

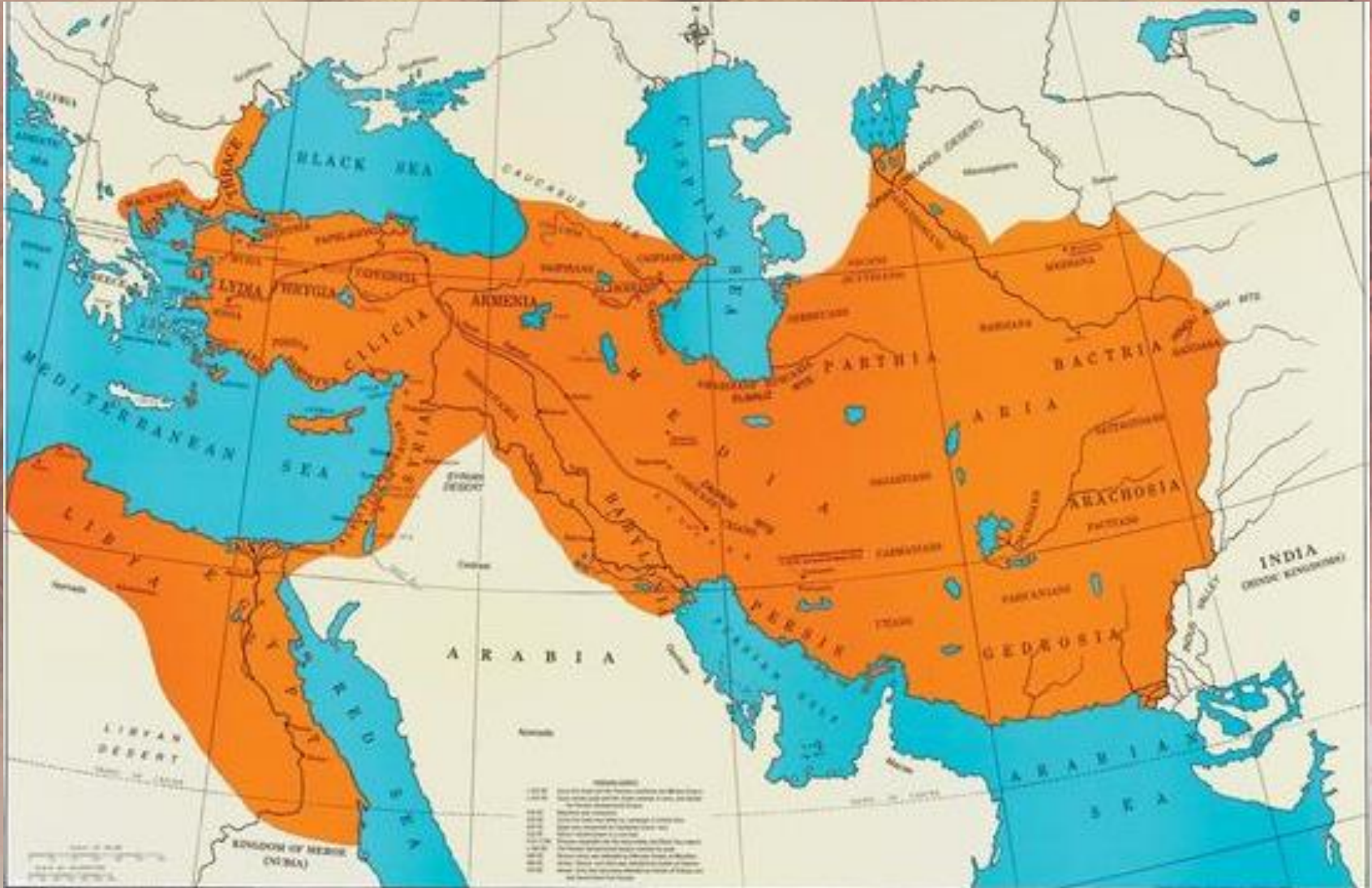


THE BOOK OF
Daniel

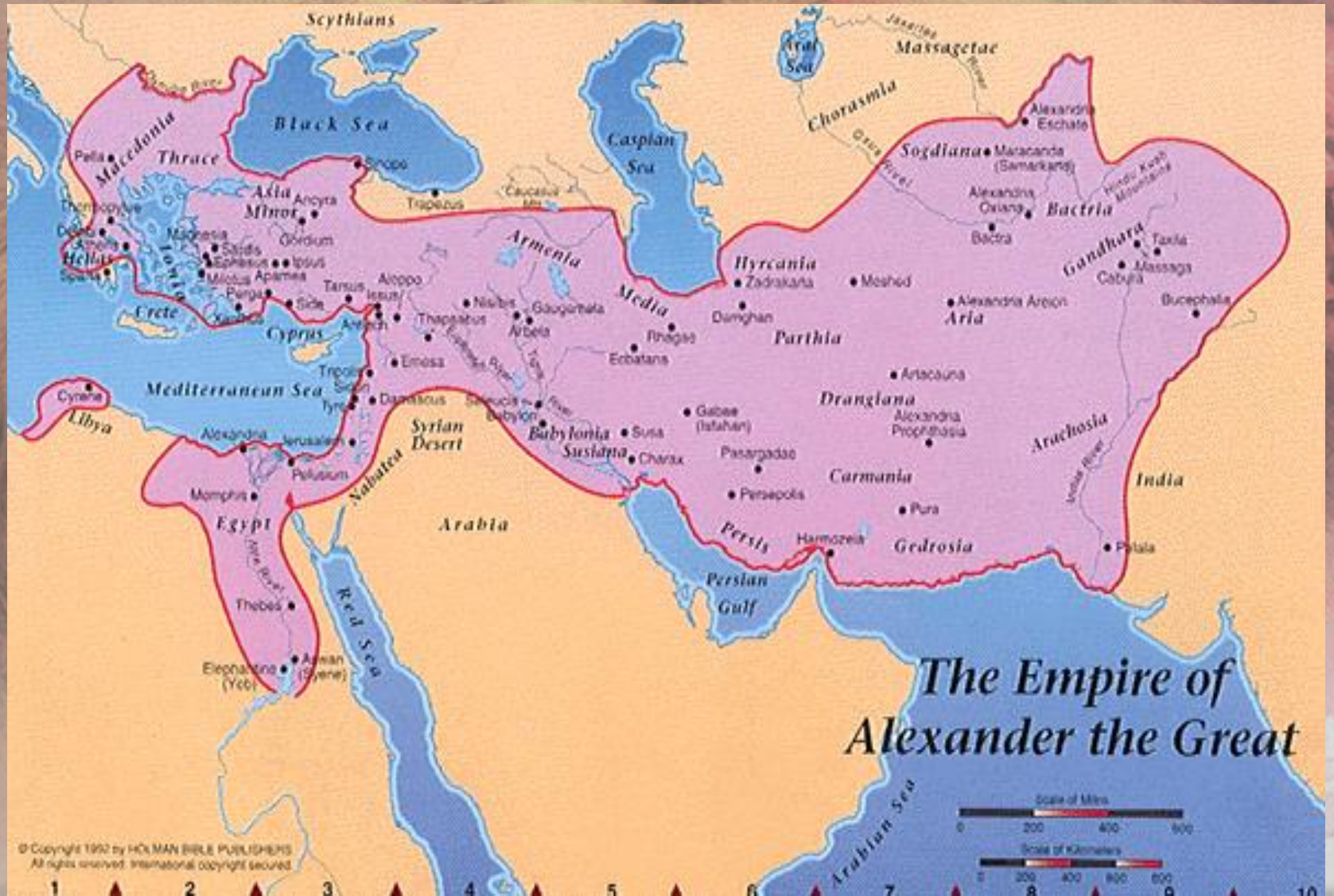
He's Got This

Daniel 8:1-27, Matthew 24:1-31

Persian Empire



Grecian Empire



Divided Grecian Empire



Seleucid Empire



Interpretation of the Vision



- Everything fits: the four parts of the Greek empire, the arrogance and cruelty of Antiochus, and the desecration of all that was holy.
- Some people speculate that the book of Daniel was written after the historical events.
- Regardless of when the book of Daniel was written, it was a reflection of God's hand in history.
- Daniel had a unique gift from God to see visions.
- God was fully able to reveal the future to Daniel.

Nothing Is A Surprise To God

A painting of two lions. The lion on the right is roaring with its mouth wide open, showing its teeth. The lion on the left is looking towards the viewer with a calm expression. The background is a mix of warm colors like yellow, orange, and red, with a textured, painterly style.

- Nothing is a surprise to God, and nothing is beyond His control.
- Daniel's vision reveals that God is in control of all events—even events 300 years later.
- Even though he could see God in control, Daniel could not see how it would all end.
- The destruction of the temple fit into God's plan, as Christianity was no longer centered around the temple in Jerusalem, but the temple of the church universal.
- The destruction of the temple was not the end of life on earth.
- The future might be rough, but the end is glorious!

Conclusion

The background of the slide is a painting of two lions. On the left, a lion is shown in profile, resting its head on its paws. On the right, another lion is shown in profile, roaring with its mouth wide open, showing its teeth. The painting uses warm, textured brushstrokes in shades of yellow, orange, and red, creating a dramatic and powerful atmosphere.

- We don't need to know how the events of history fit into God's plan.
- What we need to know is that God's plan and purpose will not be frustrated.
- No person, power or movement will take over God's plan and purpose.
- Jesus Christ guarantees the fulfillment of God's plan.
- We have more than a vision like Daniel had; we have Jesus, crowned with glory and honor, who will come at the end with power and great glory.