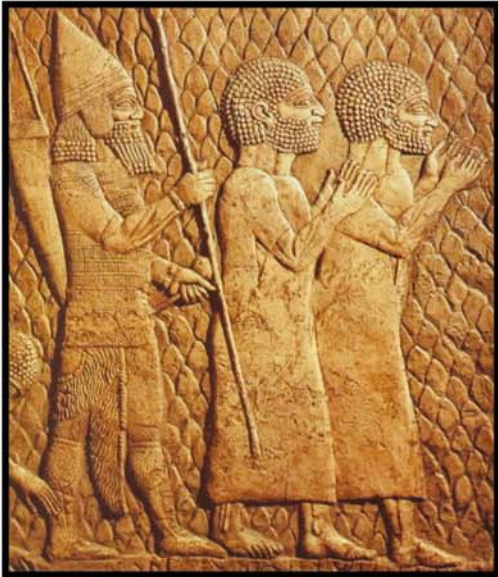
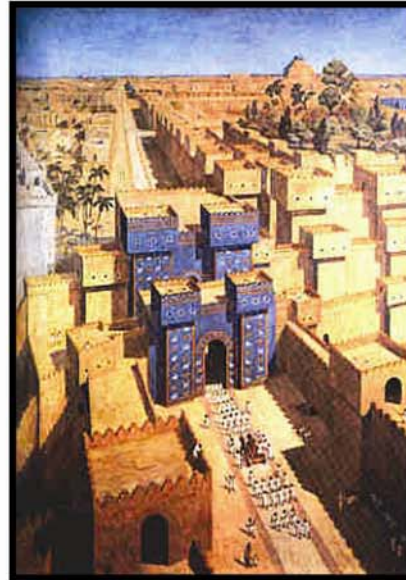


From the Babylonian invasion upon Judah in 606 BC to returning to Judah from Exile. in 445 B.C, the Israelites during their captivity, were to adapt to Babylonian customs and to observe the Babylonian calendar. The calendar that was instituted by the Babylonian empire does constitute a New moon as the beginning of the Month. The monthly cycle in the Babylonian calendar is **identical** to the monthly cycle in the Hebraic calendar.

The Julian / Gregorian calendar on the other hand **does not** constitute the New Moon as the beginning of the month. The Julian / Gregorian monthly cycle is **not identical** to the Hebraic monthly cycle.



Israelites going into captivity after the invasion upon Judah in 606 BC



Upon living in Babylon as captives, the Israelites were to adapt to Babylonian customs and to observe the Babylonian calendar



Returning to Judah from Exile in 445 B.C

To name a few according to scripture, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther were in Babylonian captivity. Considering the monthly cycle from the Babylonian calendar is identical to the Hebraic calendar, these four mentioned individuals did not have any issues on keeping the 7th day sabbath according to the 4th commandment.

According to **Daniel 6:4,5**, the prophet Daniel kept the 10 commandments (including the sabbath law) in Babylonian captivity. During his exile, the Julian / Gregorian calendar did not exist, neither did the word Saturday, which can only be found in the Roman Christian calendars.