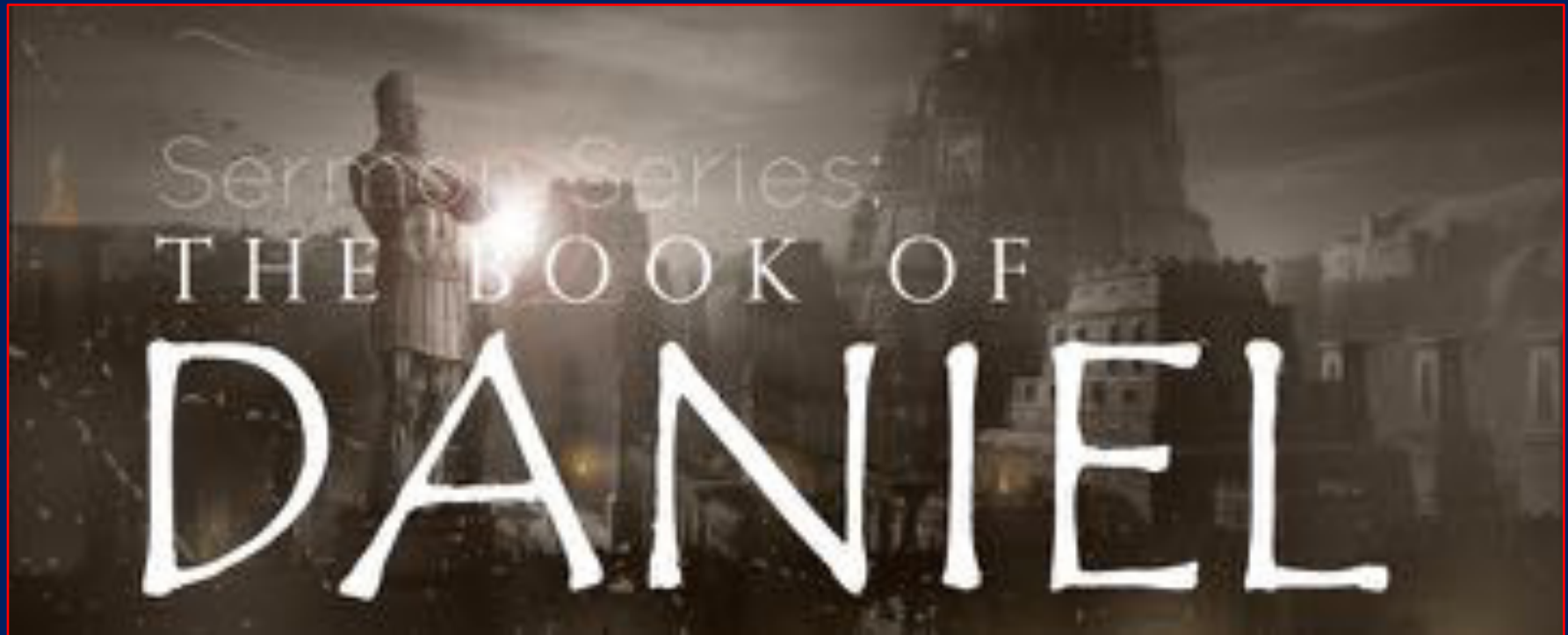


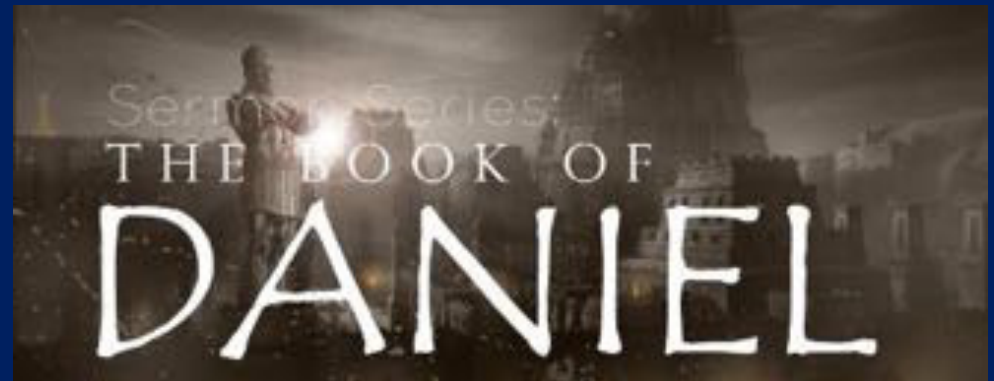
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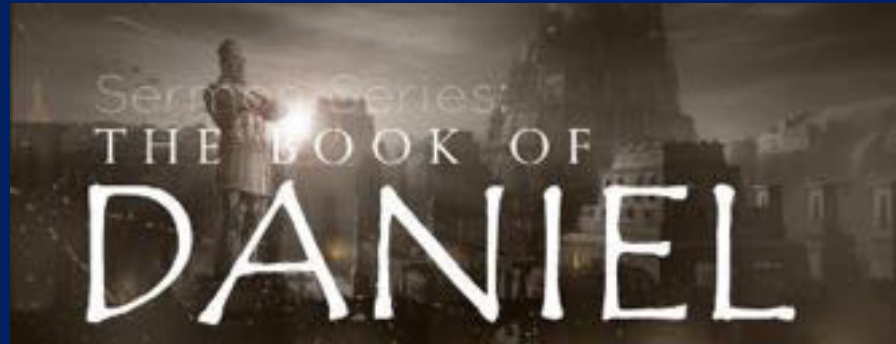
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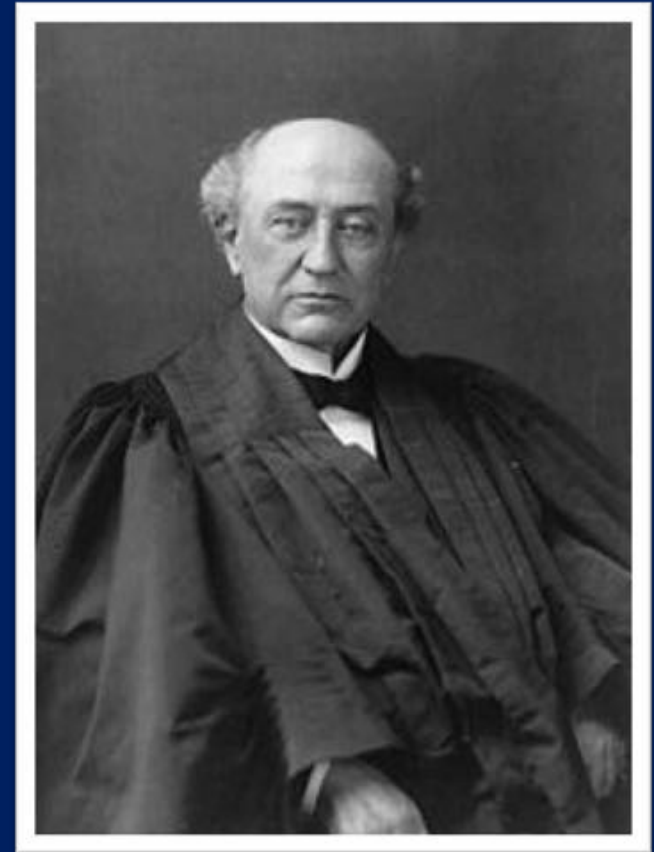


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Church of the Holy Trinity v. U.S., 143 U.S. 457, 465, 470-71 (1892)



