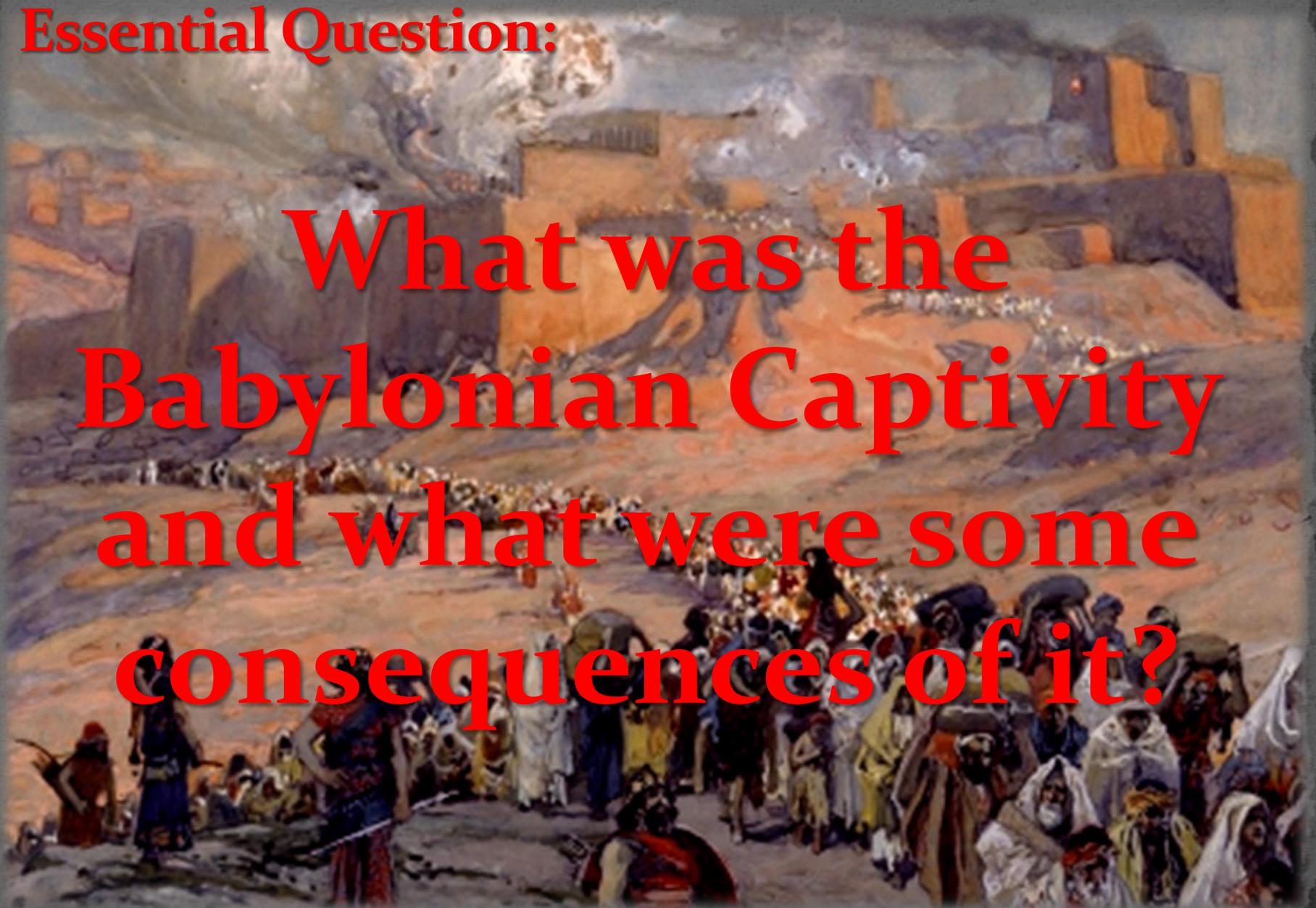


# New Beginnings for Judah



**Essential Question:**

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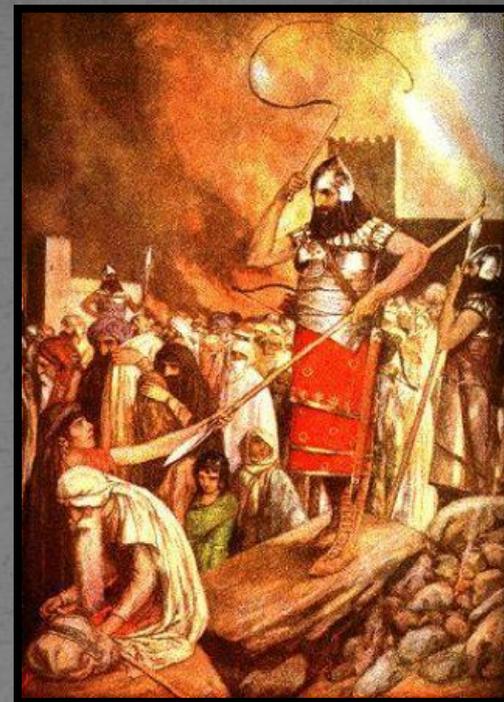


# What happened to the Kingdom of Judah?

- In 597 BC the land of **JUDAH** was conquered by the **BABYLONIANS**
- They forced the king of Judah to move to their capital of **BABYLON**
- They also took 10,000 additional men to their city
- The Babylonians chose a new king from Judah to rule from Jerusalem
- The new **KING**, although chosen by the Babylonians, was loyal to Judah, he and other Judeans **REBELLED**

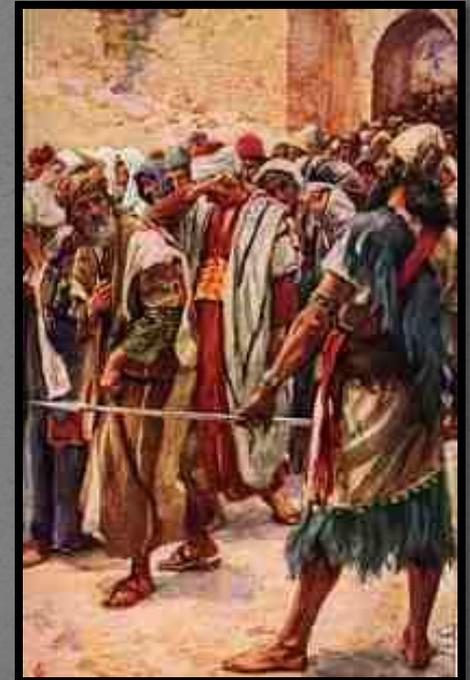
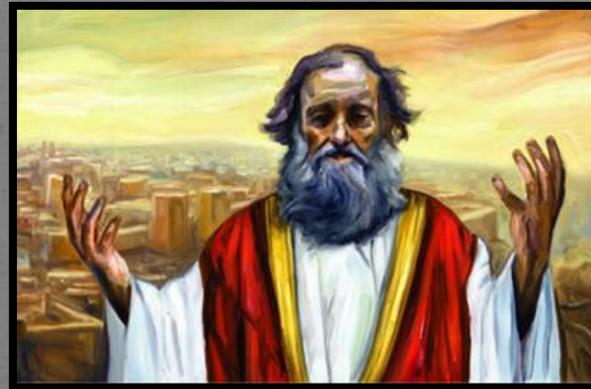


