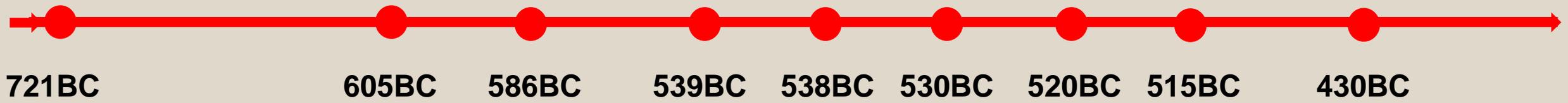


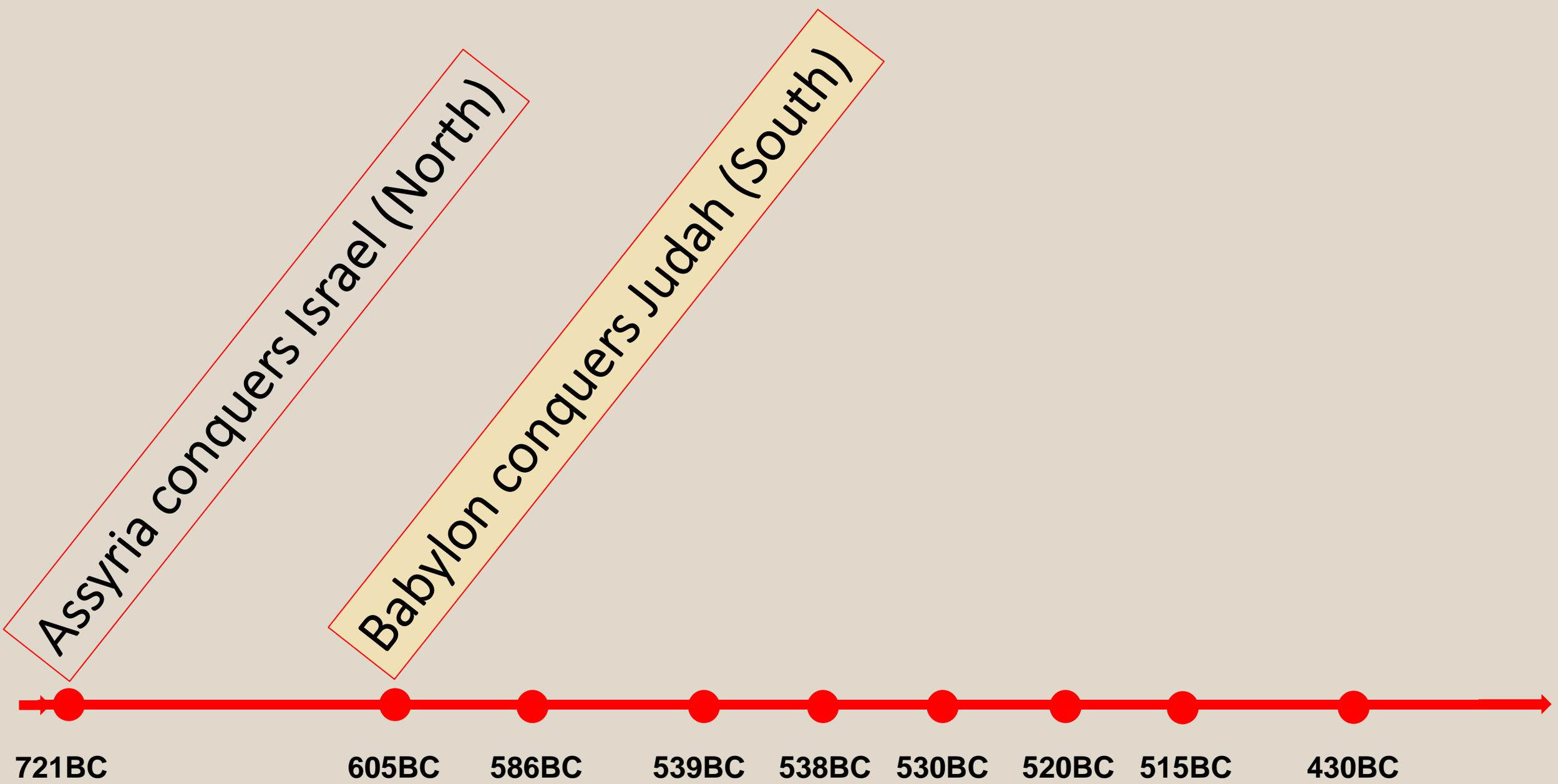


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THE CHURCH
'Called to Give'



