

Introduction to the Bible
Study Questions (chapter 5)
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What were the circumstances that led to the control of Babylon by Chaldeans rather than by Assyrians?

Who were the prophets that had a major influence on the life of Josiah? What was the message of each of them?

Who were the chief threats to Assyria in the last years of the reign of Saracus? How did he respond? What was the final outcome?

How did Media and Babylon reach an agreement with respect to Assyria? What took place after the agreement was reached?

Why did Necho launch a campaign from Egypt toward Carchemish? Why did Josiah try to stop him? What was the outcome? What can we learn from Josiah's misguided quest?

What did Nebuchadnezzar do with the Jewish royalty that he had brought to Babylon after he was crowned king in Babylon?

What was Jeremiah's message to Jehoiakim after Nebuchadnezzar restored him to the throne in Jerusalem? How did Jehoiakim respond to the message of the prophet?

What was the meaning of the dream that Nebuchadnezzar had during the third year of his reign?

What happened in Jerusalem as a result of Nebuchadnezzar's failure to defeat the Egyptian king in 601?

Where was Ezekiel when he was commissioned as a prophet. Who were the people who would be the primary recipients of his prophetic message?

What was Ezekiel's message when Zedekiah was considering entering a joint defense agreement with the king of Egypt?

What was the instruction that Jeremiah gave to the Jewish people in exile in Babylon? Where is that letter found in the book of Jeremiah?

When happened with respect to the agreement between Israel and Egypt when Nebuchadnezzar attacked Jerusalem in 589?

What was the message of Jeremiah to the people in Jerusalem during the two years that Jerusalem was under siege by the Babylonians?

What king followed Nebuchadnezzar? What kind of king was he? What good thing did he do?

How did Neriglissar claim a right to the throne? What was he best known for?

Why was Nabonidus interested in recovering the city of Haran? What did he do to achieve his objective?

After the city of Haran had been recovered, Nabonidus did an unexpected thing. What was it? Who was left governing Babylon during his absence?

What king asked Nabonidus for help in the face of attacks by Cyrus the Persian? What was the response of Nabonidus? What finally happened?
