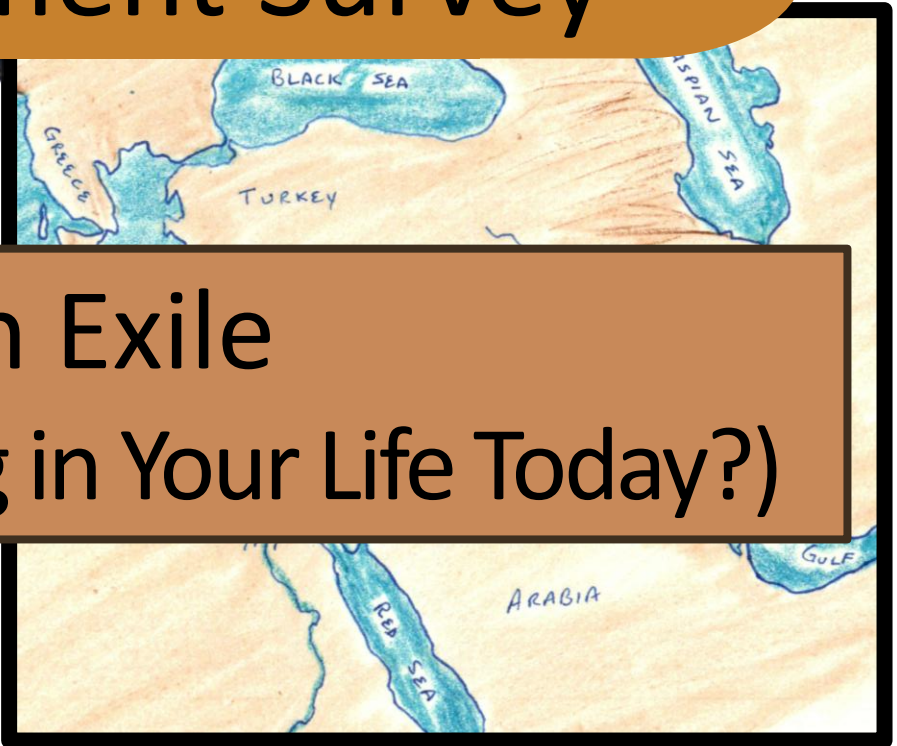




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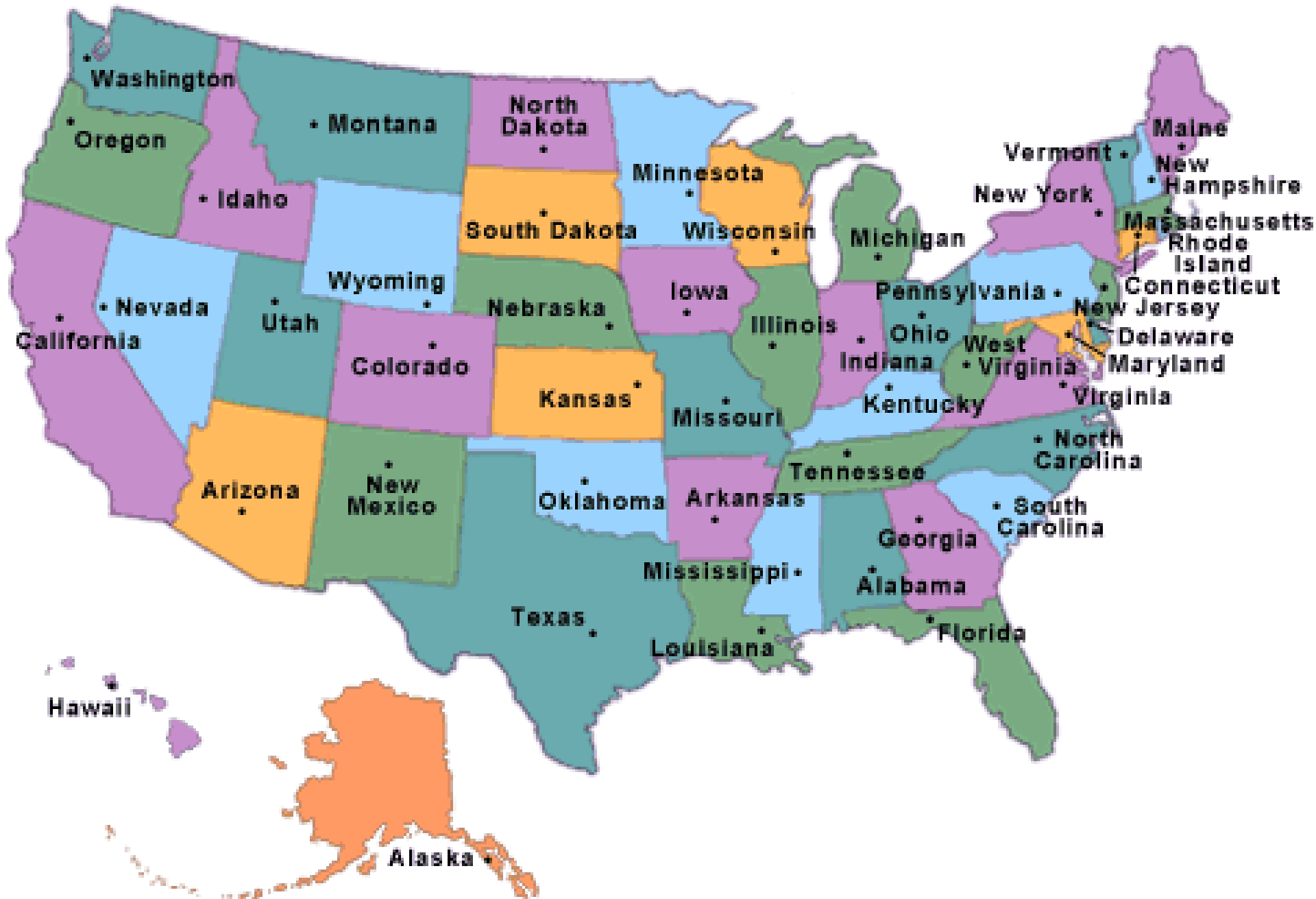


Life in Exile

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The hand of God in the Changes of Life





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An aerial photograph of the Nile river valley in Egypt, showing the river winding through a desert landscape. The river is a dark blue line, and the surrounding land is a mix of tan and brown. In the background, the Mediterranean Sea is visible. The text is overlaid on the image in two white boxes with black borders.