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Babylon conquers Judah (South)

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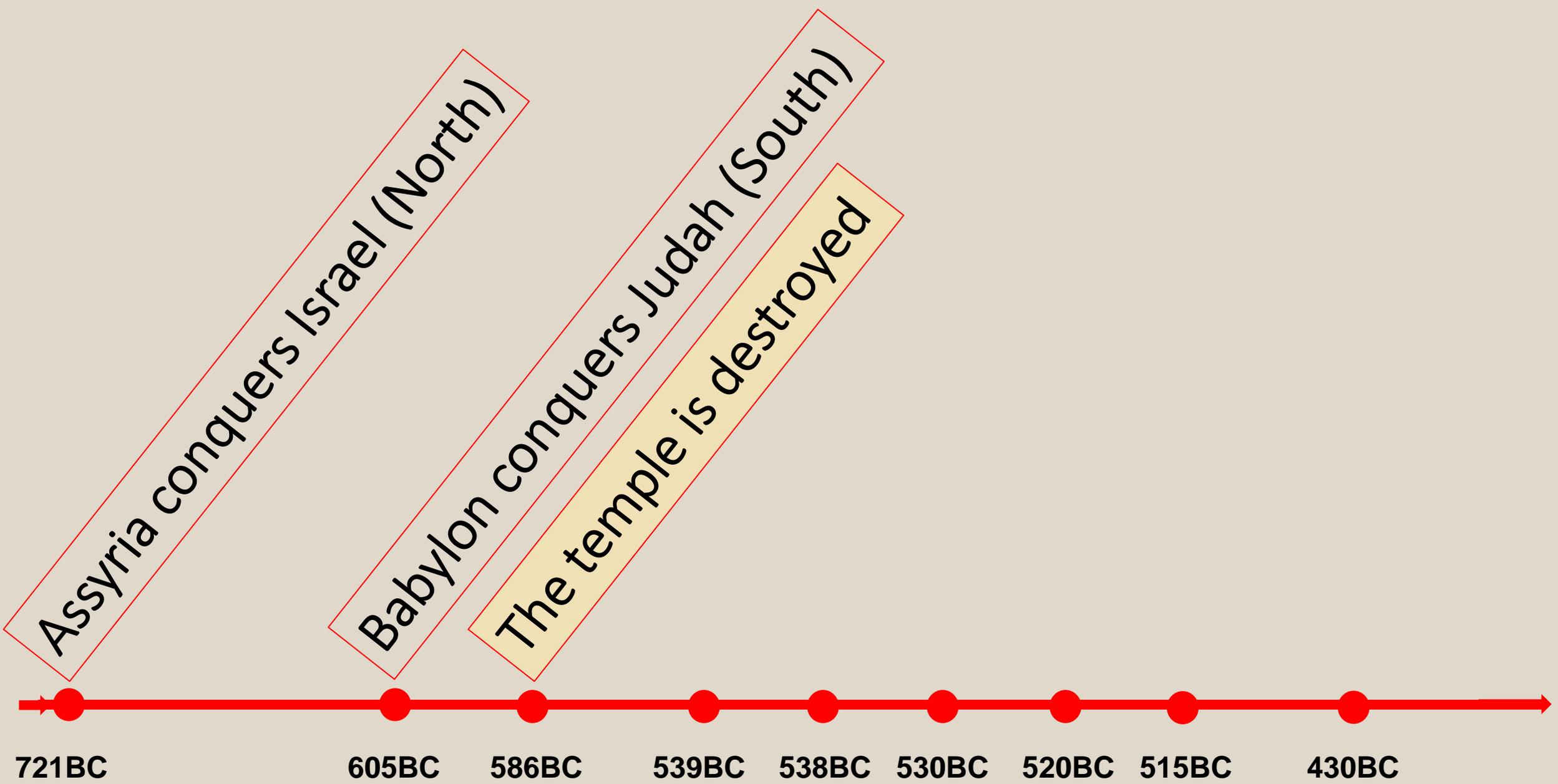
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