
Jerusalem Is Destroyed

Year after year, the kings and the people of Judah had disobeyed the LORD God of Israel and worshiped foreign gods. The prophets warned them that the LORD would soon punish them. Finally, it happened just as the prophets had said.

So the LORD sent King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylonia to attack Jerusalem. Nebuchadnezzar killed the young men who were in the temple, and he showed no mercy to anyone, whether man or woman, young or old. God let him kill everyone in the city.

Nebuchadnezzar carried off everything that was left in the temple; he robbed the treasury and the personal storerooms of the king and his officials. He took everything back to his capital in Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar's troops burned down the temple and destroyed every important building in the city. Then they broke down the city wall. The survivors were taken to Babylonia as prisoners, where they were slaves of the king and his sons.

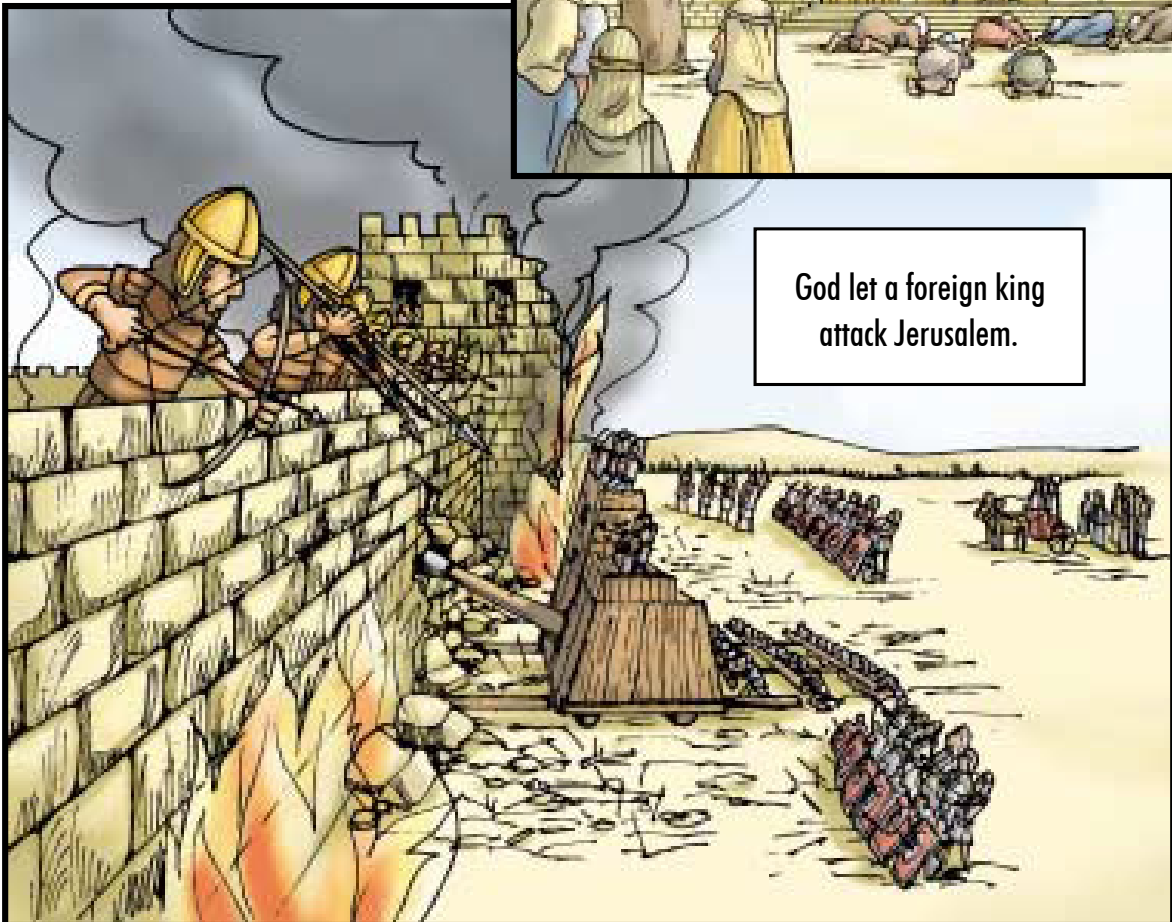
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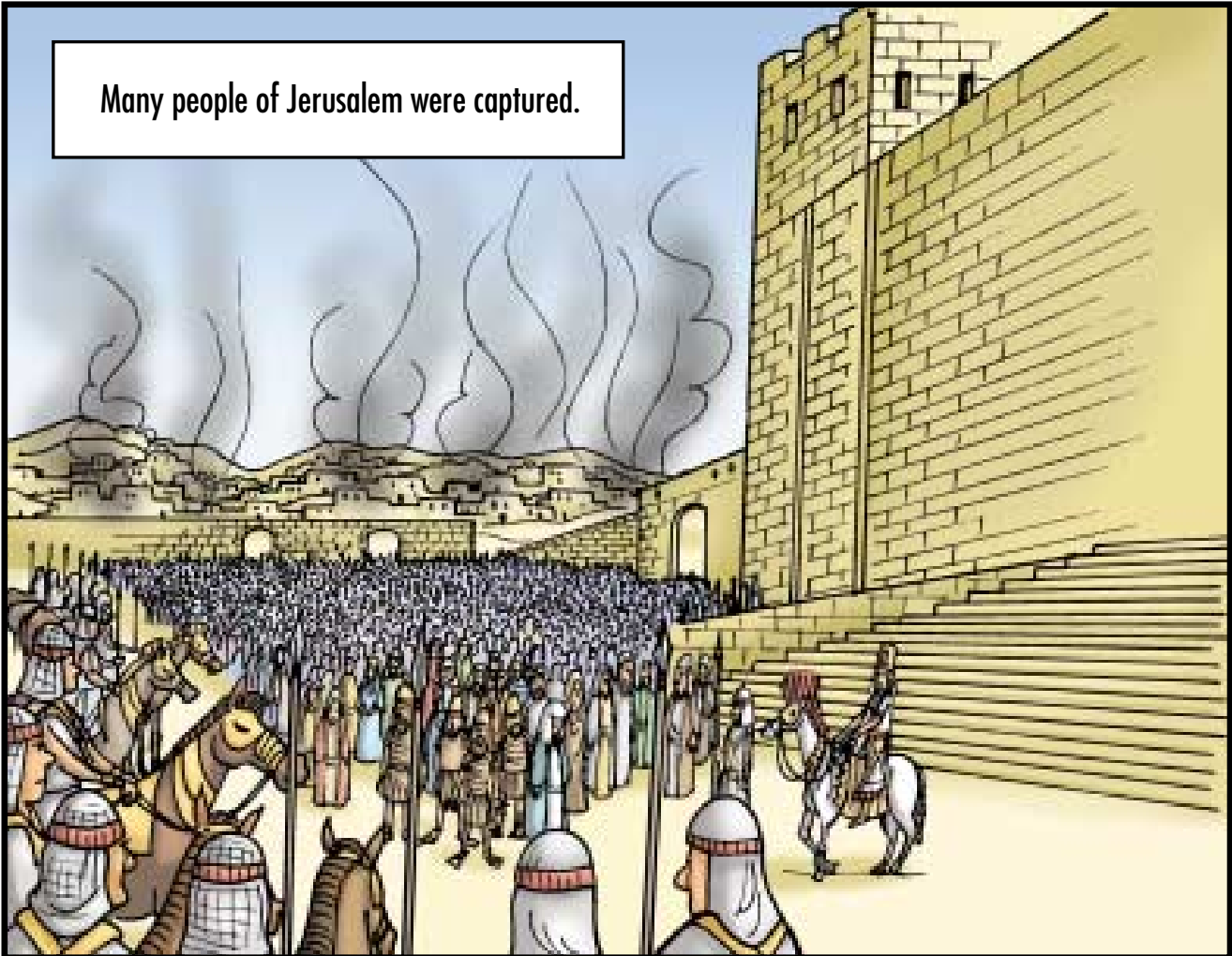
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The people of Judah
disobeyed God, so God
decided to punish them.



