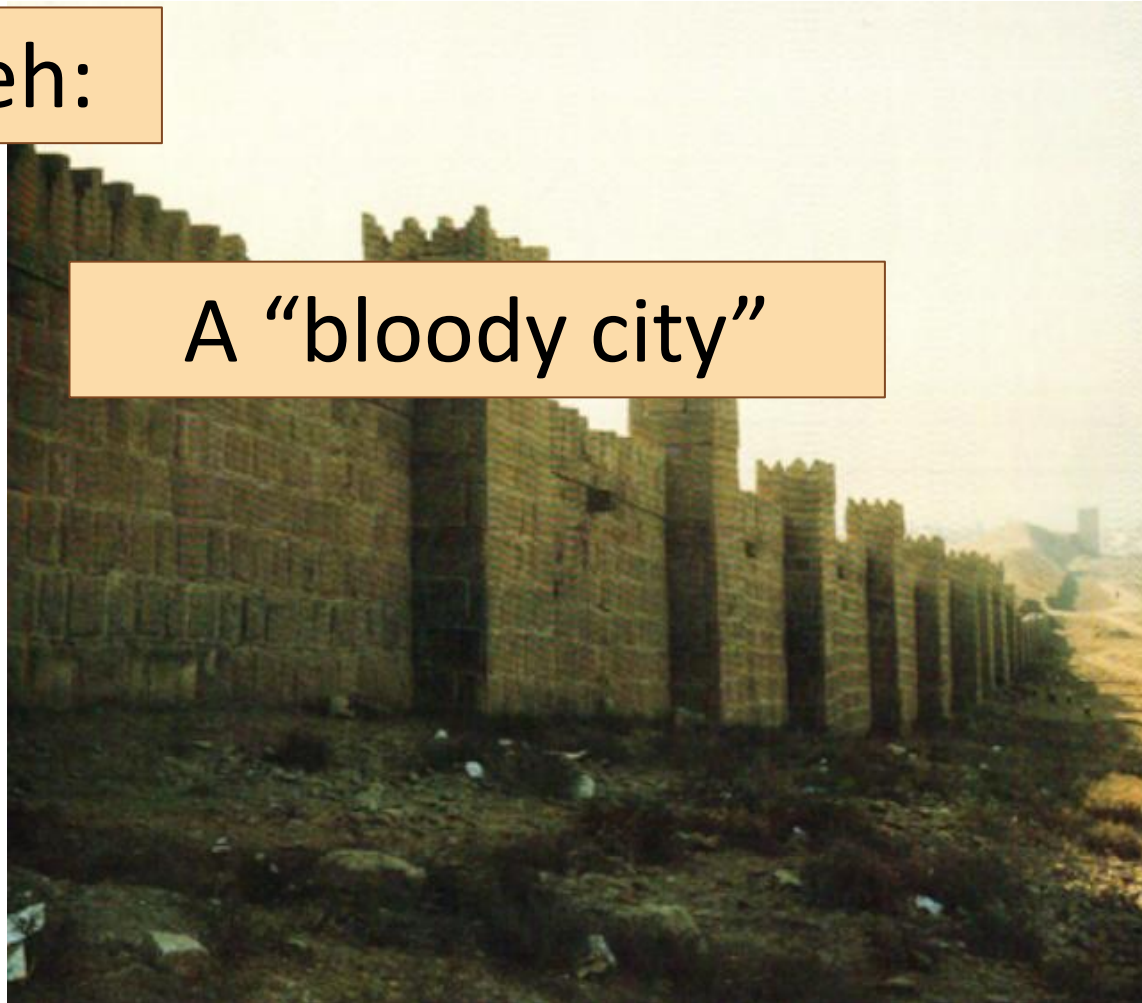
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