

# Picture Gallery of King's Kids

## Part I & II

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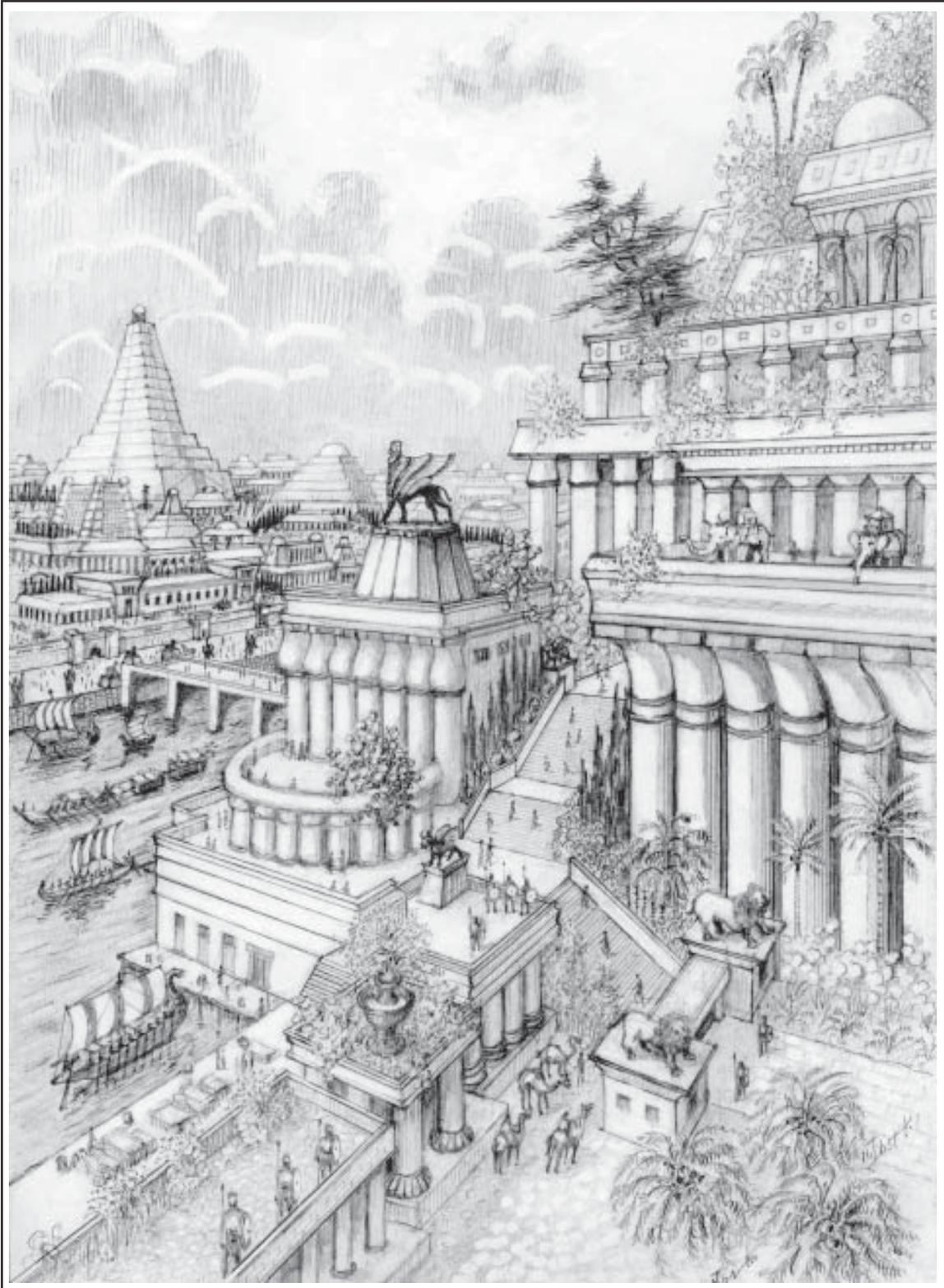
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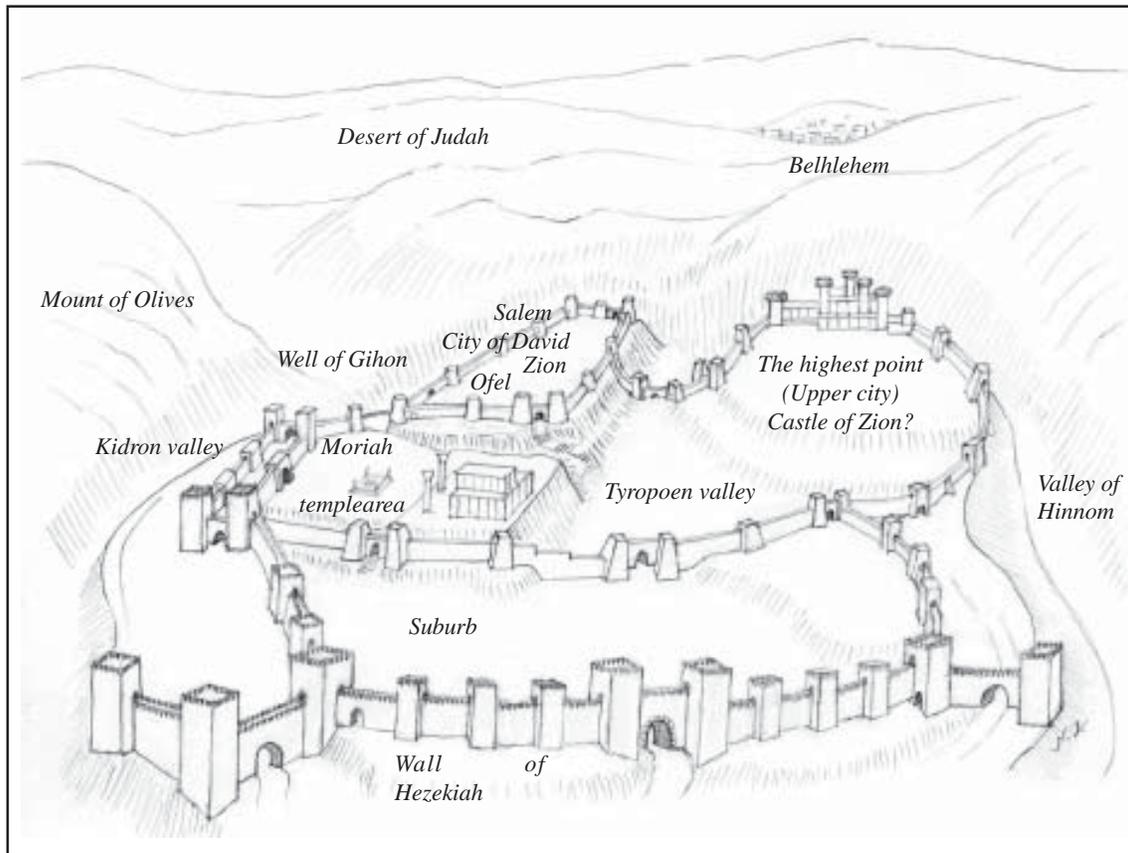
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***1. Babylon – the world metropolis***

*In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. Dan 1:1*



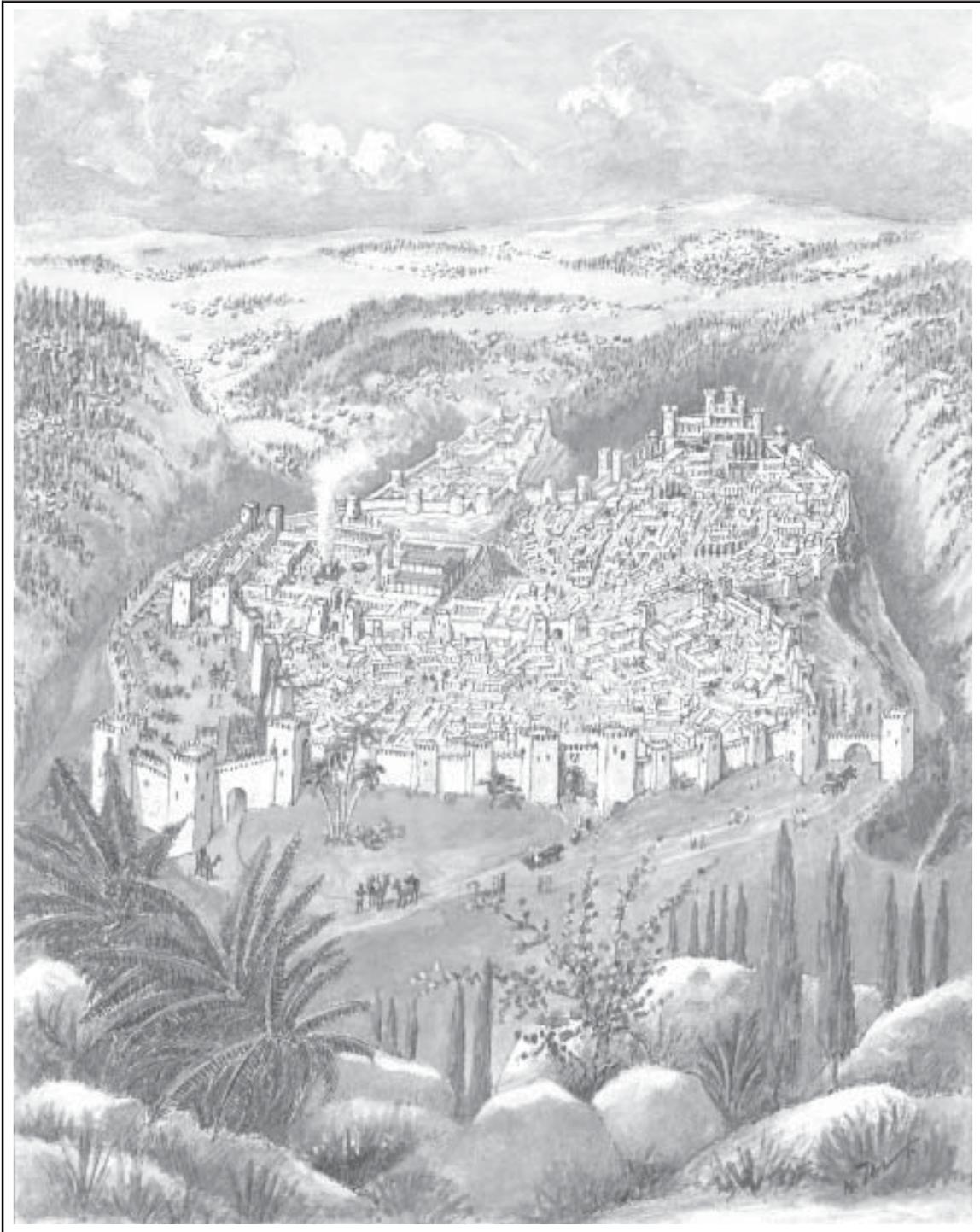
**An imagined bird's eye view of Jerusalem from the north  
at the time of Daniel.**

The original city was built on Mount Ophel to the south east, it was called Salem, later Jeru-Salem (Judges 10:1) and Jebus (Judges 19:10) an inhabited by the Jebusites, a Canaanite people. At the time of Abraham Melchizedek was king of Salem and a priest of God most High (Genesis 14:18,20). When David conquered Jerusalem in about year 1000 BC, he called the city Zion – the city of David. Some historians suggest that Zion also included the mountaintop opposite Ophel to the southwest on the other side of the valley of Tyropoeon.

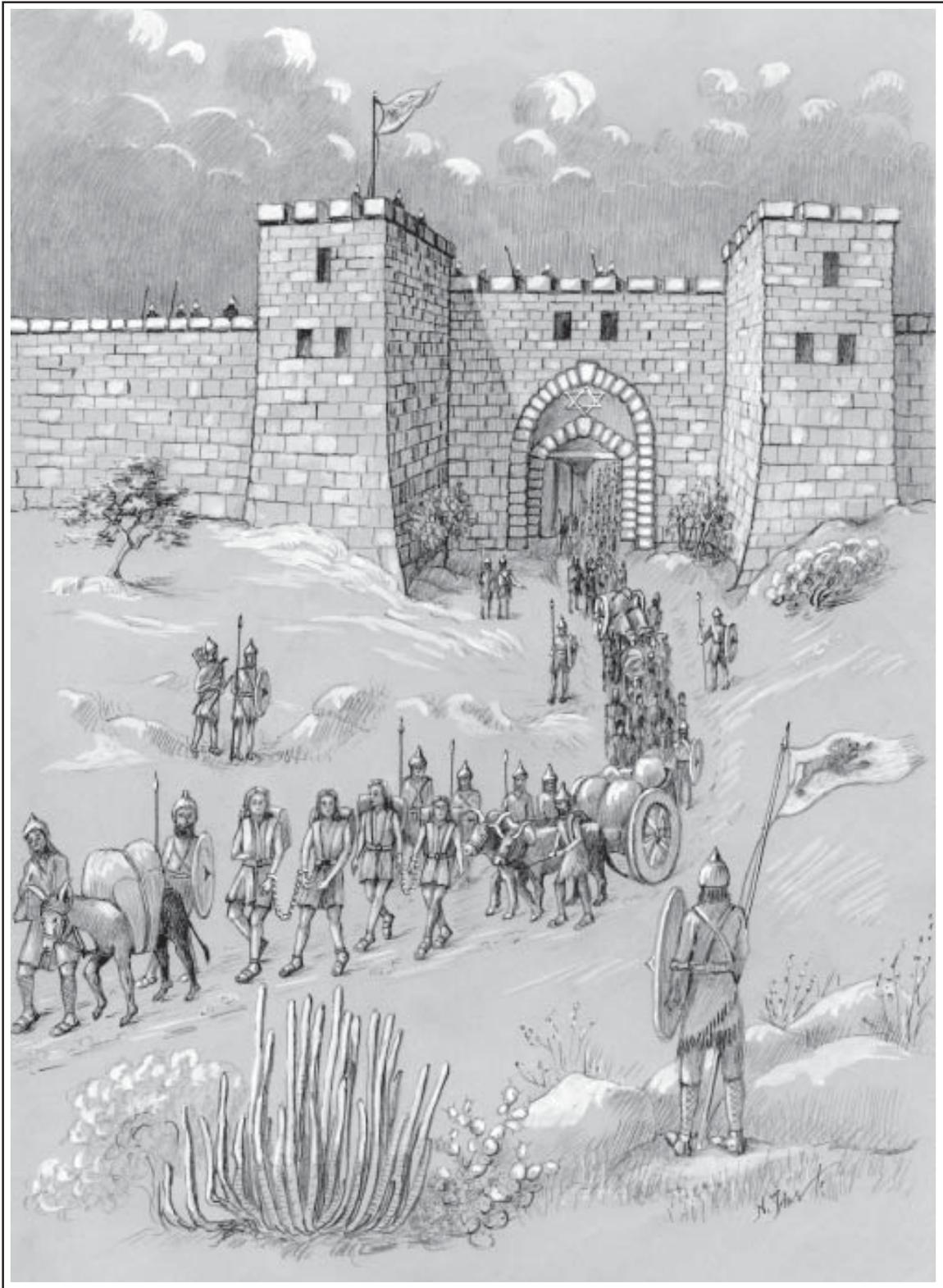
The Temple was situated on a third mountain, Mount Moriah, the place to which Abraham took his son Isaac to offer him to the Lord (Genesis 22:2). Originally this was the threshingfloor belonging to the Jebusée Araunah which King David bought in order to build an altar to the Lord. Here King Solomon built the first Temple. Betlehem, King David's birth place, and several smaller cities and villages can be seen beyond Jerusalem and on the horizon the coutours of the Judean Wilderness.

Jerusalem was surrounded by deep ravines on three sides, the Kidron Valley to the east between the city and the Mount Olives, the Hinnon Valleys (Hebrew: ge hinnom, Greek: Gehenna) to the south and to the west. These deep ravines made it almost impossible to conquer the city. Only from the north, along Mount Moriah, was it possible to get near to the city by natural means. King Hezekiah erected an extra wall in order to defend the city against attackers from the north. Ancient Jerusalem was the most beautiful of cities. A contemporary of David decribed Zion as the perfection of beauty.

