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Between the Testaments: Nehemiah to Jesus

Daniel and the Four Great Empires

1. Babylon 605 – 539 BC
2. Persia 539 – 331 BC
3. Greece 331 – 168 BC
4. Rome 168 BC – 476 AD

**Timeline**

605–538 BC Daniel is in Babylon

586 BC Babylon destroys Jerusalem and the temple

539 BC The Persians conquer Babylon

536 BC Some Jews return to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple (Ezra 1-6)

484-465 BC Esther is queen in Persia (Esther)

480 BC Athenians and Spartans defeat Xerxes, king of Persia

465-424 BC Artaxerxes is king of Persia

458-444 BC Ezra comes to Jerusalem to restore worship (Ezra 7-10)

444 BC Nehemiah comes to Jerusalem to rebuild the walls (Nehemiah)

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*Daniel’s Visions of the Statue and the Beasts*

For Further Discussion:

1. Daniel’s vision is a roadmap of the political events between the Old and New Testament. Why do you think God revealed this information?
2. How was God weaving together spiritual events and temporal, political events to achieve his purpose?
3. Do you think God has a plan now like he did then?