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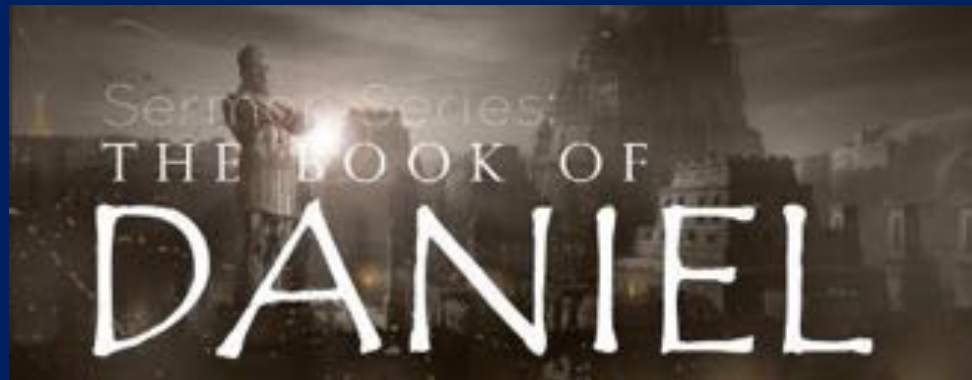
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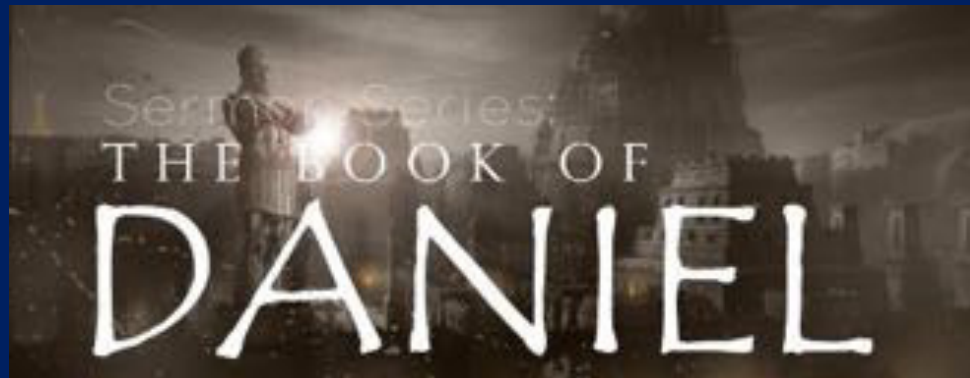
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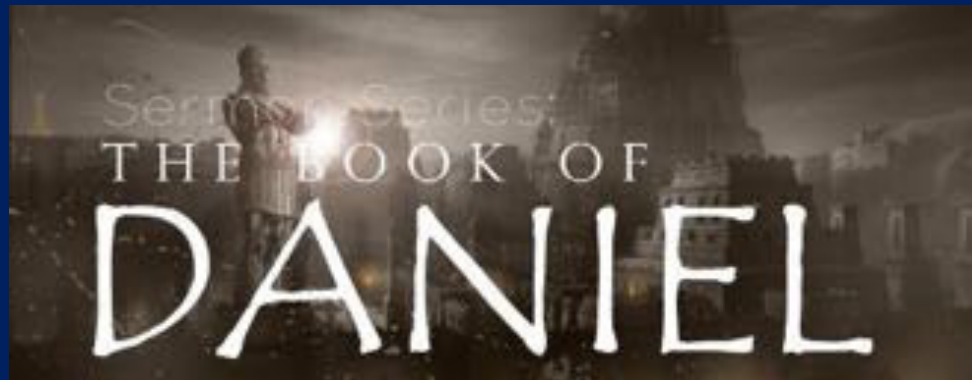
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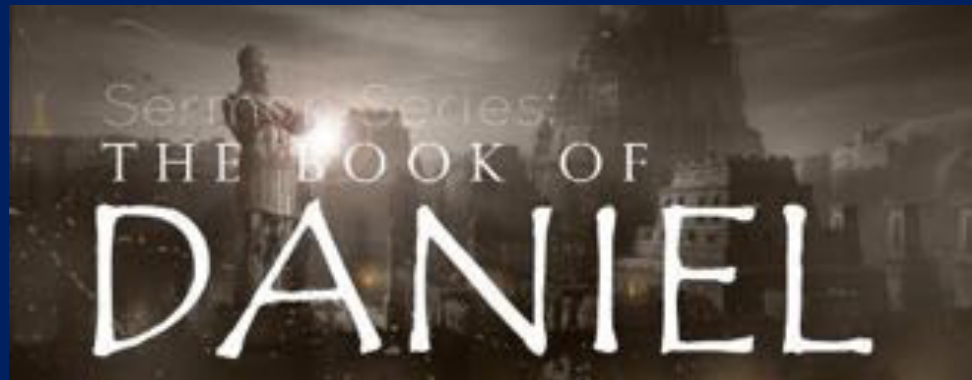
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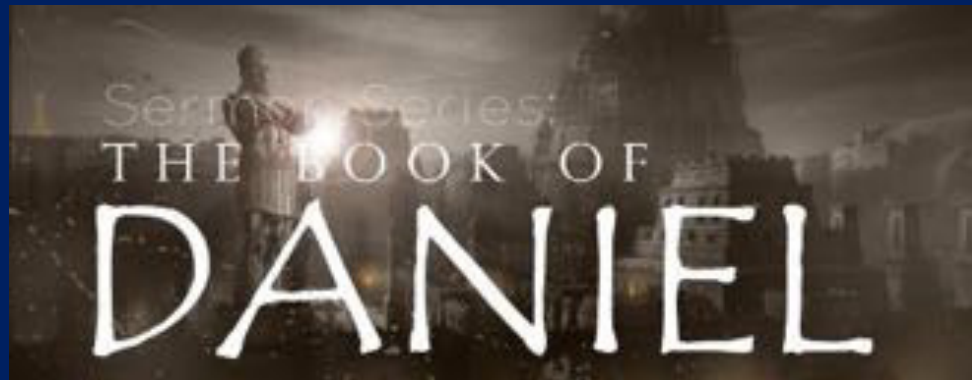