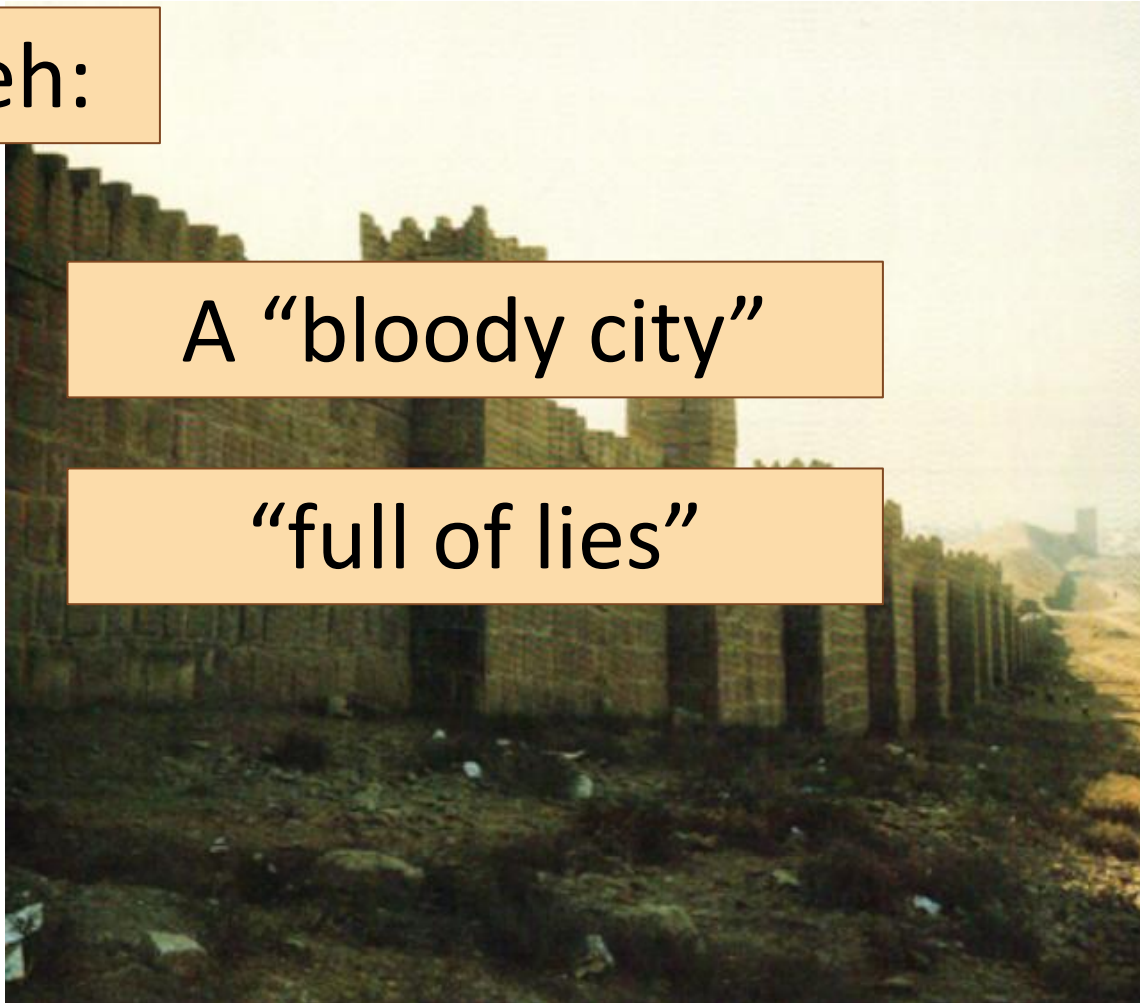