- The **BABYLONIANS** were so angry they again conquered Jerusalem in 586 BC
- This time they **DESTROYED** it



- They tore down the **CITY** walls and burned the **TEMPLE** to the ground
- They forced nearly all the **PEOPLE** to **MOVE** to Babylon, this is known as the **BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY**

- The **JEWS** were forced to leave their homeland; they were **EXILED**
- A prophet named **JEREMIAH** came among the people, he taught that being exiled was their punishment for turning away from God
- He told them that they would be **REWARDED** if they **CHANGED** their ways



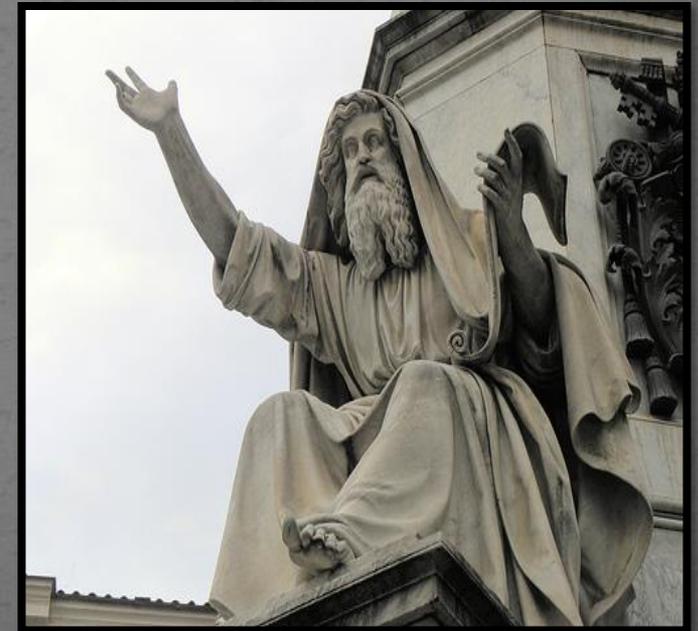
# What happened to the Kingdom of Judah?



