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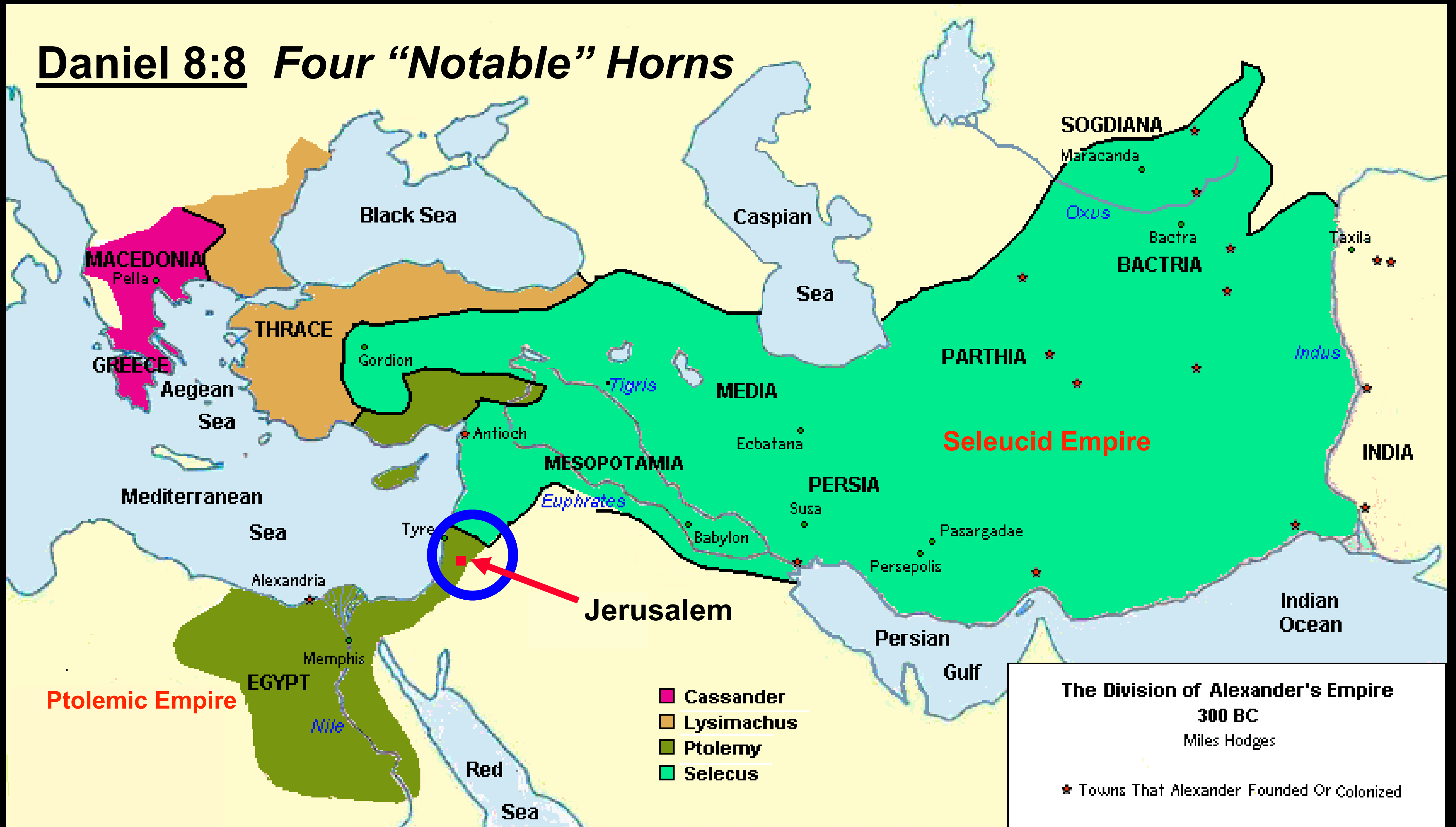


## Daniel 8.5–6

“And as I was considering, behold, an **he goat** came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat *had* a **notable horn** between his eyes. And he came to the ram that had *two* horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.”



# Daniel 8:8 Four "Notable" Horns



**Ptolemaic Empire**

- Cassander
- Lysimachus
- Ptolemy
- Seleucus

**The Division of Alexander's Empire  
300 BC**  
Miles Hodges

★ Towns That Alexander Founded Or Colonized

## Daniel 8.8-11

“Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up **four notable ones** toward the four winds of heaven. And **out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land**. And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and **by him the daily sacrifice was taken away**, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.”