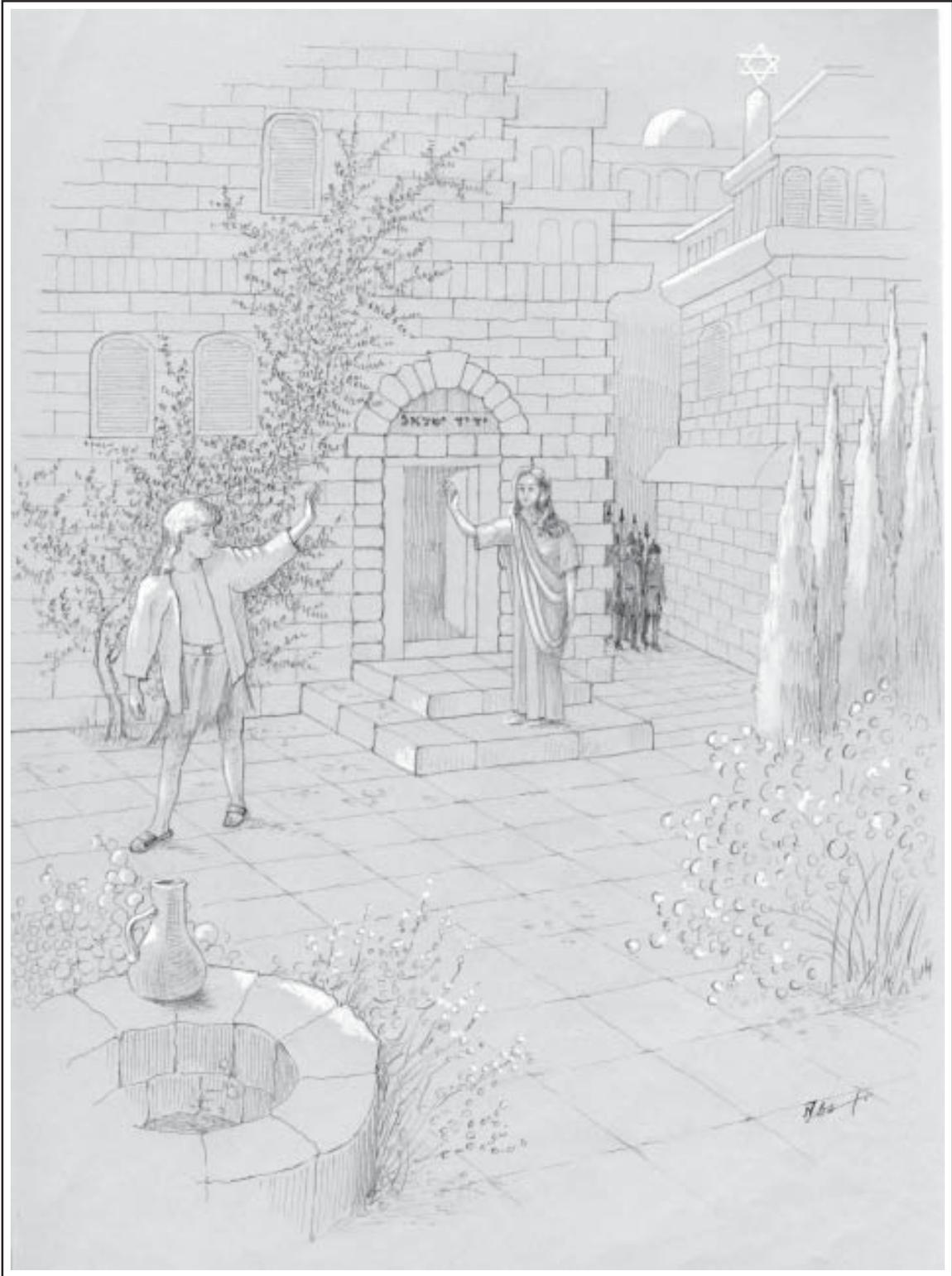
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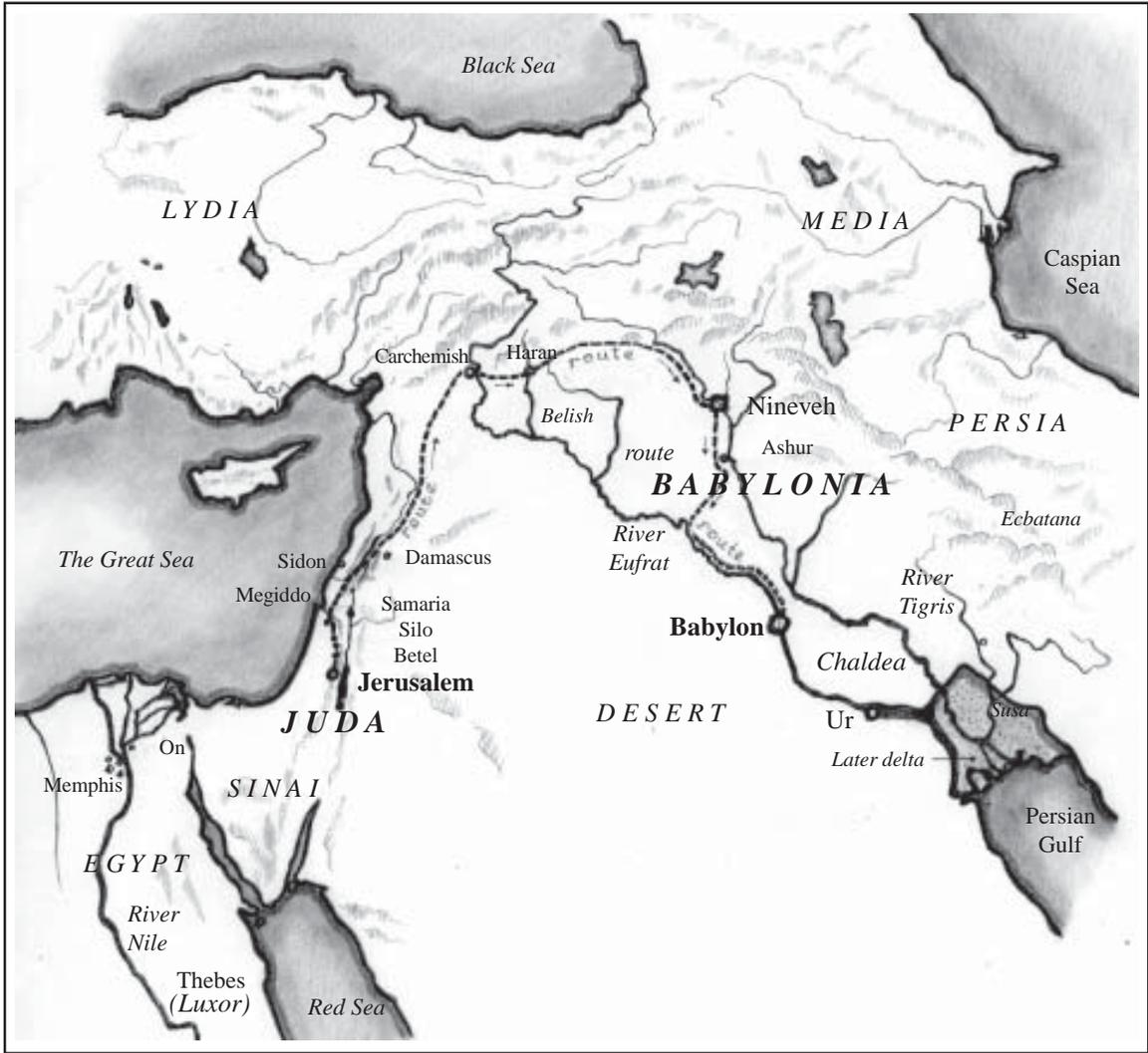
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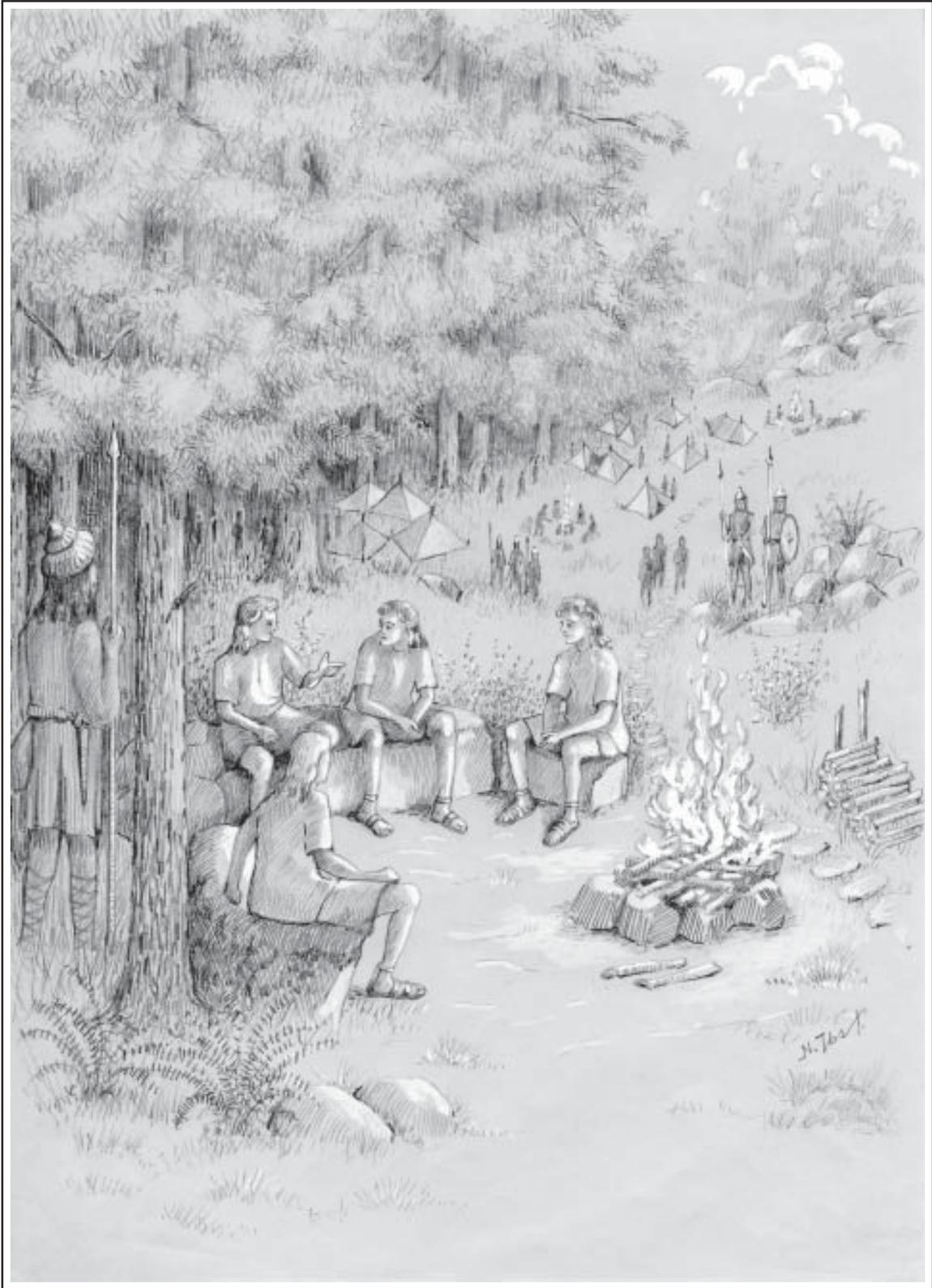
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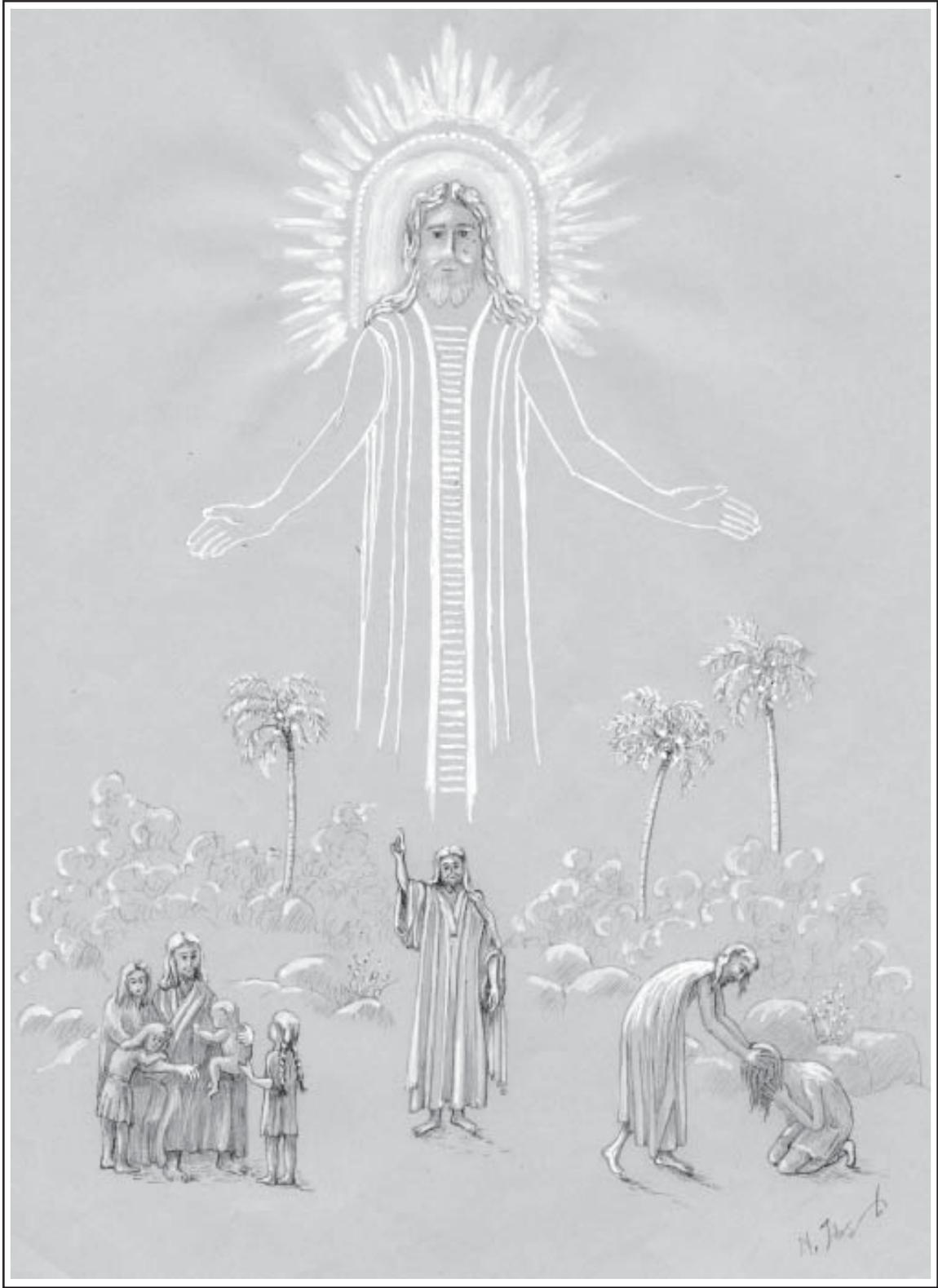
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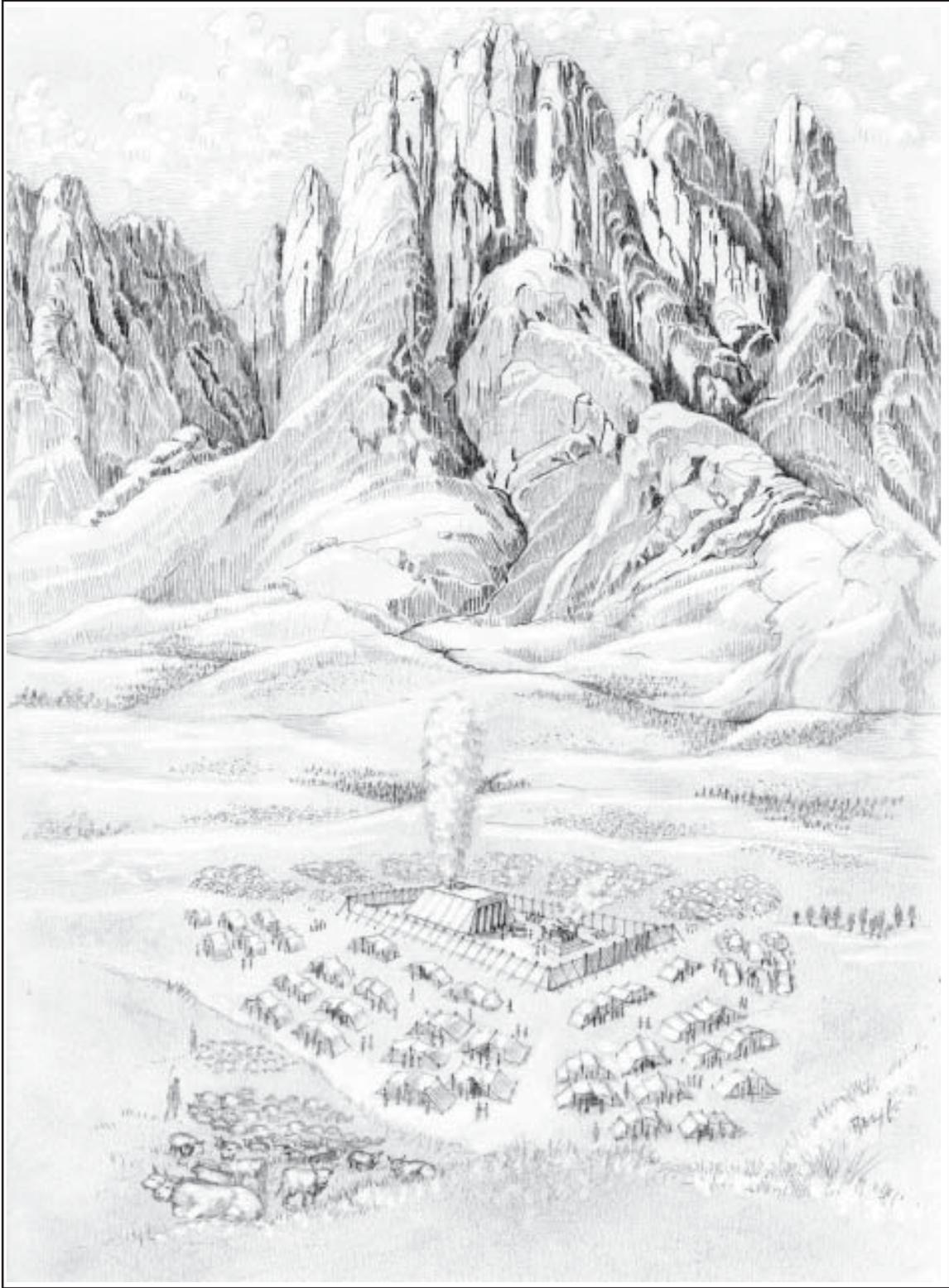
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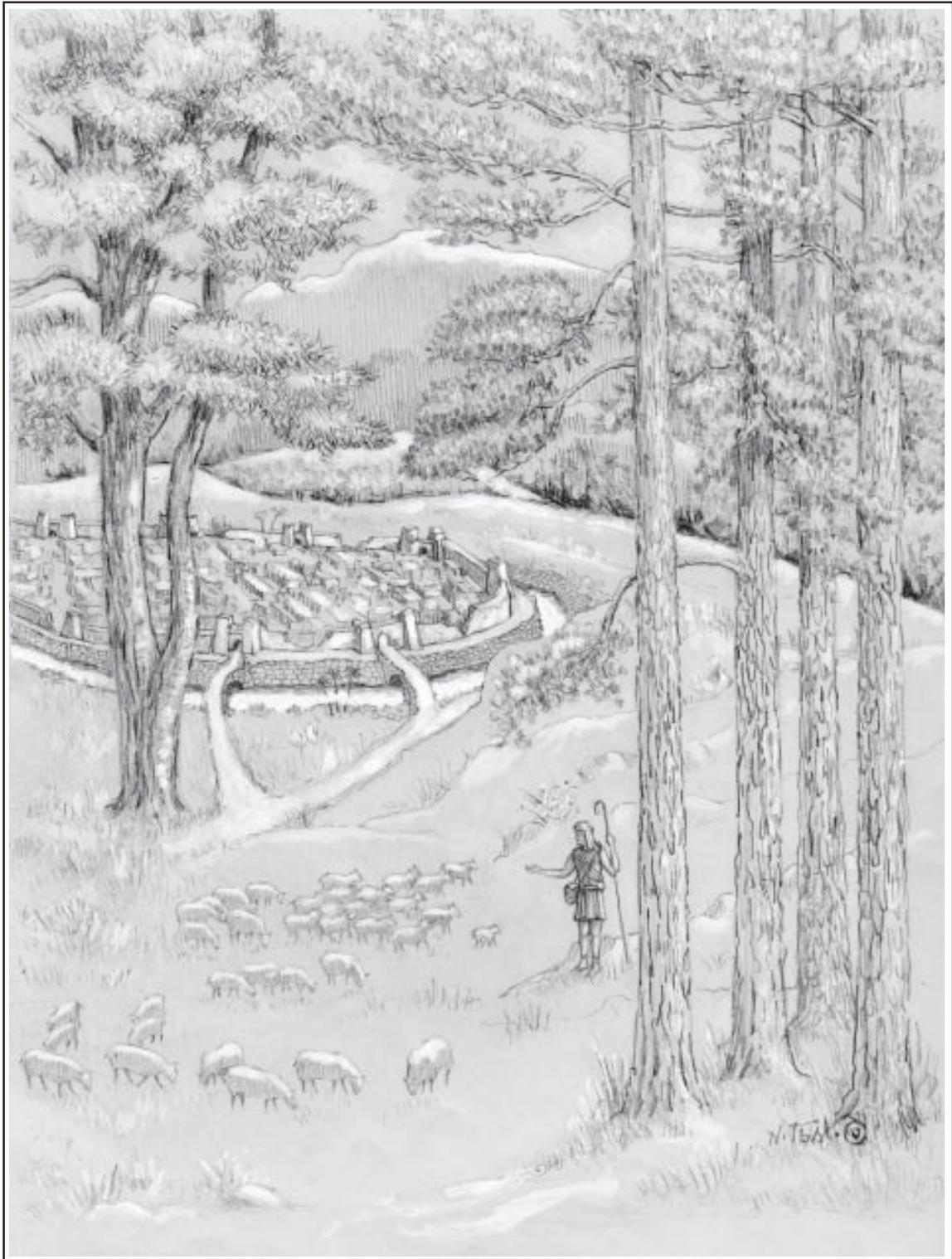
7. Talks at the camp fire: "Why should this happen to us?"



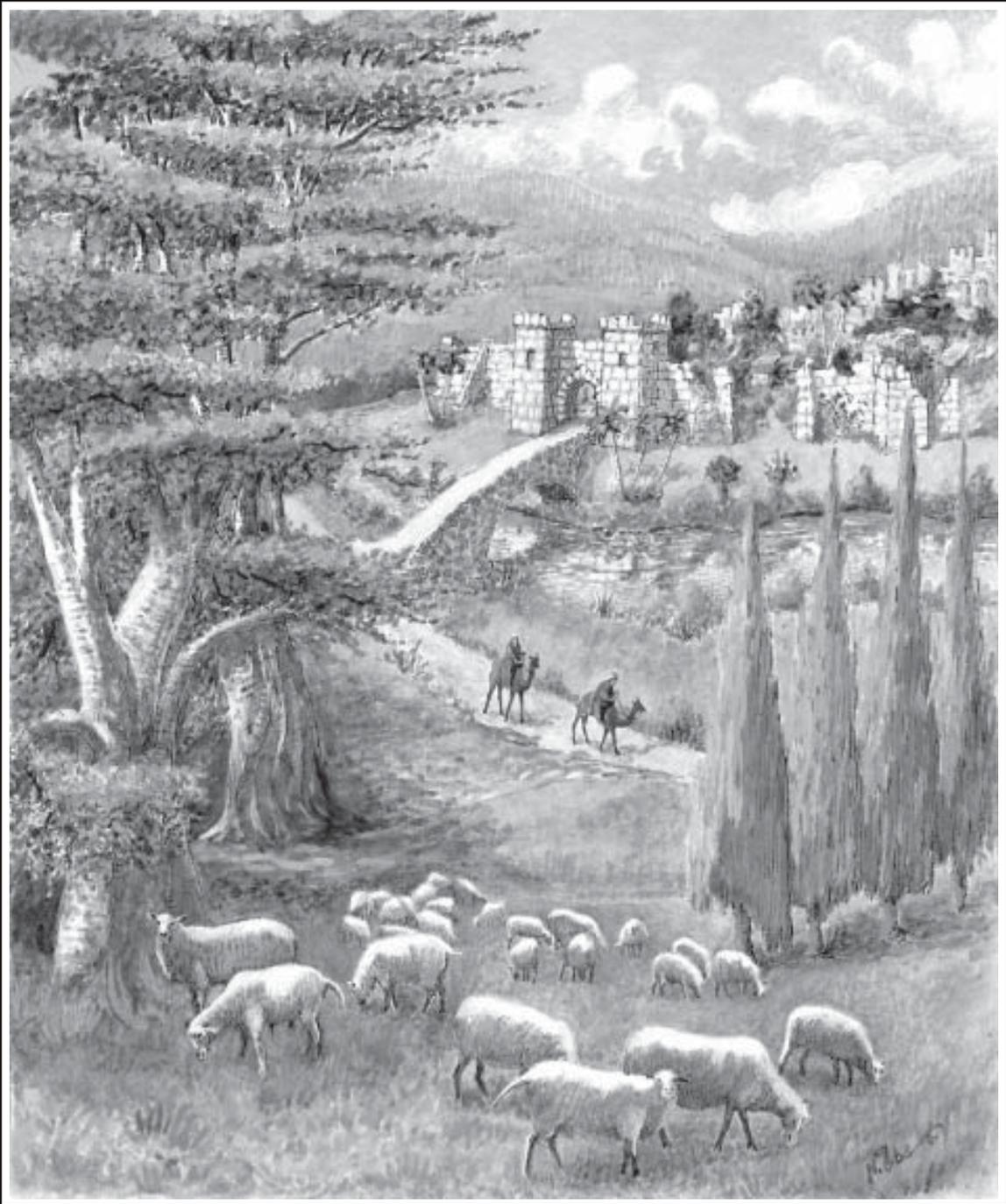
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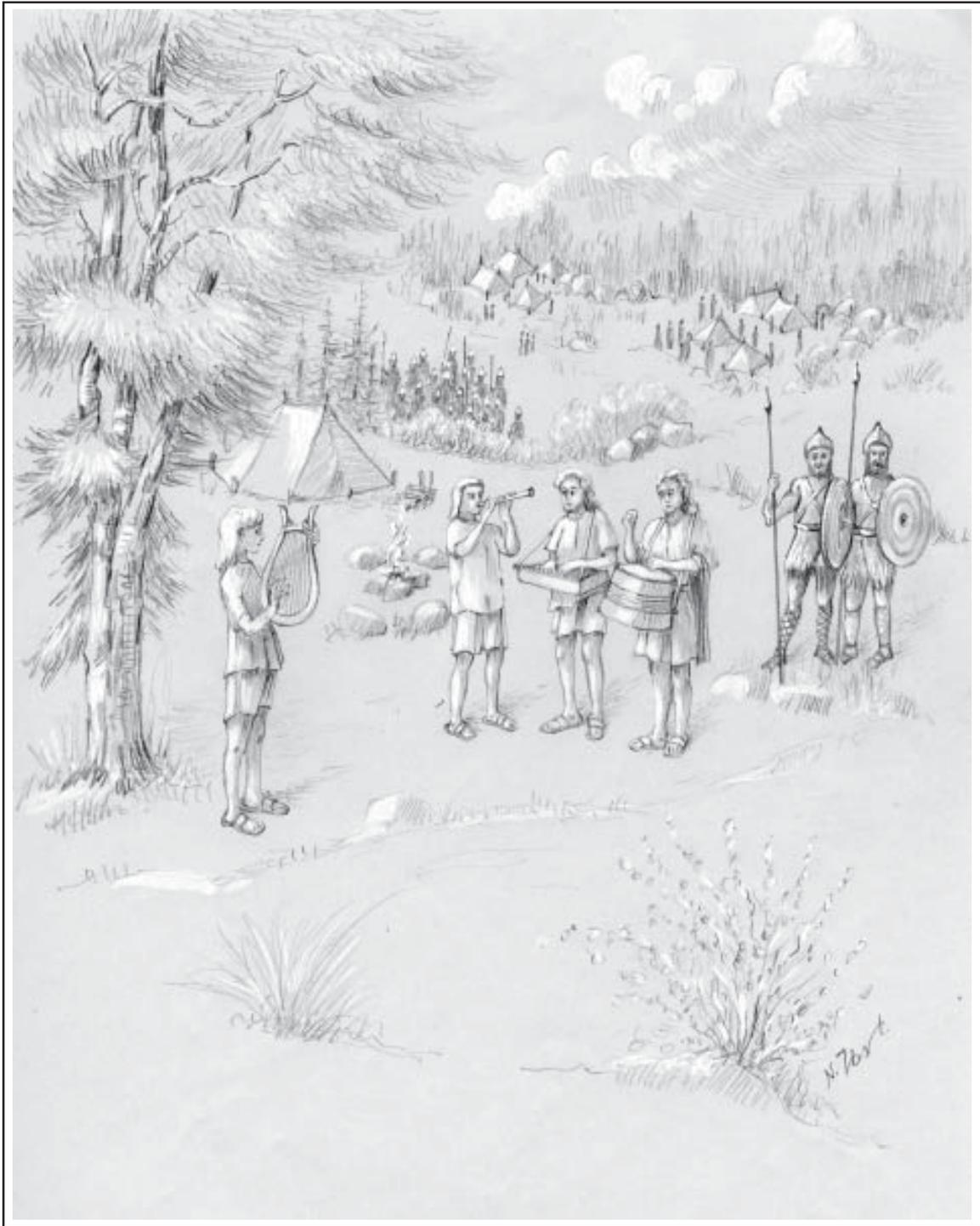


*10. Pastoral scene near Samaria*

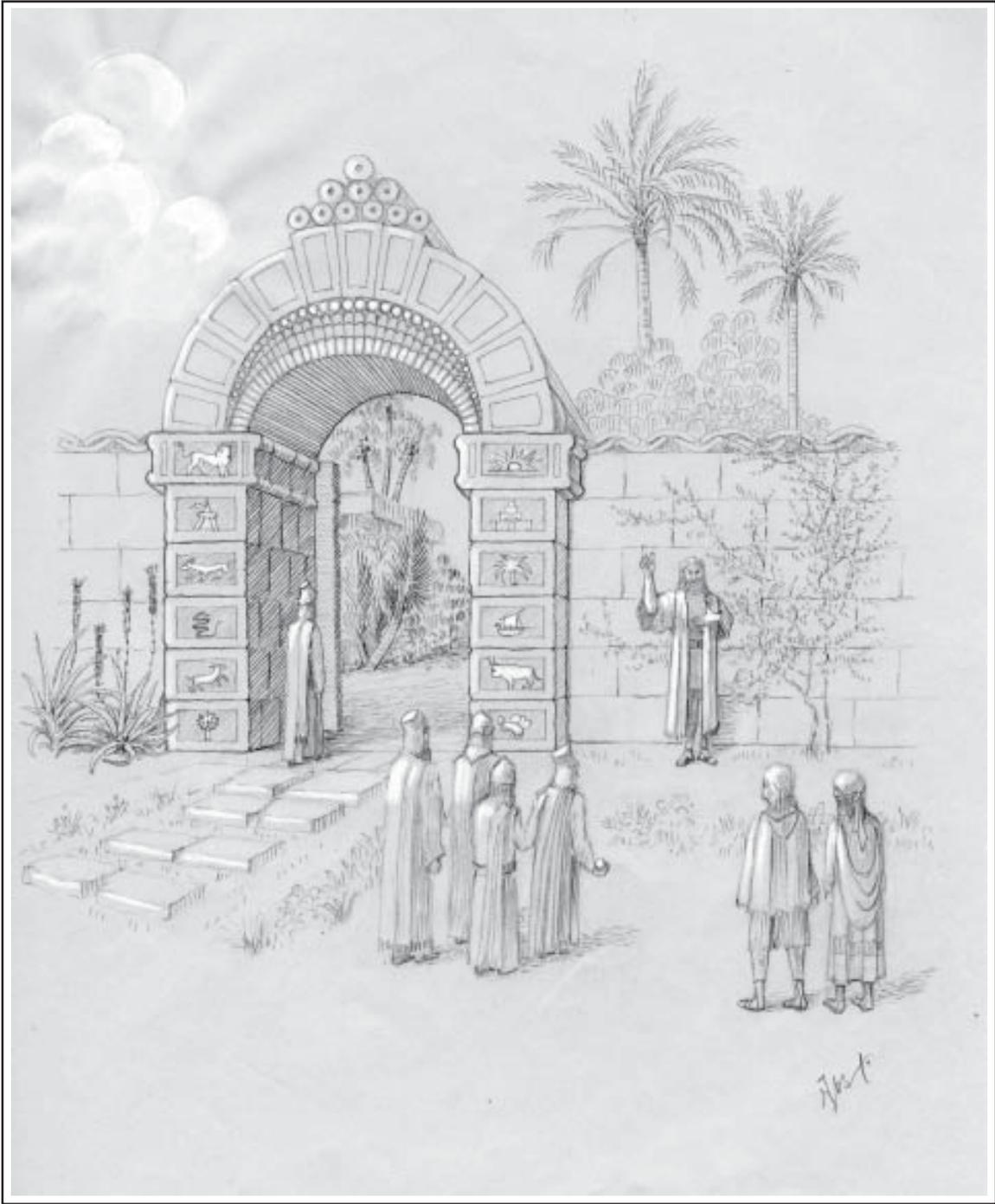


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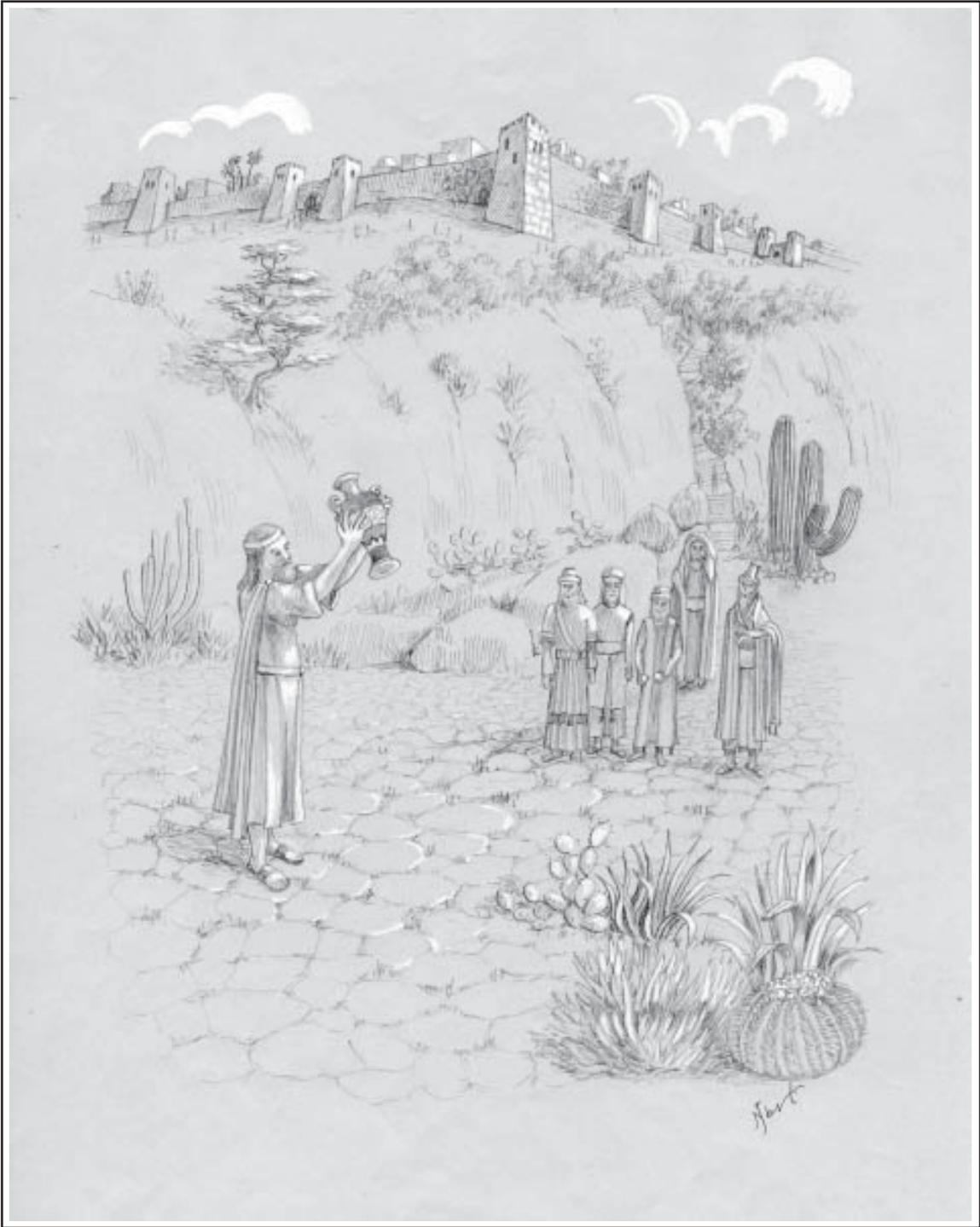
*On their way they passed by the ruins of Samaria  
Hundred years earlier the Assyrians had destroyed that city,  
the capital of the Northern kingdom*