Hint: Use questions 1-5

# What ideas did Jeremiah share with the Exiled people?

- JEREMIAH told the people that God could hear them even if they weren't in their temple
- He told them that one day they would RETURN to Judah in CANAAN
- When the Assyrians conquered ISRAEL, the Israelites LOST their own culture to the newcomers, and were SCATTERED



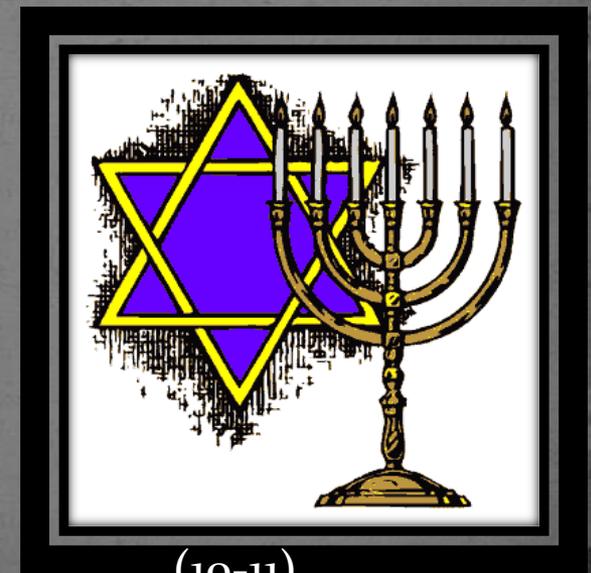
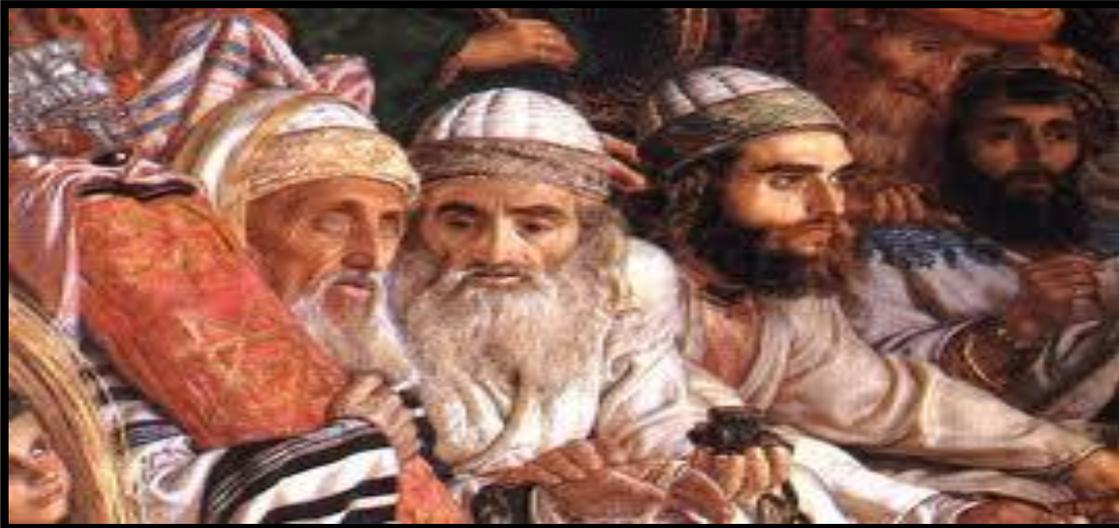
- When the **BABYLONIANS** took over, they exiled the people to their own land and **KEPT THEM TOGETHER** in one group
- This allowed them to keep their own culture and religion