## Maccabean Revolt

### > 175 BC Seleucid King—

*Antiochus IV (Epiphanes) (the “little horn” of Daniel 8:9) issued decrees forbidding Jewish religious practice.*

### > 167 BC Uprising—

*Led by Mattathias, a faithful priest, against the pagan Greek influences of the Selucid Empire. Continued by his son Judas Maccabeus (“the hammer”).*



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1.) **HEAD OF GOLD**  
KINGDOM OF BABYLON

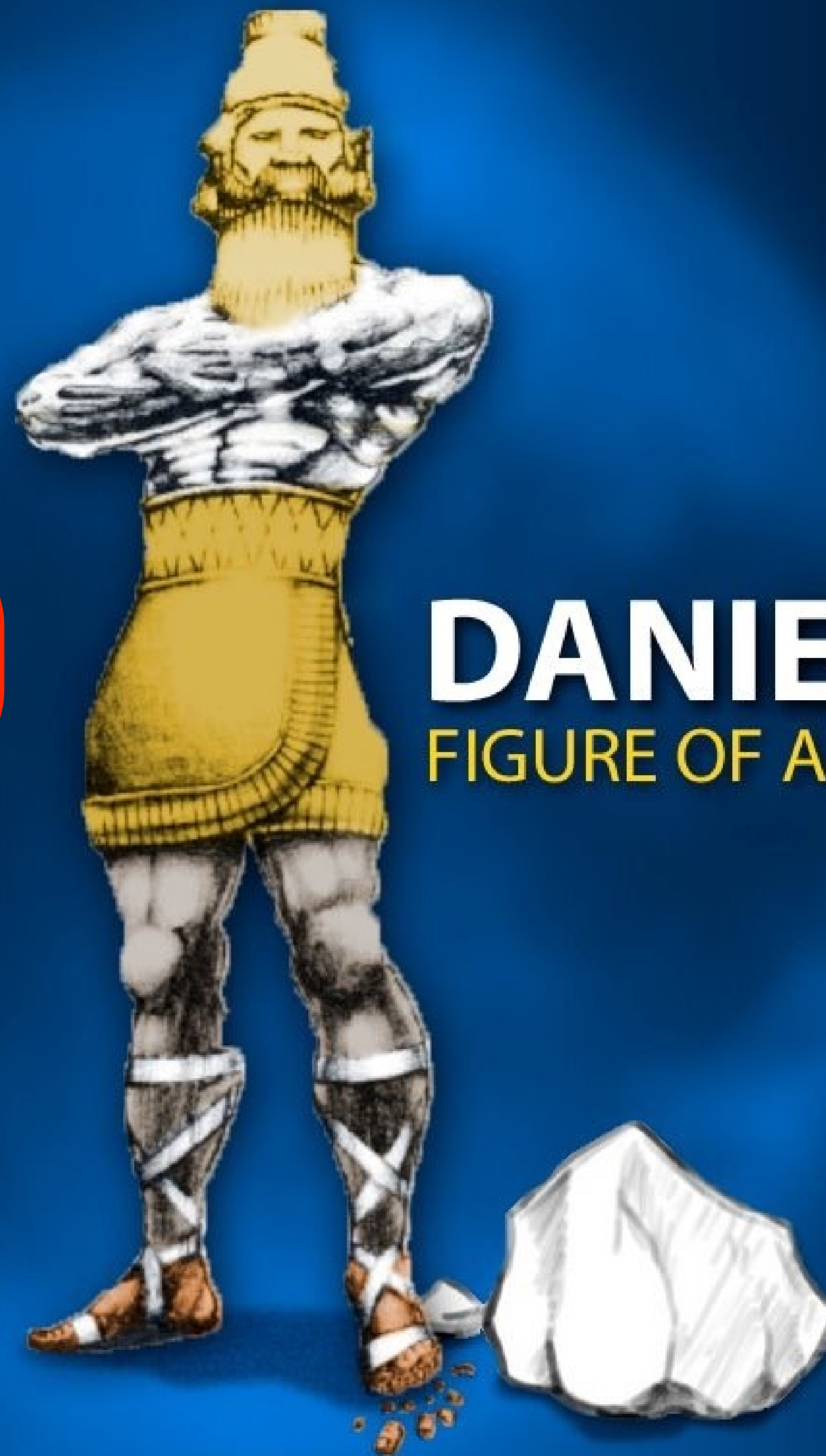
2.) **CHEST & ARMS  
OF SILVER**  
KINGDOM OF MEDES  
& PERSIANS