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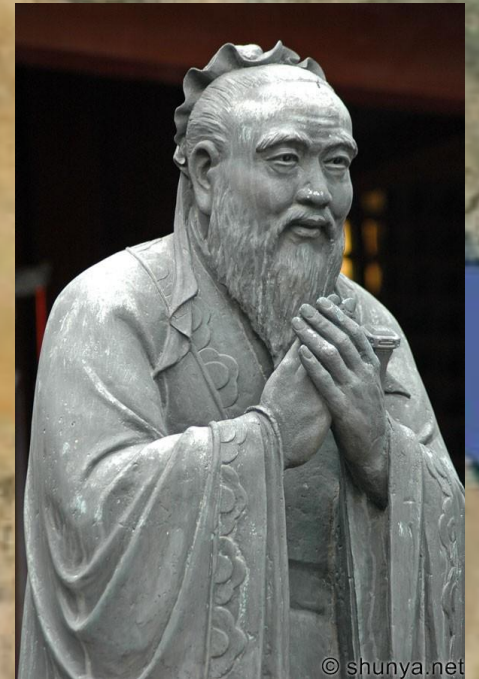
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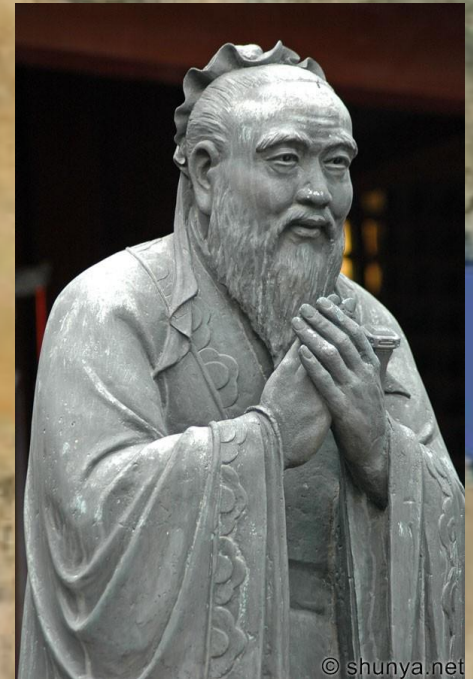
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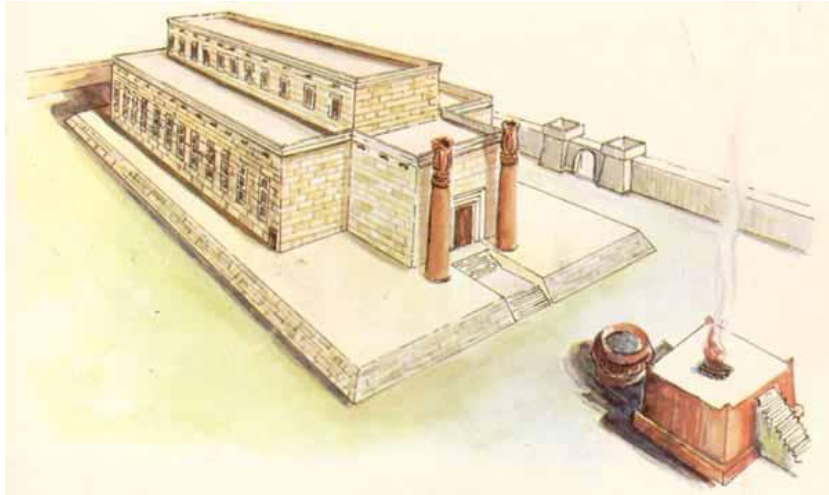
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