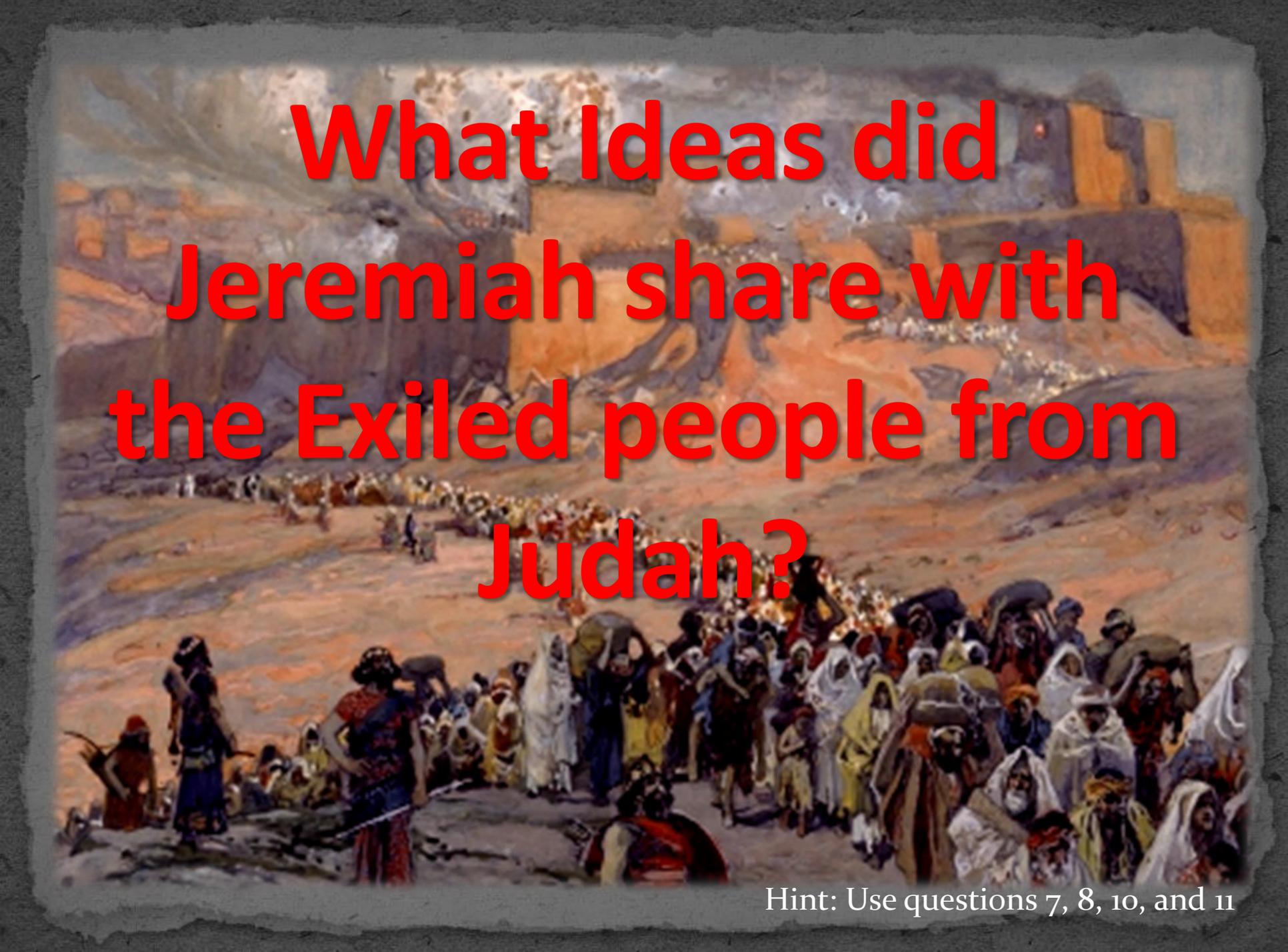
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- Since they no longer had their temple, they made community places to worship, called **SYNOGOGUES**
- When they were in Judah, priests led the worship at the temple
- In exile, **RABBIS** led in the synagogues
- By changing some of the practices of Judaism in exile, they were able to keep the religion **ALIVE**