3.) **BELLY & THIGHS  
OF BRONZE**  
KINGDOM OF  
ANCIENT GREECE

4.) **LEGS OF IRON**  
KINGDOM OF  
ANCIENT ROME

5.) **FEET OF IRON  
& CLAY**  
KINGDOM OF  
RESTORED ROME

**CRUSHING ROCK**  
KINGDOM OF GOD



**DANIEL 2**  
FIGURE OF A MAN

## Maccabean Revolt

### > 164 BC Rededication of Temple—

*After three years, the Jews are able re-conquer Jerusalem. The Maccabees then purify the Temple and rededicate it from its desecrations.*

### > Origin of Jewish Observance of “Hanukkah”—

*With little oil for the lampstand, they use what they had, and it stayed lit for eight days—until additional oil can be pressed and delivered to the Temple.*



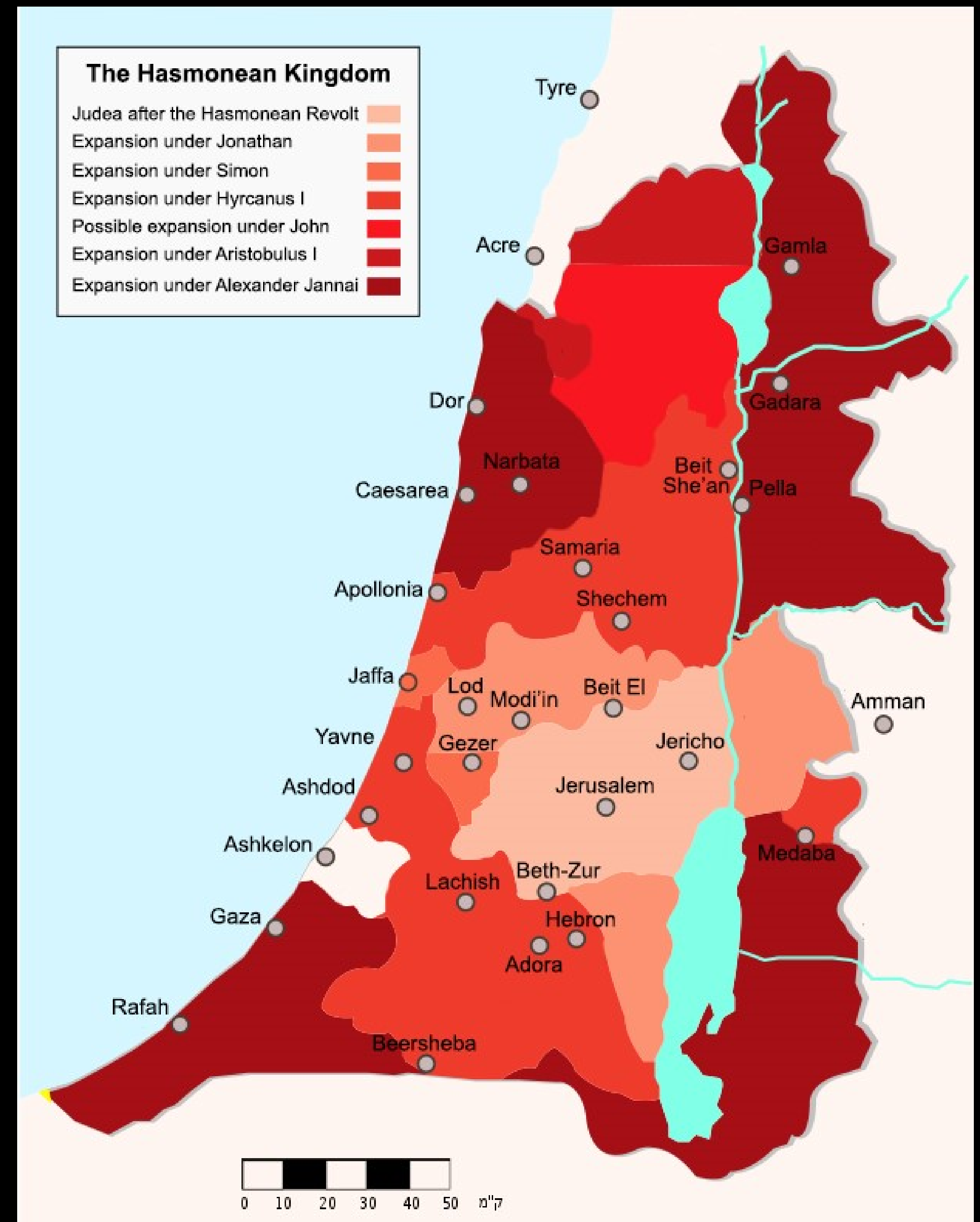
## Intertestamental Period Maccabean Self-Rule in Israel

### 140 BC Hasmonean Dynasty—

*“The Hasmoneans fought off Hellenizing influences and paganism, defeated the evil Antiochus Epiphanes, secured Israel’s independence ... and, at least temporarily, restored the glory of Israel as a nation.”*