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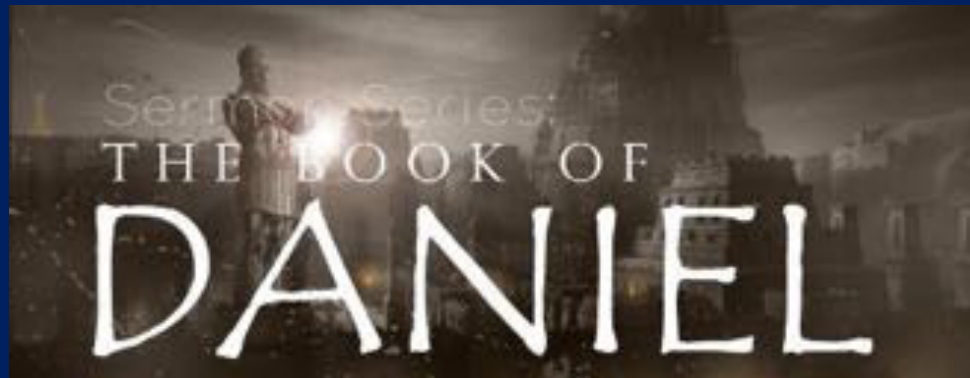
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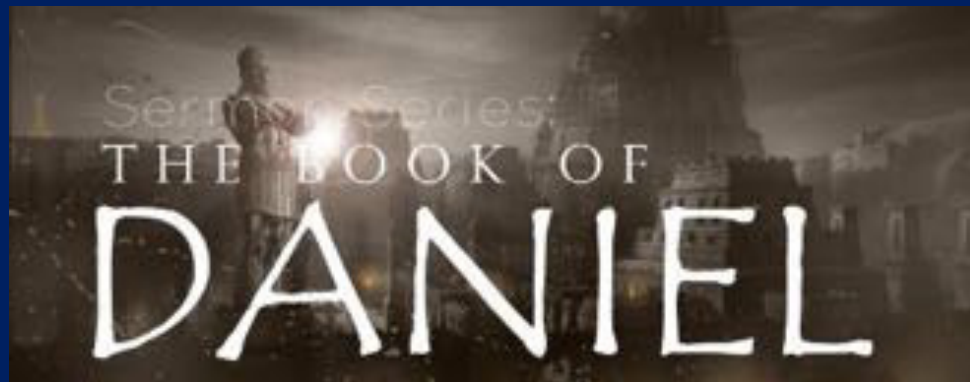
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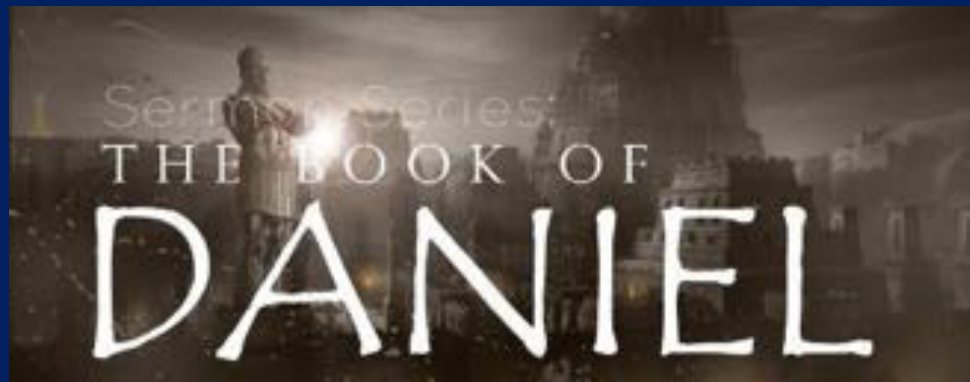
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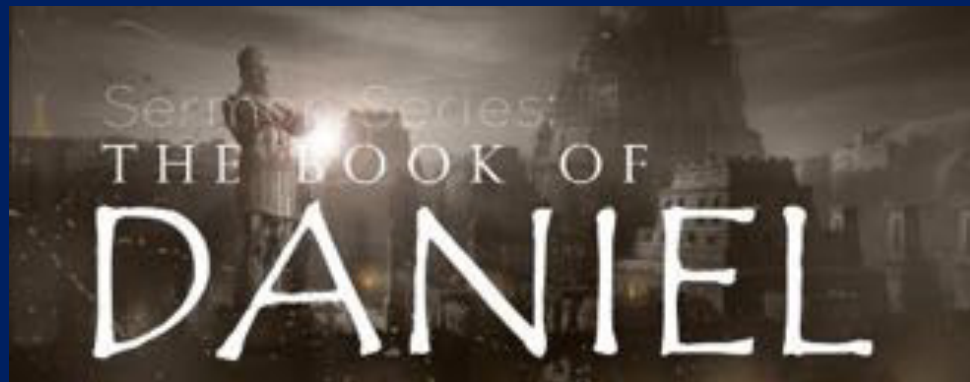
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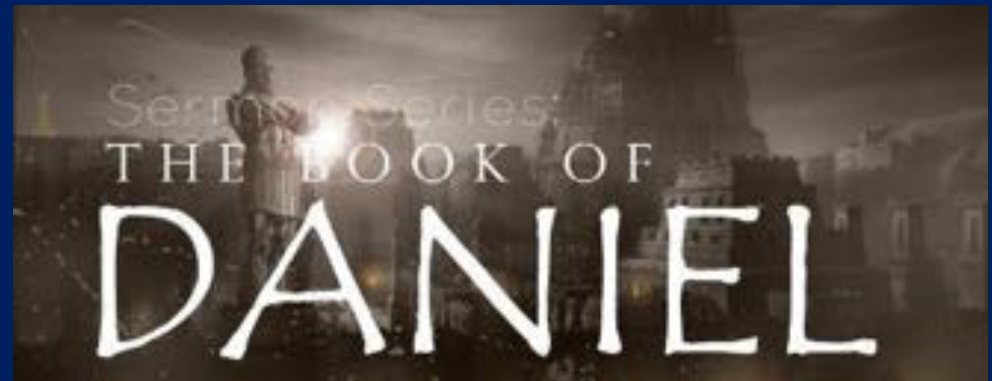