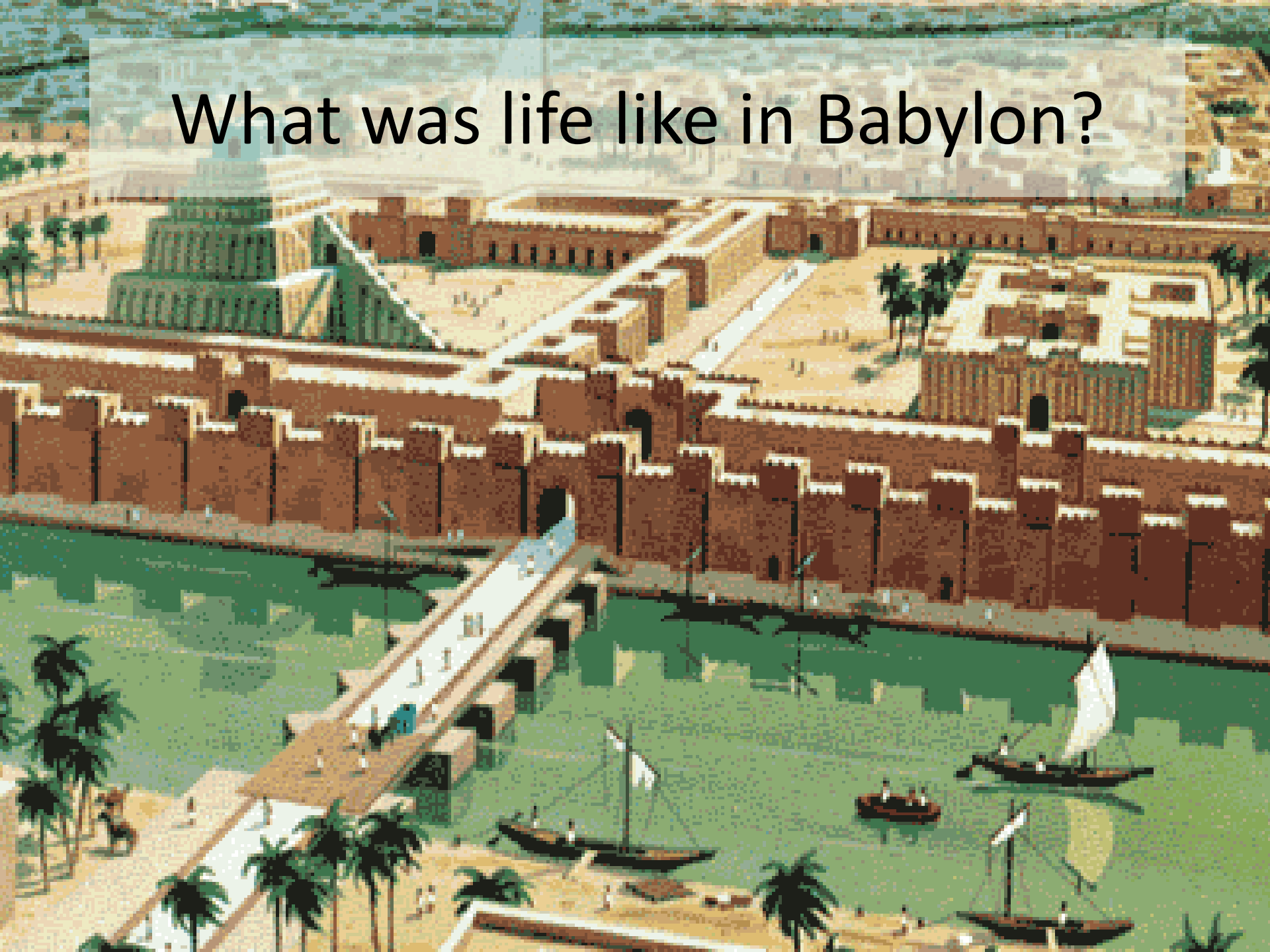
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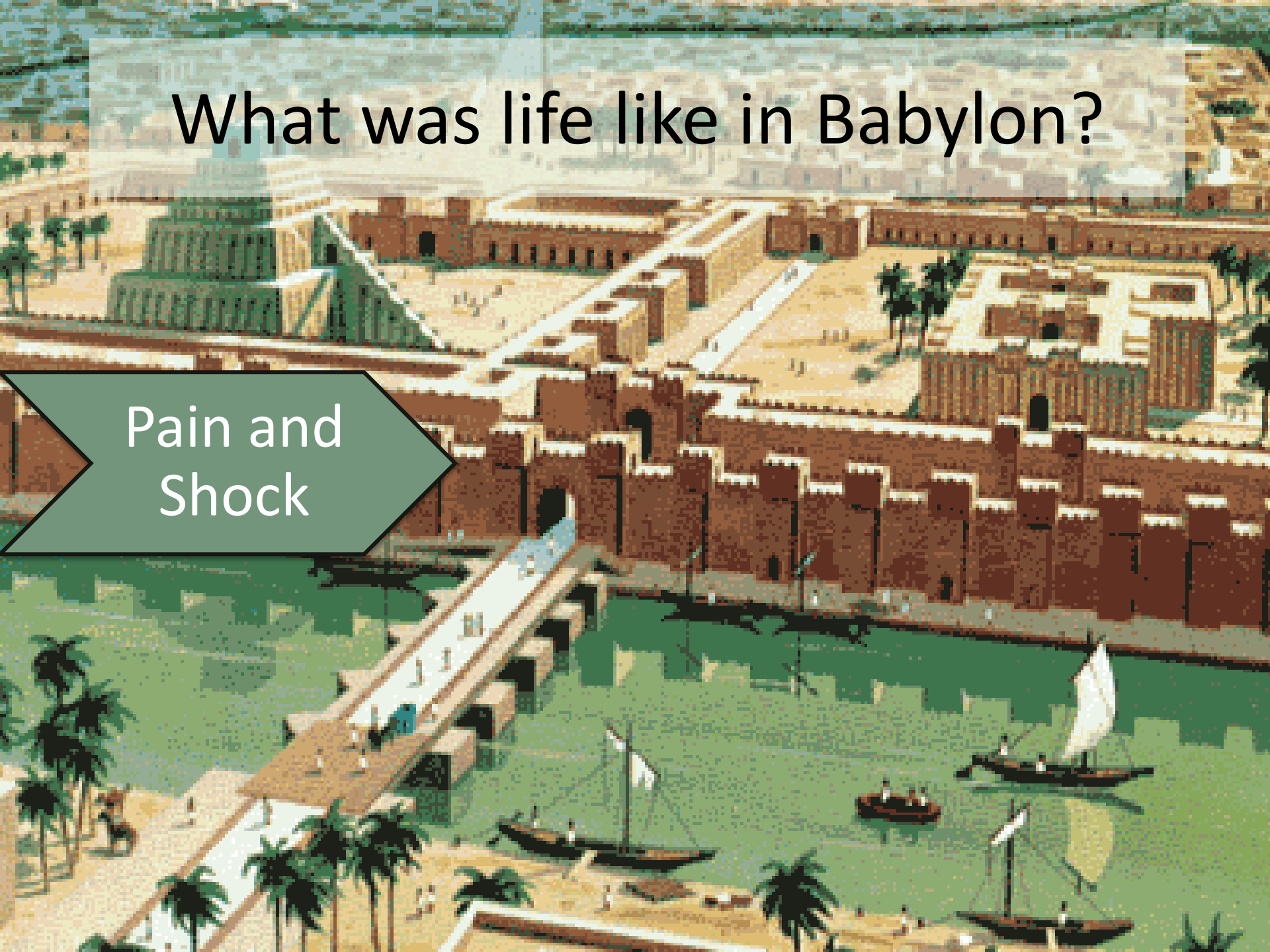