### 63 BC Herodian Dynasty—

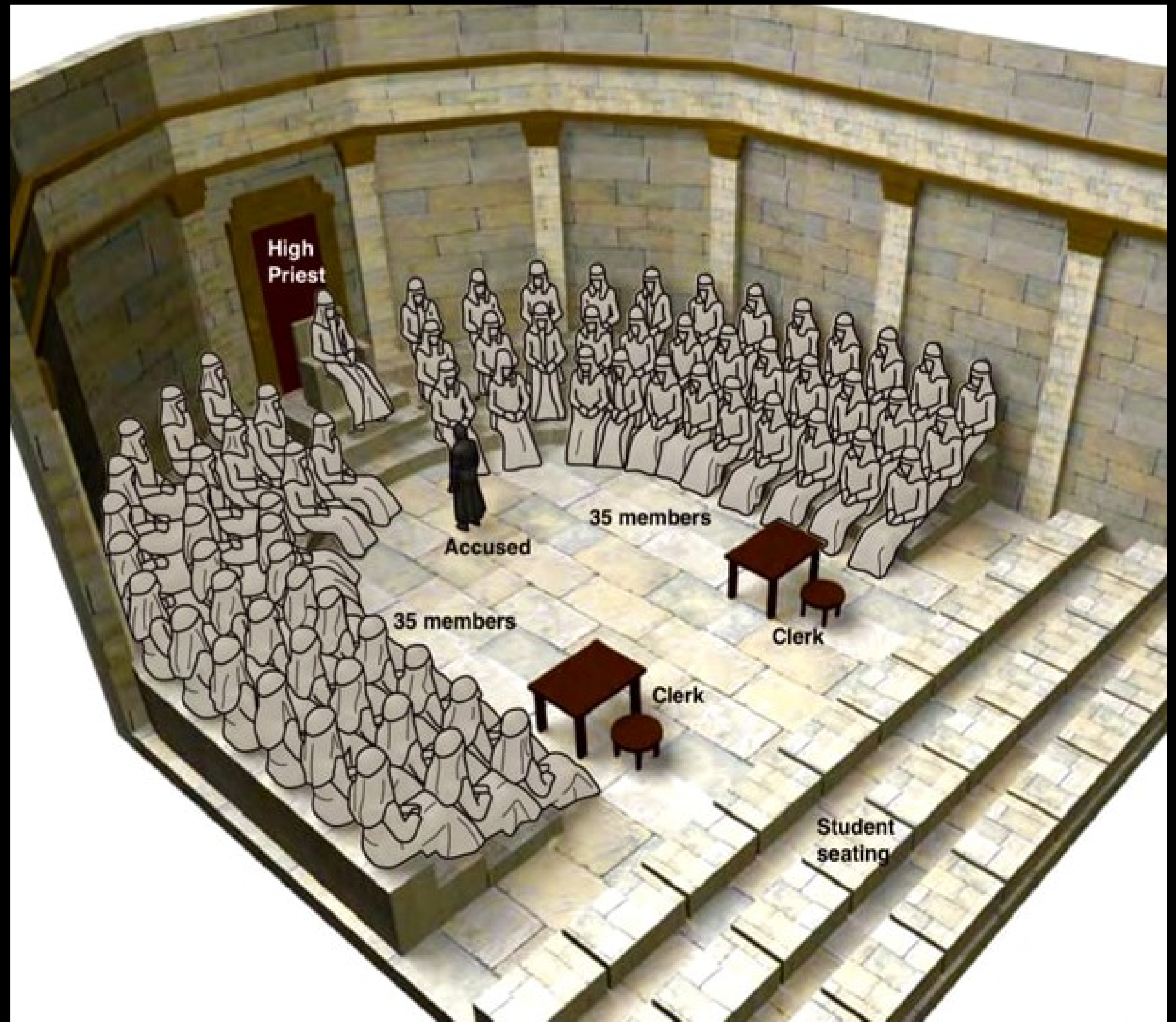
*“Antipater, was a chief adviser to the Hasmoneans and established a good relationship with the Romans. His son (Herod the Great) convinced the Senate of his sincere intentions and he eventually was installed as king of the Jews, ending Hasmonean rule. Agrippa II was the last of the Herodians.*





## John 11.47-48

“Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles. If we let him thus alone, all men will believe on him: and **the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.**”





## Zechariah 9.16 - 10.1

“And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the **flock of his people**: for they shall be as the **stones of a crown**, lifted up as an ensign upon his land. For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! corn shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the maids. Ask ye of the LORD rain in the **time of the latter rain**; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one **grass** in the field.”