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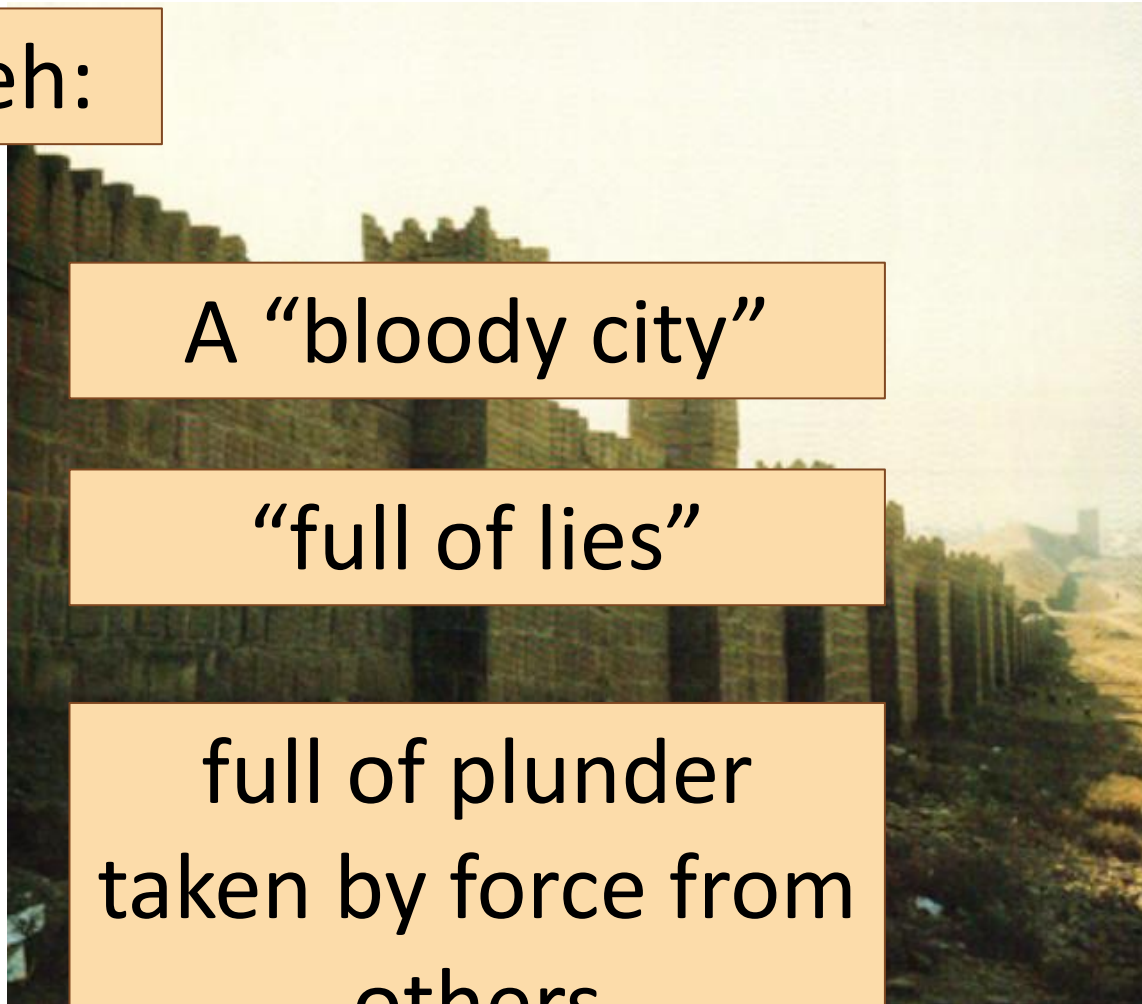
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