

Nahum – Introduction

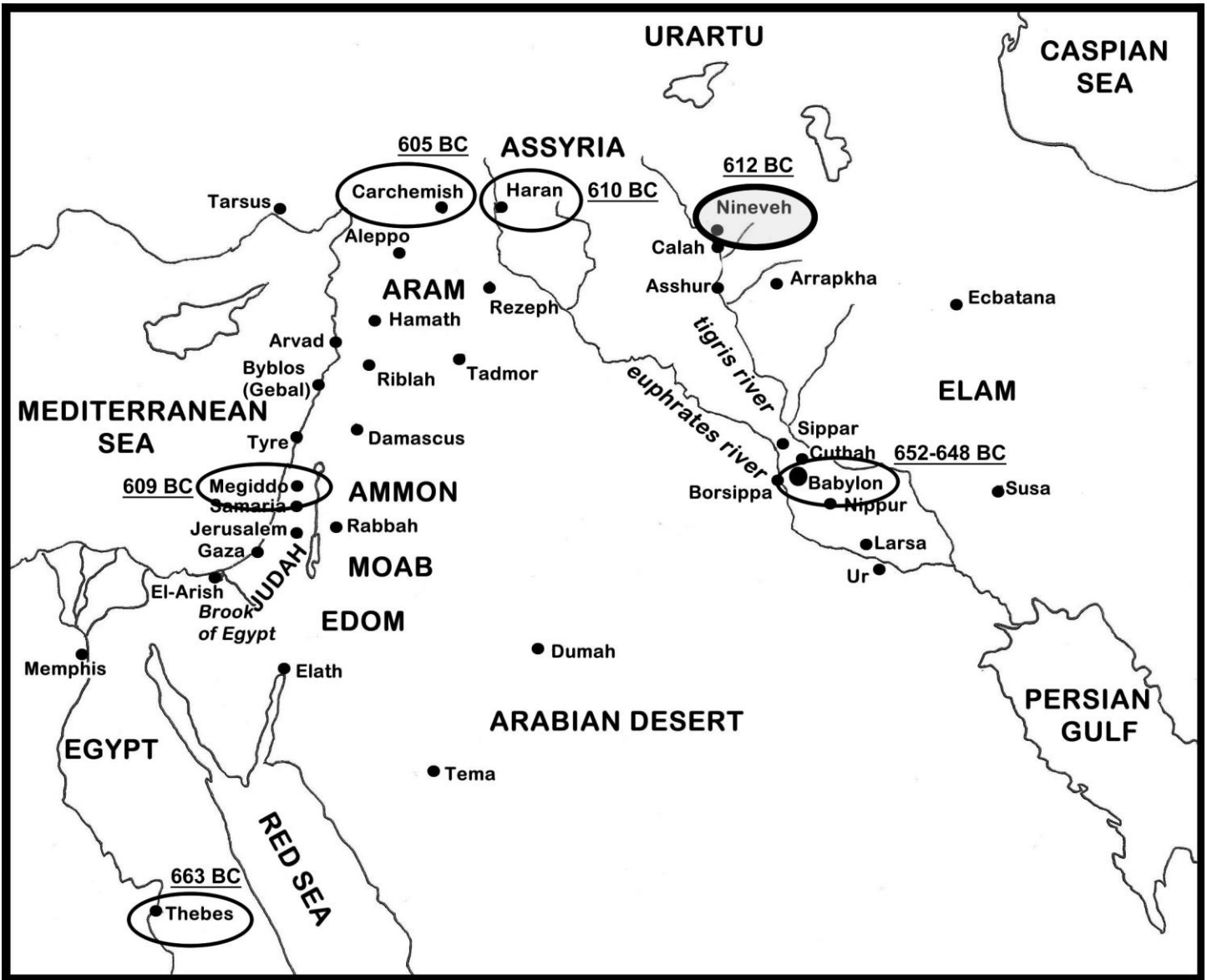
- 701 BC – Hezekiah vs. Sennacherib
- 686 – Manasseh, king of Judah
- 669 – Ashurbanipal begins to reign
- 663 – Thebes falls to Ashurbanipal
- 652 – Shamash-shum-ukin rebels in Babylon
- 650 – Manasseh joins rebellion; taken captive to Babylon (2 Chr. 33:10-20)
- 648 – Ashurbanipal subdues Babylon; Manasseh released and begins reform in Judah
- 660-650 – NAHUM WRITTEN (after fall of Thebes in 663)
- 642 – Manasseh dies
- 640 – Assyria begins to decline
- 630 – Josiah’s Religious Reform begins
- 627 – Ashurbanipal dies
- 624 – ZEPHANIAH
- 623 – Law found in Temple
- 612 – Ninevah Falls
- 610 – Babylon takes Haran from Assyria; Neco rules Egypt (610-595)
- 609 – Josiah meets Neco in Megiddo Valley
- 606 – HABAKKUK
- 605 - Egypt defeated at Carchemish; Assyria is finished; Babylon is the new power