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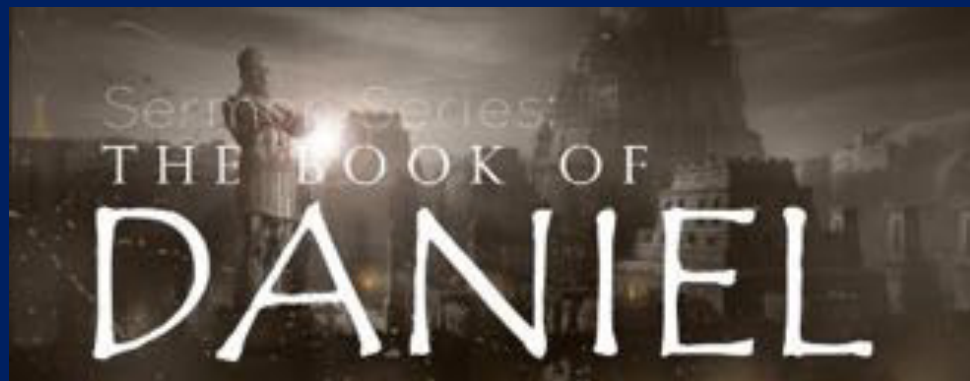
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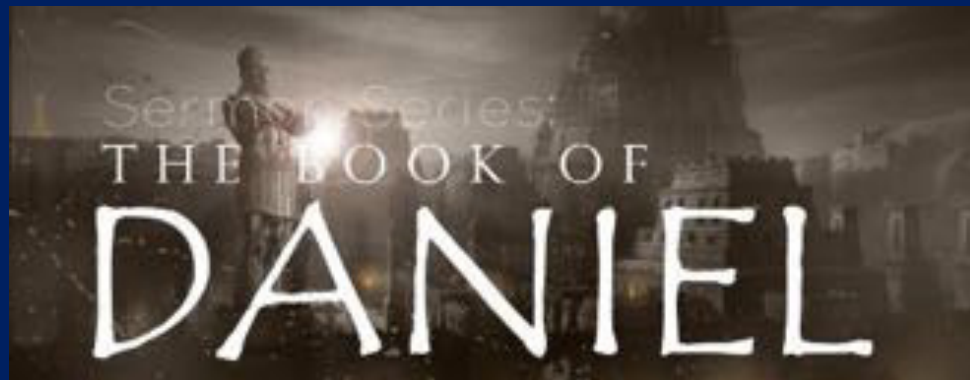
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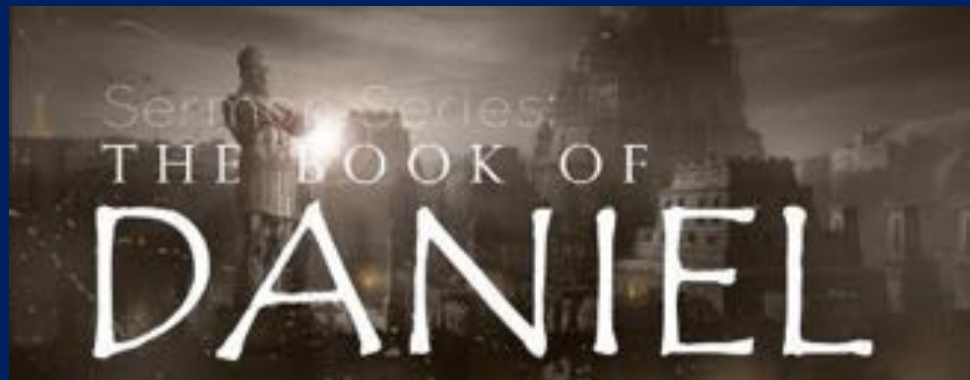
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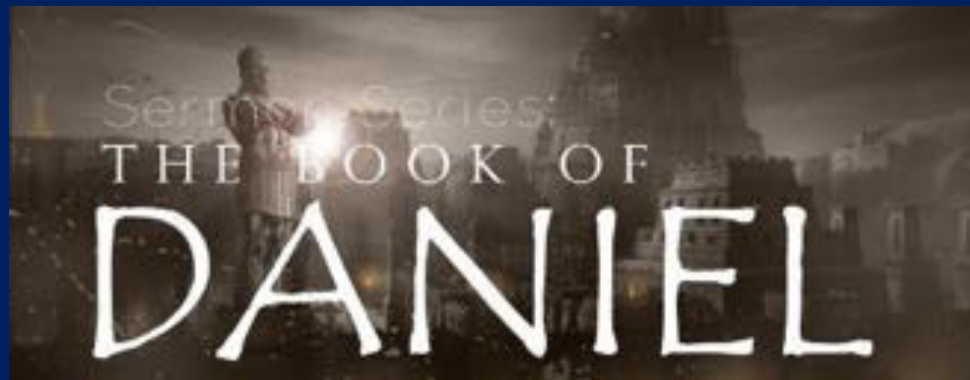
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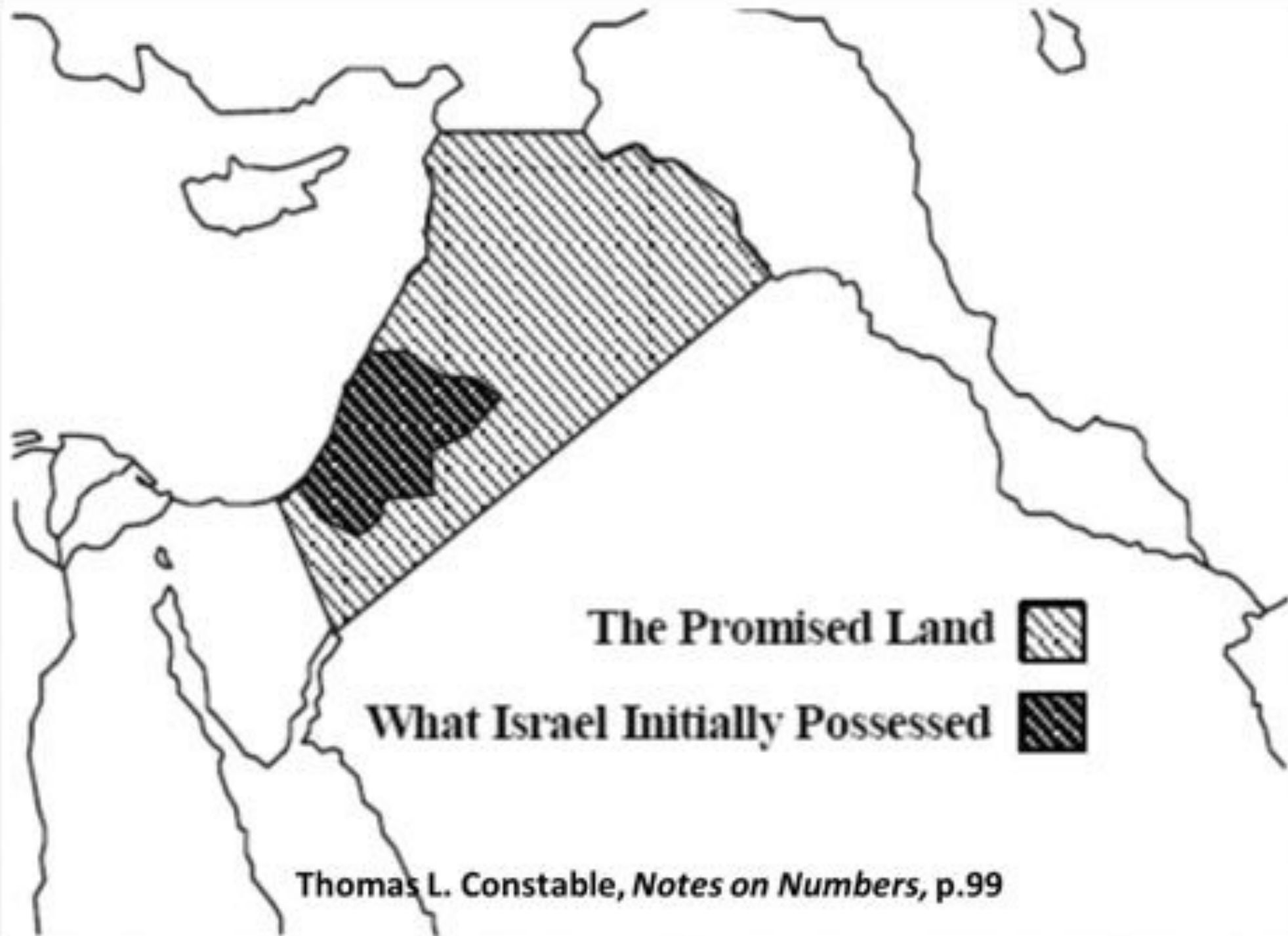
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Evidence of Abrahamic Covenant's Unconditional Nature

- ANE covenant ratification ceremony (Gen 15)
- No stated conditions for Israel's obedience (Gen 15)
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- Covenant's immutability (Heb 6:13-18)
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Land Promises Fulfilled in the Time of Joshua or Solomon?

