

## ***BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS***

# **SUPPLEMENT**

**WORLD HISTORY & JEWISH HISTORY  
WORLD LEADERS & JEWISH LEADERS**

**FROM THE FALL OF BABYLON UNTIL 420 B.C.,  
THE END OF MALACHI**

- 605 BC** First deportation of Jews from Jerusalem to Babylon by King Nebuchadnezzar: Daniel, Shadrack, Meshack, and Abednego are among the captives taken.
- 597 BC** Second deportation of Jews from Jerusalem to Babylon by King Nebuchadnezzar: Ezekiel the prophet and King Jehoiachin are among the captives taken.
- 586 BC** Third deportation of Jews from Jerusalem to Babylon by King Nebuchadnezzar: King Zedekiah, last king of Judah, is among the captives taken; the prophet Jeremiah remains in Jerusalem.
- 586 BC** Babylonian destruction of Solomon's Jerusalem Temple by Nebuchadnezzar.
- 562 BC** Nebuchadnezzar dies.
- 548 BC** Or possibly **551 BC** as to **when Daniel received the predictions of Daniel 8.**
- 539 BC** **Fall of Babylonian Empire** (Belshazzar; "Handwriting on the Wall").
- 538 BC** **Darius the Mede/Cyrus the Persian, the king of the Median-Persian Empire rules.**
- 538 BC** **Darius/Cyrus releases all captive nations to return to their homelands.**
- 536 BC** **Daniel receives the predictions of Daniel 10—12.**
- 533 BC** **50,000 Jews return to Jerusalem** under Zerubbabel, Joshua the High Priest, Haggai & Zechariah, the prophets.
- 532 BC** Rebuilding of the Jerusalem Temple begun.
- 533 BC** The rebuilding of the Jerusalem Temple halted.
- 521 BC** **Persian King Darius I rules.**
- 520 BC** Work on the Jerusalem Temple resumes.
- 515 BC** **Rebuilding of the Jerusalem Temple is completed & dedicated.**
- 486 BC** **Persian King Xerxes, husband of Queen Esther, rules.**
- 464 BC** **Persian King Artaxerxes I rules.**
- 458 BC** **Ezra the Scribe** leads c. 30,000 more Jews back to Jerusalem.
- 445 BC** **Nehemiah** comes to Jerusalem and builds a wall around the city.
- 445 BC** Ezra reads the Torah and explains it to the Jewish people.
- 420 BC** Proposed date for the ending of **Malachi** and date when it is assumed that Ezra edited the whole OT and finalized it.
- 420 BC** **Date proposed when God's INTERTESTAMENTAL SILENCE began and then lasted until the Announcements of the births of John the Baptizer & **JESUS**.**