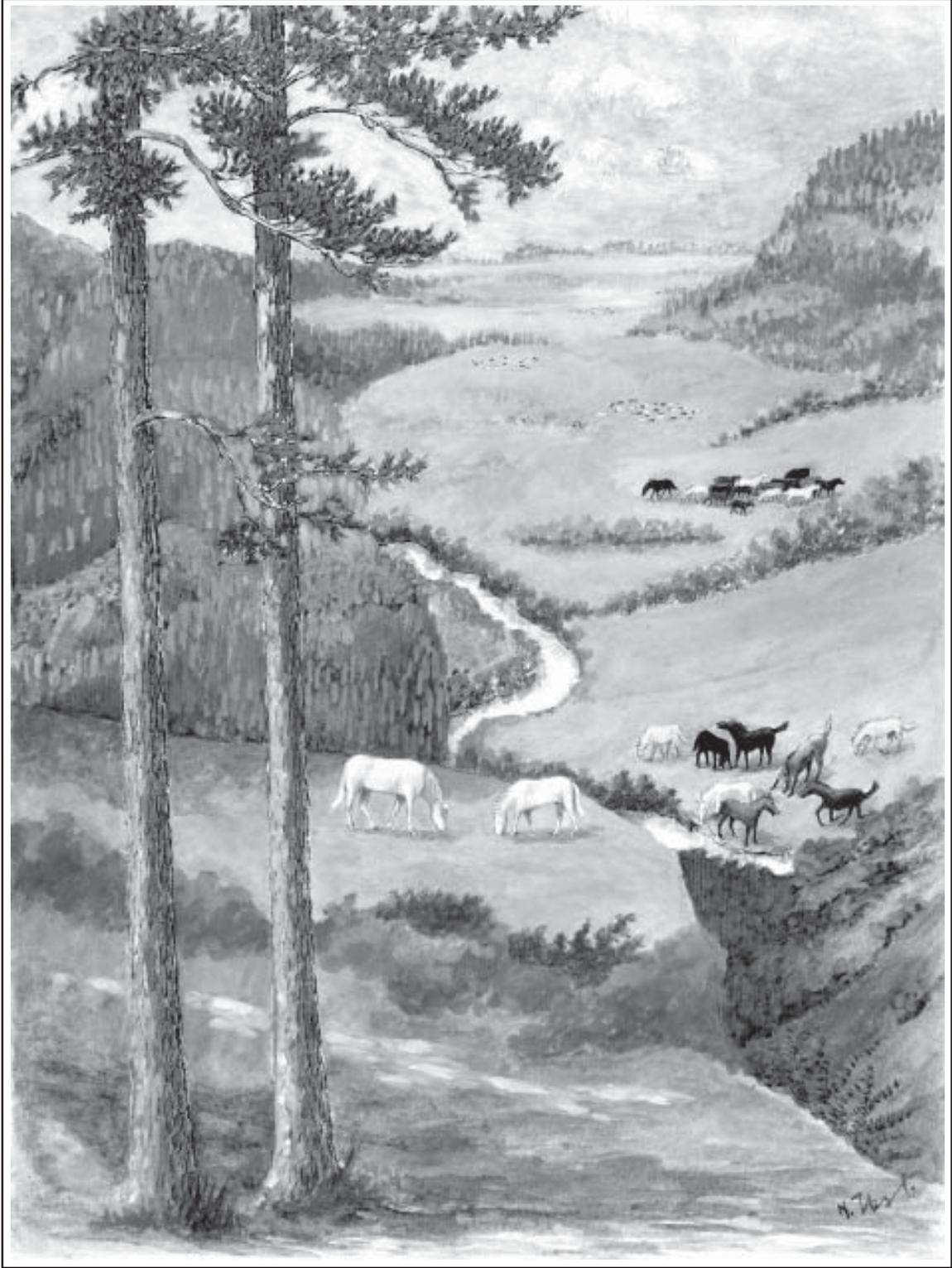
**12. Four musicians**  
– guarded by Chaldeian soldiers.  
Mishael is leading on a 10 stringed harp,  
Daniel plays flute, Hananiah zither and Azariah drum



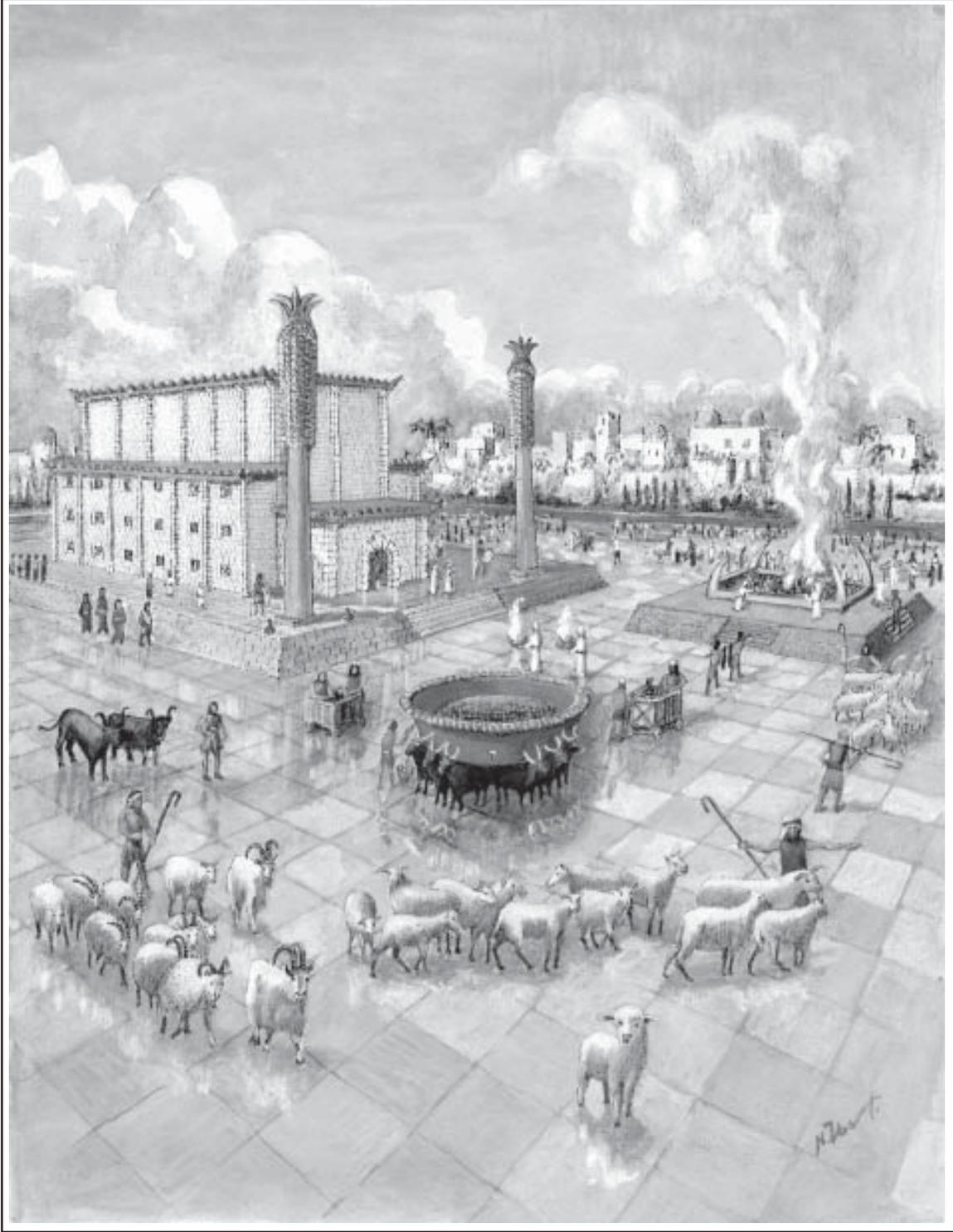
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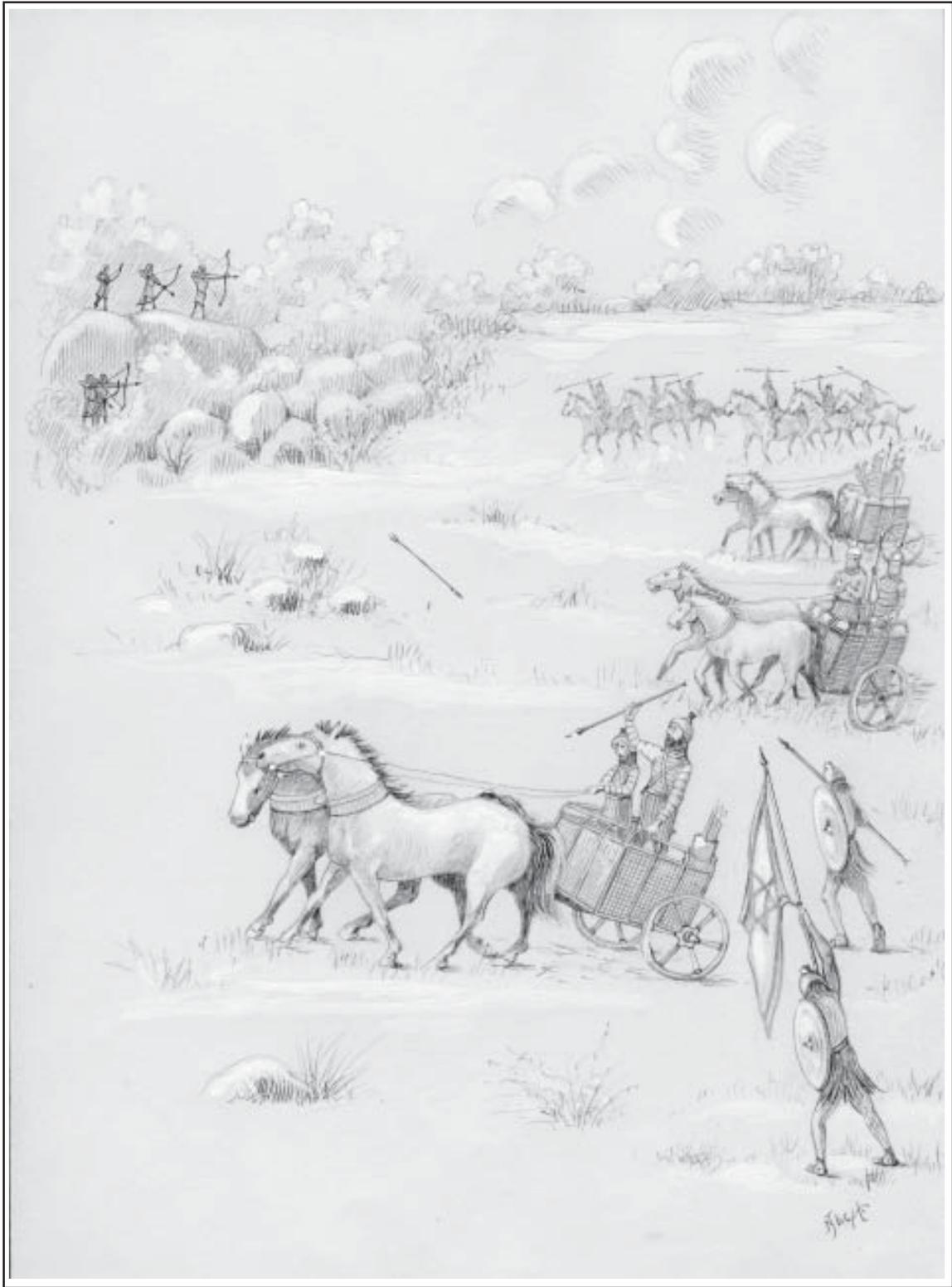
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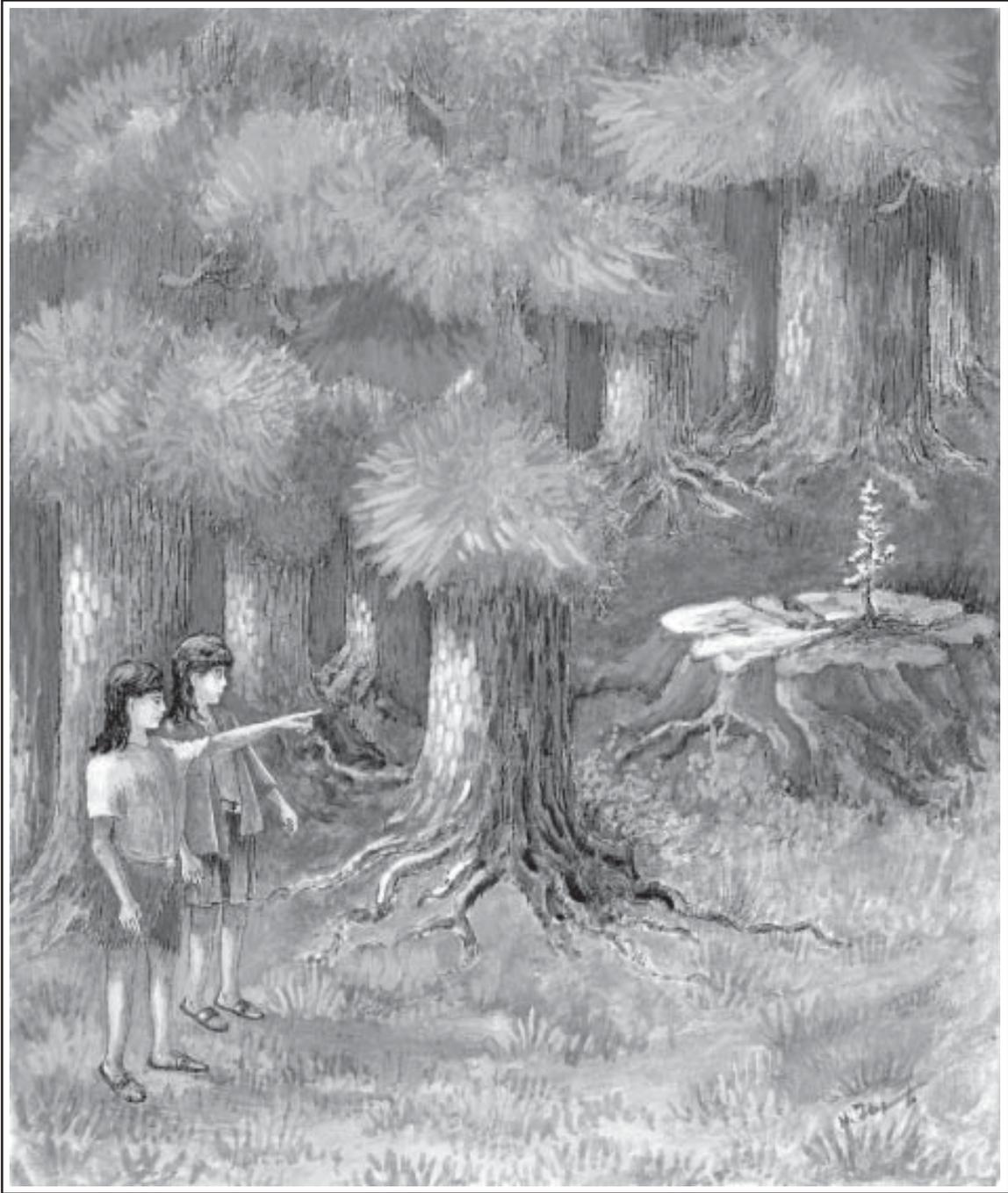
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16. Solomon's Temple



17. The arrow at the battle in Megiddo



**18. The cedars of Libanon**

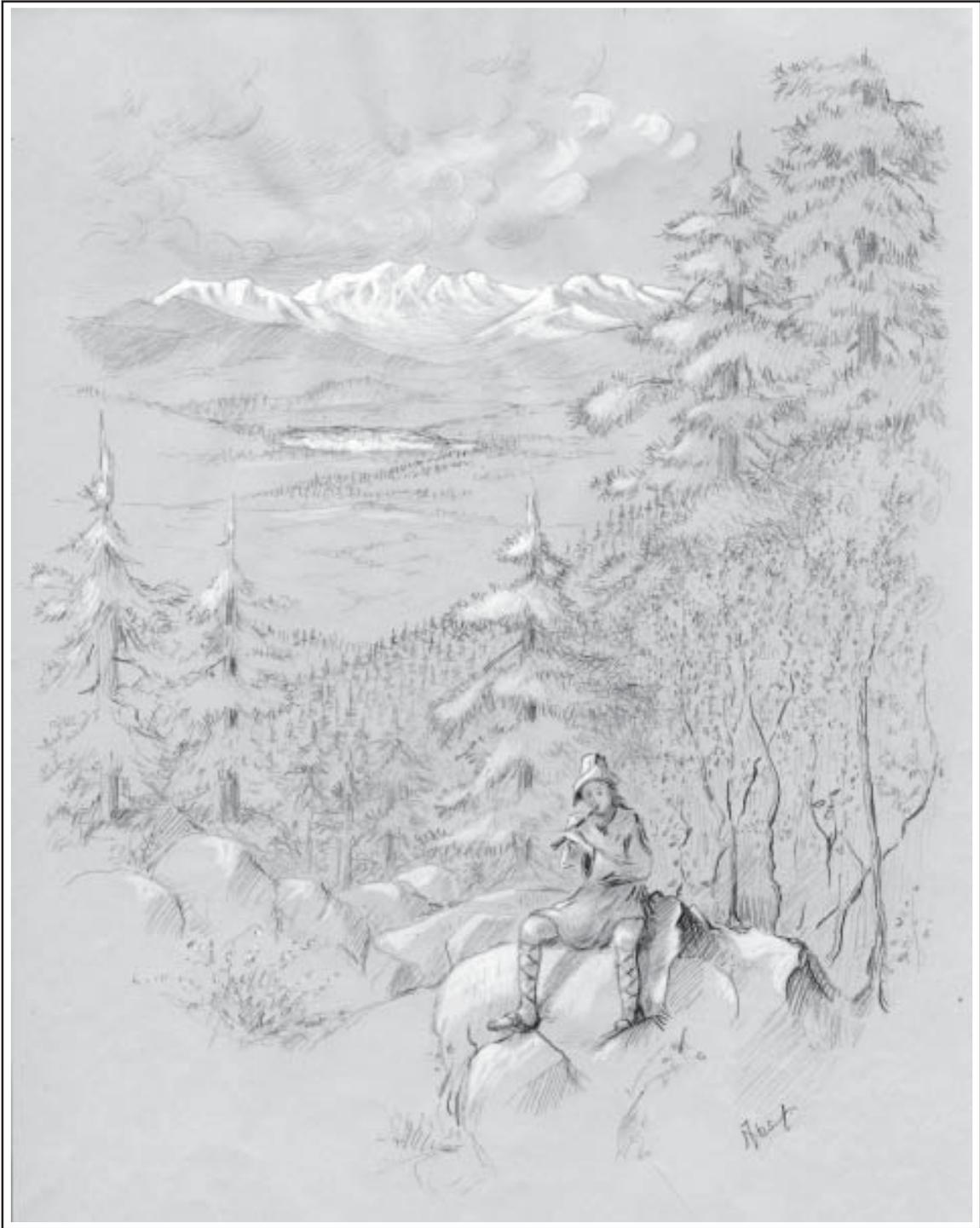
*On their route to Babylon they saw the mighty cedars of Libanon.*

*Daniel to Hananih: "Do you see that stump of a big cedar over there that has got a new shoot?*

*It reminds me of a prophecy about the coming of Messiah:"*

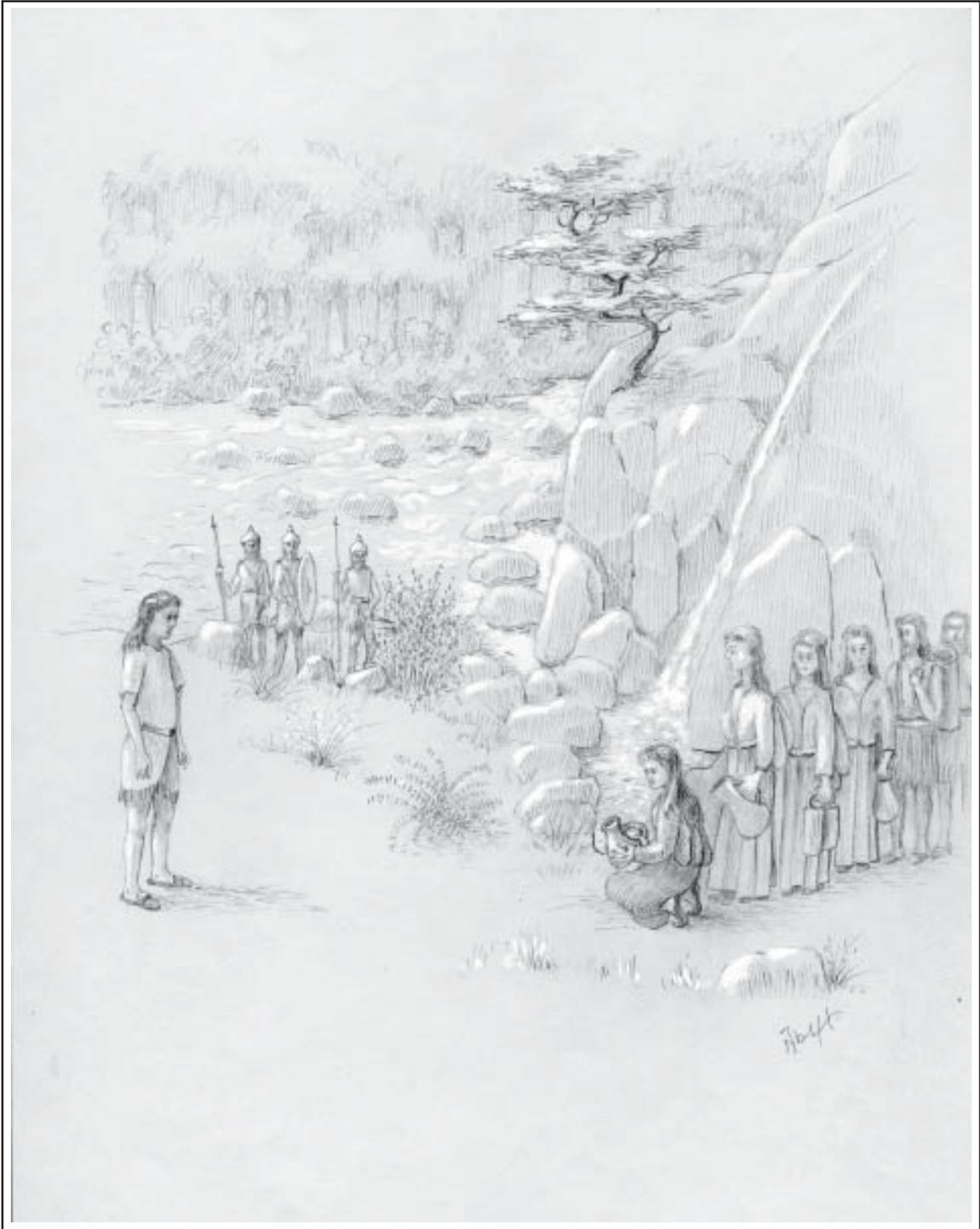
*"Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse.*

*And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. And the Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him..." Is 1:1-2*

