

The Medes & Persians take over Babylon without firing a shot!



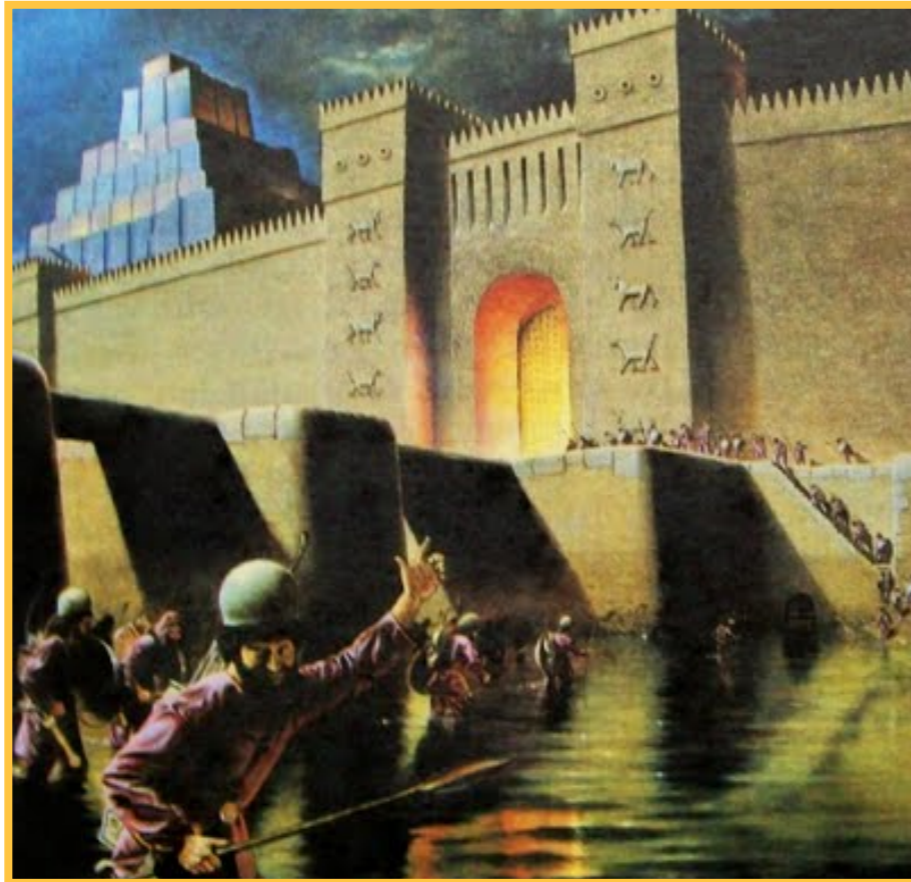
Standard of Cyrus the Great



As the Babylonians partied, using items stolen out of the Temple, the Persians quietly slipped into the city and surrounded them.



The soldiers dug trenches to divert the water from The River Euphrates around Babylon. This lowered the water level to reach the soldiers' thighs and they could wade into the unsuspecting city.



God calls Cyrus by name before he was even born!

...who says of Jerusalem, 'It shall be inhabited.' of the towns of Judah, 'They shall be built,' and of their ruins, 'I will restore them,' who says to the watery deep, 'Be dry, and I will dry up your streams,' who says of Cyrus, 'He is my shepherd and will accomplish all that I please, he will say of Jerusalem, "Let it be rebuilt," and of the temple, "Let its foundations be laid."' -Isaiah 44:26-28



Mene Mene Tekel Upharsin

King Belshazzar gave a great banquet for a thousand of his nobles and drank wine with them. While Belshazzar was drinking his wine, he gave orders to bring in the gold and silver goblets that his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the Temple in Jerusalem, so that the king and his nobles, his wives, his concubines might drink from them....

— Daniel 5:1 - 3