Date of Writing (must be 663-612 BC; better 660-640; likely 645 BC)

- After fall of Thebes by Nile in Egypt in 663 because of Nahum 3:8
- During Assyria’s time of power, most likely before Ashurbanipal dies in 628
- While Judah was still under Assyrian dominion
- Apparently, during Manasseh’s reform (648-642) or Josiah’s reform (beginning in 630, although Josiah’s reform extended into Northern Israel because Assyria’s power was fading, 2 Chr. 34:6-7))
- Before Nineveh fell in 612

Assyria Kings

- Ashur-nirari V (754-744)
- Tiglath-pileser III (744-727)
- Shalmaneser V (727-722)
- Sargon II (722-705)
- Sennacherib (704-681)
- Esarhaddon (681-667)
- **Ashurbanipal** (668-627)
- Ashur-etel-ilani (627-623)
- Sin-shar-ishkun (622-612)
- Ashur-uballit II (611-609)



Egypt										
Babylon										703 BC - Marduk-apla-iddina rebels against Assyria and takes Babylon. 702 - Babylon captured by Sennacherib 701 - Sennacherib moves into Judah
Syria	Hazael (842-796) - Elisha speaks to Hazael - Fugate ancestors of Israel and Ahaziah of Judah at Ramoth-Gilead - Threatens Jerusalem 2 Kings 17:11-19 - Dies 2 Kings 13:24 - Erected Tel Dan inscription (796-792)	Ben-Hadad III (792-754)	Rezin (754-732) - 734 - Rebels against Tiglath-Pileser - 732, Tiglath-Pileser takes Damascus							
Assyria	Adad-nirari III (811-783) - Defeated Aram - Subjugated Damascus	Shalmaneser IV (783-773) - 1st weak king leading to Assyria's decline	Ashur-Dan III (773-756) - 2nd weak king of decline - 763 BC, solar eclipse	Ashur-nirari V (756-745) - 3rd weak king of decline	Tiglath-Pileser III (745-727)	Shalmaneser V (727-722) - Defeated Israel 722 BC	Sargon II (722-705) - Defeated Israel 722	Sennacherib (705-681) - Invaded Judah - Defeated Lachish 701 BC - Threatened Hezekiah	Esarhaddon (681-669)	Ashurbanipal (669-631, or 627) - Nabopolassar (626-605) - 603, Assyria loses control of Babylon - 616, took Babylonian control from Sin-shar-iskun of Assyria - 612, took control of Nineveh
Israel	Jehu (841-814) - Jehoahaz (814-798)	Jehoahash (798-782)	Jeroboam II (793-753)	Zechariah (753)	Menahem (752-742) - Pekah (746-732)	Pekahiah (742-740)	Hoshea (731-721)			
Judah	Joash (835-796)	Amaziah (796-767)	Uzziah (792-740)	Jotham (780-735)	Ahaz (736-715)	Hezekiah (715-686)	Manasseh (697-642)			
PROPHET			AMOS 760-754 JONAH 759	HOSEA 760 - 710 MICAH 750-686 ISAIAH 740-681					NAHUM 645 ZEPHANIAH 630	JEREMIAH 627-580 HABAKKUK 609-598