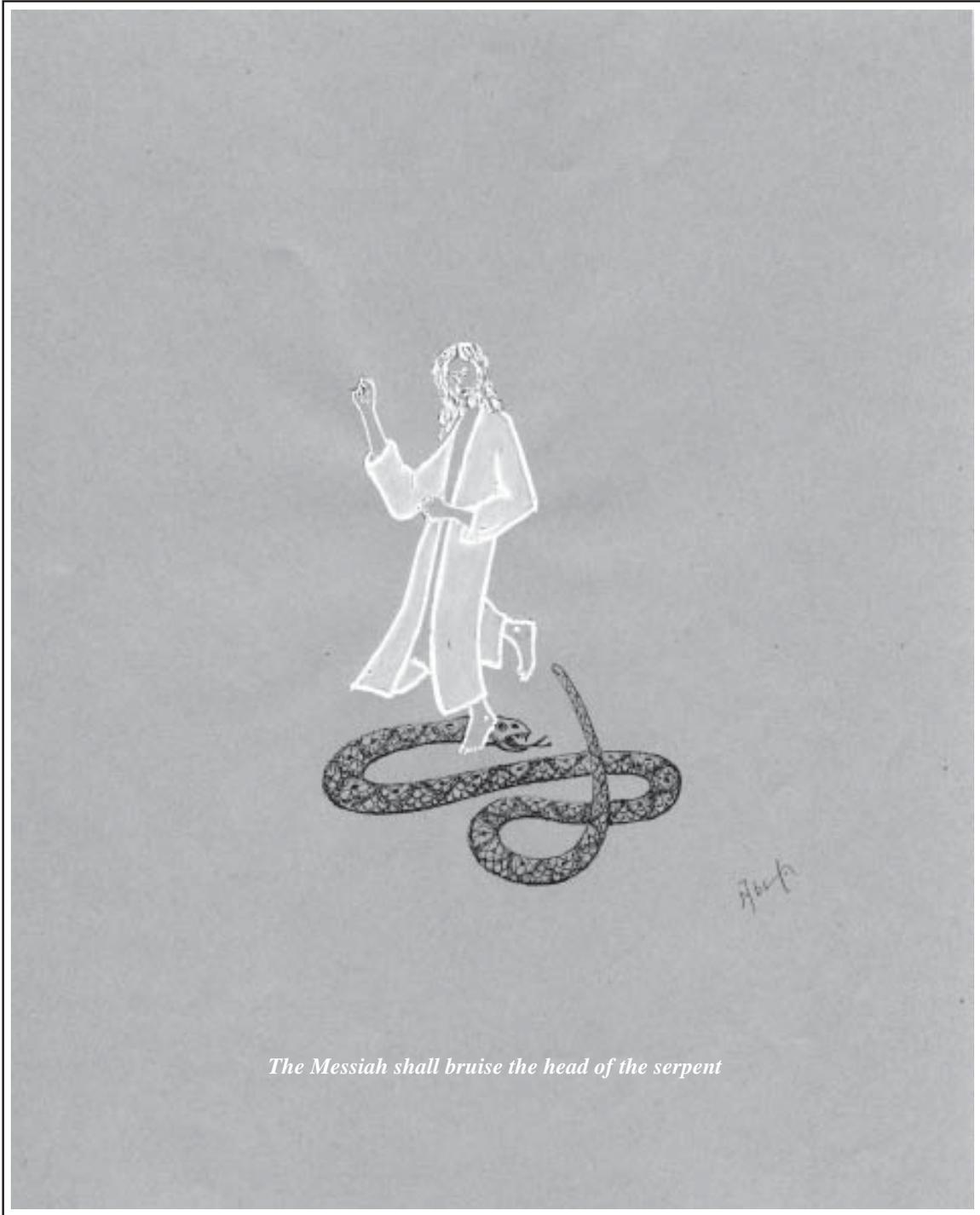


**19. Mt Hermon**

*The fluteplayer. On their route to Babylon  
From the highland in Libanon they had a grand view of Mt Hermon  
– the highest mountine in Israel*



20. *Encounter at the well*



21. Christ trampling on the serpent .



## **22. Life and death**

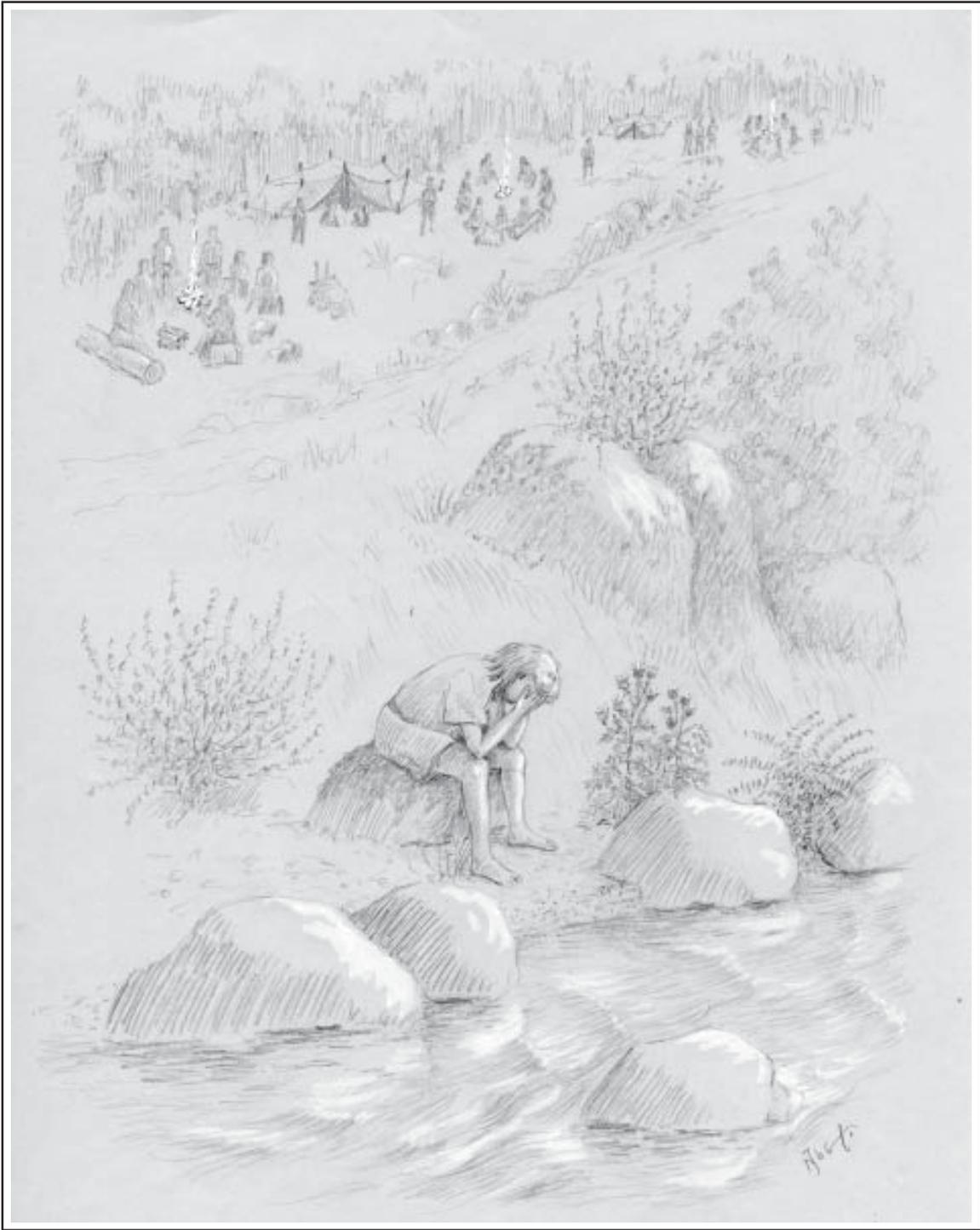
*Daniel and Hananiah had a talk about life and death  
and the meaning of three of Isaiah's prophecies about Messiah:*

***"He would render Himself as a guilt offering."*** Isa 53:10

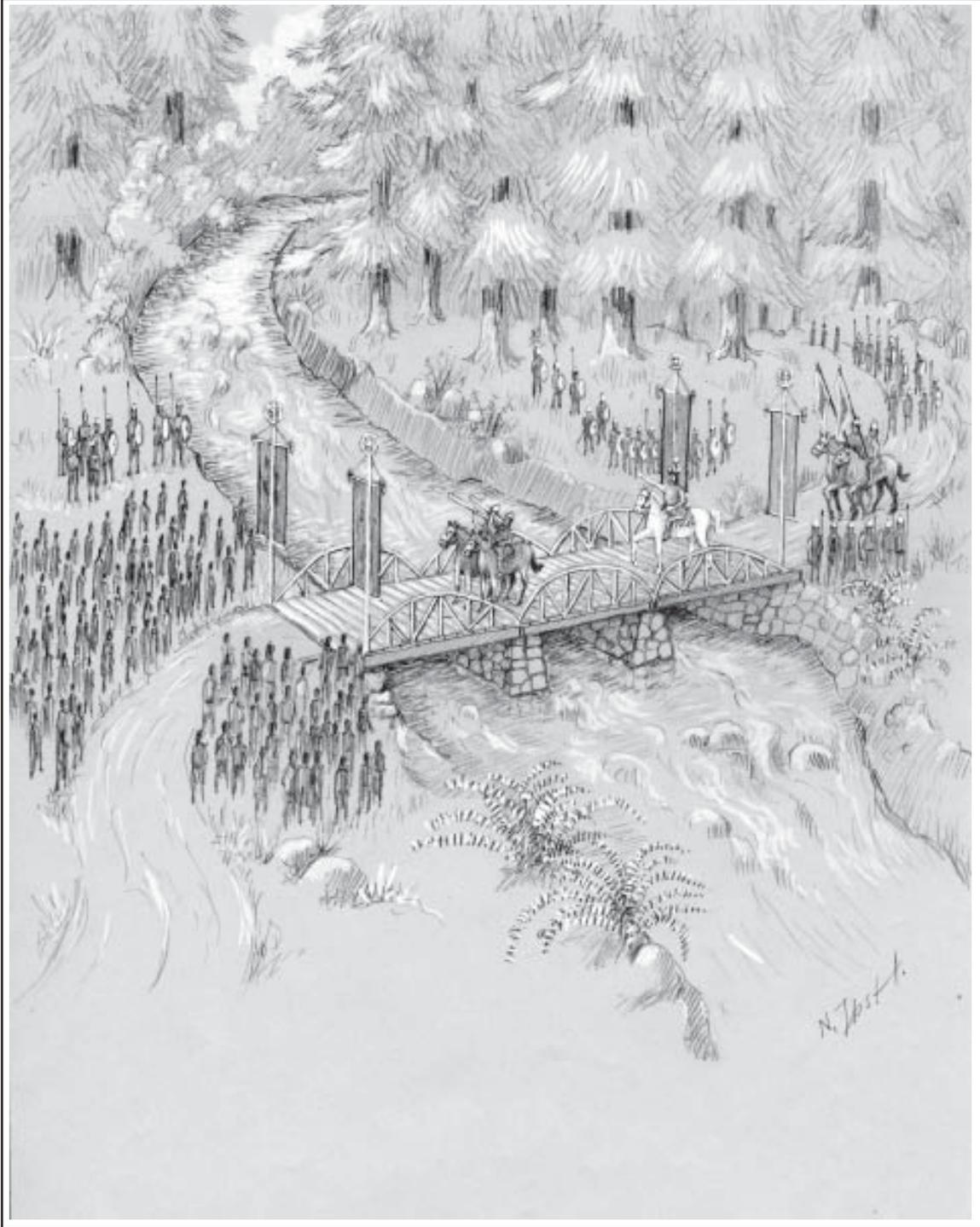
***"Because He poured out Himself to death."*** Is 53:12

***"He will swallow up death for all time."*** Isa 25:8

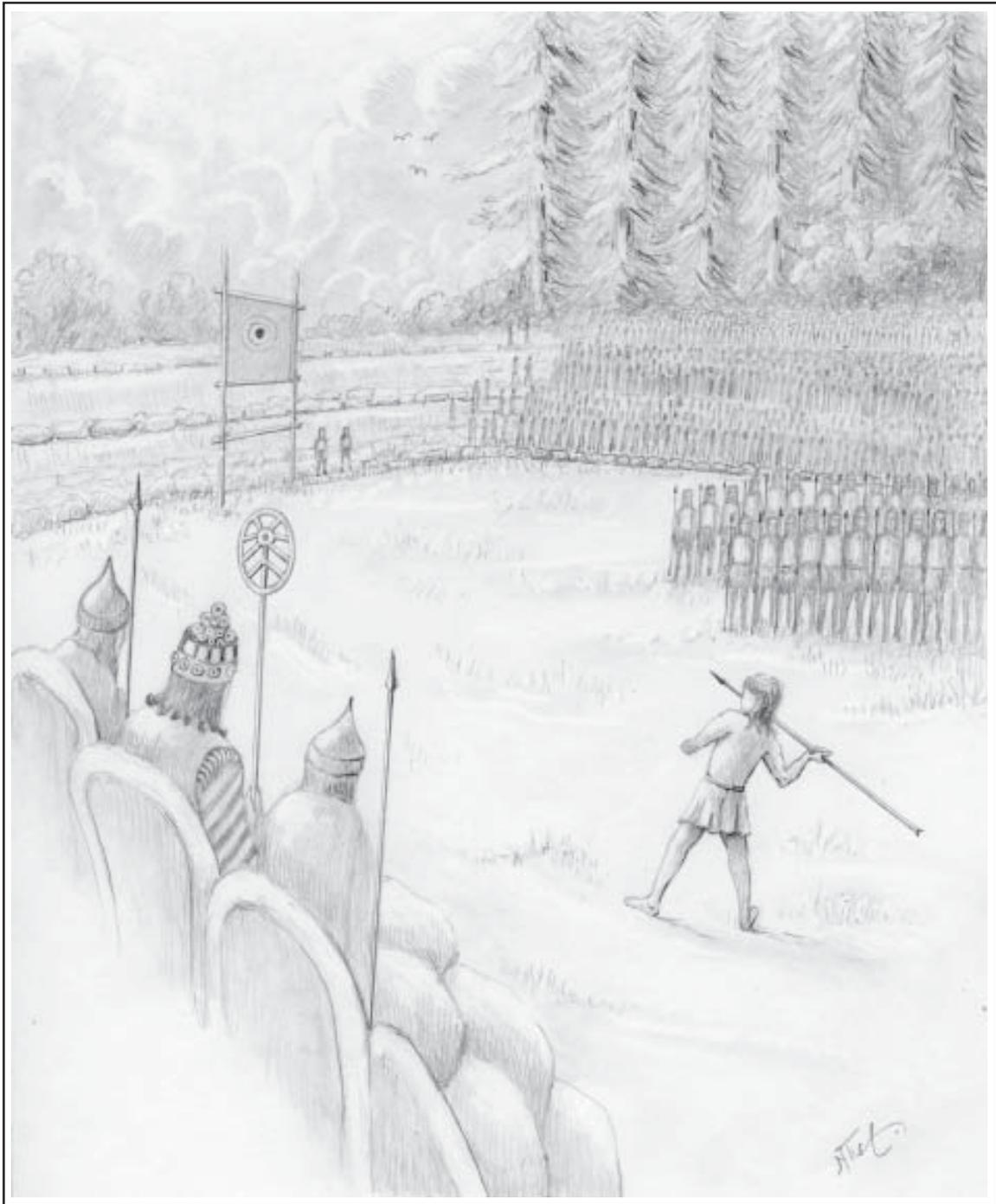
*Daniel said: "If not the bulb is buried and "dies" in the earth, it cannot resurrect to new life."  
(Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains by itself alone; but if it dies, it bears  
much fruit. Jh 12:24)*



*23. On the route to Babylon  
Azariah found a place for prayer*



*24. The inauguration of the bridge*



25. *The javelin thrower*

*A reconstructed head of Nimrod found at excavations of Calah at the river of Tigris*

*A winged bull that guarded the palace entrance in the city of Nimrod*

**NIMROD'S AND HAMMURABI'S KINGDOM**

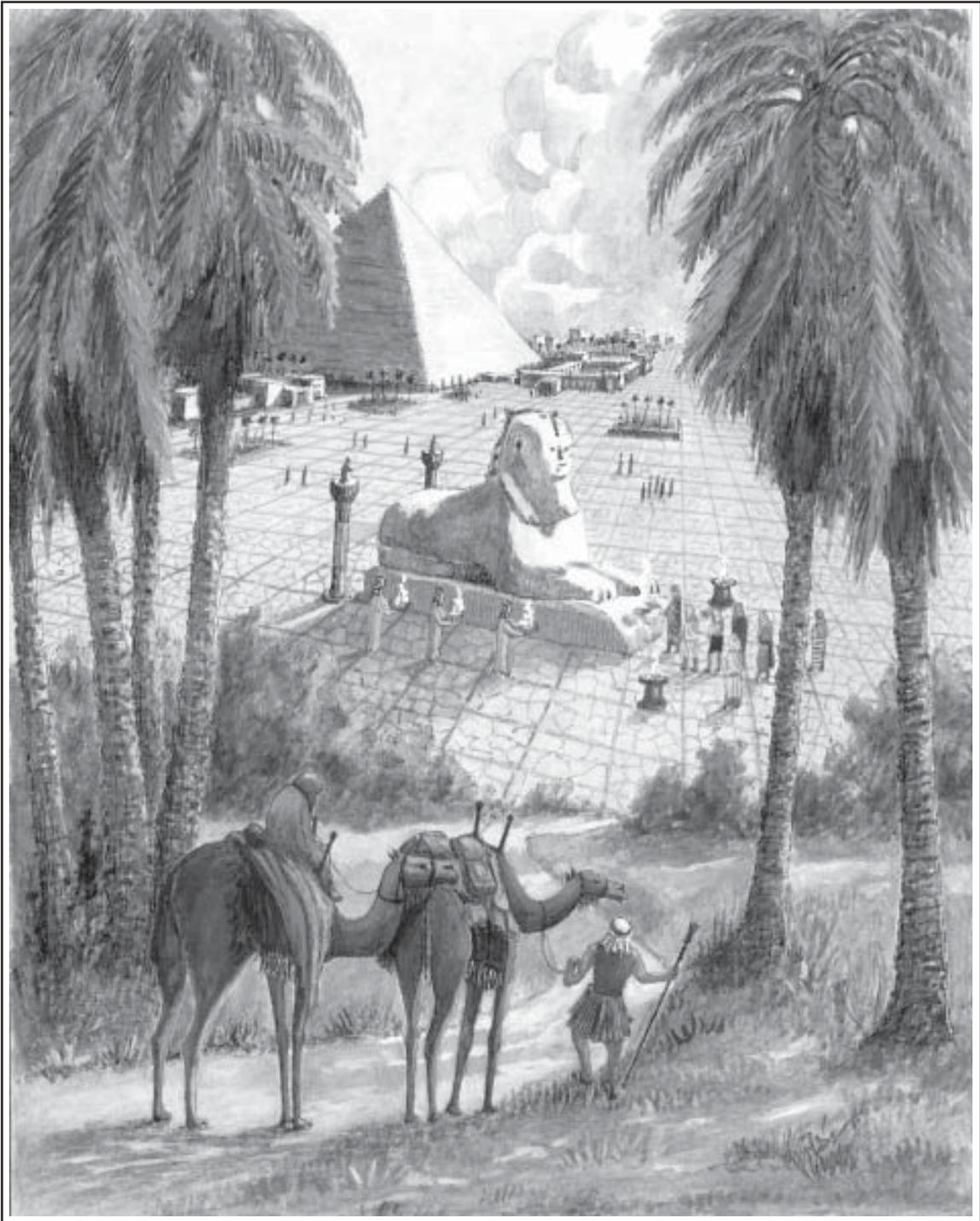
**River Euphrates**      **River Tigris**

Ararat, Carchemis, Haran, Tepe, Nineveh, Khorsabad, Calah (Kela), Ashur, Nuzi, Mari, Sippur, Accad, Borsippa, Fara, Erech, Lagash, Susa, Nippur, Kish, River Diala, Shinar's land, Ur, Eridu, Later delta, The Persian Gulf, Damascus, Hasor, Dotan, Sikem, Bethel, Salem (Jebus), Mamre, Gerar, Sidon, Byblos, Arvad, Ugarit, Hamath, Kapna, Ararat, The Great-Sea, Ugarit, Arvad, Byblos, Sidon, Damascus, Hasor, Dotan, Sikem, Bethel, Salem (Jebus), Mamre, Gerar, Ugarit, Arvad, Byblos, Sidon, Damascus, Hasor, Dotan, Sikem, Bethel, Salem (Jebus), Mamre, Gerar

**Hammurabi's code:**  
A stone-pillar on which Hammurabi's laws are engraved. The relief shows how he receives the law from the sun-god Shamash according to Babylonian mythology.

Nimrod was "a mighty hunter before the Lord" (Gen 10:9) and the first one that erected an empire on the earth. He started by building up Babel and thereafter he founded the cities of Erech, Accad, Calneh in the land of Shinar and later Nineveh, Rehoboth-Ir, Calah and Resen in Assyria (Gen 10:10-12). After his death he was worshipped as a god with the Arcadian name of Marduk and got a golden statue on the top of the tower Babel. Later he also got the Armenian name of Bel, in Hebrew Baal.

**26. THE OLD BABYLONIAN KINGDOM**



***27. Abraham – the father of all believers***

*At the campfire in the evenings the four youths had many talks about faith and history.*

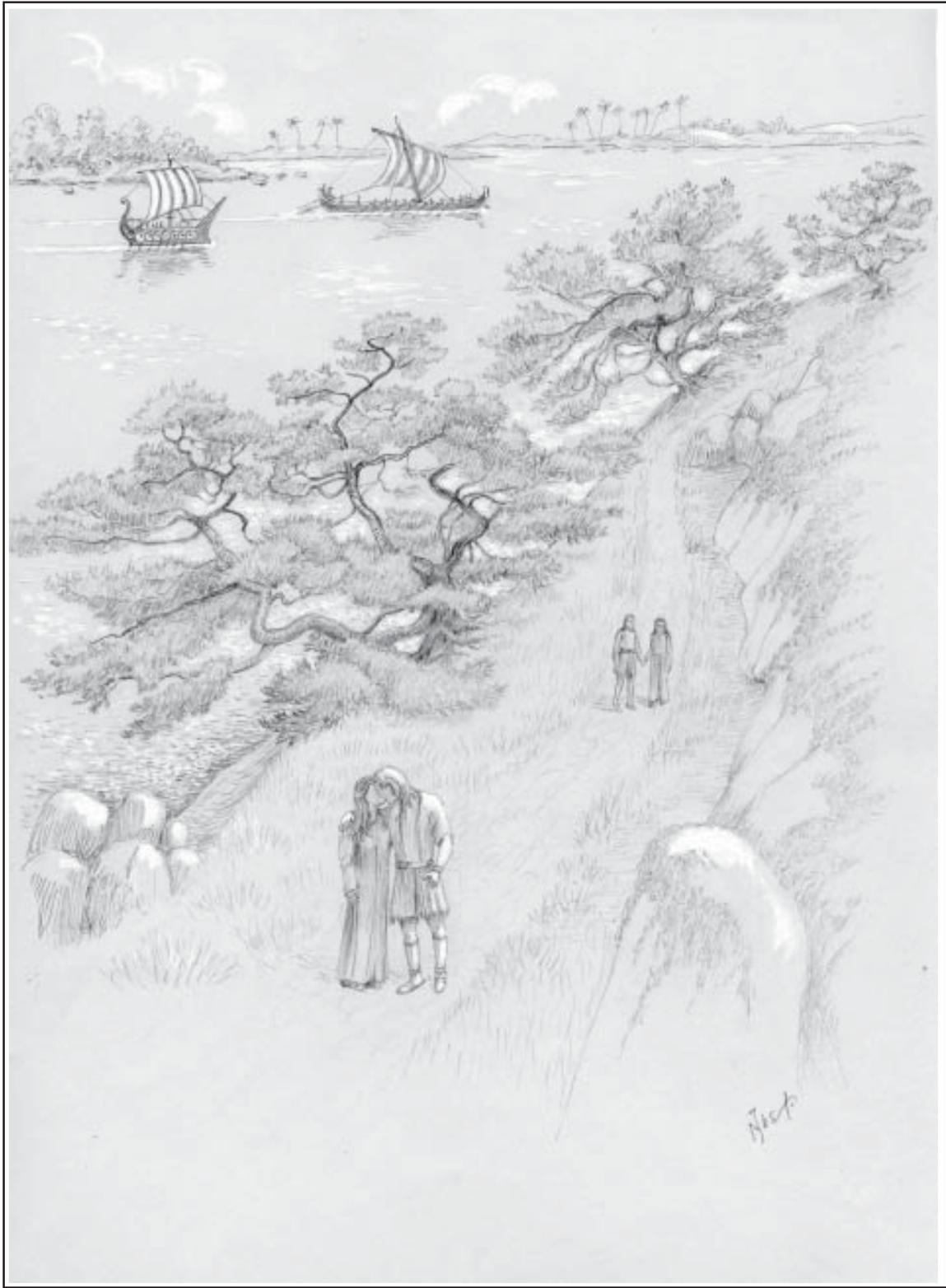
*What did Abraham and Sarah see when they came to Egypt – a country of high culture?*