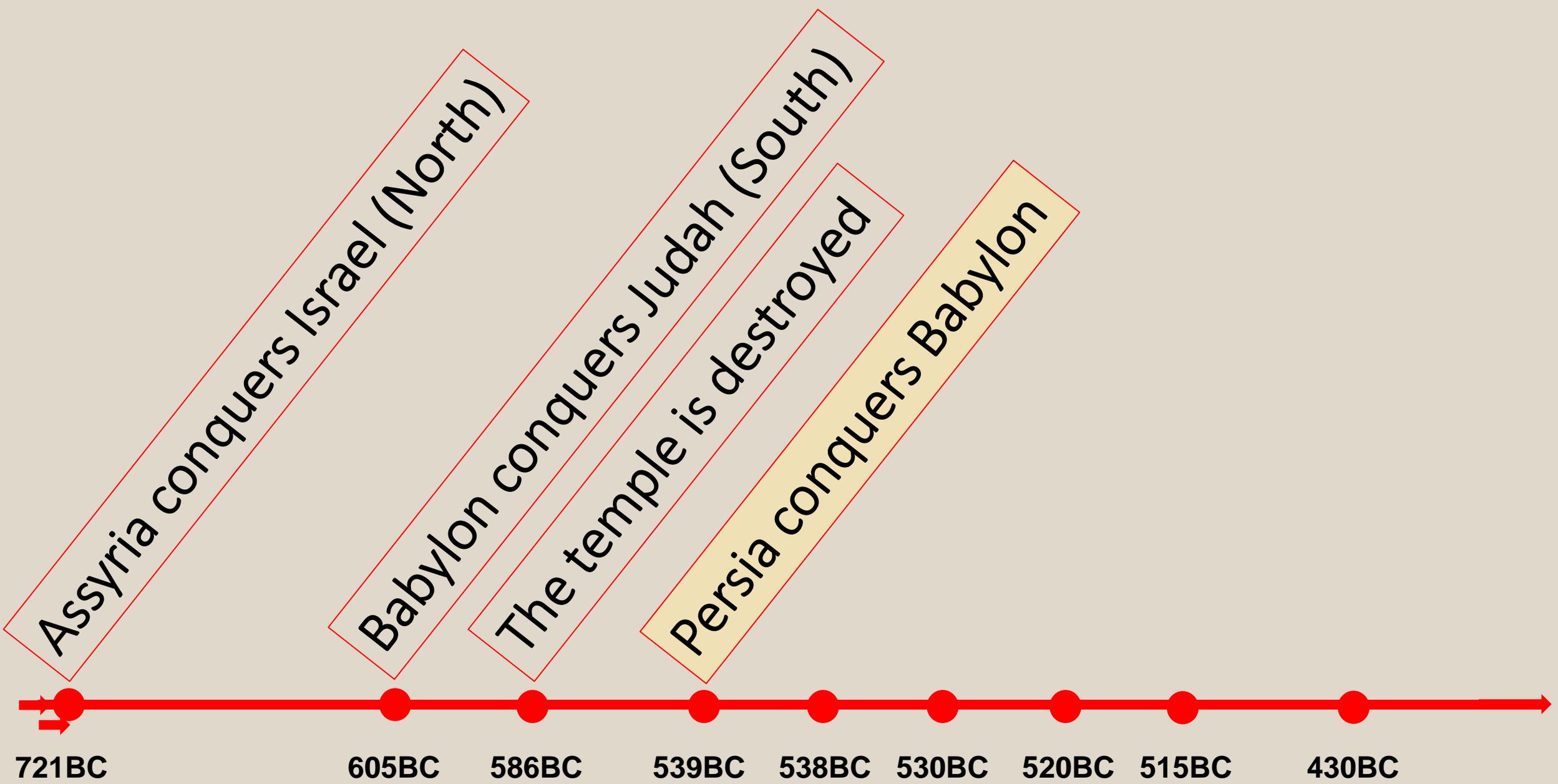
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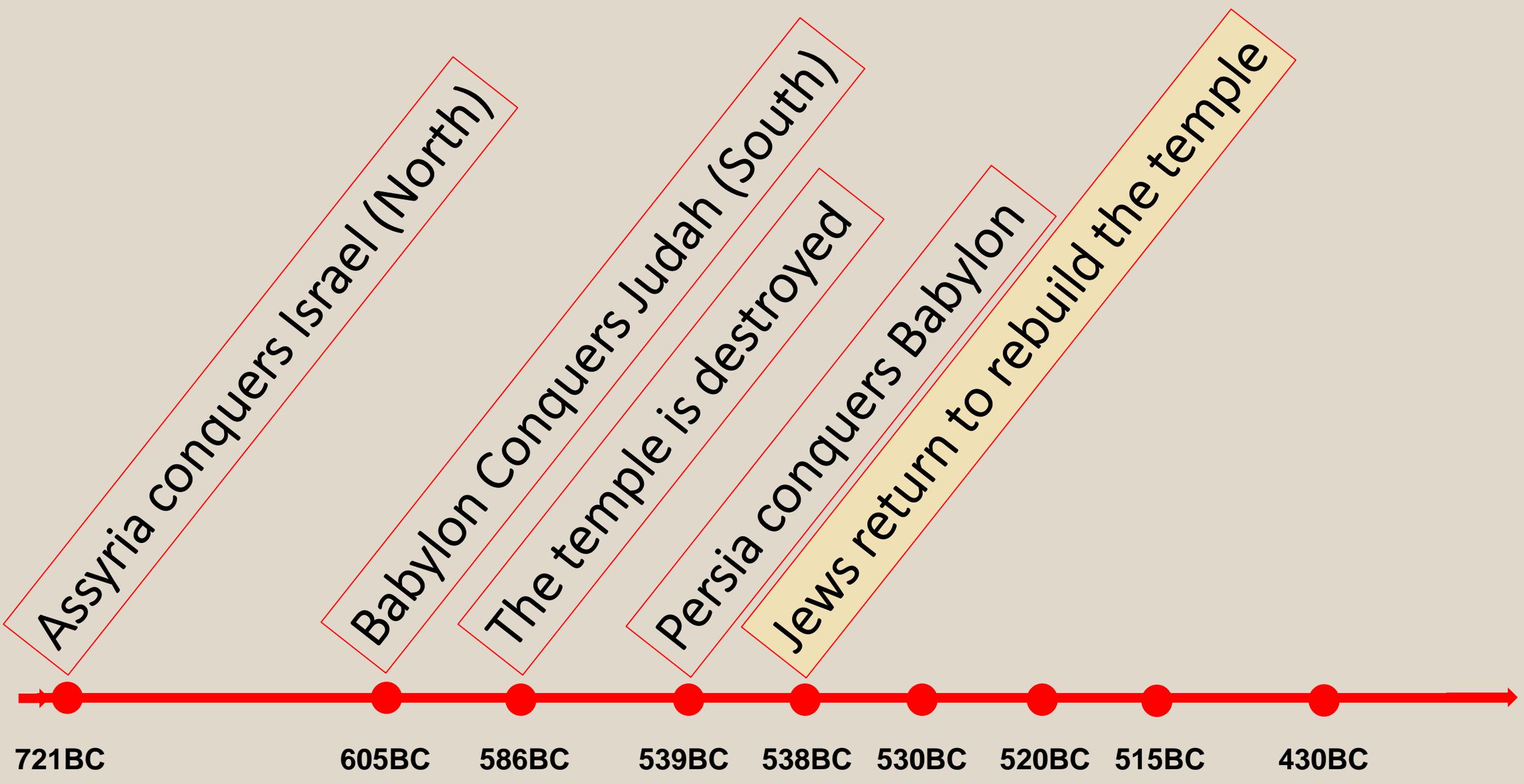