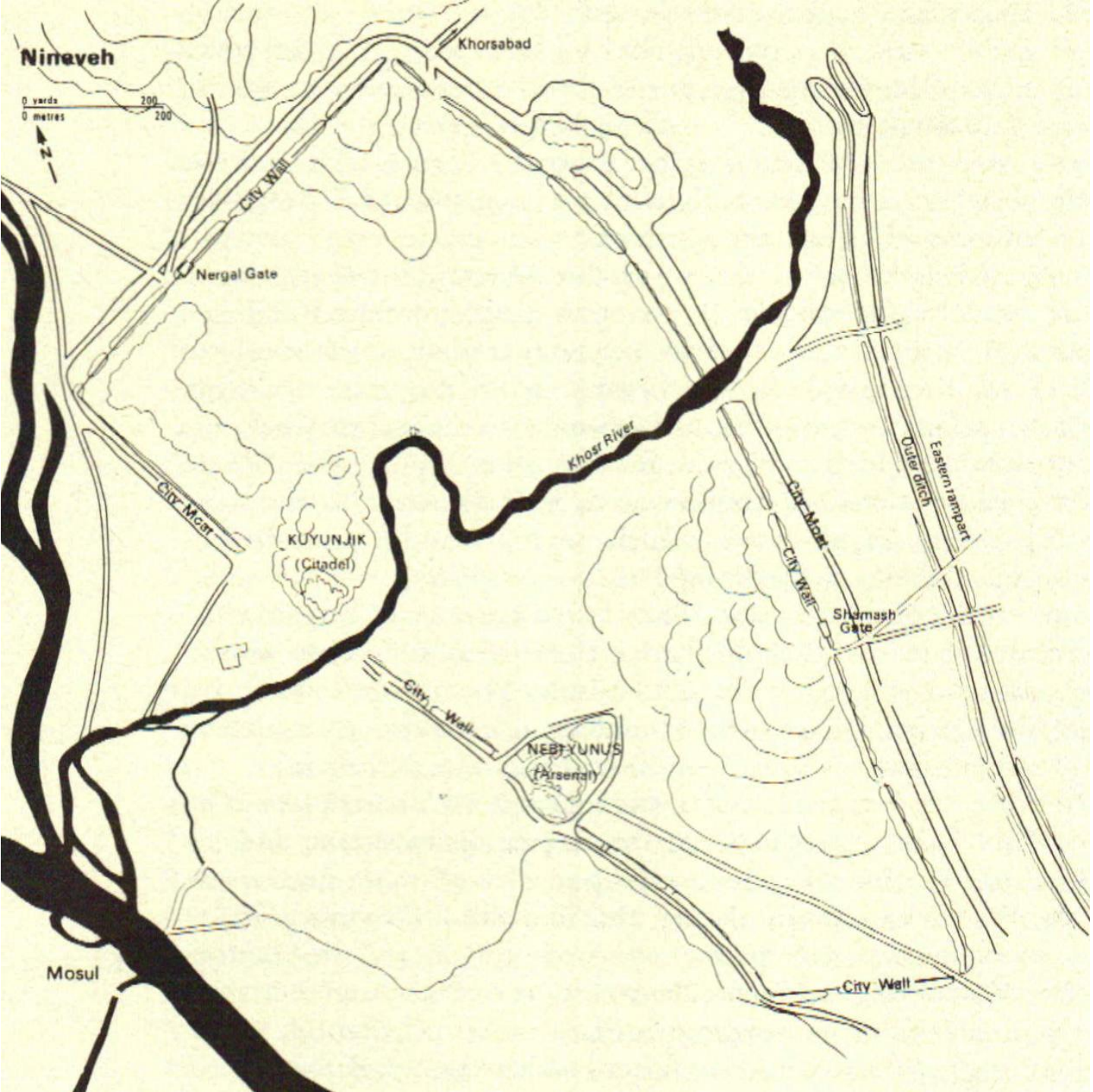
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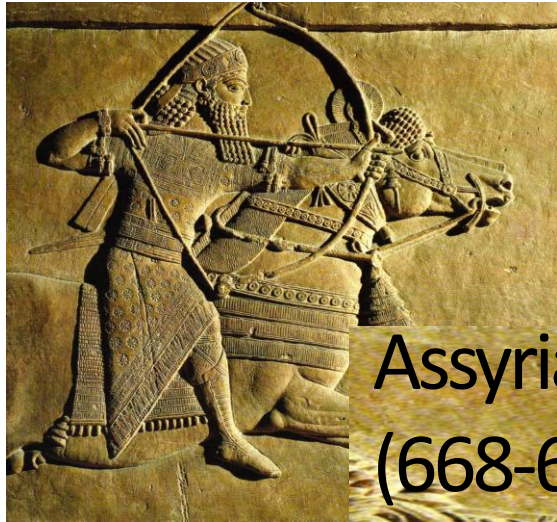