*His faith was not influenced of the heathen culture and their idolatry.*

*Abraham was their great example in faith.*



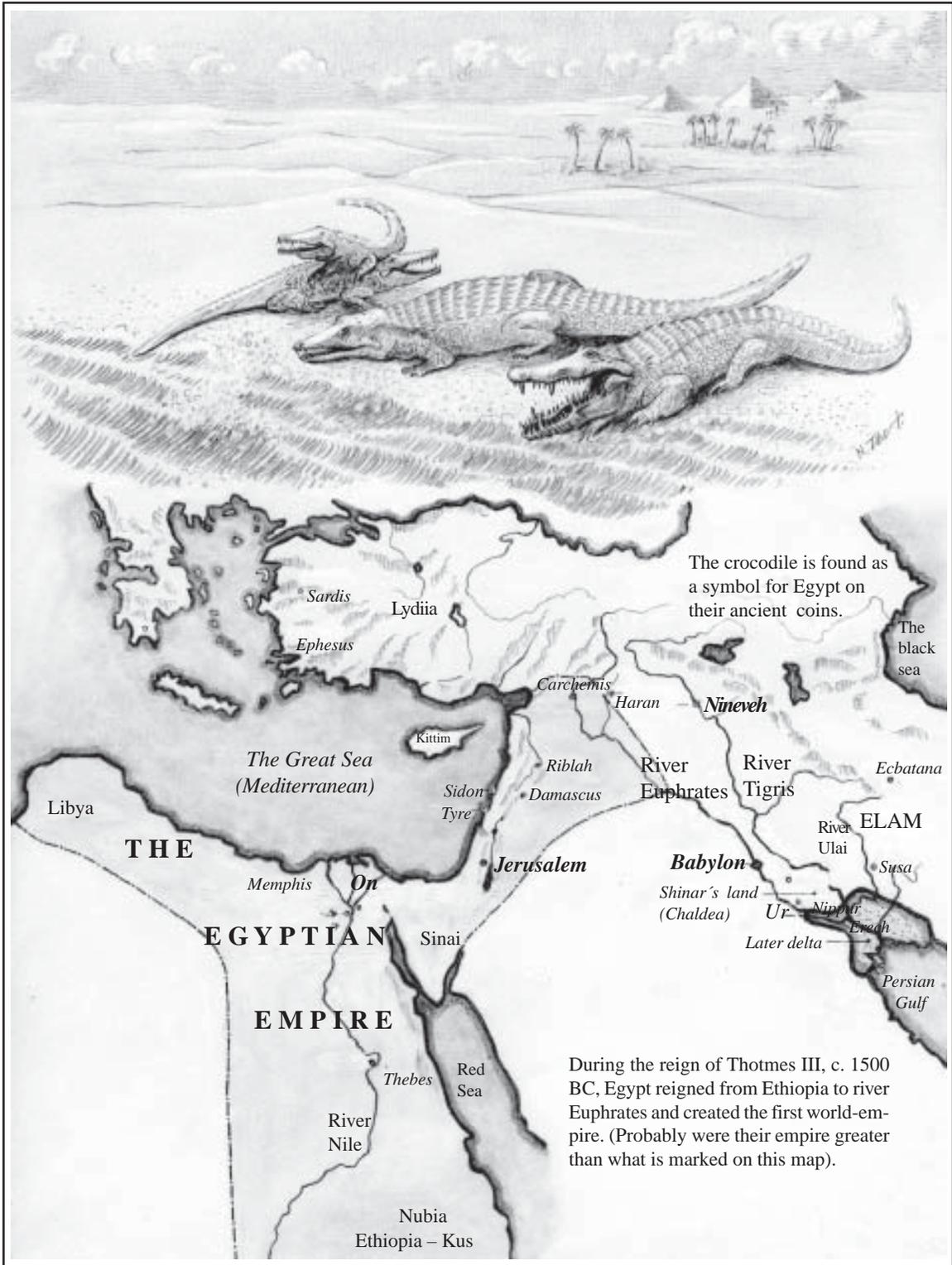
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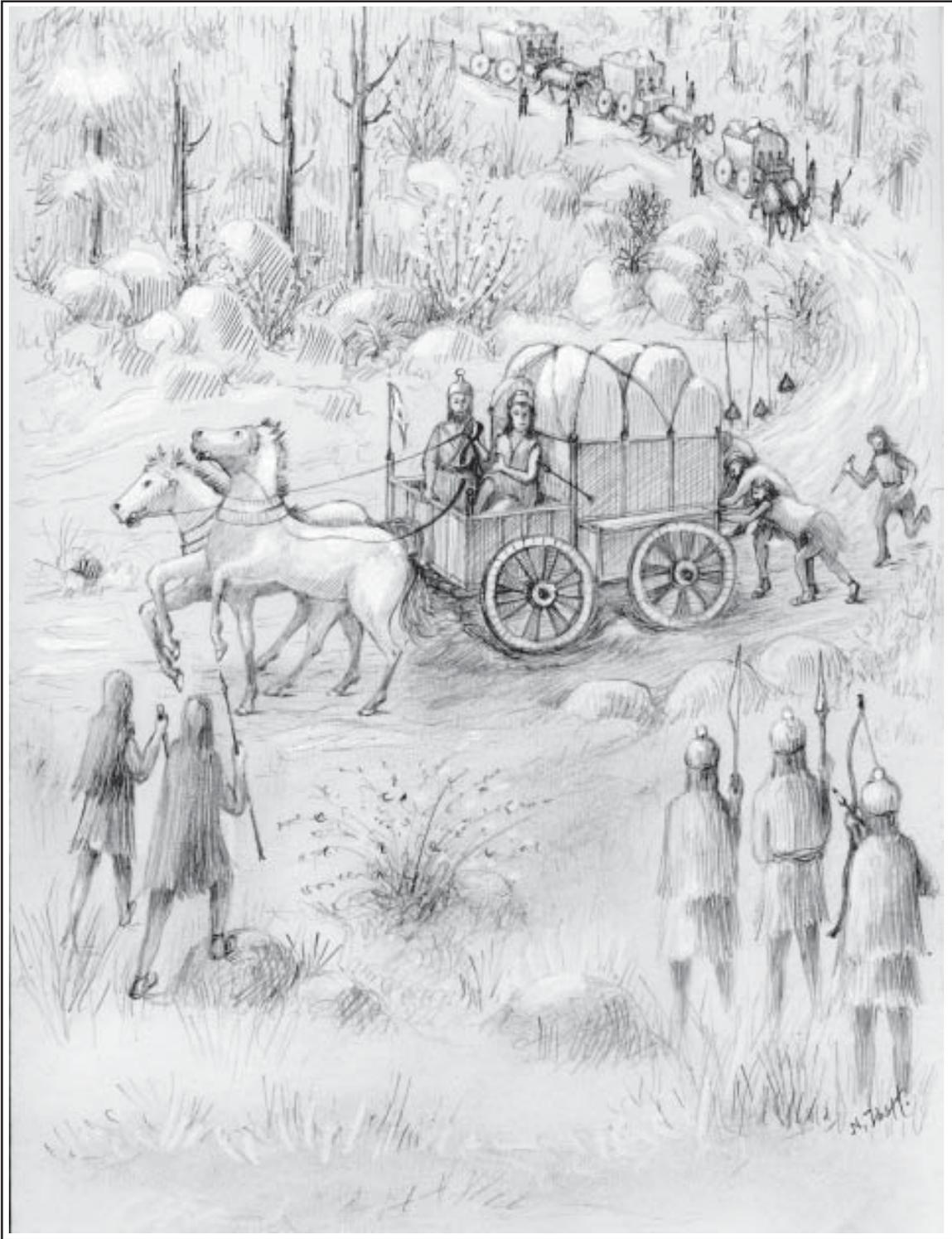
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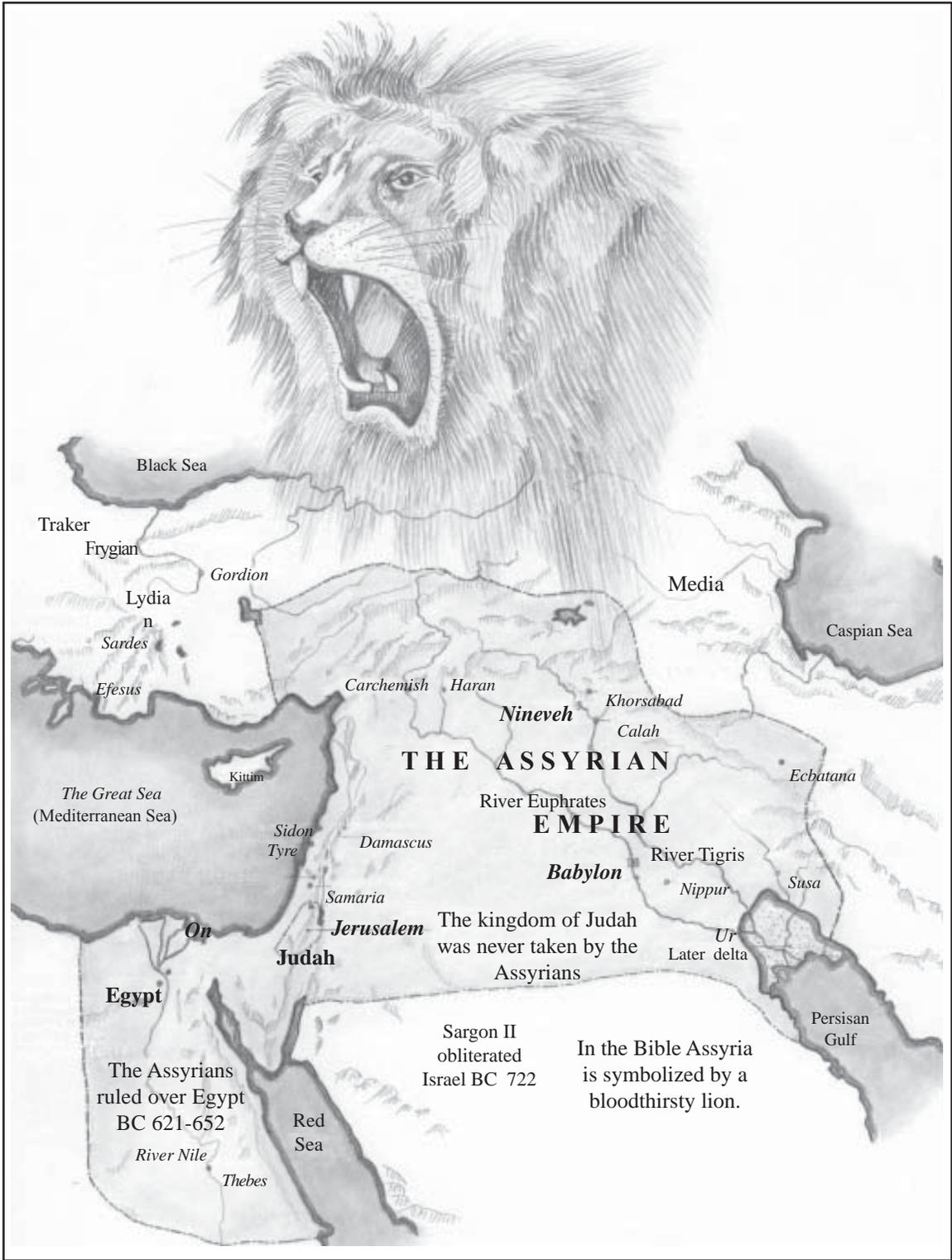
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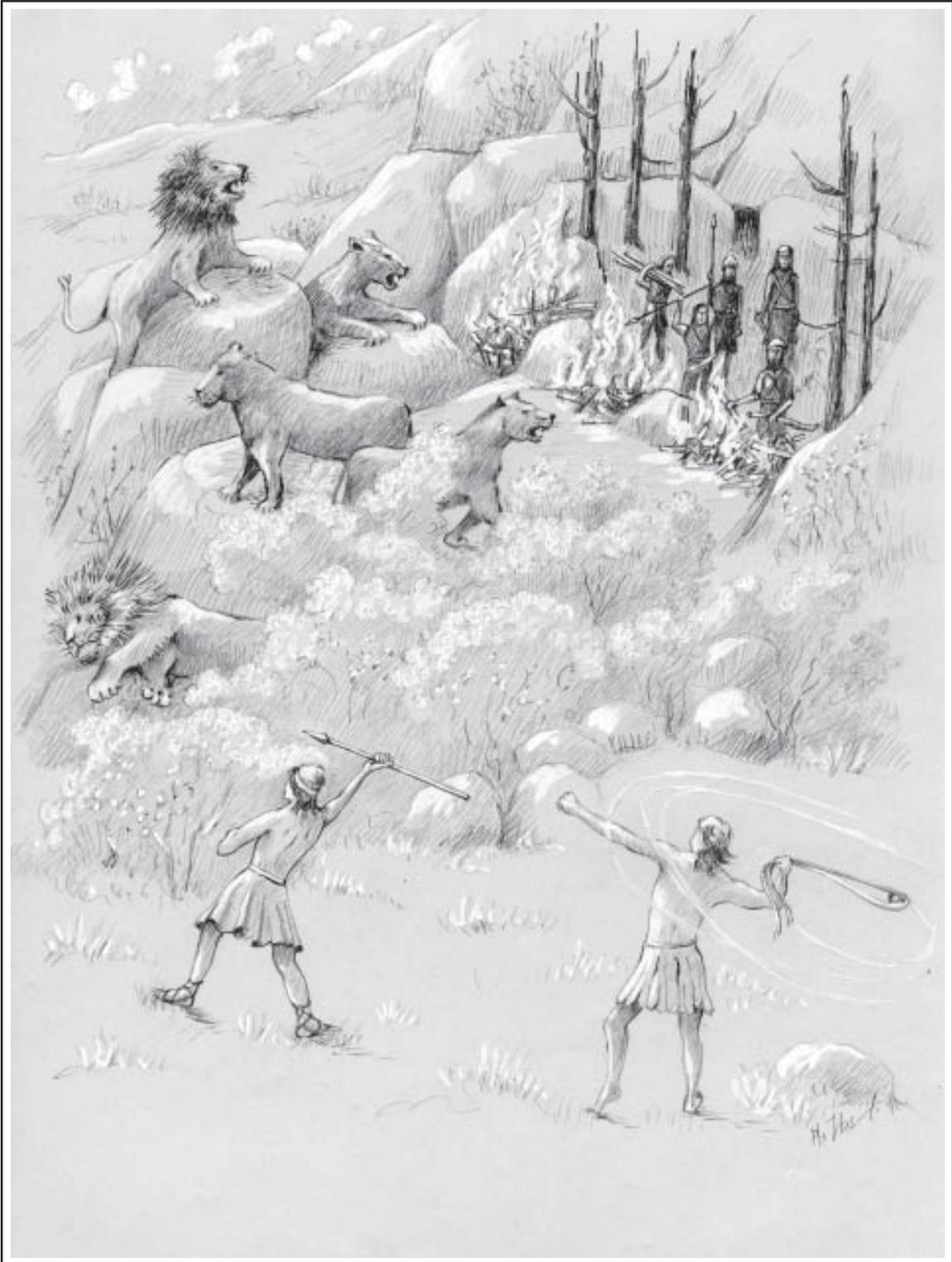
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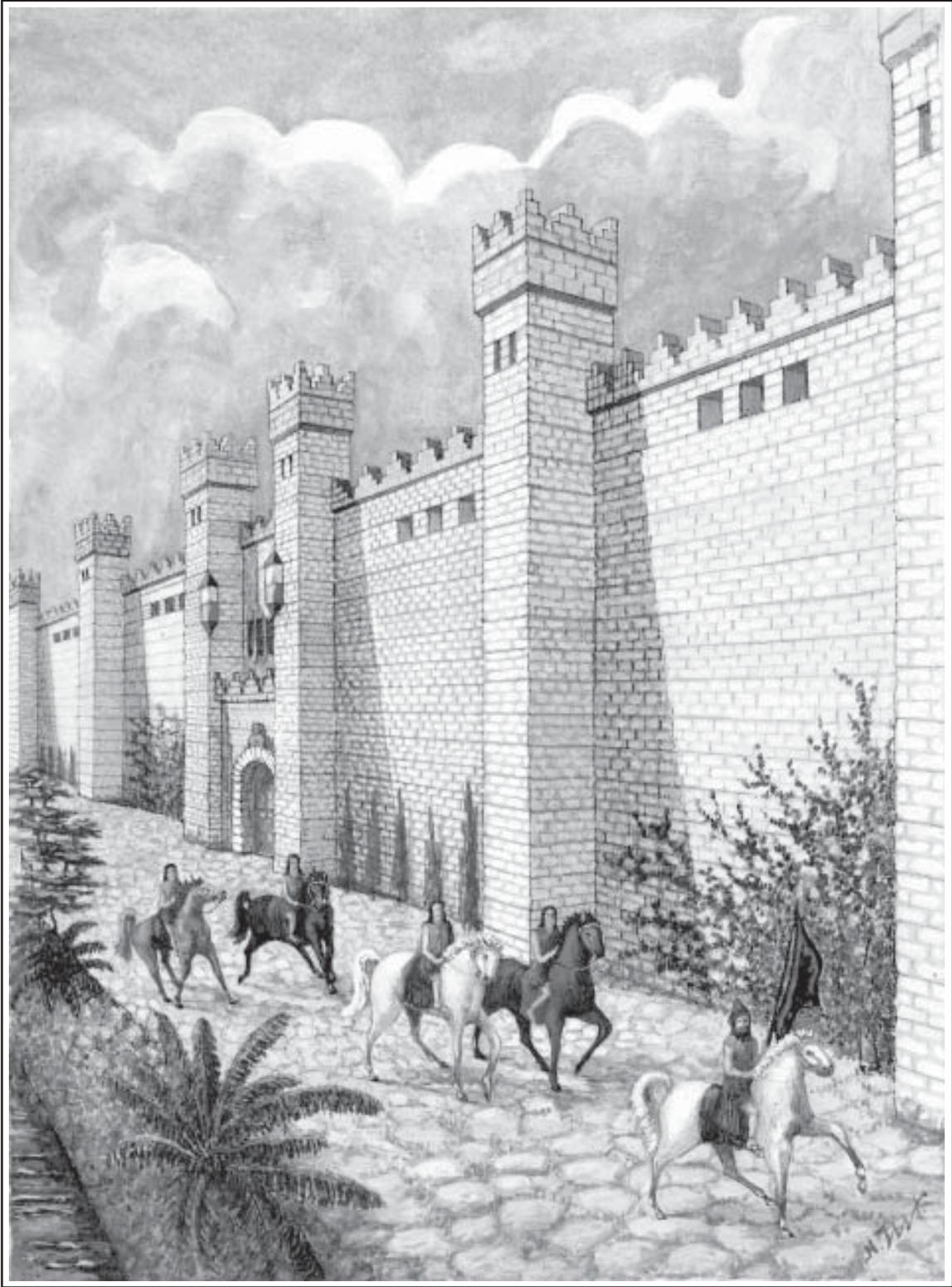
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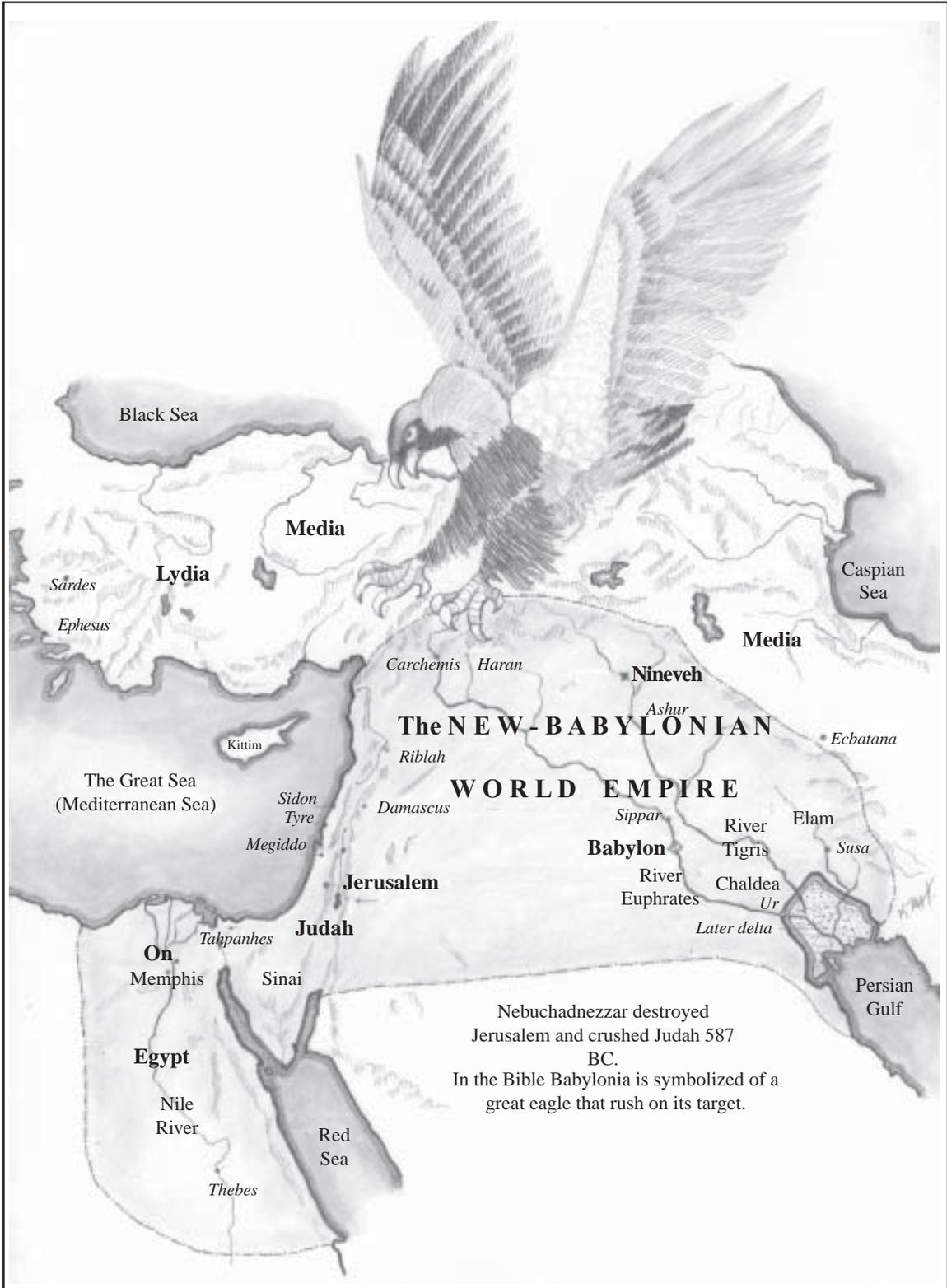
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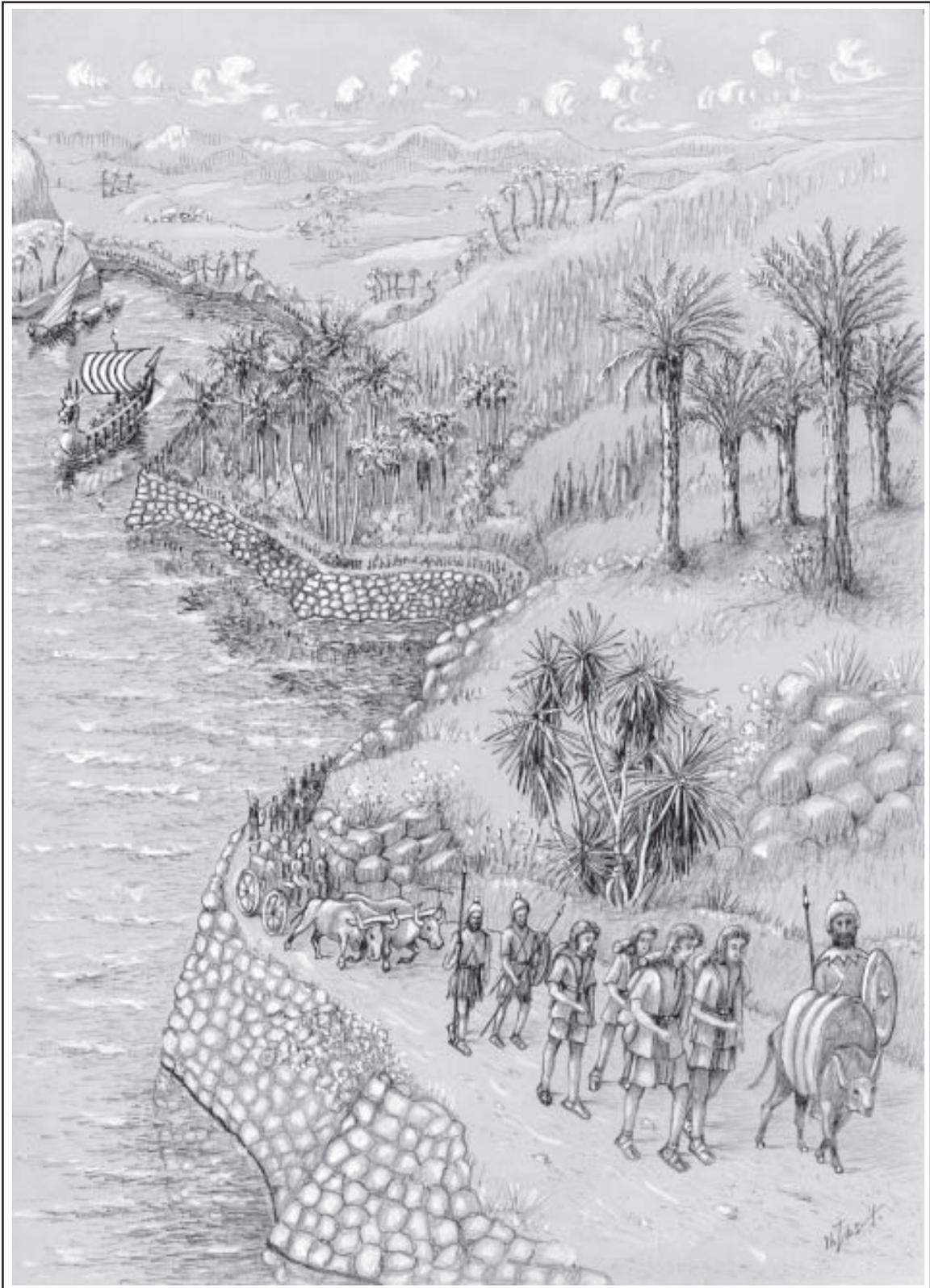
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*An adventure on their way to Babylon*