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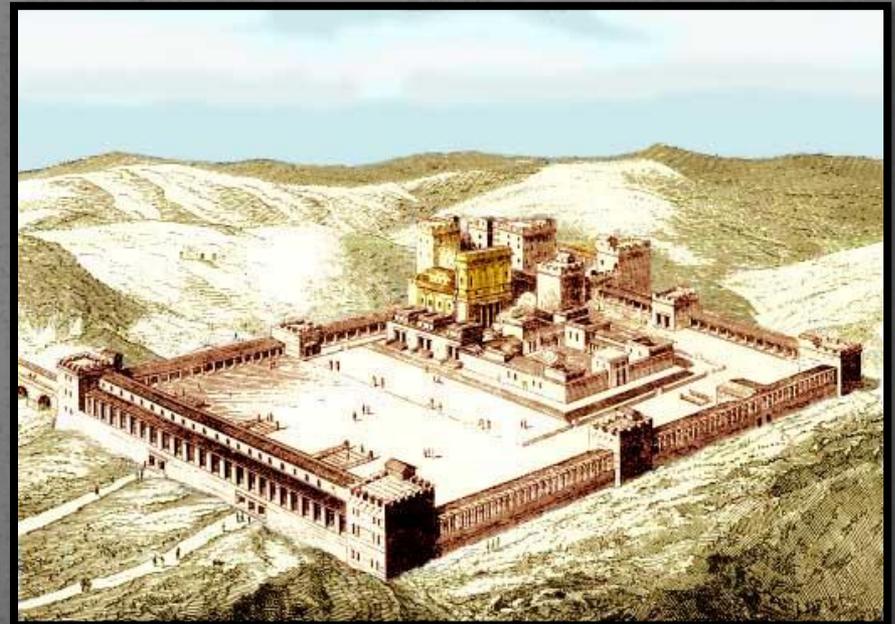
Hint: Use questions 7, 8, 10, and 11

# How were the Jew able to return to Canaan?

- Some JEWS started to feel at HOME in Babylon
- Others wanted to RETURN to Jerusalem in Canaan
- In 538 BC, Babylon was conquered by the PERSIAN EMPIRE, their leader was named CYRUS
- Cyrus allowed the JEWS to RETURN to Canaan and even rebuild their temple.



(12-14)





- The Jews finished building their second temple in 515 BC
- Not all Jews wanted to return home
- The Exile to Babylon had started the Jewish **DIASPORA**, or the **SCATTERING** of the Jews from their homeland
- Jews have settled all over the world
  - Some by **CHOICE**
  - Some by being forced by the **GOVERNMENT**

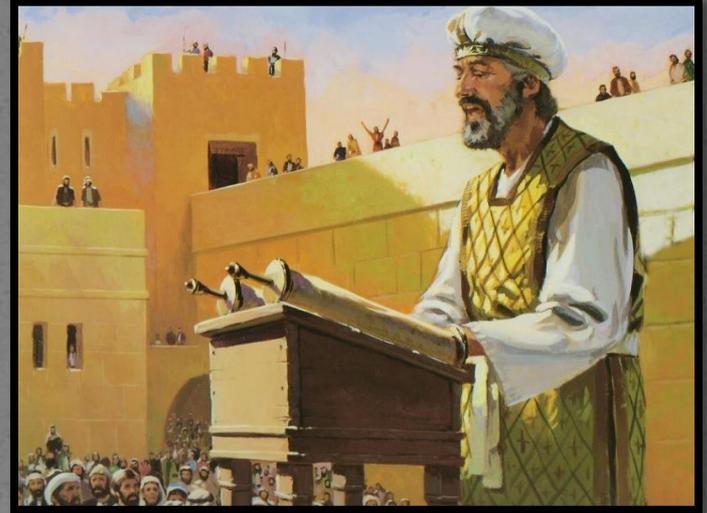


**How were the Jews able to return to Canaan?**

Hint: Use questions 13-14

# What type of government did the Jews have when they returned?

- As Jews returned to Canaan, the **COMMUNITY** grew stronger
- A scribe named **EZRA** helped restore Judaism to Jerusalem
  - Ezra led many Jews back into Jerusalem from Babylon
  - He read the laws and stories from the **TORAH** (the five books that Moses wrote) for seven days straight
  - The people all promised to return to the teachings of Moses and follow the commandments of God



(19-20)



- Ezra wrote down all the teachings of the Torah on one scroll
  - This was made an official part of the Jewish faith
- Judah was a **THEOCRACY**, meaning their government was based on religion
  - The **TORAH** became the **LAW**
  - The law applied to **EVERYONE**, including the leaders
  - This meant that, under the law, everyone was **EQUAL**