- Extended context *Josh 13:1-7*
- Land gained was a fraction of what was promised
Num. 34 vs. Gen. 15
- Jerusalem unconquered by Joshua *Josh 15:63*
- Forever? *Gen 17:8*
- Amos 9:11-15 Reaffirms land promises





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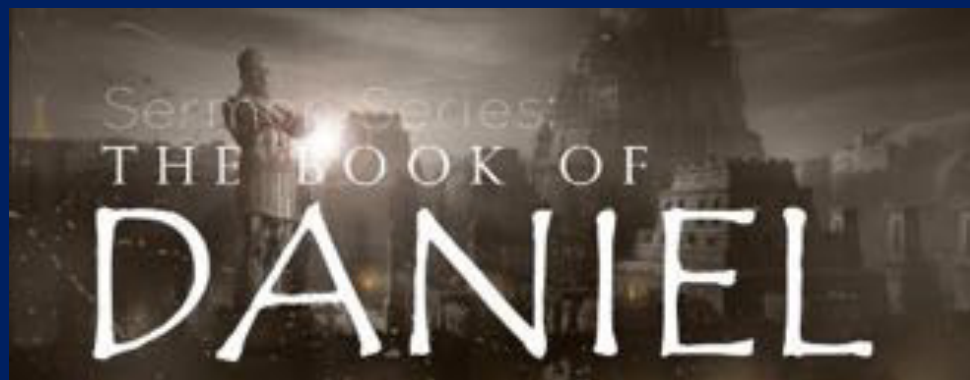
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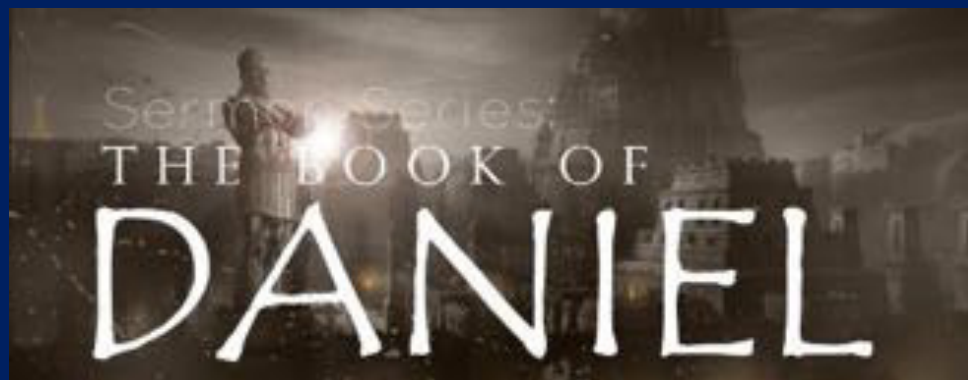
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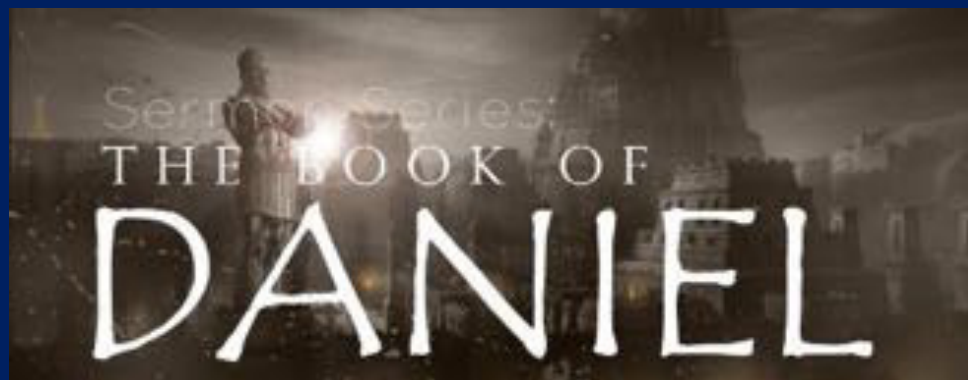