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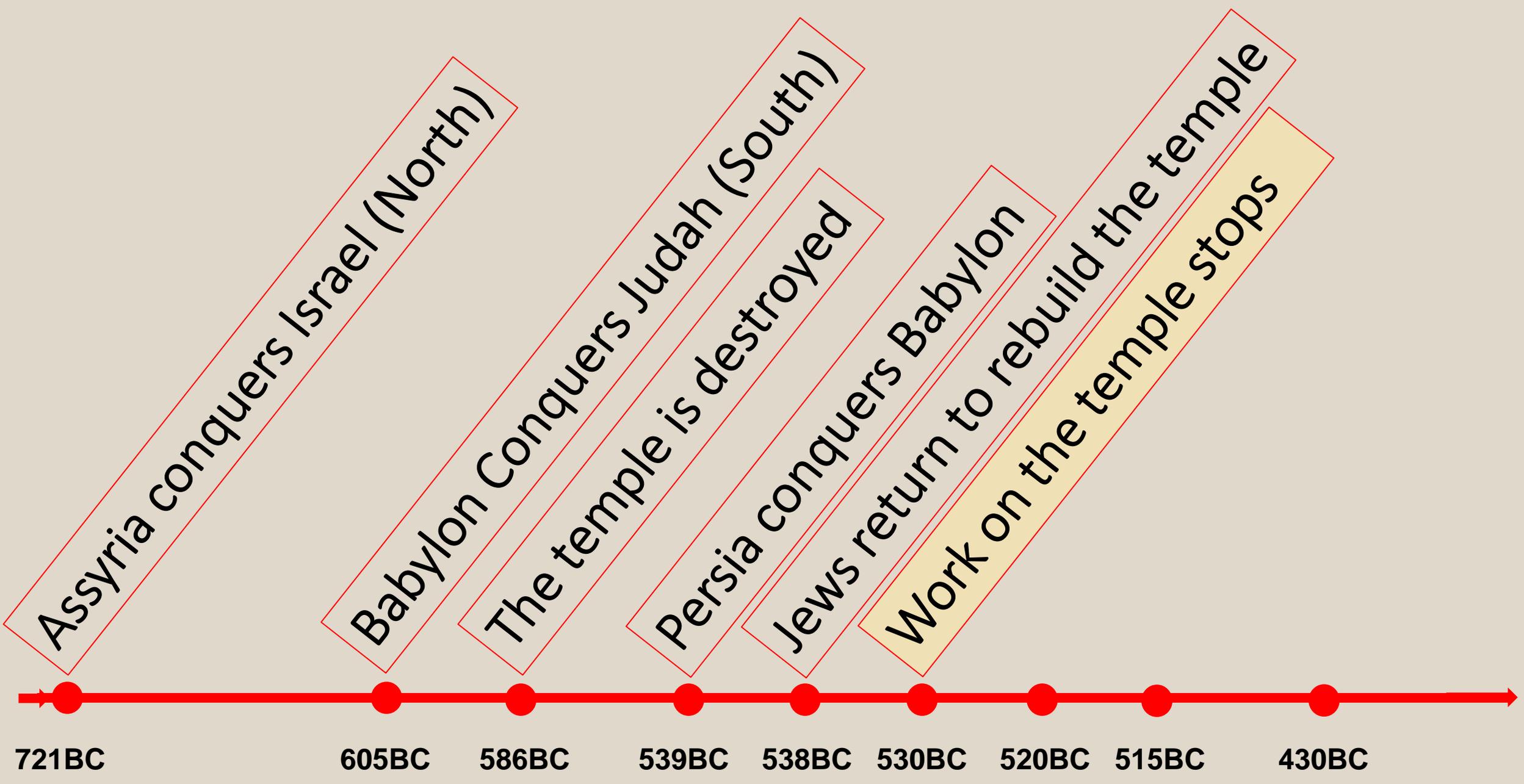
