

A bald eagle is shown in flight, soaring over a body of water. The eagle's wings are spread wide, and its head is turned to the right. The background is a clear blue sky. The text "THE GREAT EAGLE" is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font.

THE GREAT EAGLE

**Revelation 12:1-6** “And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman (*Israel*) clothed (*the imputed righteousness*) with the sun (*of Jesus Christ*), and the moon (*the church*) under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars (*the 12 tribes of Israel*): And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon (*Satan! The “Scarlet Beast” of Rev 17 being another figurative picture of him*), having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. (*world empires*) And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven (*fallen angels, Rev 1:20*), and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. And she brought forth a man child (*Jesus*), who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne (*Jesus ascends into heaven, 32-34AD*). And the woman fled into the wilderness (*dispersed into the nations*), where she hath a place prepared of

Revelation 12:1-6 continued . . .

“God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred *and threescore days*” (*from construction of the Dome of the Rock to the new nation of Israel and the beginning of the end-time*).

*Revelation 12:6 above was fulfilled in 1948, now we go back to the time of the Cross! “*

**John 12:31**, “Now (*at the Cross*) is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out (*of heaven*).”

**Revelation 12:7-13** “And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; **neither was their place found any more in heaven**. And the great dragon was **cast out**, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”

Revelation 12:7-13 continued . . .

“And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ:”

*The Bible clearly states that the kingdom  
of Jesus exists right now . . .*

**1Peter 2:9** “But ye are *(the verb is present tense)* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation:”

**Revelation 1:6** “And hath made *(the verb is past tense)* us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.”

**Revelation 5:10** “And hast made *(the verb is again past tense)* us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.”

Revelation 12:7-13 continued . . .

“for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath because he knoweth that he hath but a short time And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child” *(Jews have been persecuted throughout the Christian era).*”

Revelation 12:14-17 “And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle *(Jesus is the eagle)*, that she might fly into the wilderness *(of the Gentile nations)*, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent *(Satan)* . . . .

Revelation 12:14-17 continued . . .

And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood (*of people, Revelation 17:15*) after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth (*Dispersed Israelites were geographically separated from Satan's servants*). And the dragon was wroth with the woman (*Israel*), and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God (*Jews during the Christian era*), and have the testimony of Jesus Christ" (*New Testament Church*).

## Time, Times & Ephraim

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The ten northern tribes are: Reuben, Simeon, Zebulun, Issachar, Dan, Gad, Asher, Naphtali, Ephraim, and Manasseh. Levi was not counted among the tribes because the Lord separated that tribe out as His tithe, to be His priests. (*Levi is counted in Revelation, and Dan is left out*). During the 200 years of its existence, the northern kingdom grew to have a strong economy and powerful army, but it did not become a multitude of nations. So what happened to them?

**Genesis 48:19** “. . . (*Manassah*) shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but . . . (*Ephraim*) shall be greater than he, and **his seed shall become a multitude of nations.**”

**Hosea 1:10** “Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea . . . in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God.”

## Historic Position of the Daniel & Hosea

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Daniel prophesied to the southern kingdom of Judah. He was placed historically during the Babylonian captivity, 606-536BC.

