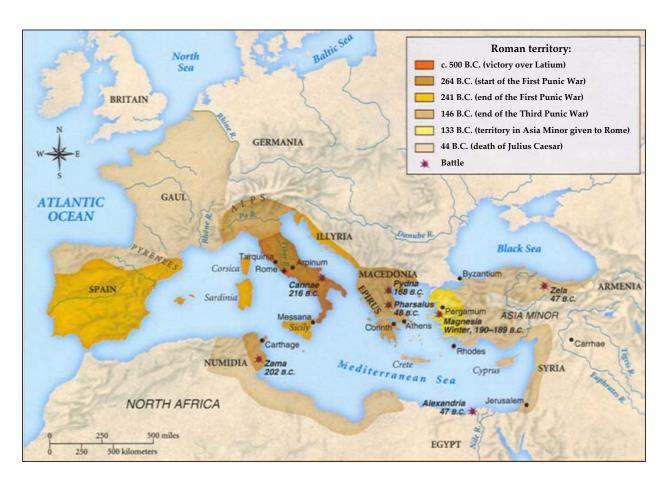
#1593 The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – The series of 4's (fours) from Alexander the Great to Antiochus IV Epiphanes, part 5q, Antiochus IV: Antiochus IV is held hostage by Rome

Key Understanding #1: Antiochus IV as a hostage in Rome. Following the defeat of Antiochus III the Great by Rome and the Treaty of Apamea in 188 B.C., Antiochus IV was sent to Rome as a hostage for his father for 13 years (some sources say 14 years) until 175 B.C. He was exchanged for Demetrius I Soter, the son and rightful heir of Seleucus IV (the elder brother of Antiochus IV), who ruled the Seleucid Empire after the death of Antiochus III the Great.

Key Understanding #2: There is a close historical relationship between Antiochus IV and Rome, for he was held hostage by Rome for 13 years (some sources state 14 years) after Rome's defeat of his father, Antiochus III the Great. The close historical relationship between Antiochus IV and Rome points to a close prophetic relationship between Antiochus IV and Rome (which is discussed in the next Unsealing).



Daniel 8:9 (KJV) And OUT OF ONE OF THEM [the Syrian kingdom of Seleucus, or the Seleucid Empire] CAME FORTH A LITTLE HORN, which waxed EXCEEDING GREAT, toward THE SOUTH, and toward THE EAST, and toward THE PLEASANT LAND

[Antiochus IV Epiphanes, but the verse should be viewed prophetically with his father, Antiochus III the Great, prominently and powerfully in the foreground, with the name Antiochus III the Great even reflecting the words "waxed exceeding great"].

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