

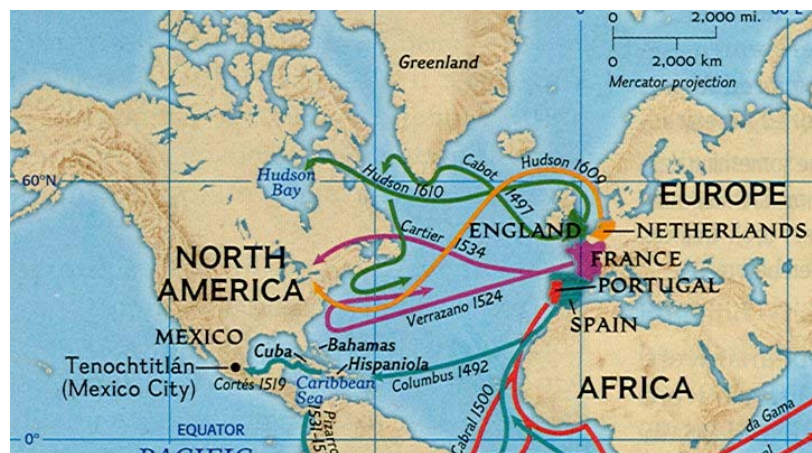
**#1709 The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – The pre-World War II U.S. waxing great toward the South and toward the East as a *second* Syria/Antiochus IV Epiphanes, part 2, *The Northwest Passage***

**The Northwest Passage.** *The early seafaring exploration of North America itself was stimulated by the search for what was called the Northwest Passage.* Even before the end of the 15<sup>th</sup> century, colonial powers from Europe dispatched explorers in an attempt to discover a commercial sea route north and west around North America. The idea was that if found, the so-called *Northwest Passage* would be a new and shorter route to the established trading nations of Asia.

The first recorded attempt to discover the Northwest Passage was the east-west voyage of John Cabot in 1497, an Italian mariner sent by Henry VII of England in search of a direct route to the Orient. The major rivers on the east coast were also explored in case they could lead to a transcontinental passage. Jacques Cartier's explorations of the Saint Lawrence River on behalf of France were initiated in the hope of finding a way through the continent. Indeed, Cartier managed to convince himself that the Saint Lawrence was the Northwest Passage; when he found the way blocked by rapids at what is now Montreal, he was so certain that these rapids were all that was keeping him from China (in French, *la Chine*) that he named the rapids for China. To this day, they are the Lachine Rapids. In 1609 Henry Hudson sailed up the river that now bears his name in search of the Northwest Passage; encouraged by the saltiness of the water, he reached present-day Albany before giving up. He later explored the Arctic and the Hudson Bay.

**Review** (from the previous Unsealing): There are various manners in which the United States waxed great toward the *south* and toward the *east* in its fulfillment of Daniel 8:9. In fact, the Lord even located the United States of America in what would be considered by mankind to be *the northwest part of the world*. The Lord ordained that the location of the United States as the Revelation 17:08 Beast out of the Pit would be in both the Northern Hemisphere and the Western Hemisphere – *in the northwest of the world* – because of its role in the *latter day(s)* fulfillment of Daniel 8:9.

**Key Understanding: *The Northwest Passage.*** Furthermore, the early seafaring exploration of North America itself was stimulated by the search for what was called the Northwest Passage. The Lord ordained the theme and history of the search for the Northwest Passage as part of embryonic America's history because of America's *latter day(s)* role in the fulfillment of Daniel 8:9.



***Daniel 8:9 (KJV) And OUT OF ONE OF THEM [the *second* Syria, the United States, located in the northwest of the world] CAME FORTH A LITTLE HORN, which waxed EXCEEDING GREAT, toward THE SOUTH, and toward THE EAST, and toward THE PLEASANT LAND.***

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