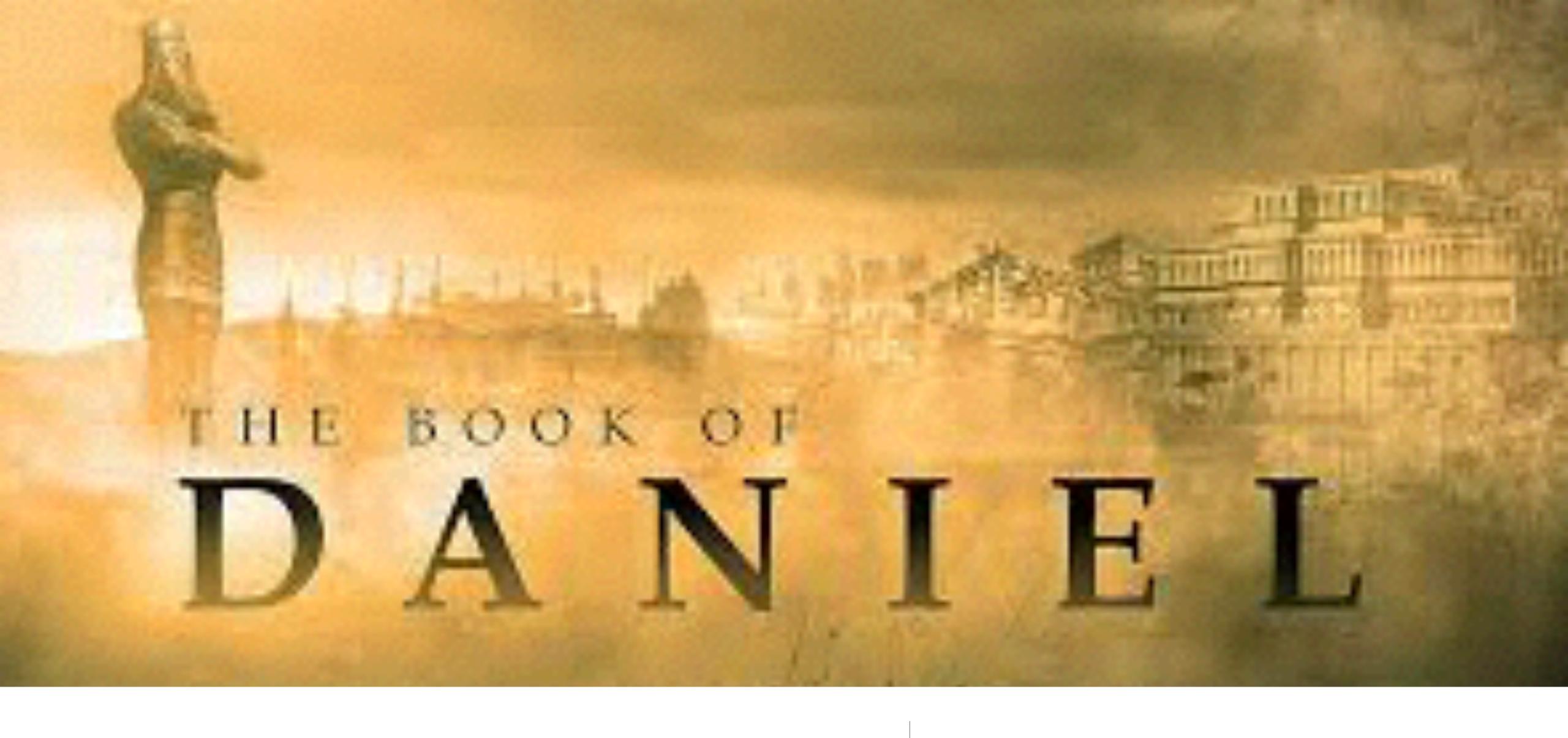


Daniel: Surviving Babylon U

Dan 1:1-21

My Mea Culpa

- 586BC the fall
- 536BC the return
- = 50 years (with the other 20 years prior to the fall of Jerusalem)
- 605BC was the first deportation (597BC was the second)
- 605-586 = 70 years

