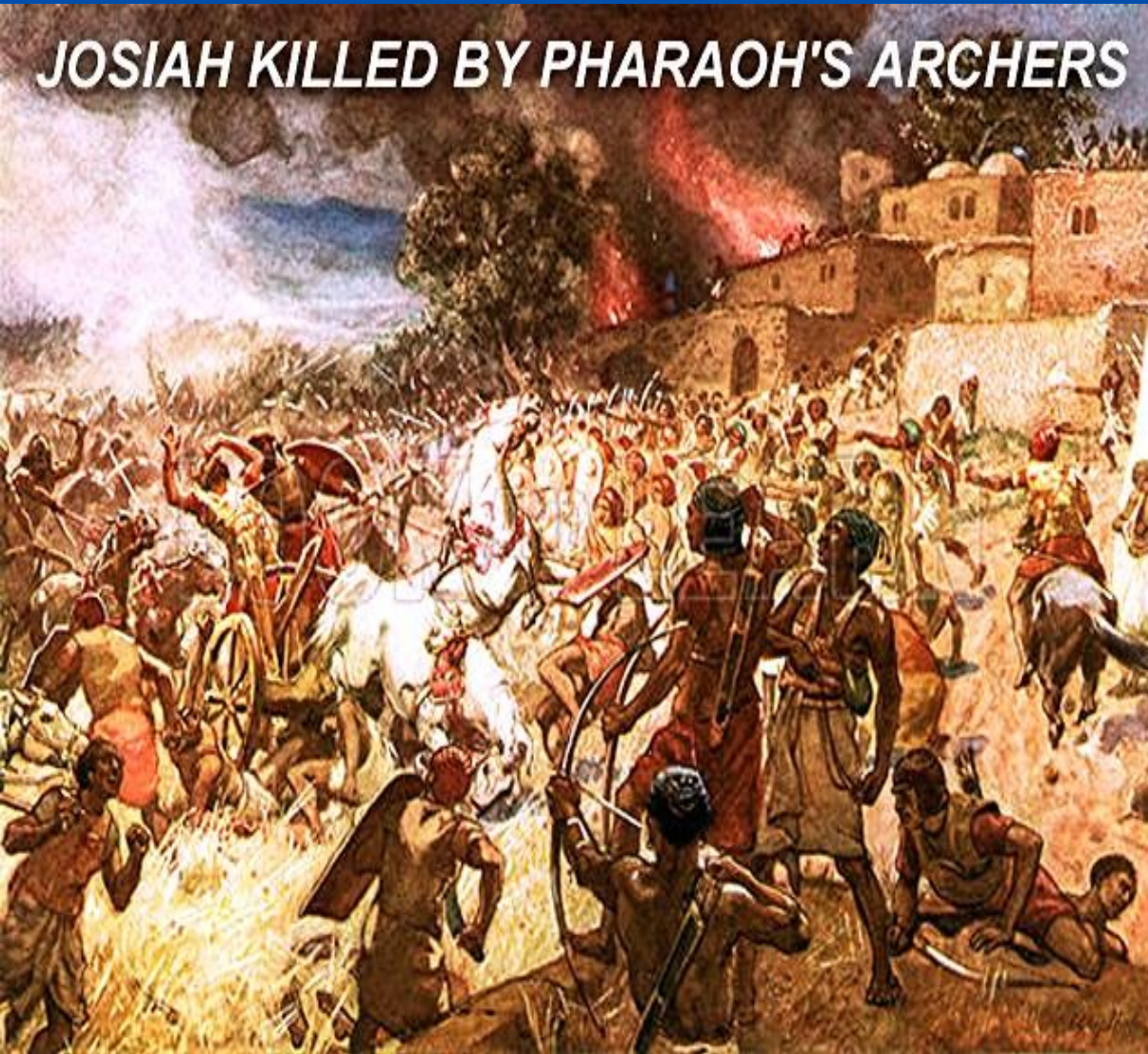


JEHOIAKIM IS JUDAH'S NEW KING

JOSIAH KILLED BY PHARAOH'S ARCHERS



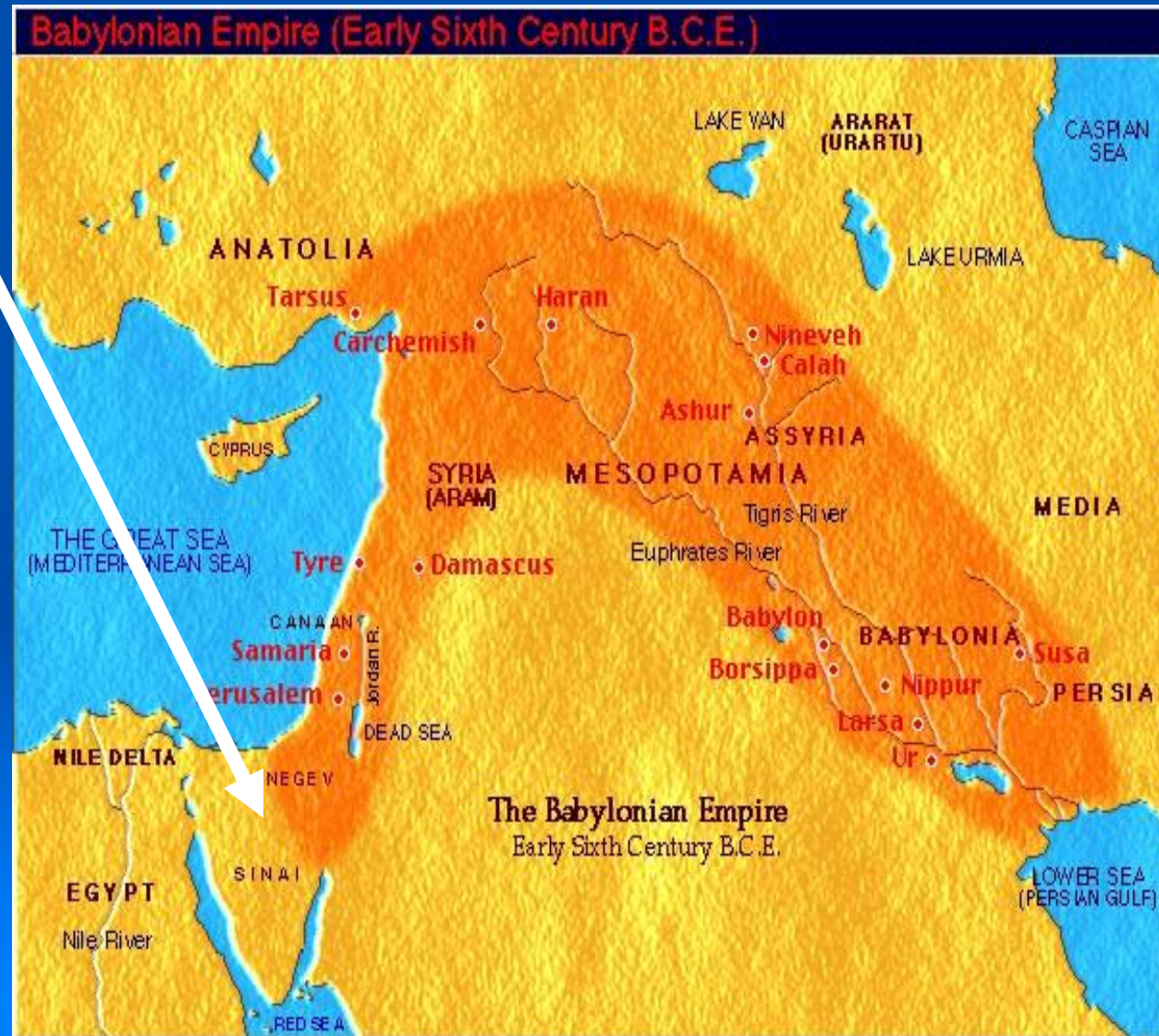
- *Y'hoyakim* = Jehoiakim
- *Y'ho'achaz* the 1st to replace Josiah
- Neco removed *Y'ho'achaz* and replaced him with *Y'hoyakim*
- In 605 B.C. Babylon took over the region from Egypt



- New Babylonian Empire takes over the Assyrian Empire
- Media another regional power allies with Babylon
- *Y'hoyakim* rebelled against Nebuchadnezzar by refusing to pay his agreed-to tribute

BABYLON AGAIN FIGHTS EGYPT

- 601/600 B.C.
Babylon battles
Egypt in the Sinai
- No victor, both
sides suffer big
losses
- 2nd Kings 24:7
- *Y'hoyakim* thought
this was a good
opportunity to rebel
because of
Babylon's
weakness
- Bad idea !