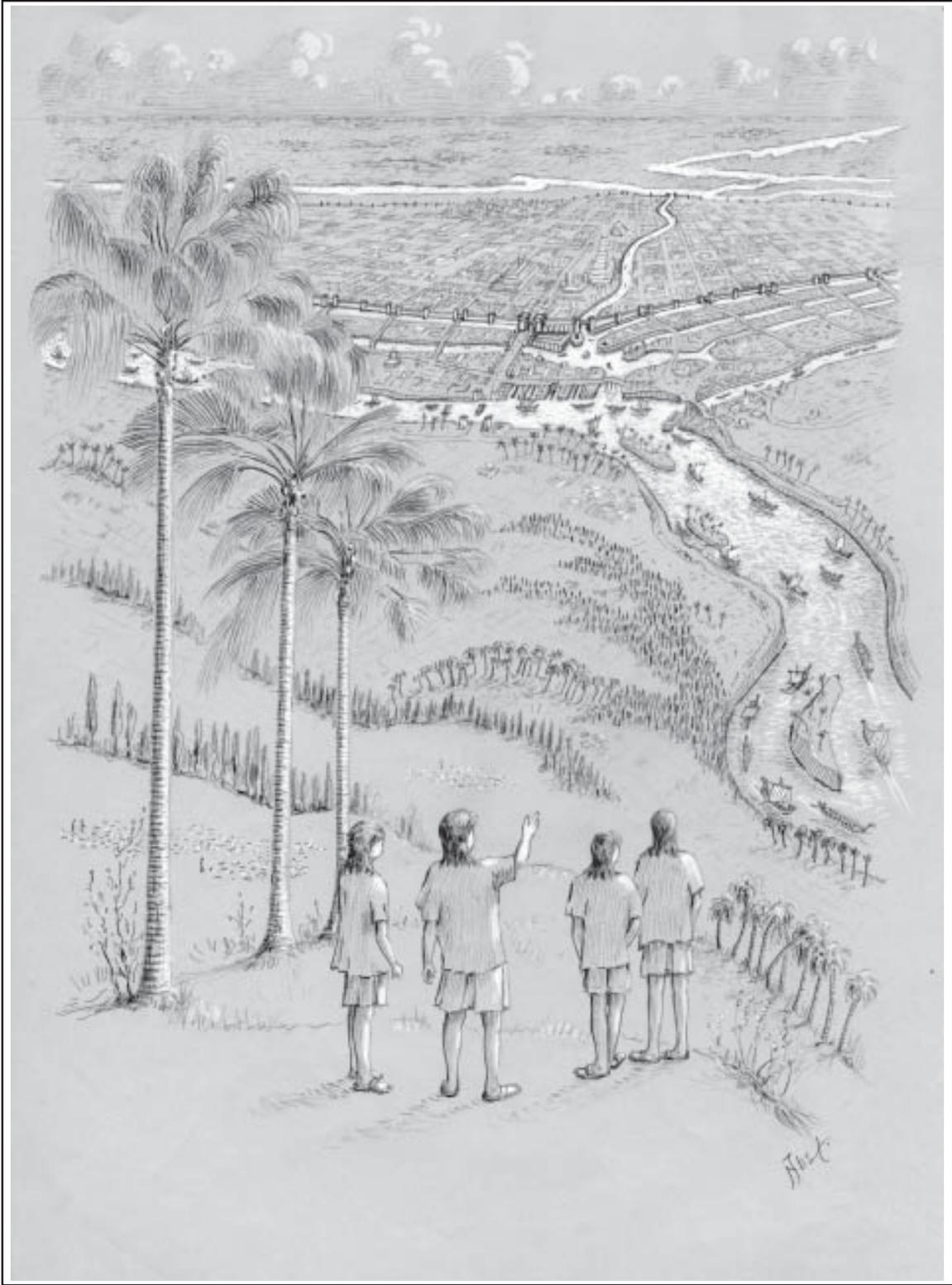
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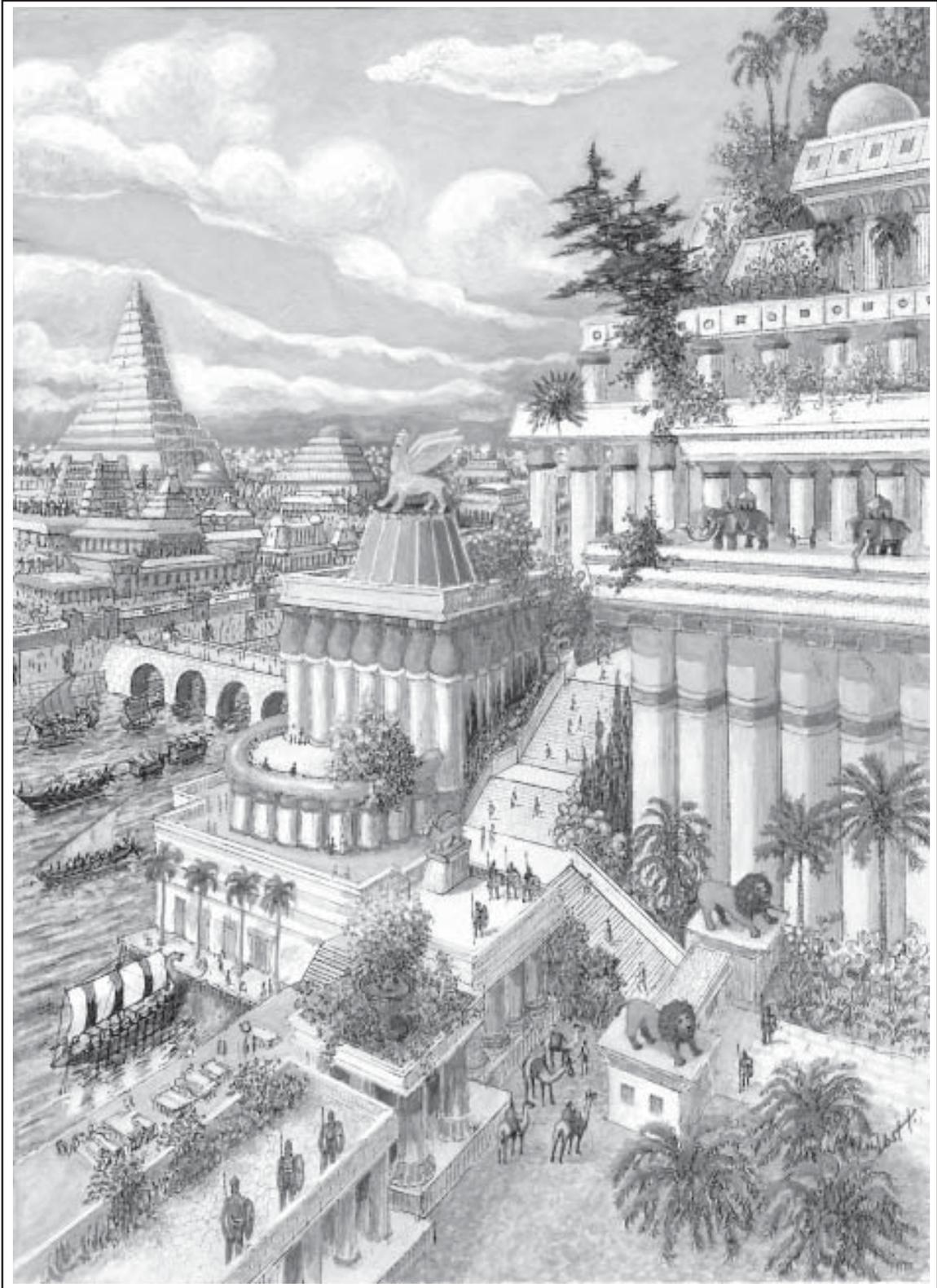
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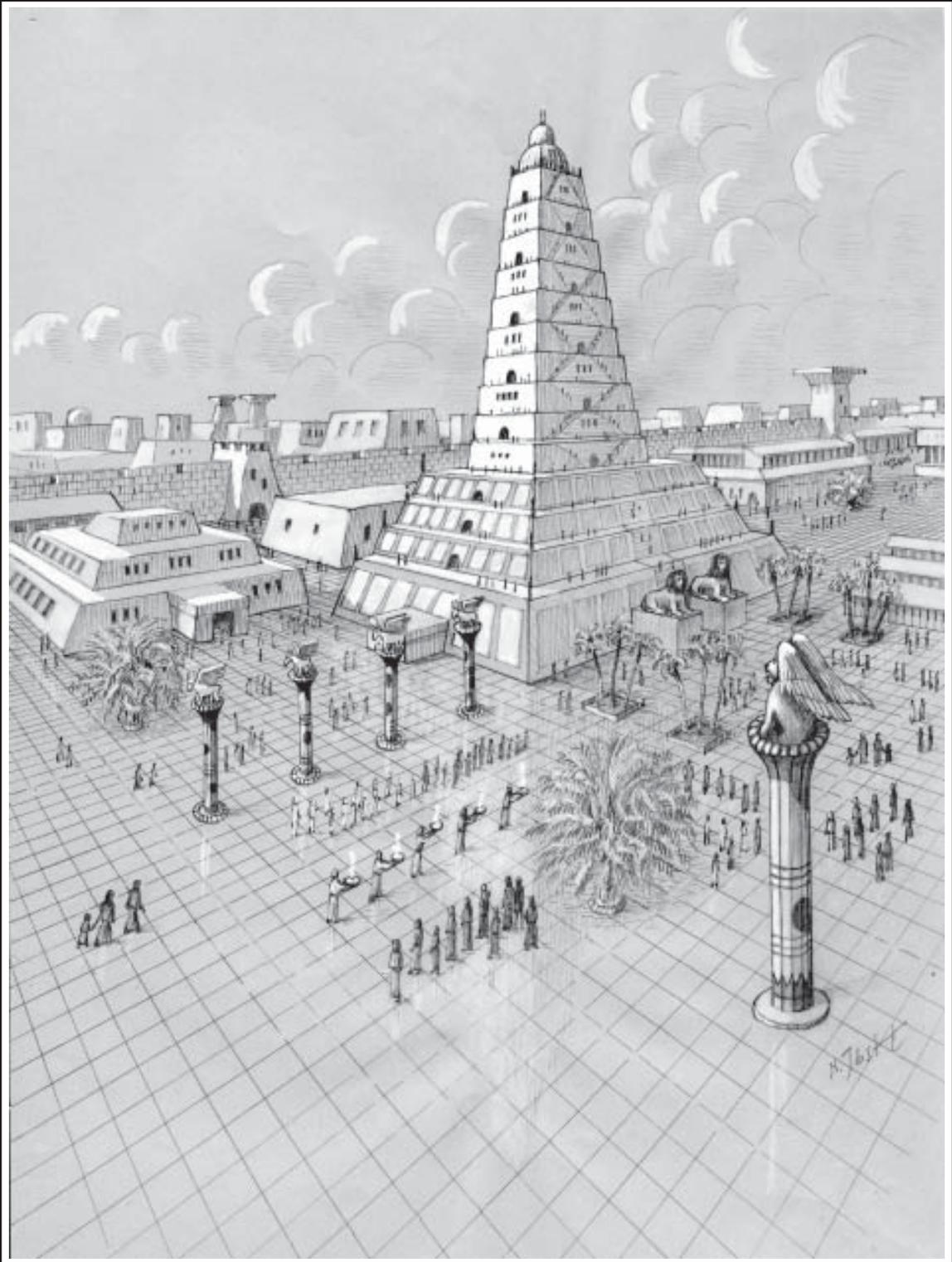
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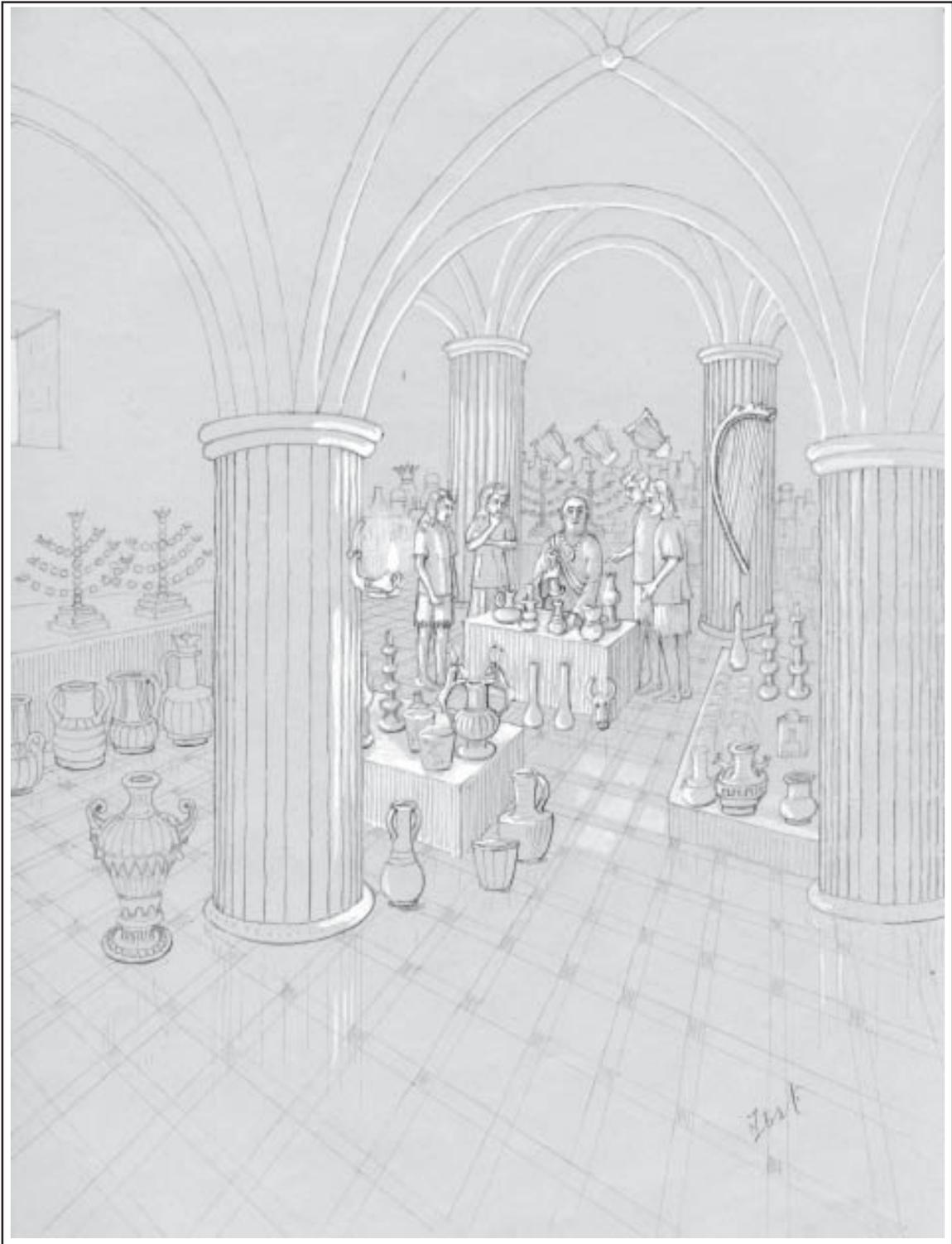
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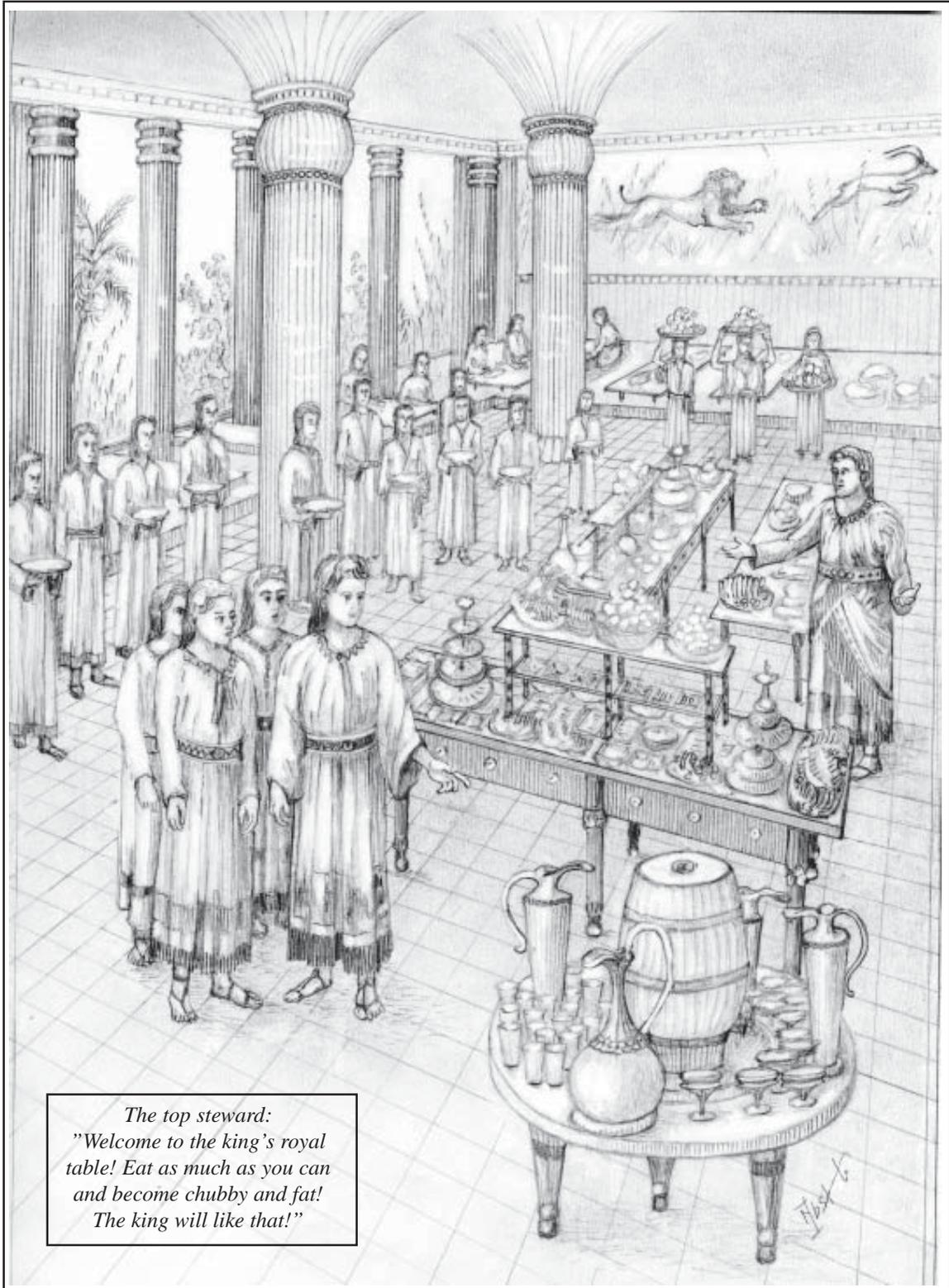
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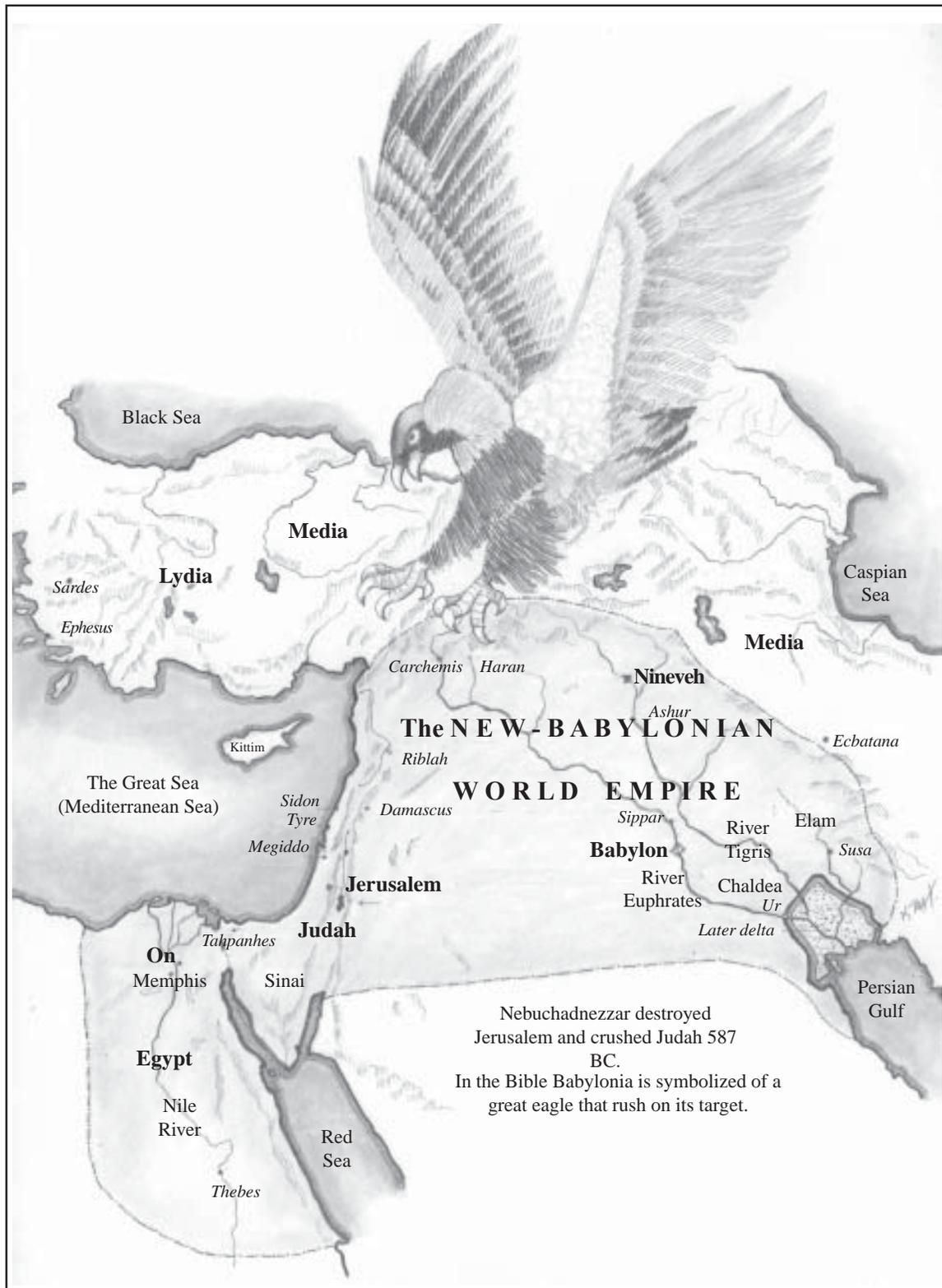
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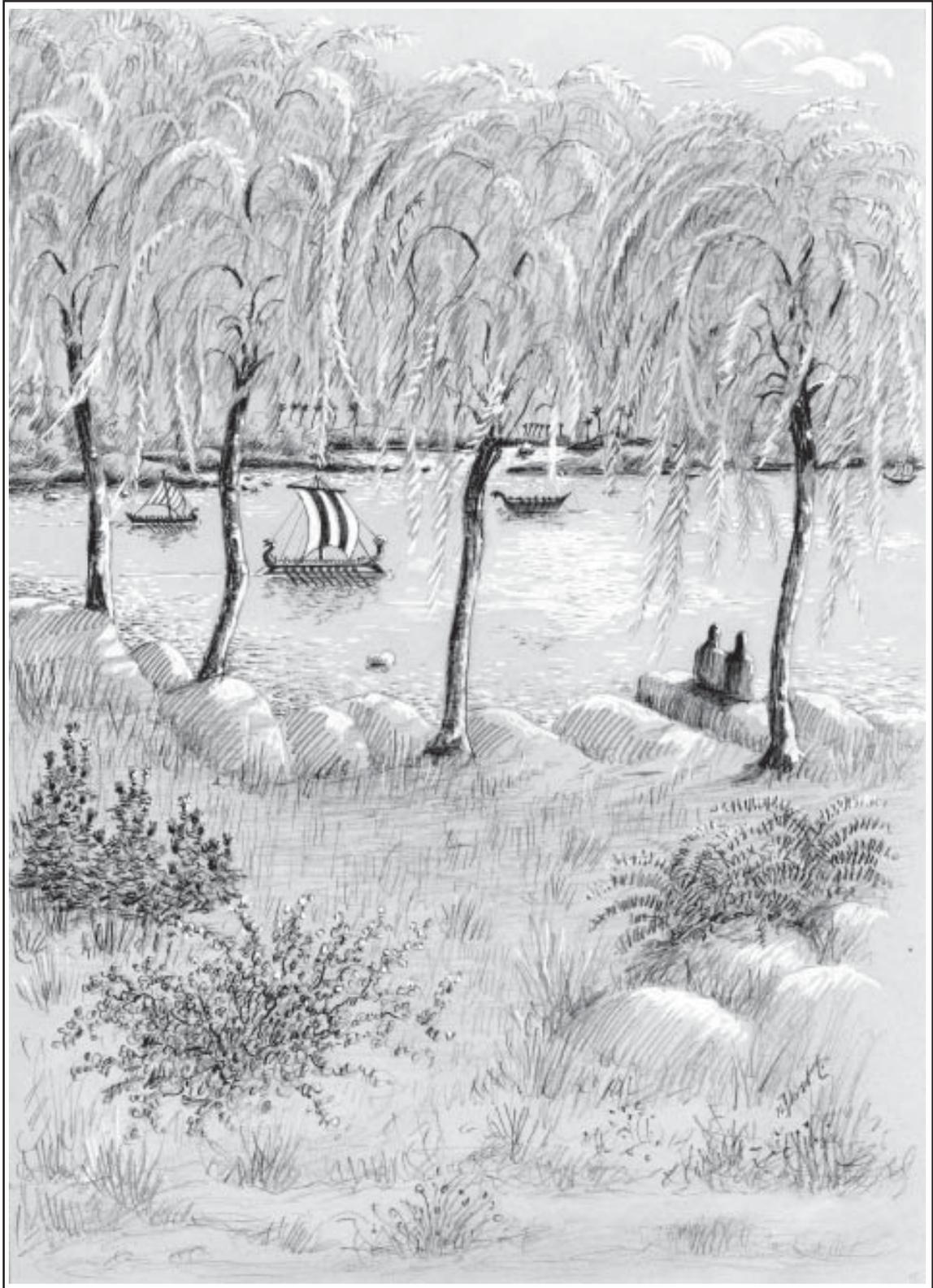
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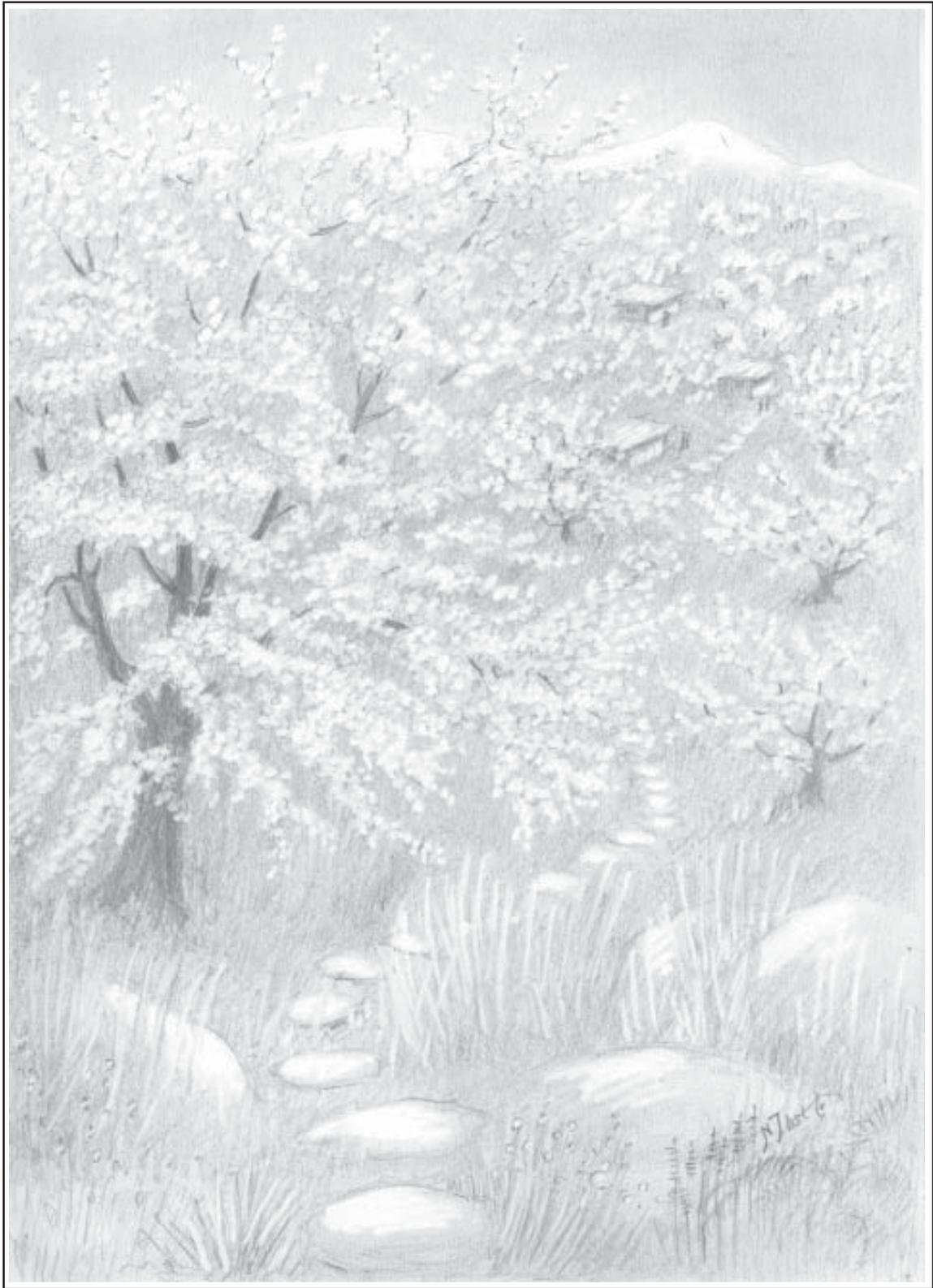
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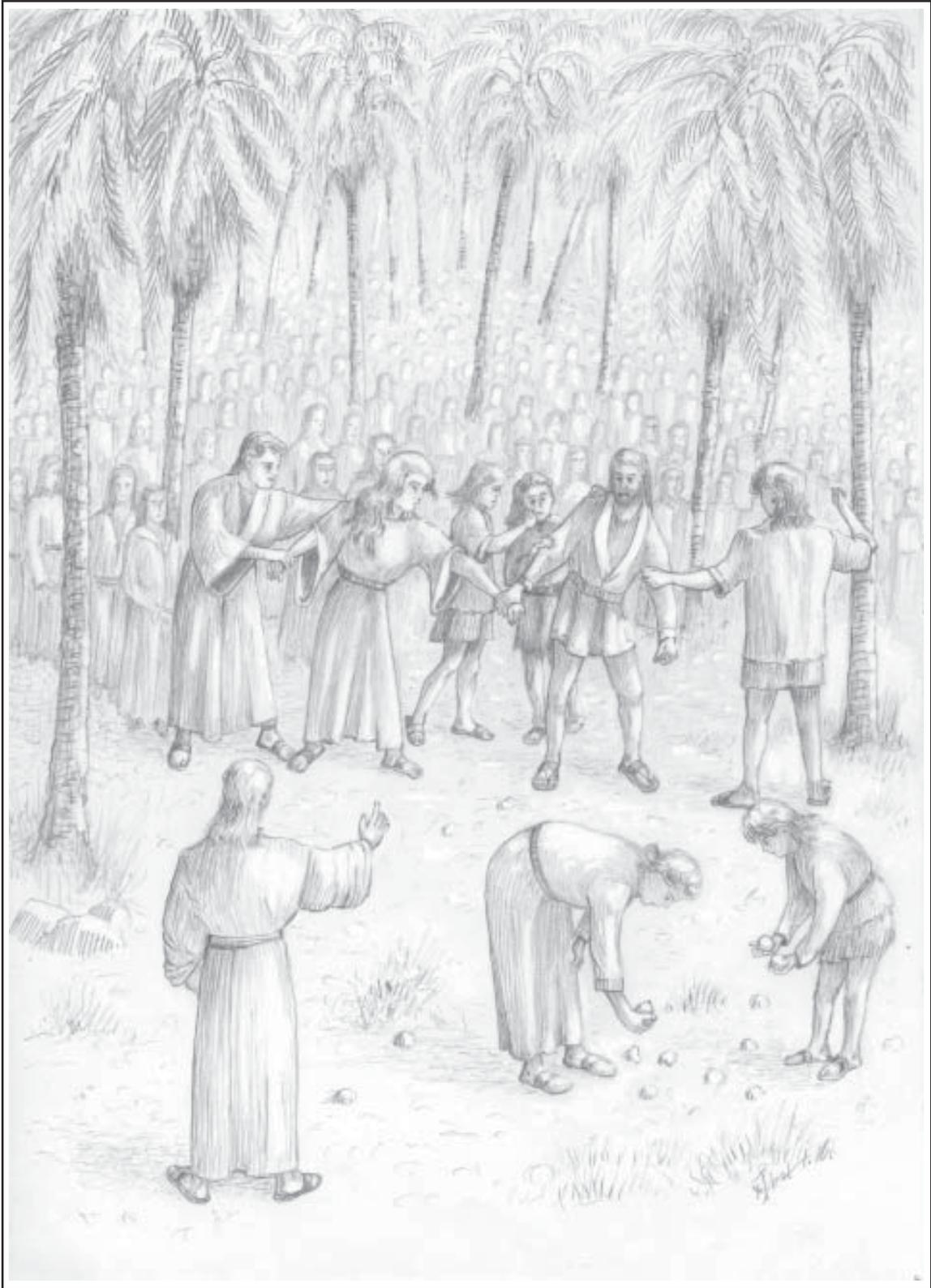
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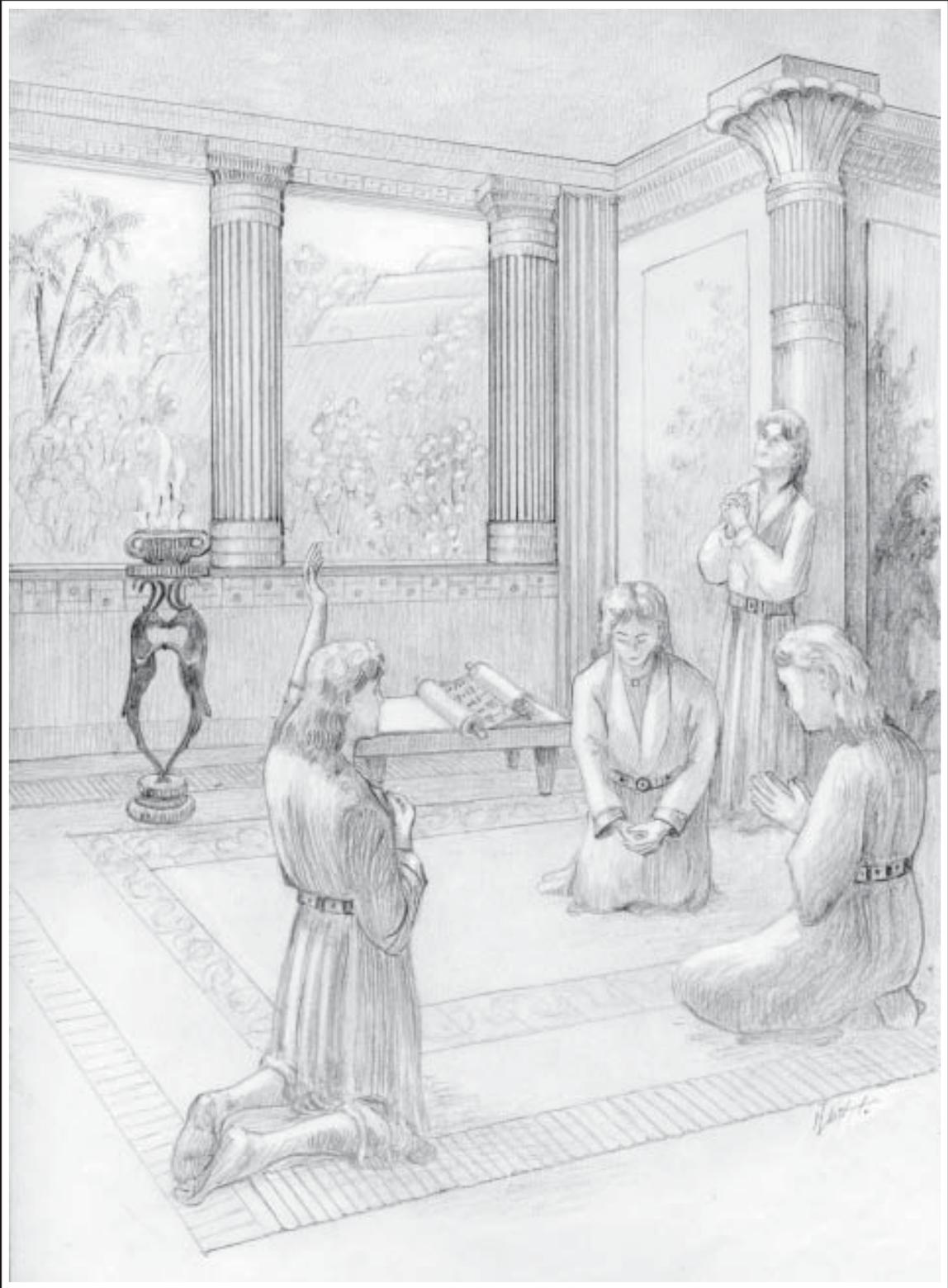
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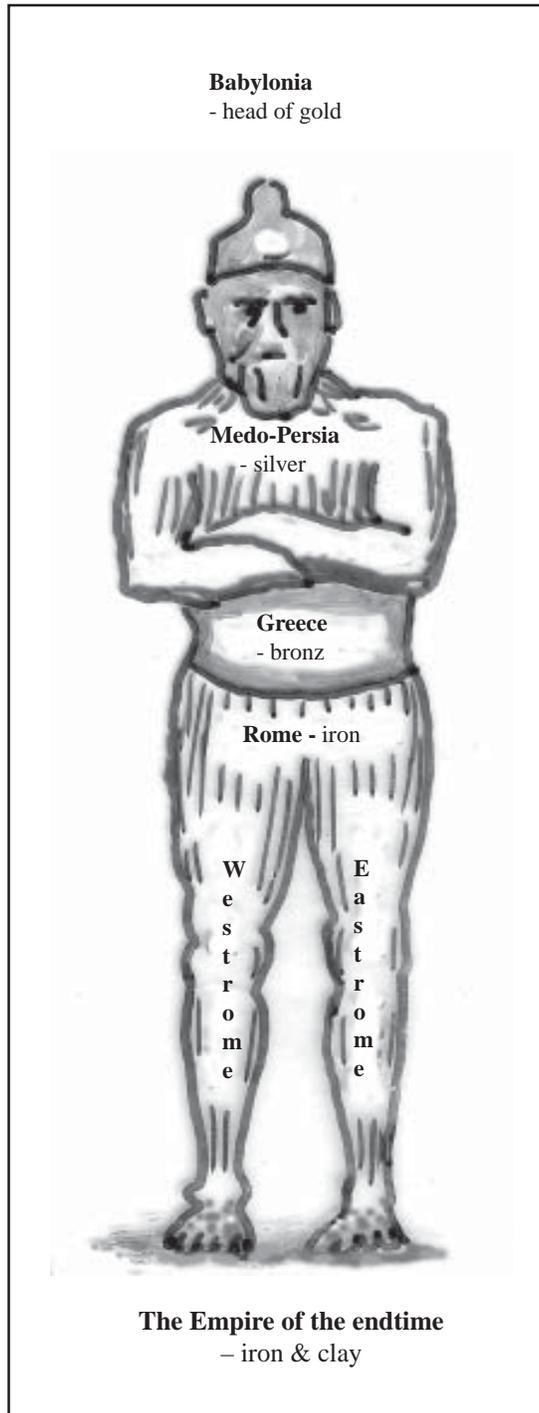
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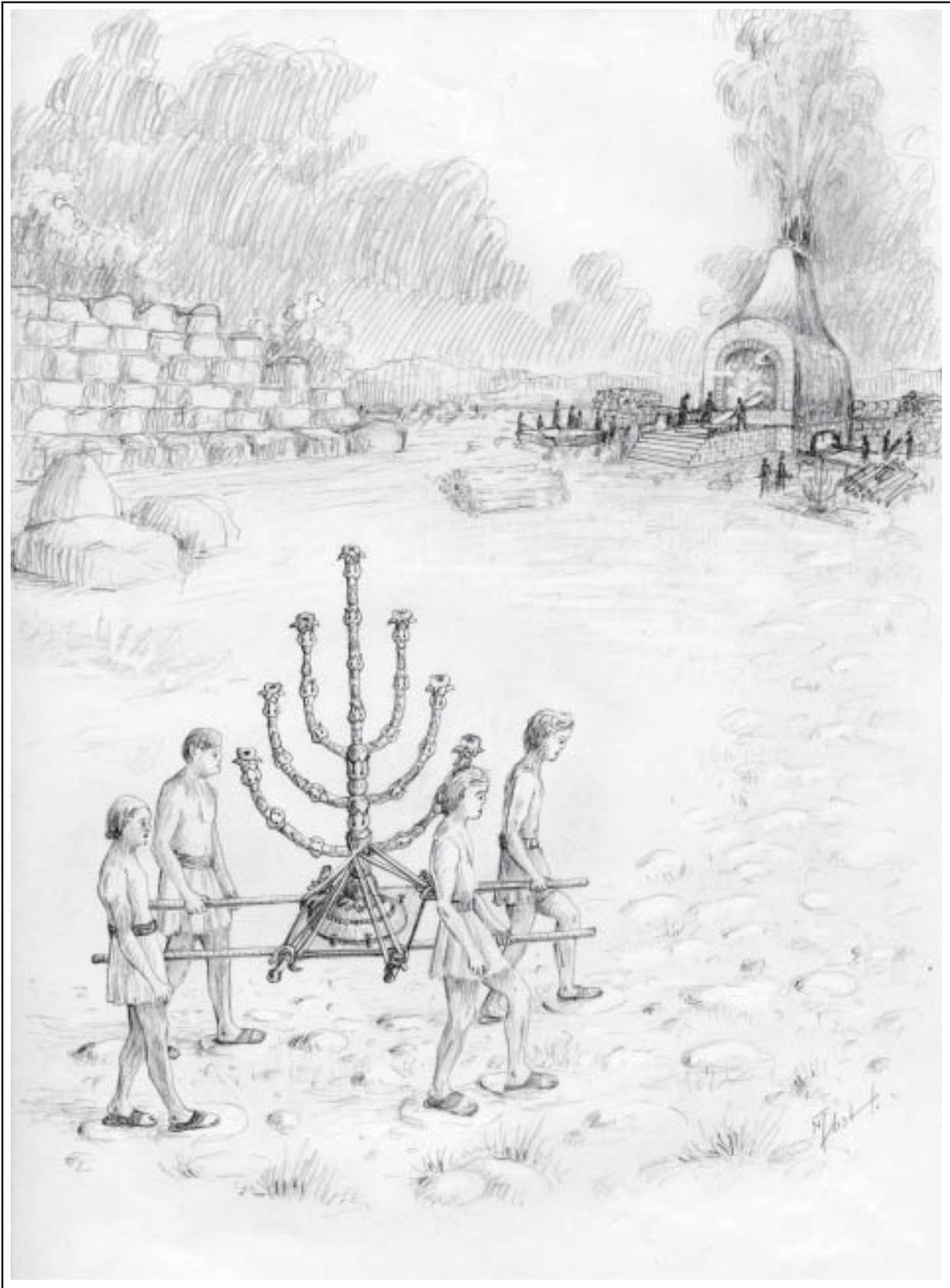
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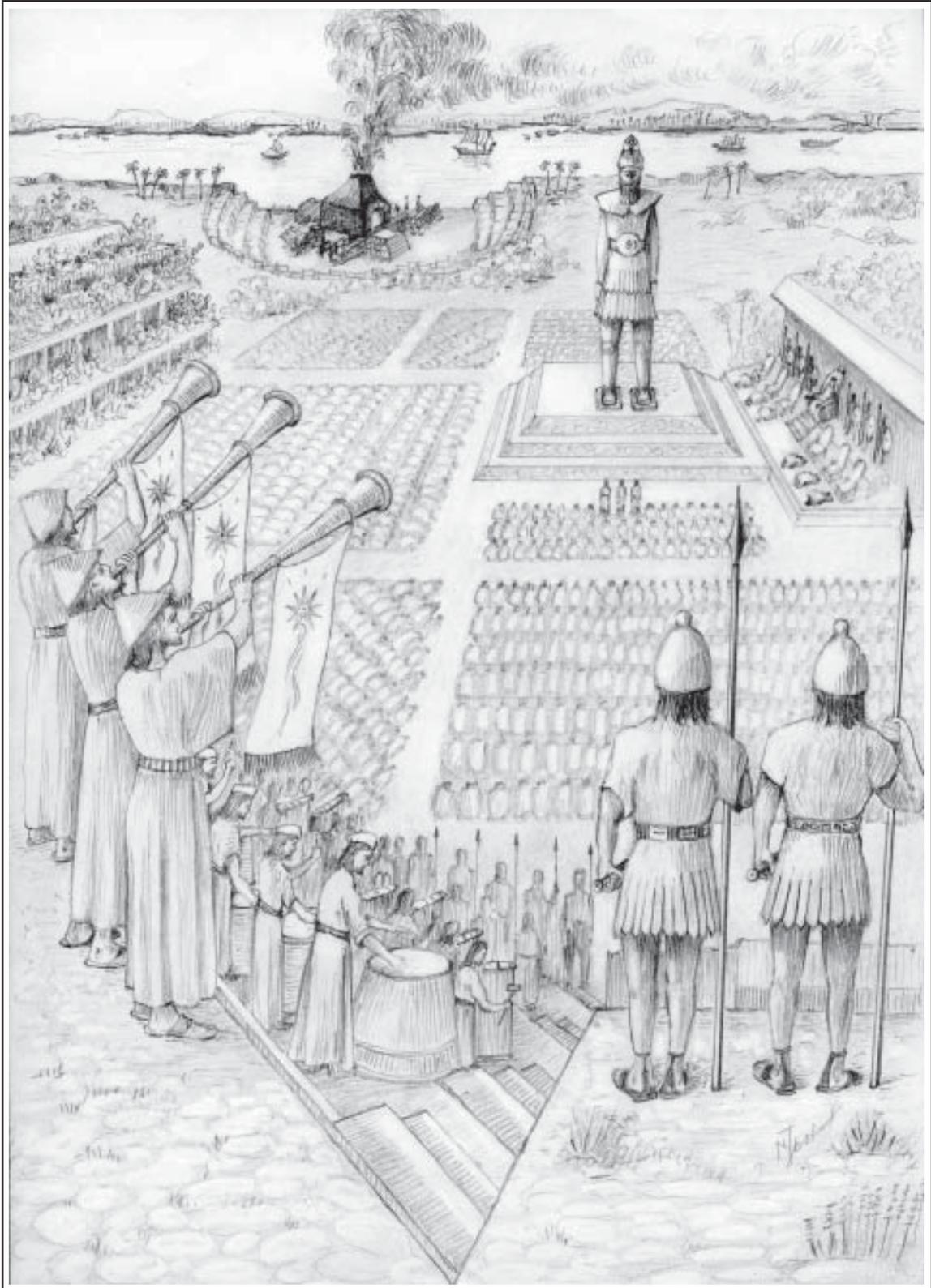
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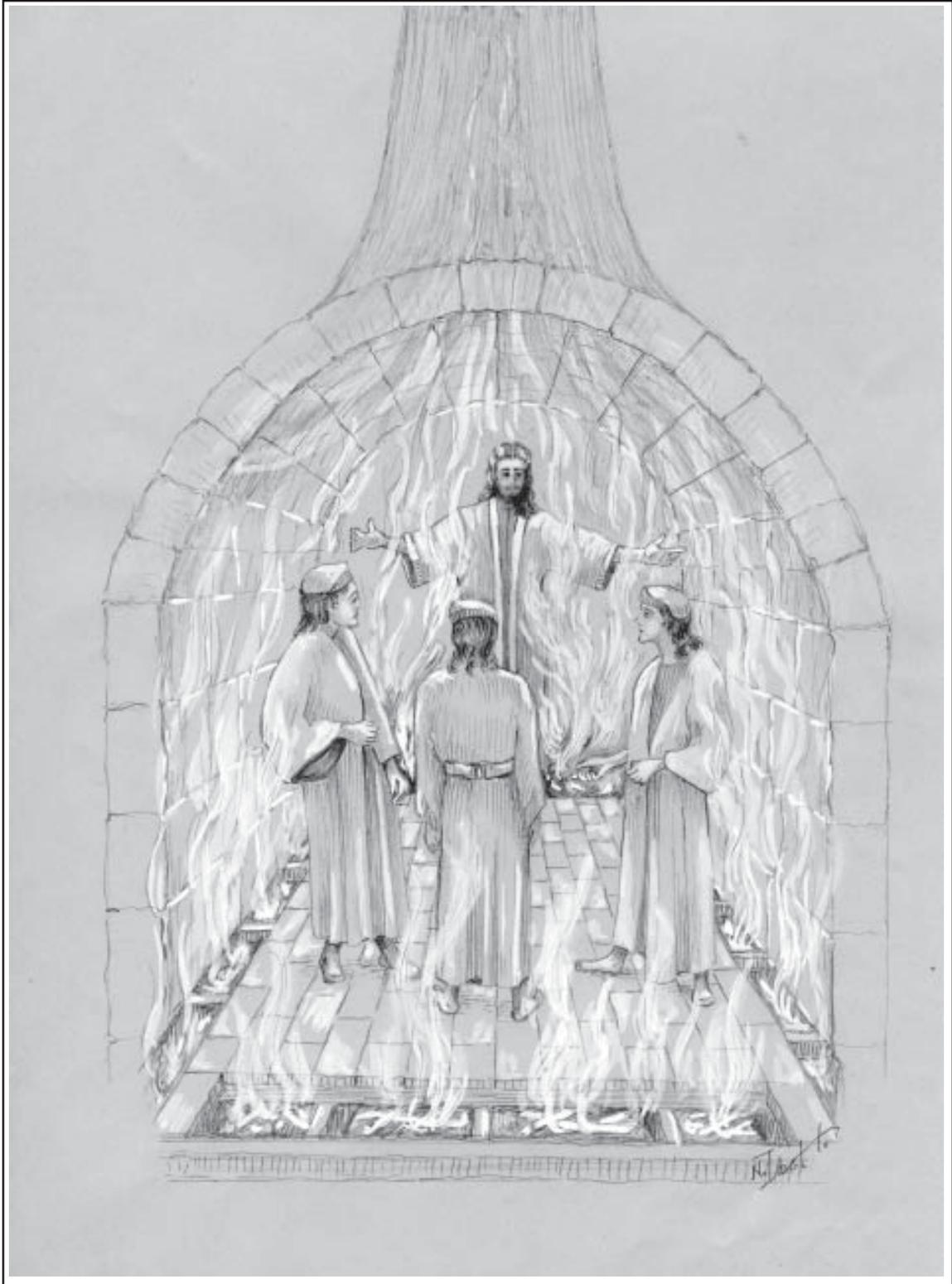
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A stone (Christ) cut out of the mountain  
without hands will crush the whole image Dan 2:44-45*