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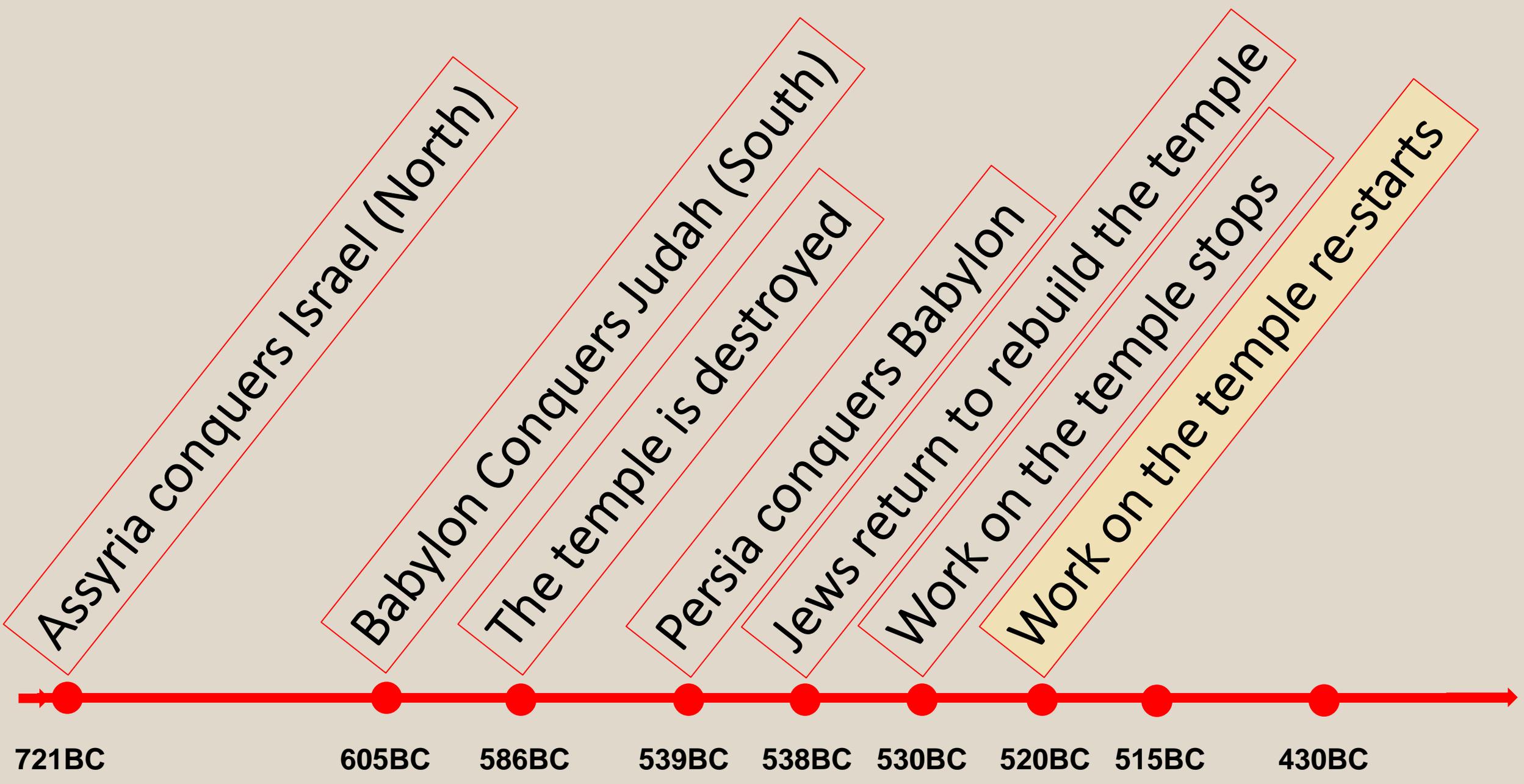
Babylon Conquers Judah (South)