2ND KINGS 24: THE FALL OF JERUSALEM



- 586 B.C. was NOT when Jerusalem fell to Babylon
- Rather it was when the Temple was destroyed
- *Y'hoyakim* was king when Nebuchadnezzar first took over Jerusalem, but intact
- 2nd Kings 24:2 says it was YHWH who sent troops from Aram, Moab, Amon and the Chaldeans to attack Jerusalem
- Chaldean = Babylonian



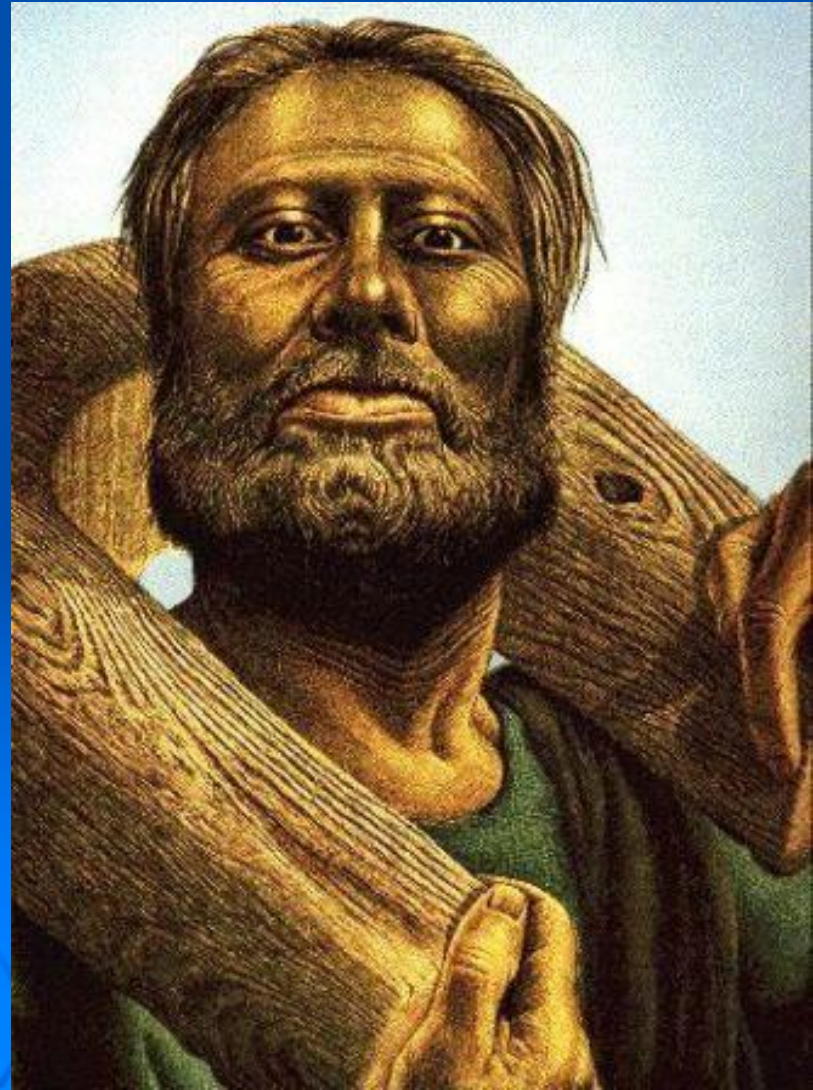
DOES GOD PUNISH HIS OWN?