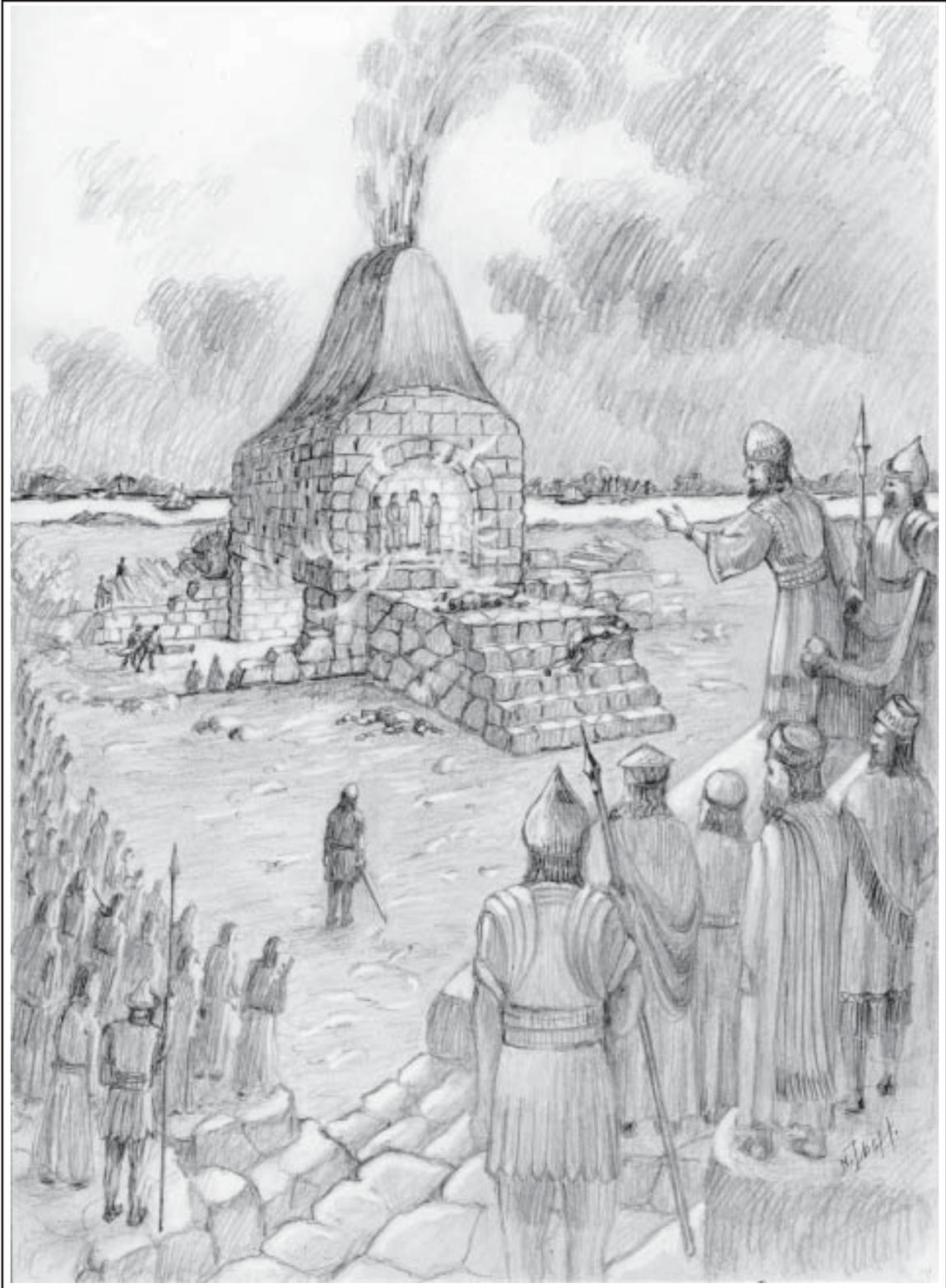
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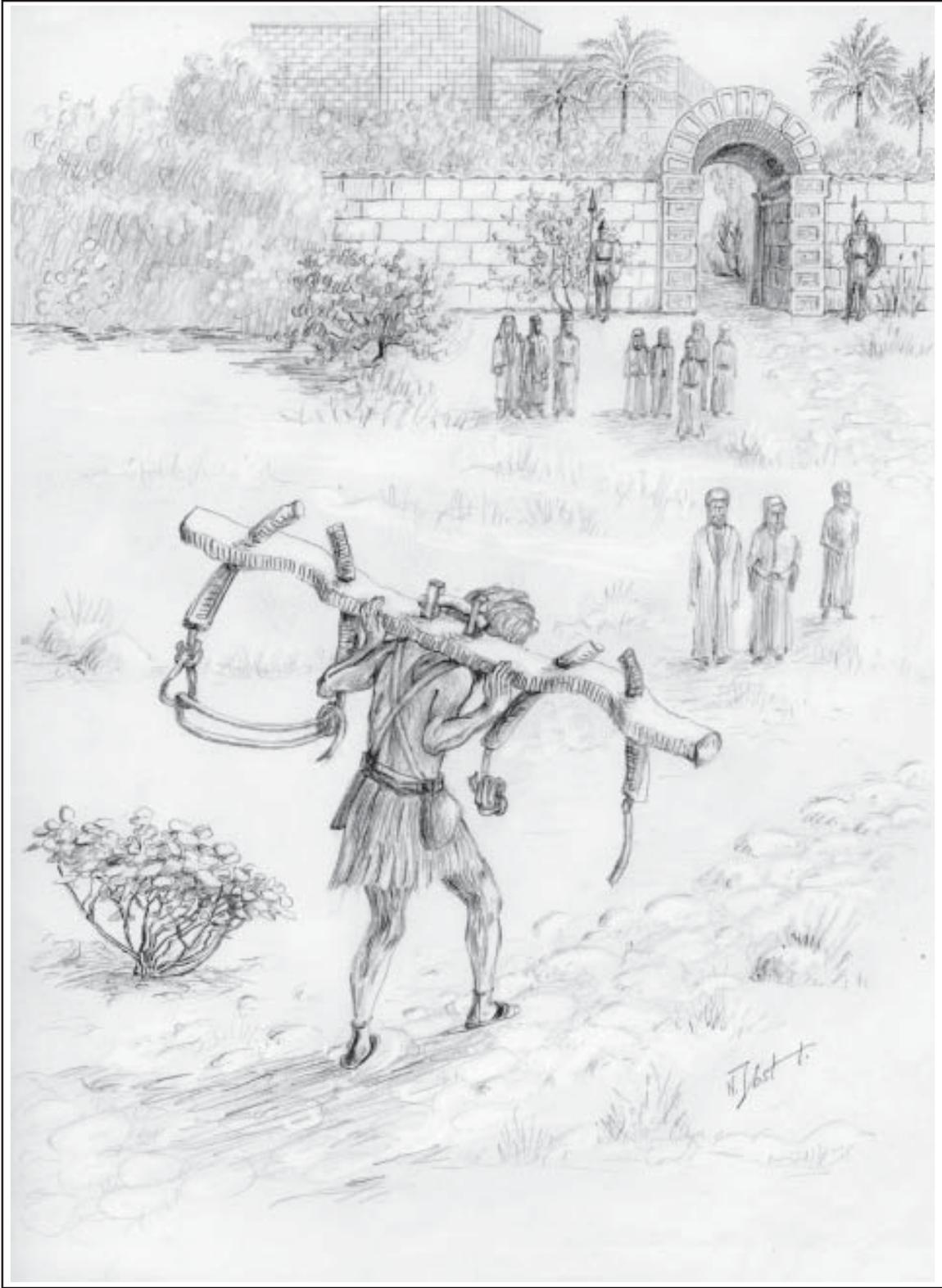
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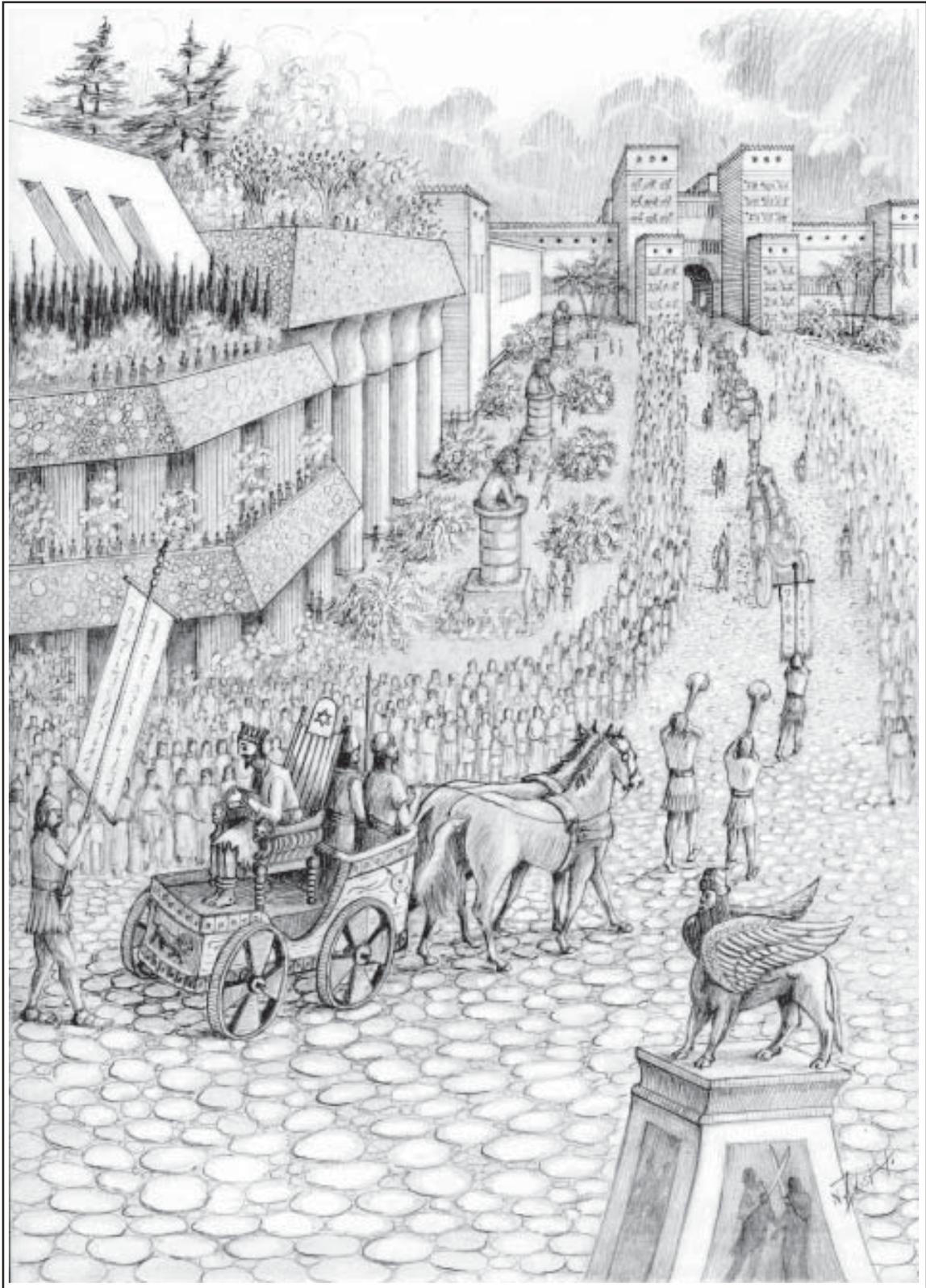