- Many of the **LAWS** tell how to practice Judaism (21)
- Some tell how to **CELEBRATE** Jewish Holidays
- Some tell how to **BEHAVE** and how to treat people fairly
- Other parts tell how to **PUNISH** criminals, guide daily life, and even when to plant crops



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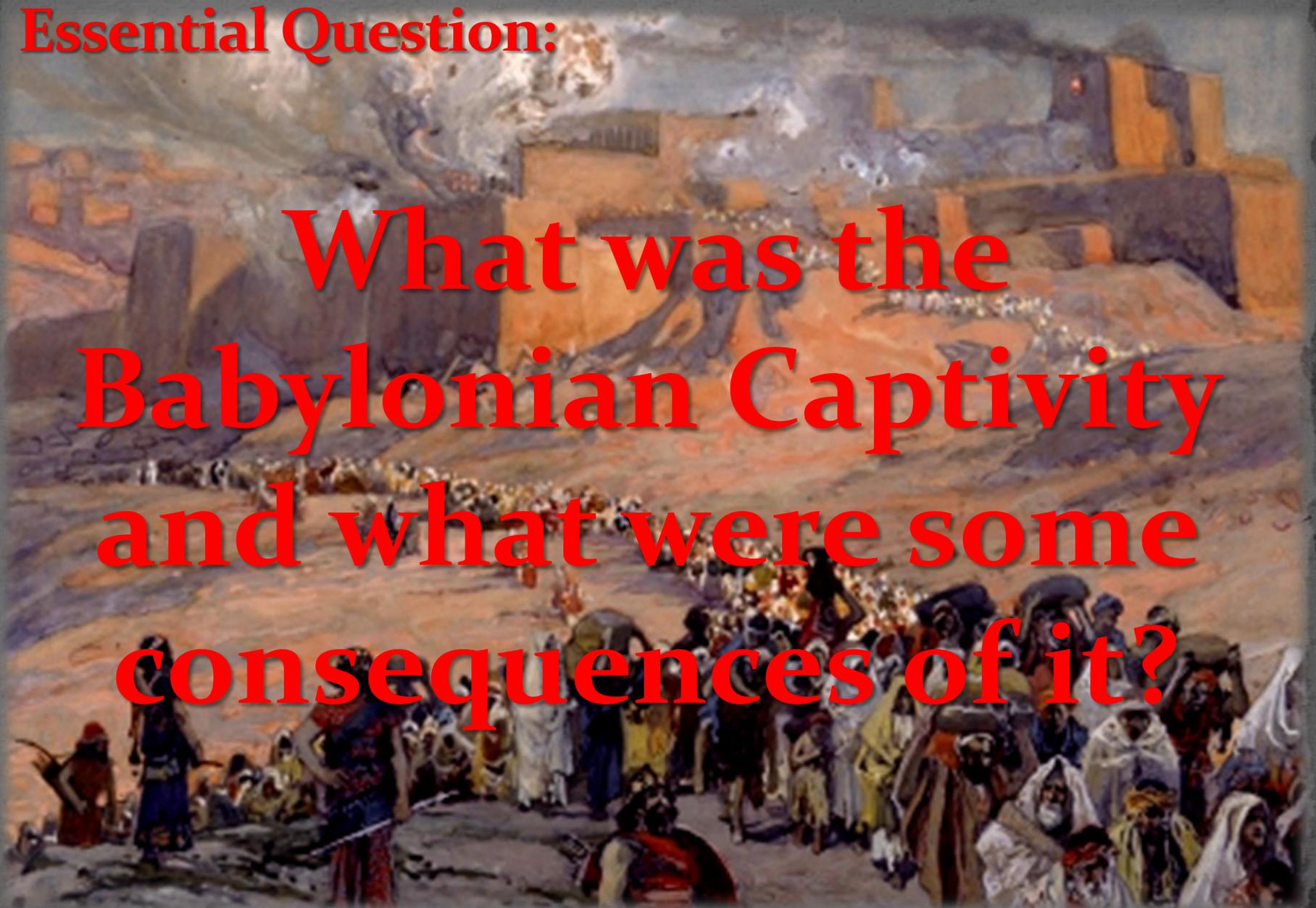
Hint: Use questions 19-21



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# The End?



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