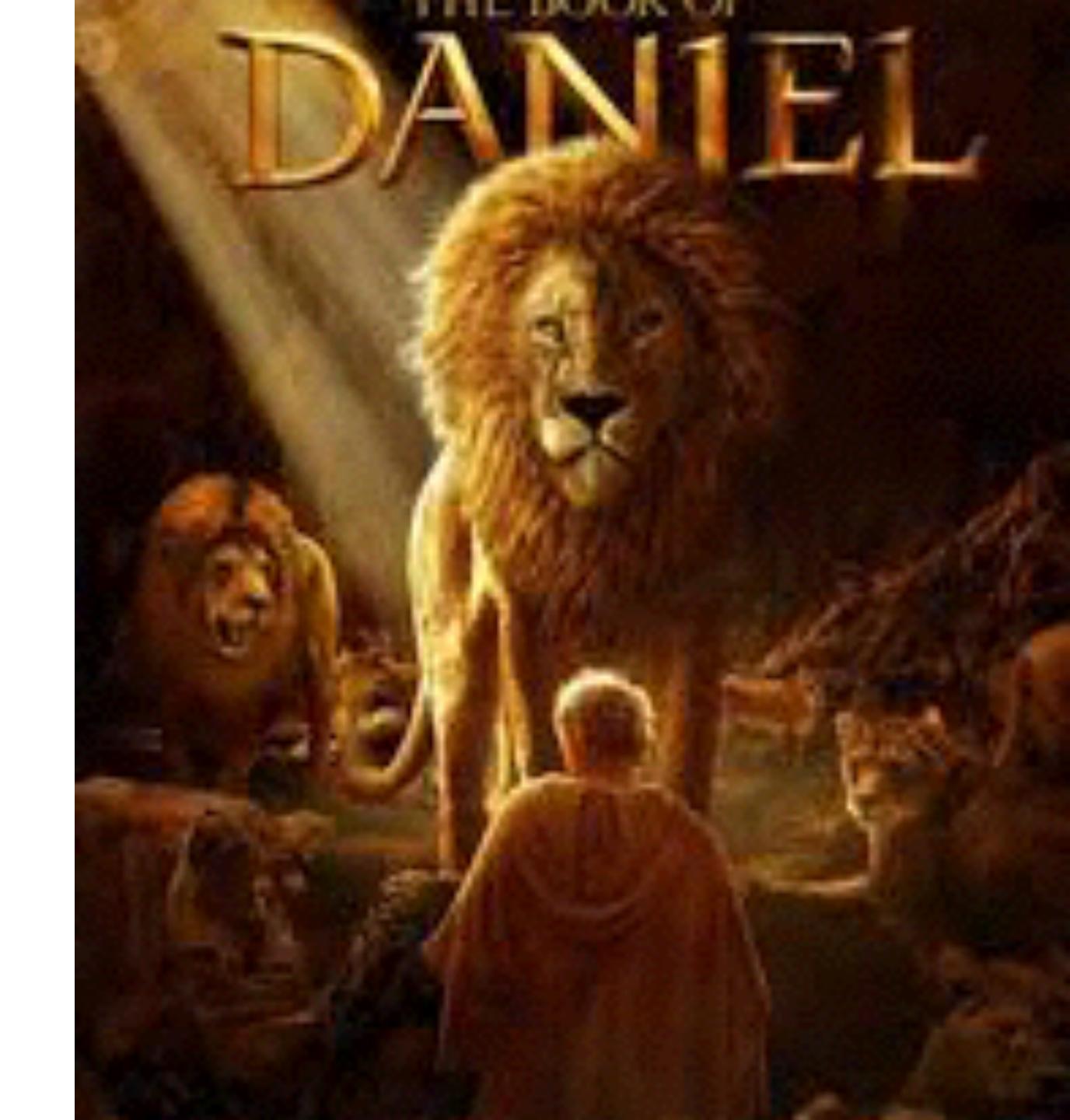


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The Theme: Dan 4:17

"...in order that the living may know that the Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind,..."



The Squeeze Is On

- Rom 12:2 "do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind"
- "don't let the world squeeze you into its mold" (Phillips)

Daniel made up his mind

- Steadfast & Unshakable
 - · Armed with the light of who your God is and what your moral compass will be
 - Pro 21:1 The king's heart is *like* channels of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He wishes.
- Humility
- Faith
 - 1 Pet 2:12 Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles,...
- Excellence

THE BOOK OF

The Challenge

- Not in the prophetic section of the Hebrew OT
- Aramaic language was western
- Focused attention on the Maccabean period (165BC)
- Historical inaccuracies of Babylonian period