God let a foreign king
attack Jerusalem.

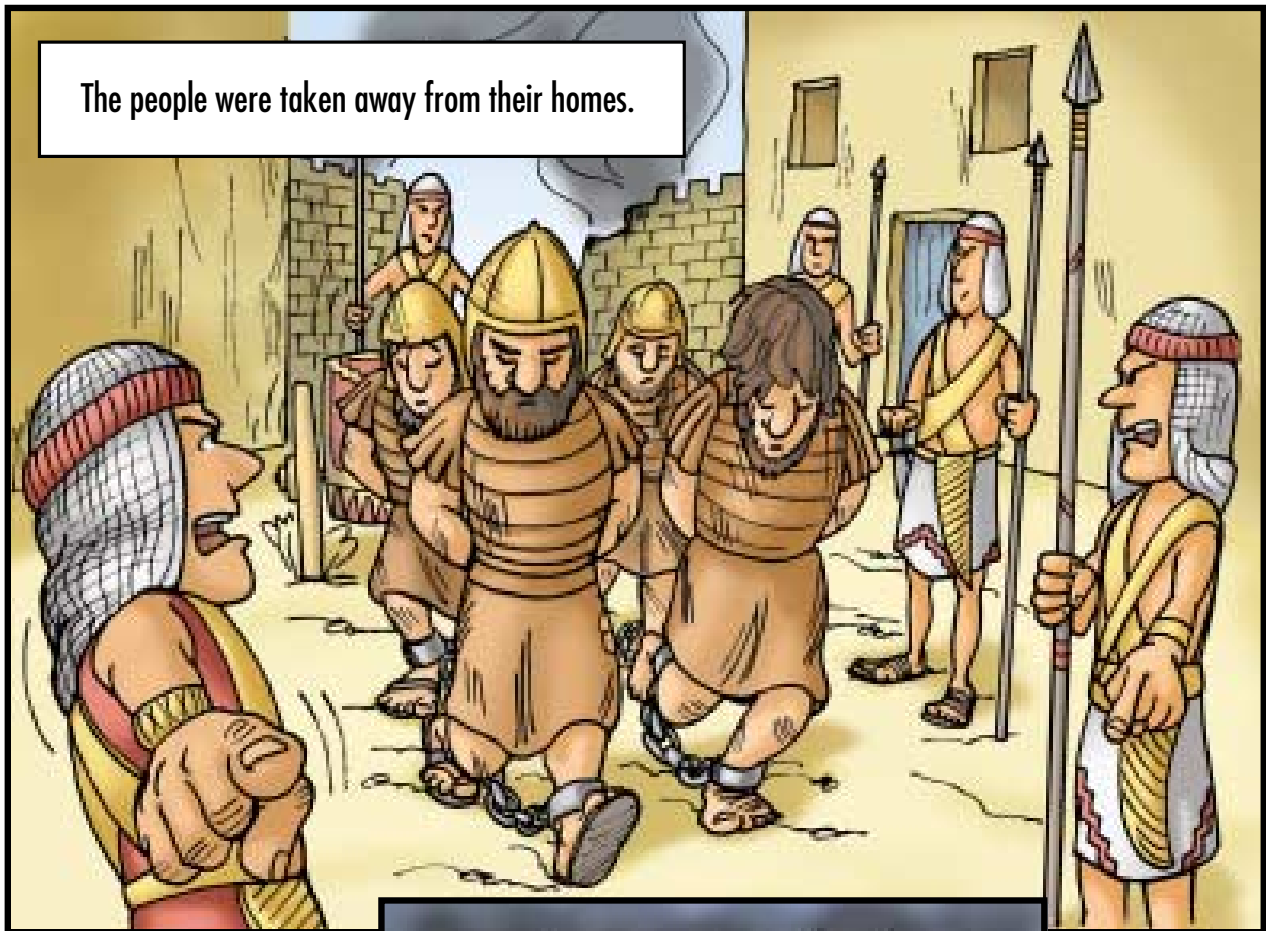
Many people of Jerusalem were captured.



The king carried off everything in God's temple.



The people were taken away from their homes.



Jerusalem and the temple were deserted.