The temple is destroyed

Persia conquers Babylon

Jews return to rebuild the temple

Work on the temple stops



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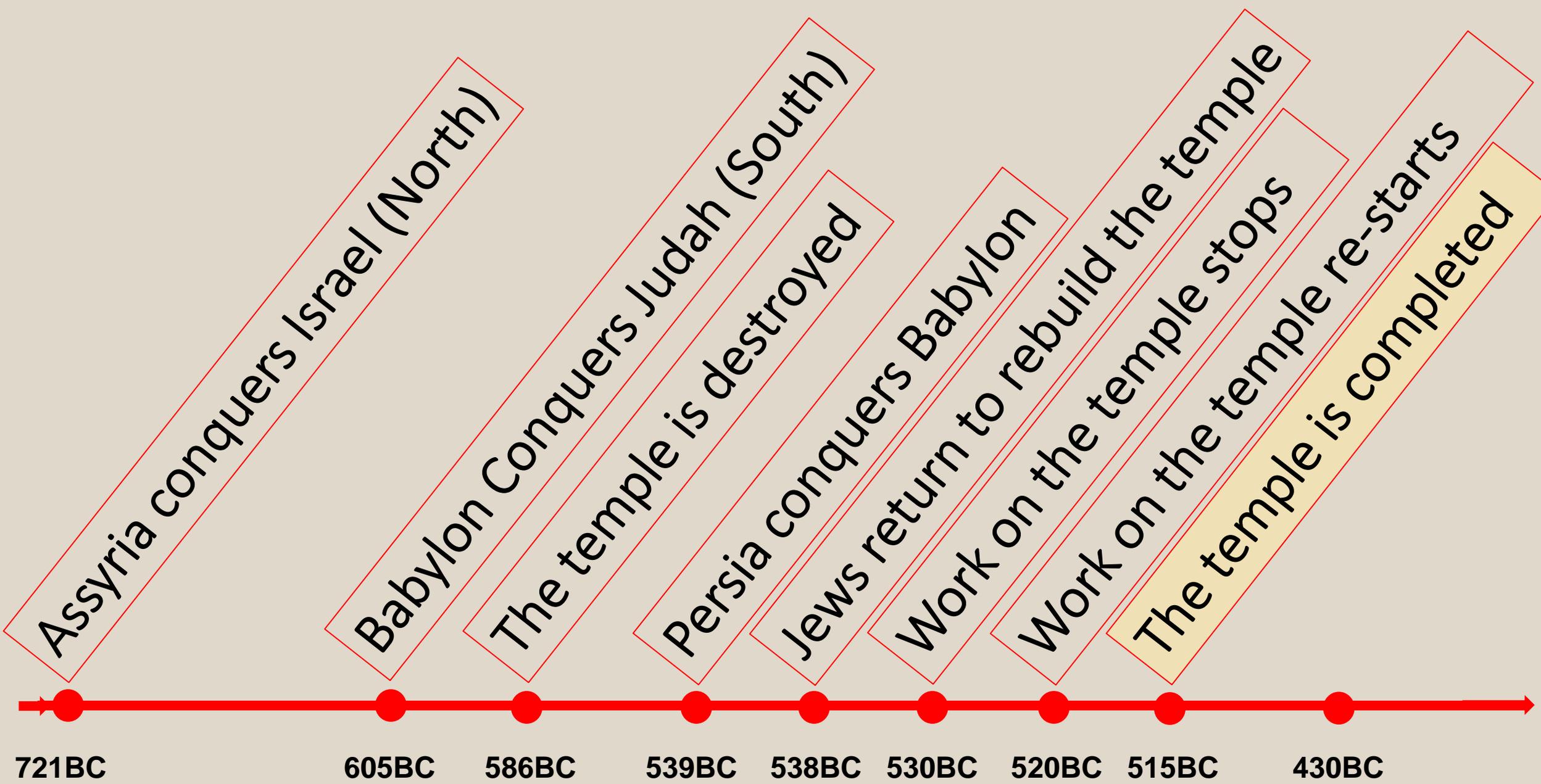
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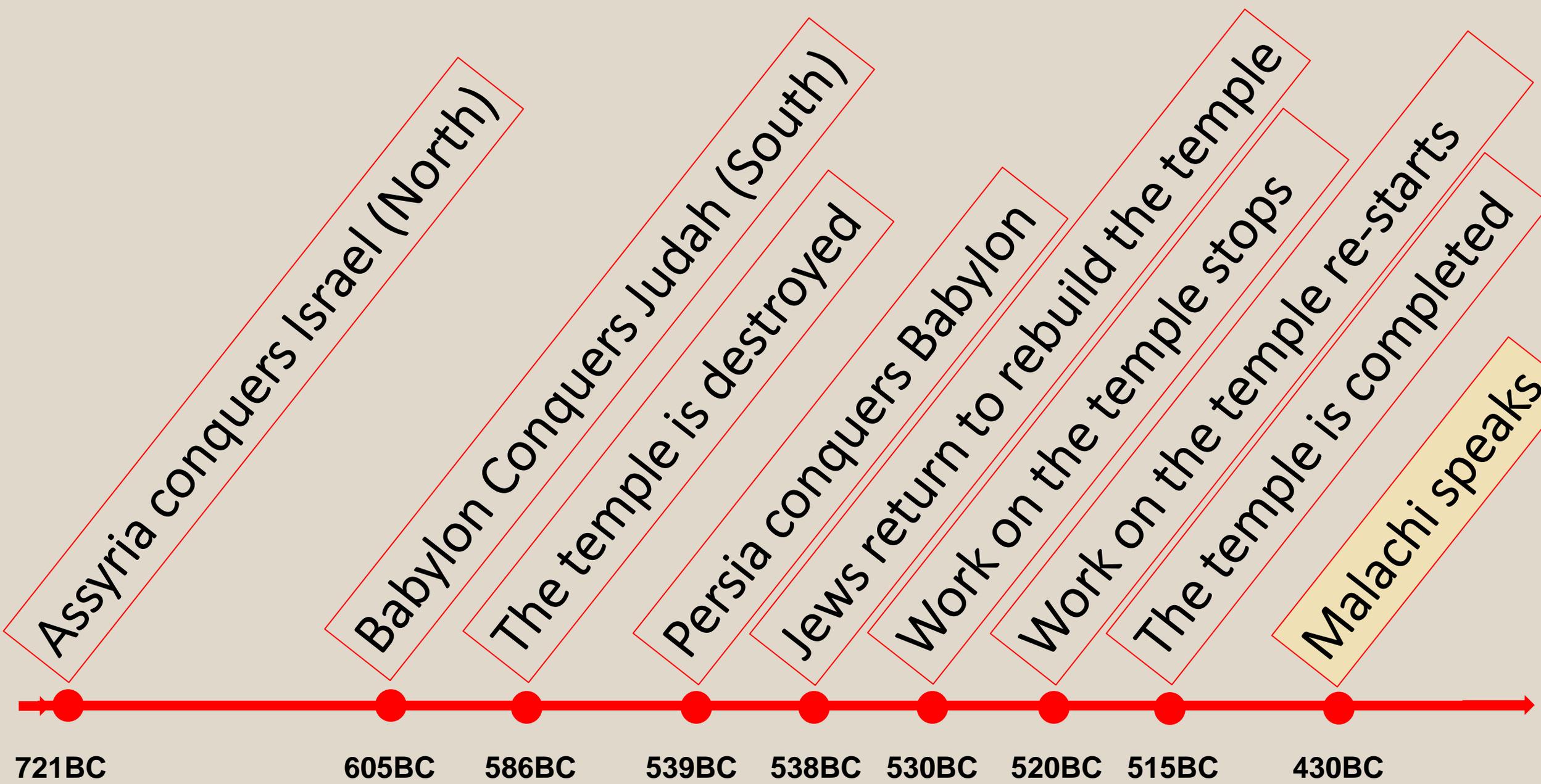
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¹³ “You have spoken arrogantly against me,” says the LORD.

“Yet you ask, ‘What have we said against you?’

¹⁴ “You have said, ‘It is futile to serve God. What do we gain **by carrying out his requirements** and going about like mourners before the LORD Almighty?’ ¹⁵ But now we call the arrogant blessed. Certainly evildoers prosper, and even when they put God to the test, they get away with it.’”

Malachi 3:13-15

⁶ “I the LORD do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. ⁷ Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. **Return to me, and I will return to you,**” says the LORD Almighty.

“But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’

Malachi 3:6 - 8

⁸ “Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me.

“But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’

“In tithes and offerings. ⁹ You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. ¹⁰ Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

Malachi 3:8 - 10

A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, **belongs to the LORD**; it is holy to the LORD.

Leviticus 27:30

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Malachi 3:9-12

**Remember, nine tenths with God's blessing goes
further than ten tenths without it.**

This is God's impossible mathematics.

Mike Beaumont

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**When it comes to money, we will either
worship wealth.....
.....or worship with our wealth**



to be one

to pray

to be reconciled

C A L L E D

to serve

to grow

to be Church

to give

to be Spirit filled