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Pain and Shock



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A detailed illustration of the ancient city of Babylon, showing its massive walls, the Euphrate River, and various buildings and boats. The city is built on a riverbank, with a large canal system. The architecture is made of brick and stone, with many towers and palaces. The river is filled with boats, and there are palm trees and other vegetation. The overall scene is a vibrant and detailed representation of the city's life.

Pain and
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A detailed illustration of ancient Babylon, showing the city's massive walls, the Euphrate River, and various buildings and structures. The city is built on a riverbank, with a large canal system and a prominent ziggurat. The scene is set in a lush, green environment with palm trees and a clear sky.

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Psalm 137



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Psalm 74

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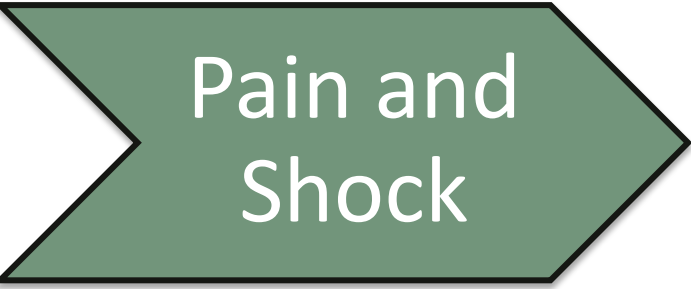
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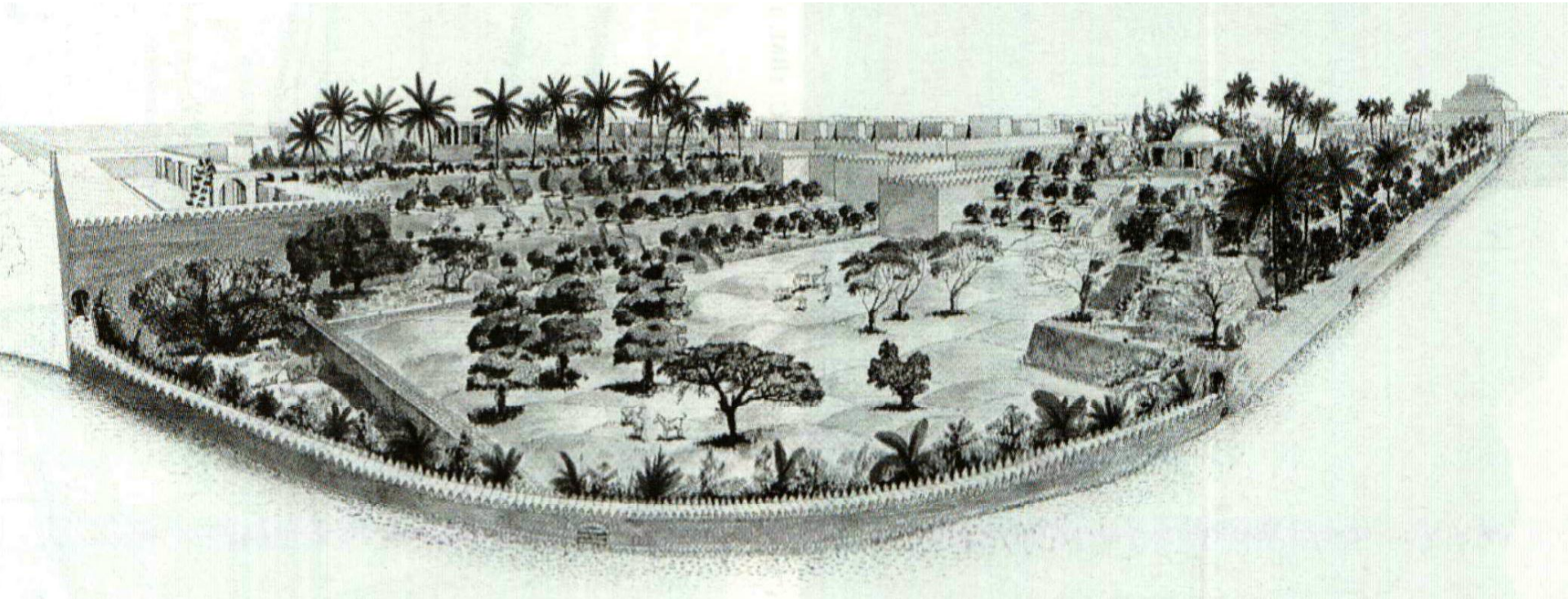
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The Hanging Gardens of Babylon

Nearly 200 Settlements in Nippur region



Musharu Tablets



Musharu Tablets



Full integration into society by
mid-5th century

Language Changes



אבן דבשמיא נתקדש שמד

Worship Changes

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IMPOSSIBLE IN BABYLON

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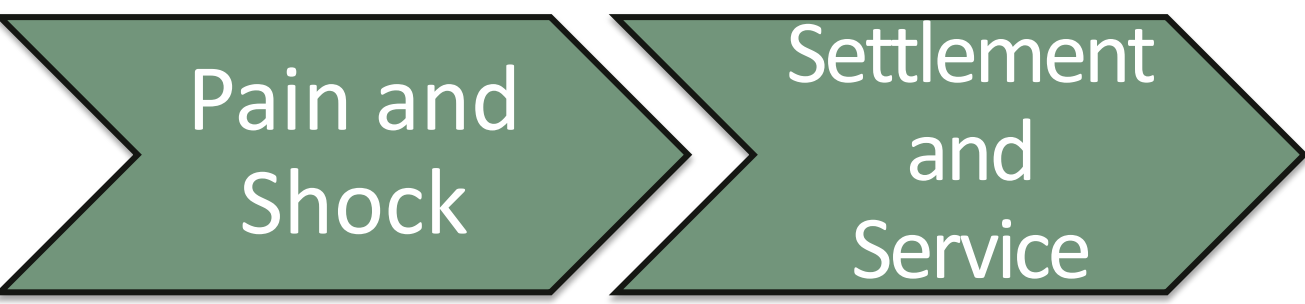
Rise of the synagogue?



Accumulation and Assimilation of Scriptures



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Rivers of Babylon (Ps. 137)
By “Lamb”



Ps. 137:4

“How shall we sing the LORD’s song in a foreign land?”



Ps. 137:4

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Live through pain and
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Lam. 1:14

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Praise God for his
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Eph. 2:10

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Serving him is my
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