- God incited Judah's enemies to destroy Judah
- God is on Babylon's side !!
- Different than End Times, people of the north, who are being lured to their destruction
- Sins of Manasseh are being manifested in the people of Judah
- *Y'hoyakim*, although not a good king, was not being blamed for Judah's judgment
- It is the people of Judah who are responsible



JEREMIAH 27: THE YOKE OF SUBJUGATION

- On earth, Babylon will hold the reins of the yokes
- In Heaven, God is directing it
- Jeremiah 27:5 “...I give it to *whom it seems right to Me*”
- Couldn't God have reacted in some other way than severe punishment?
- Why not show unlimited mercy to Judah?
- Many Believers think that God will not punish His own
- So shouldn't we feel upset that He was wrong to punish Judah?



WAS JUDAH'S REDEMPTION REVOKED?

- Nothing indicates Judah's redeemed status has changed
- God will at times show mercy, and at other times punish
- God intends for Judah to submit to Babylon
- Jeremiah 27:8
- God warns that those who fight against Babylon, fight against Him !!
- Jeremiah warned Jehoiakim NOT to rebel, but he did and the Lord punished Judah !



GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

observable in nature

Self-Existence

Rom. 1:19-20, Acts 17:23-29, Heb. 11:3

Self-Sufficiency

Isa. 66:1-2, Acts 17:24-25

Faithfulness

Psalm 36:5-6, 85:11, 89:8-12,
Psalm 119:90, Lam 3:21-23

Omnipresence Omniscience

Job 38-42, Psalm 139

RIGHTEOUSNESS

Psalm 50:3-6, 85:10-13; Psalm 97, 111

POWER

omnipotence
Psalm 145:10-13, Hab. 3
Romans 1:19-20

Goodness

Psalm 65, 67, 85, 103, 104
Acts 14:15-17

Mercy

Psalm 145:8-10
Psalm 113

Trinity

Prov. 8:22-31
Prov. 30:4
Heb. 1:1-3

KNOWLEDGE

Psalm 19:2, Isa. 40:12-26, 55:9

HOLINESS

Exo. 15:11
Job 22:12-16, 25:4-6

MAJESTY

Psalm 8:1-4, 111:1-4, Psalm 113
Neh. 9:6, Rev. 14:7

Sovereignty

Psalm 46, 74, 104, 135
Job 38-42, Isa. 55:10-11

Grace

Gen. 9:8-17
Psalm 121
Matt. 6:25-34

WISDOM

Psalm 104, esp. v24
Prov. 3:19-20, ch. 8

TRUTH

Psalm 57:9-11, 85:10-13
Psalm 108:4, 2 Pet 3:3-7

Glory

Psalm 19
Isaiah 6:3

ETERNALITY IMMUTABILITY

Psalm 90:1-6
Psalm 102:25-27
Prov. 8:22-31

WRATH

Gen. 6-9
II Pet. 3:3-13

Ruler-Lawgiver

Job 38:31-33, Psalm 33:6-9
Psalm 135, 147

Lovingkindness

Psalm 33:4-7, 107, 119:64, Psalm 136

➤ Humans can know God by 2 means:

- 1) His Name (YHWH)
- 2) His attributes

➤ Who is that God at Armageddon?

➤ Rev. 19:11 – 18



False Prophets

- Jeremiah 27:9 Prophets, diviners, and seers will tell Judah that none of this will happen to them
- God says they are liars
- If Judah will bow down to Babylon, they will remain living in their own land
- The people knew and trusted these prophets who said they were from God, but God said not to listen to them



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WHAT DIRECTION ARE WE GOING?

- God does not have unlimited patience on His people or upon wicked nations
- Are we more or less moral than 40, 20, or 10 years ago?
- Do people want the truth, or false messages of tolerance, prosperity, and happiness?



- The Lord says don't listen to those who say everything is fine, things are getting better, God will always deliver us
- **Jeremiah 27:16** A message directly to the religious establishment not to resist Babylon
- HOPE !! There is always hope in the Lord ! **Deut. 24:16**
- God says He will bring Judah back
- Same pattern as the exodus from Egypt
- After responsible generation dies off, the next generation can come to the land with a clean slate