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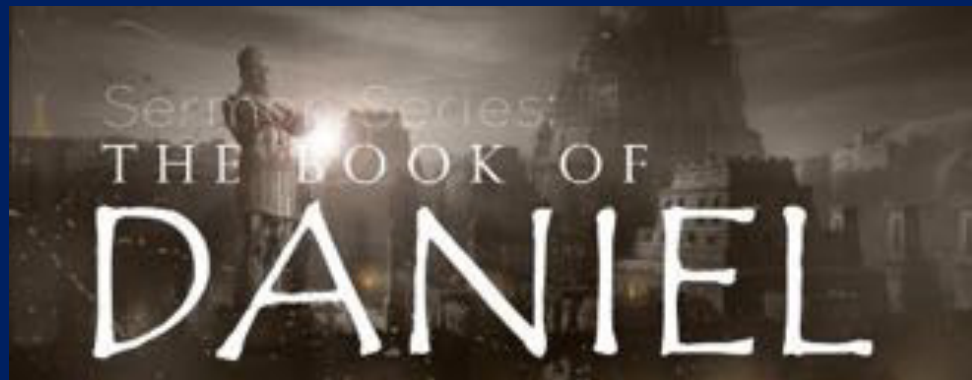
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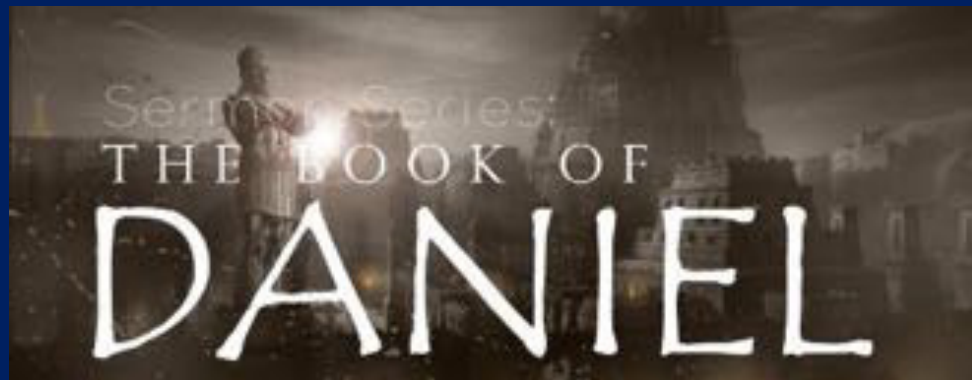
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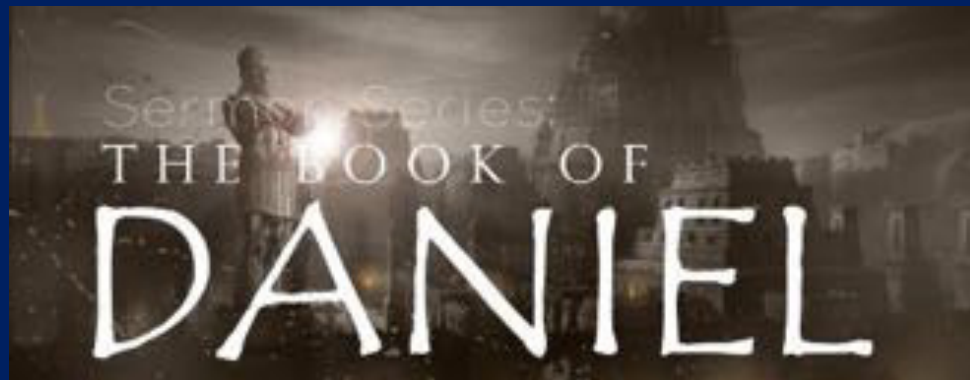




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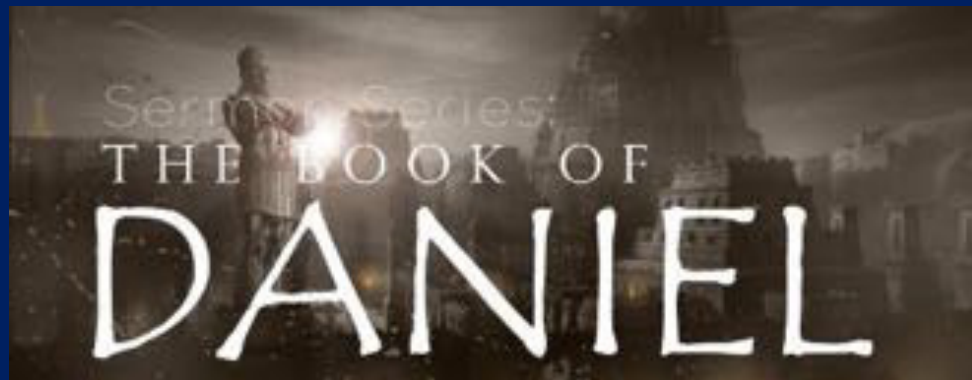
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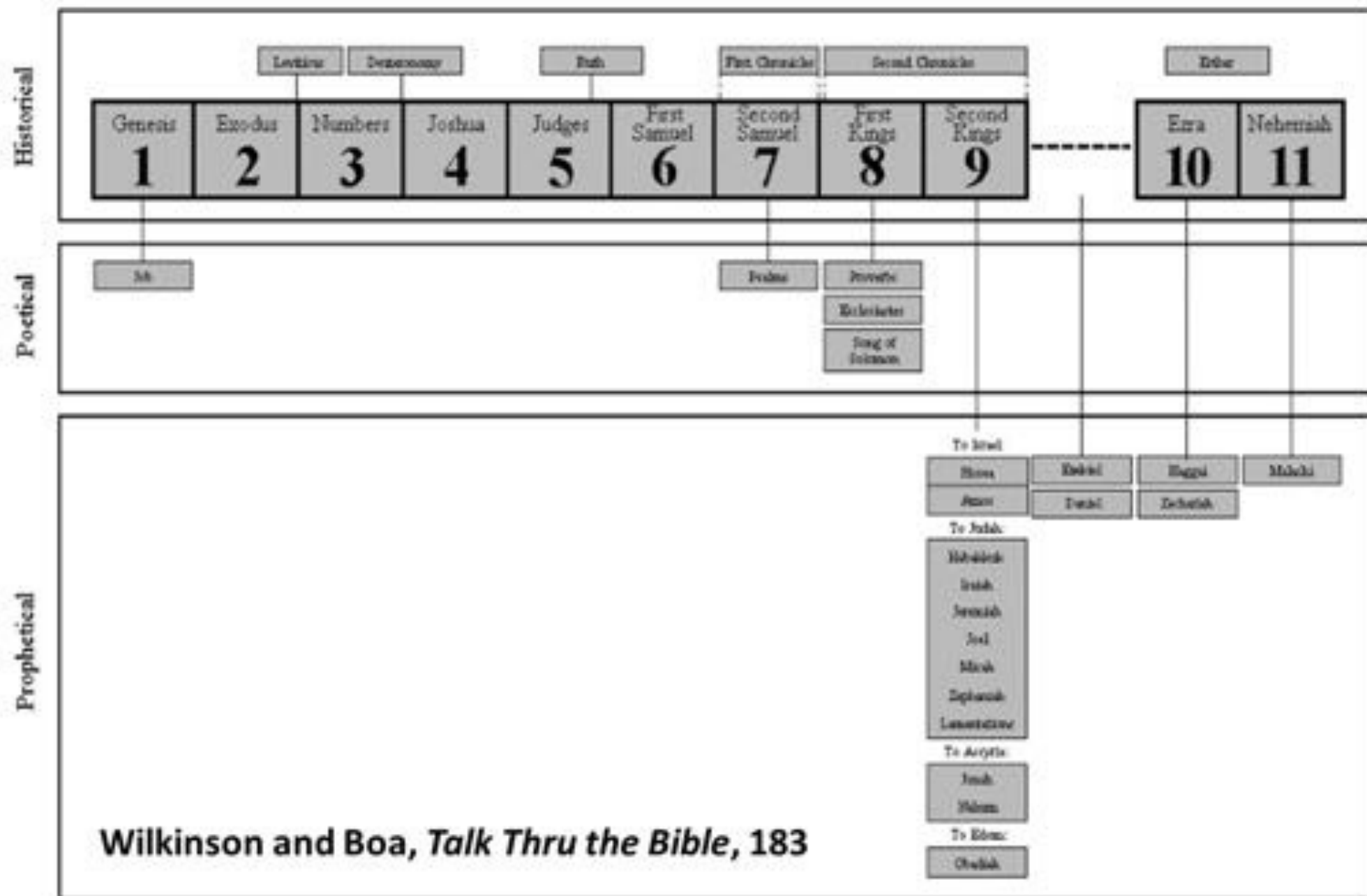
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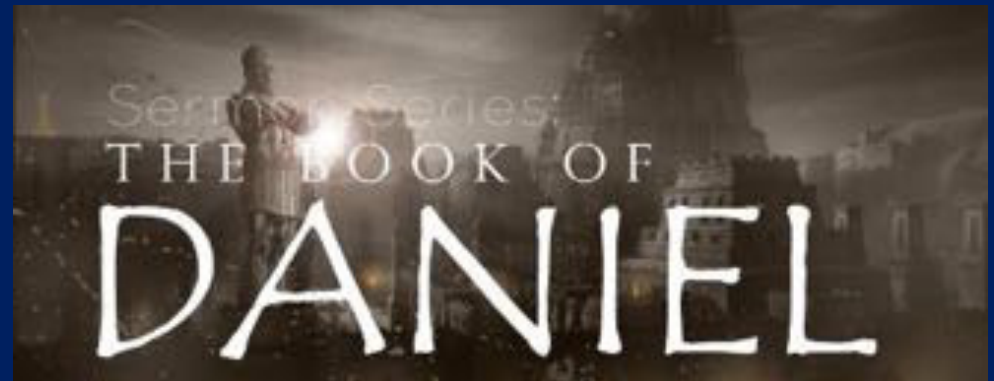