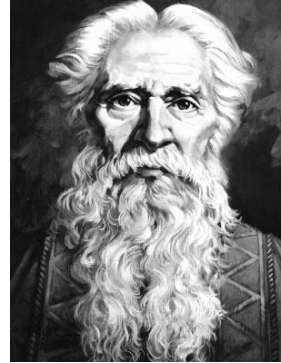


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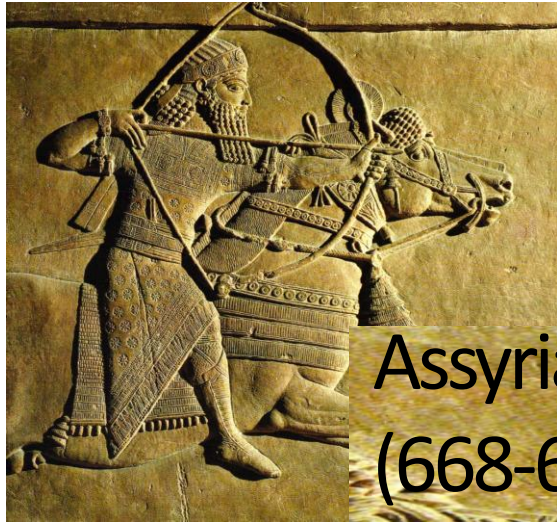


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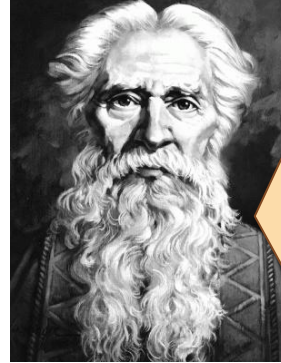
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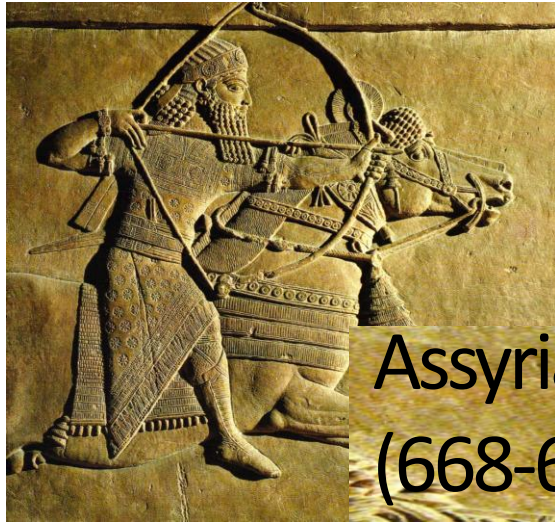


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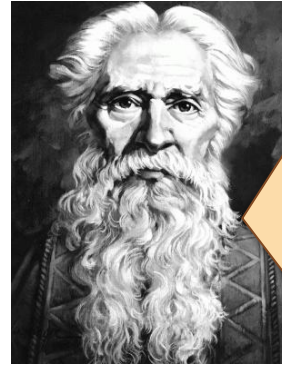
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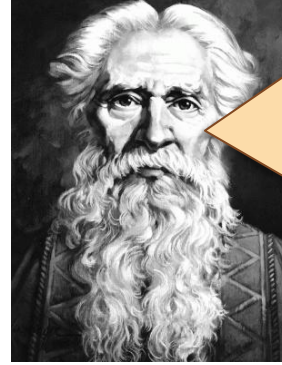
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Nah. 1:1

“An oracle concerning Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum of Elkosh ”



If God is for us, who
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Nah. 1:12

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Be of good cheer, he
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Nah. 3:8

“Are you better than Thebes that sat by
the Nile?”



Humble yourselves
before the Lord, and he
will exalt you (James
4:10)



Old Testament Survey

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