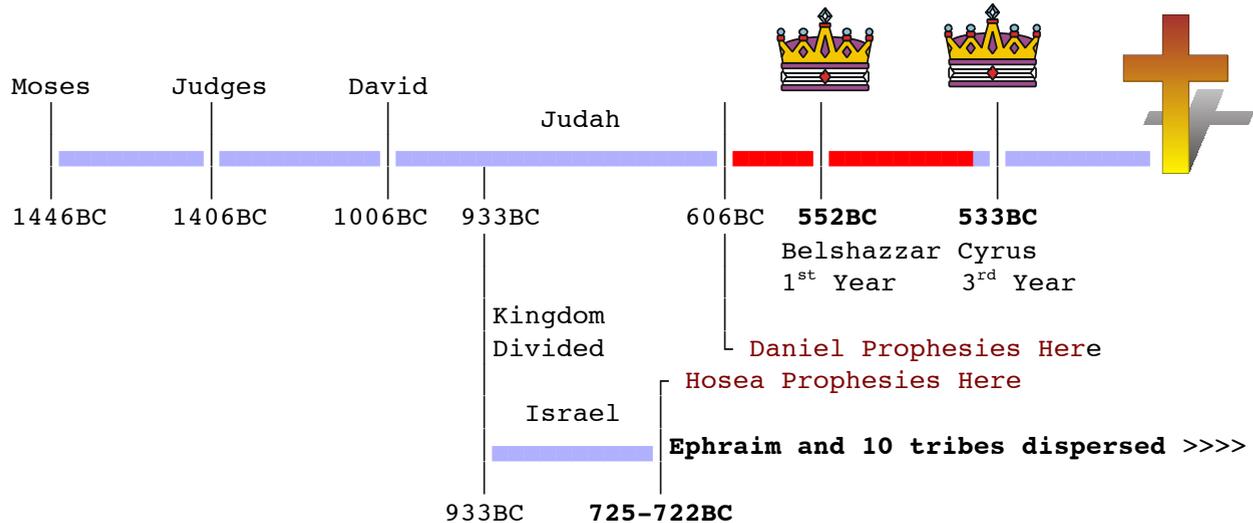
*Why? To tell the Jewish people what their future would be while Gentiles ruled the Holy Land.*

Hosea prophesied just before the fall of the northern kingdom of Israel, 725-722BC.

*Why? To tell the ten tribes of Israel what their future would be after they were dispersed into the Caucasus Mountain region, into the kingdom of the Khazars..*

# Graph of Divided Israel

In 933 B.C., Jeroboam rebels against Solomon's son, Rehoboam. This divides Israel into two separate countries: Israel in the North with 10 tribes, and Judah with Benjamin in the South.





## Ephraim's Future

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**Hosea 2:16** “And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, that thou shalt call me Ishi (*Hebrew: איש, husband*); and shalt call me no more Baali (*Hebrew: בעלי, master*).”

**Hosea 7:8** “Ephraim has mixed himself among the peoples; Ephraim is a cake unturned.”

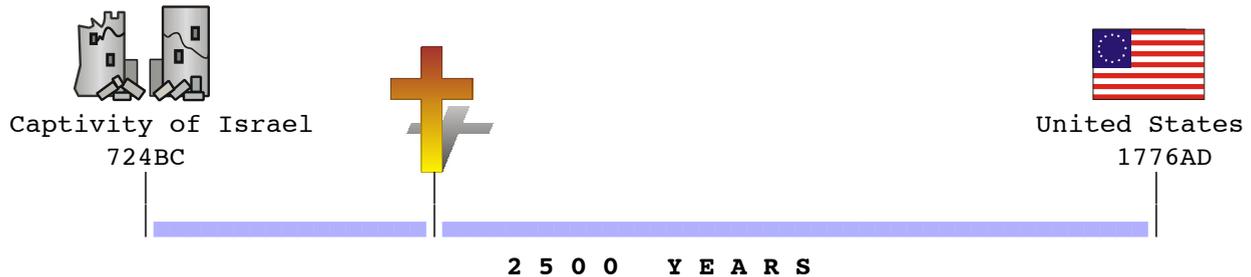
**Hosea 8:8** “Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles . . .”

**Hosea 11:10** They [*Ephraim*] shall walk after the LORD . . . then the children shall tremble from the West.

Circa 95-105 A. D.

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**Revelation 12:14** “And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a **time, and times, and half a time**, from the face of the serpent.”



Daniel is an O.T. prophet. He was to the Jews and to the nations that would control the Holy Land during the “time of the Gentiles.” Revelation 12:14 is to the church, it was penned by the Apostle John, the prophet to the Church. But from context, Rev 12:14 is to the dispersed tribes of Israel during the Christian Era (Rev 7:1-9, 14:1-5). The language of Rev 12:14, “might fly into the wilderness,” pins us to the major deportation of the Northern Kingdom rather than the fall of Samaria 722BC. That major deportation took place in 724BC, two years before the city fell.

*Additional verses for Study: Hos 1:10-11; Hos 2:14-16, Hos 2:19-20, Hos 2:23; Hos 3:5; Hos 7:8, Hos 9:13-17, Hos 11:8-10*