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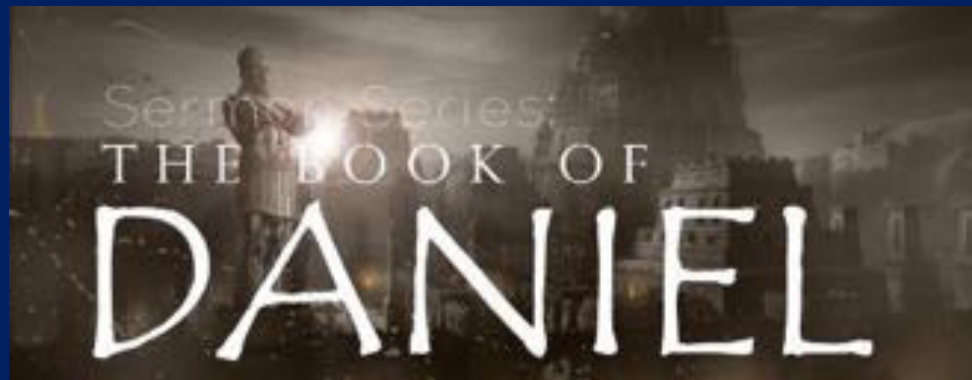
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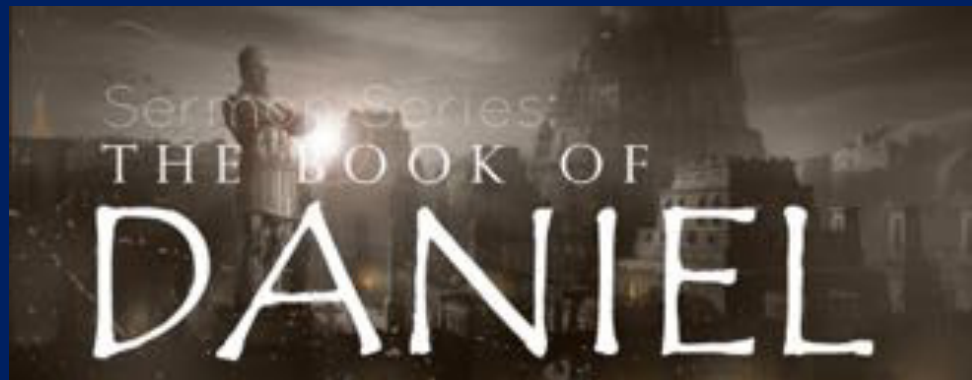
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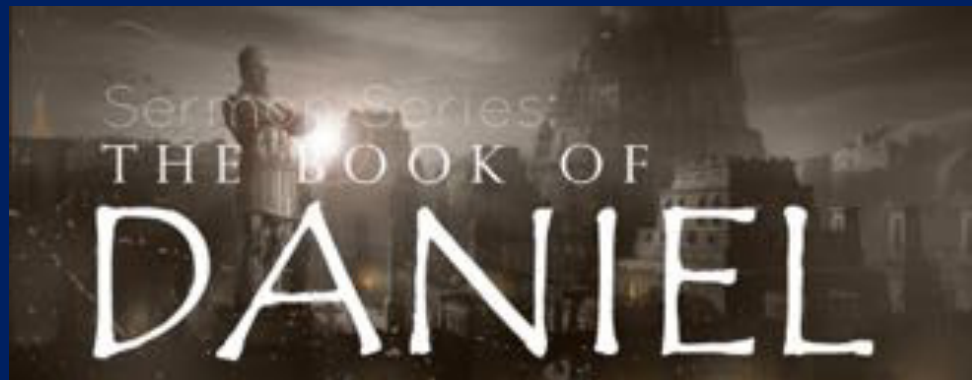
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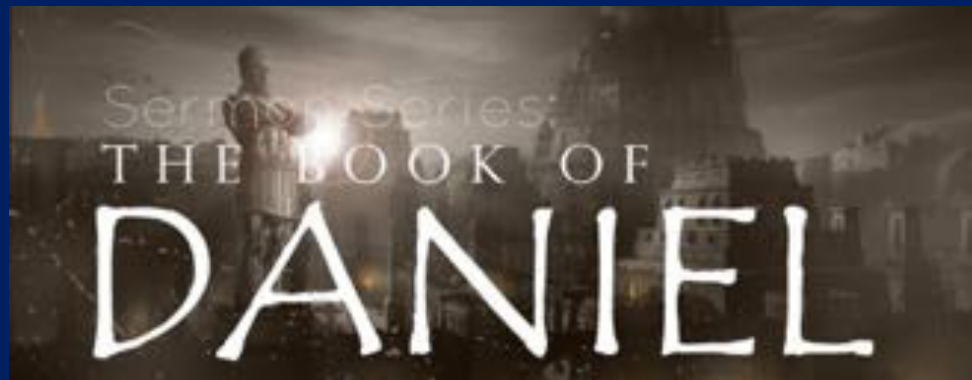
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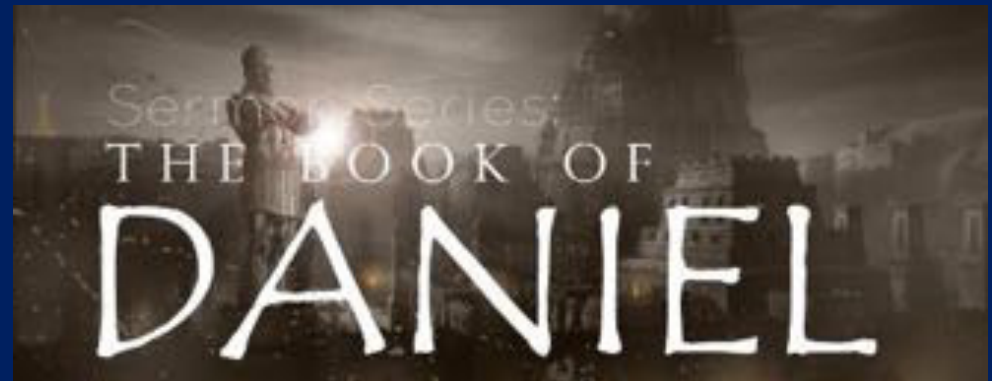
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