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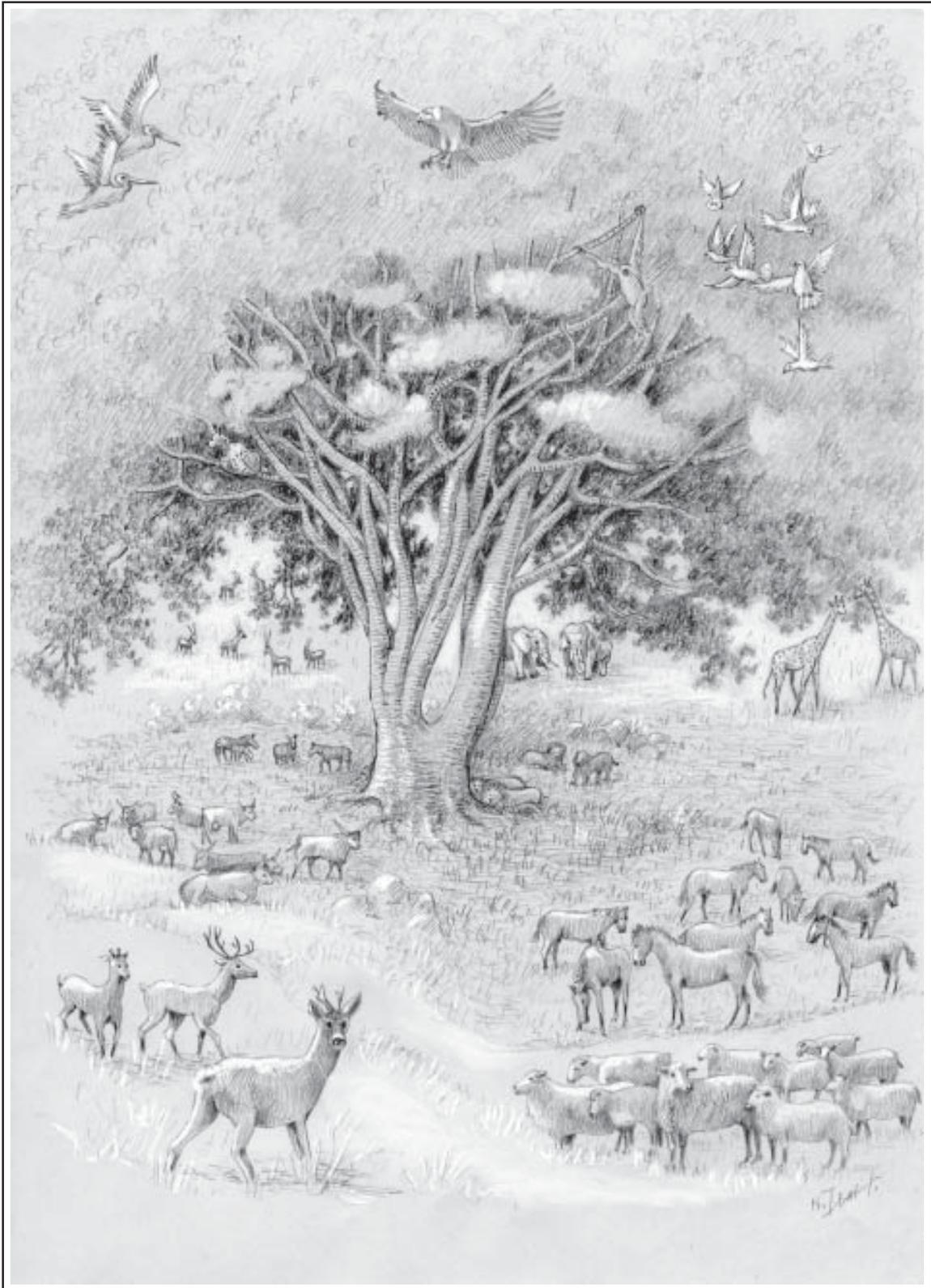
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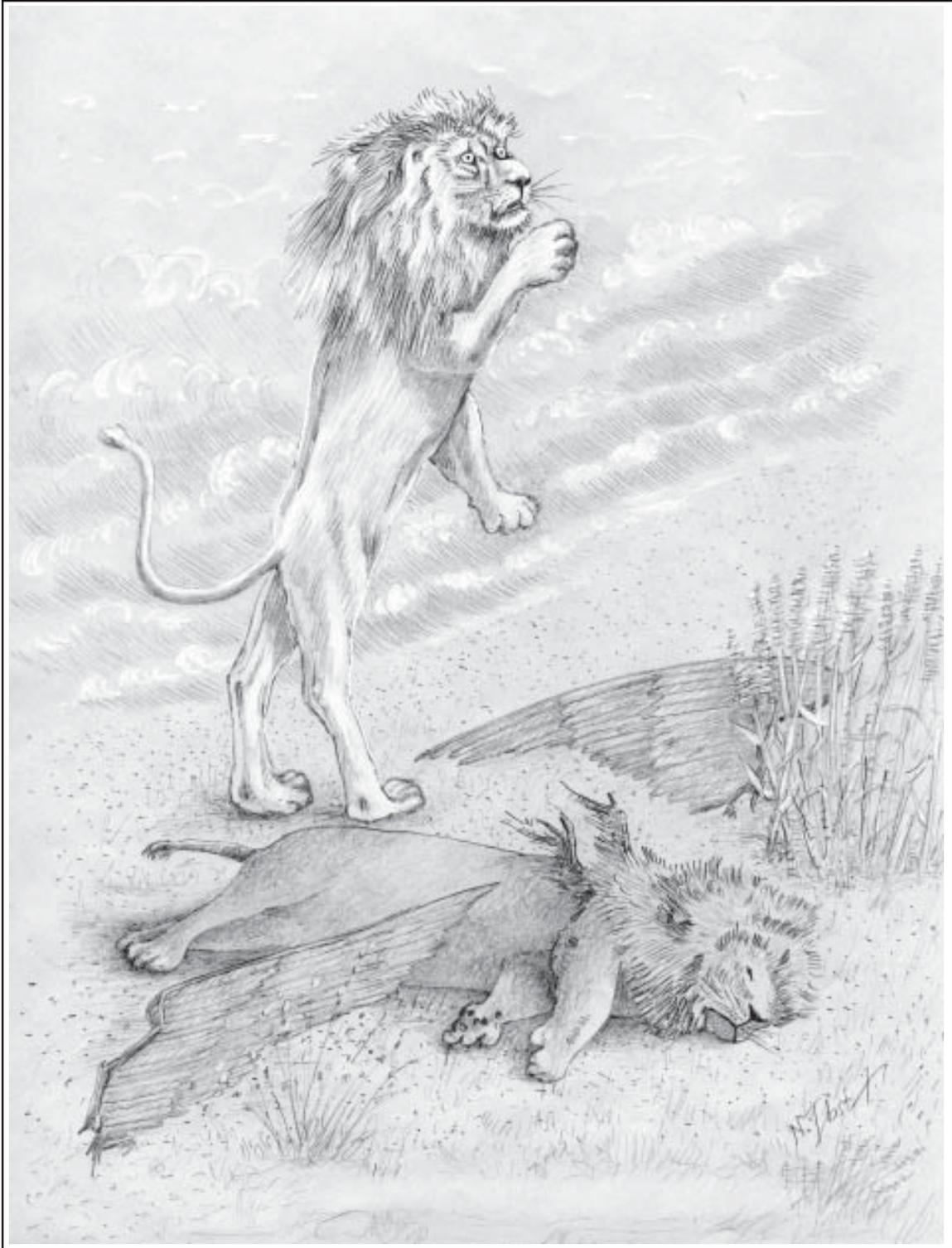
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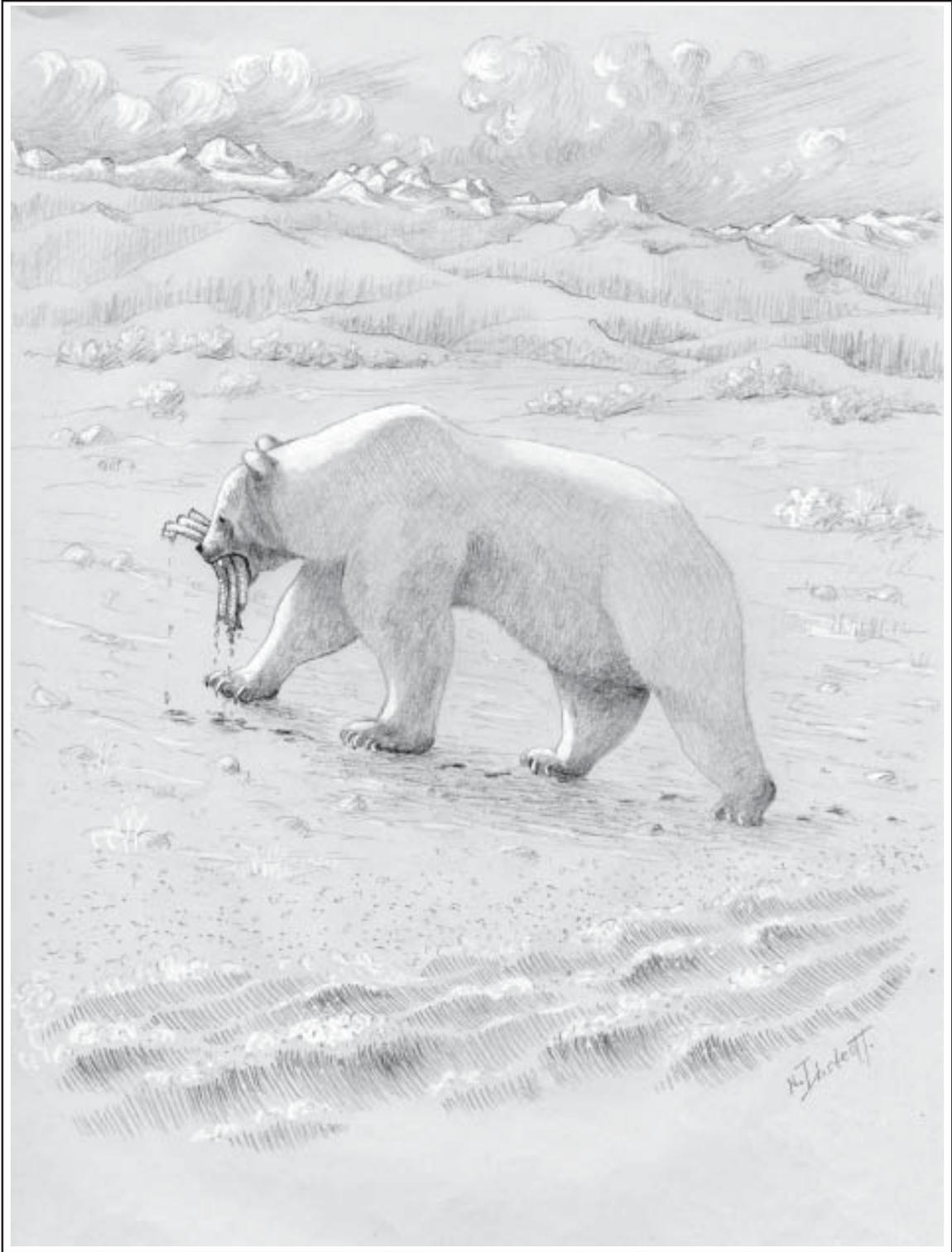
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63. Daniels vision of a lion with four wings of an eagle Dan 7:1-4



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"I kept looking until its wings were plucked,  
and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man;  
a human mind also given to it. Dan 7:4b*



**65. A bear with three ribs**  
*The second beast resembling a bear, And it was raised up on one side,  
and three ribs were in its mouth... Dan 7:5*



**66. A leopard with four wings and four heads**

*The third beast – like a leopard, which had on its back four wings of a bird;  
the beast also had four heads, and dominion was given to it. Dan 7:6*



**67. A terrifying beast with ten horns**

*After that I kept looking in the nights visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terryfying and extremely strong; and it had larg iron teeth... and it had ten horns Dan 7:7*



*68. The little horn among the ten horns  
While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn,  
a little one, came up among them Dan 7:8a*



**69. The little horn (Antichrist) grows and become bigger than the others**

**A vision about the endtime:** "At the time of the end shall be the vision" Dan 8:17,26; 11:35; Mt 24:2; **Antichrist's war against Messiah:** "It even magnified itself to be equal with the Commander of the host (the Prince of princes, Christ)". Dan 7:26,27;11:35; Zech 14:1-4; 2 Thess 2:3-7; Rev 17:14; 19:11-21

That horn (the eleventh) which had eyes and a mouth uttering great boasts, and which was larger in appearance than its associates. And he will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saint of the Highest One... they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time (3½ years).

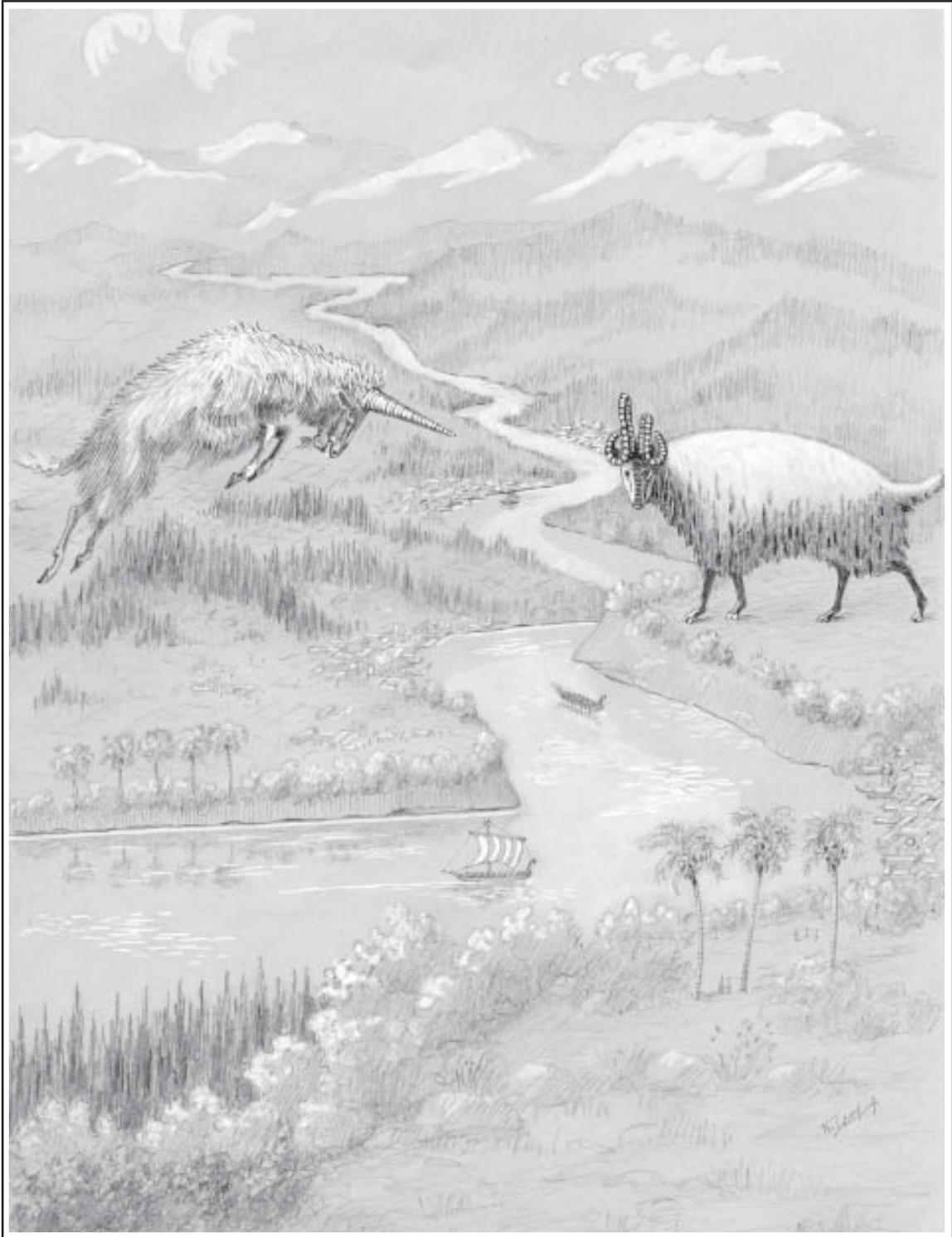


**70. The throne of the Almighty**

*And the Ancient of Days took His seat; His vesture was like white snow. And the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne was ablaze with flames. Its wheels were burning fire. A river of fire was flowing, and coming out before him. Thousandads upon thousand were attending Him. And myriads upon myriads were standing before Him. The court sat. And the books were opened. Dan 7:9-10*

**The Son of man and the redeemed**

*And behold, with the clouds of heaven, One like a Son of Man was coming. And He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and men of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed. Dan 7:13-14 Behold, the Lord came with many thousands of His holy ones. Jude v14. He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach. Col 1:22*



**71. The ram and the goat**

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**72. The male-goat crushes the ram.**

*"And he came up to the ram that had the two horns, which I had seen standing in front of the canal, and rushed at him in his mighty wrath... and he struck the ram, and shattered his two horns, and the ram had no strength to withstand him. So he hurled him to the ground and trampled on him, and there was none to rescue the ram from his power." Dan 8:6-7*



**73. The small horn on the male-goat**

*Then the male goat magnified himself exceedingly.*

*But as soon as he was mighty, the large horn was broken; and in its place there came up four conspicuous horns toward the four winds of heaven. Dan 8:8*

*And out of one of them came forth a rather small horn... Dan 8:8-9a*



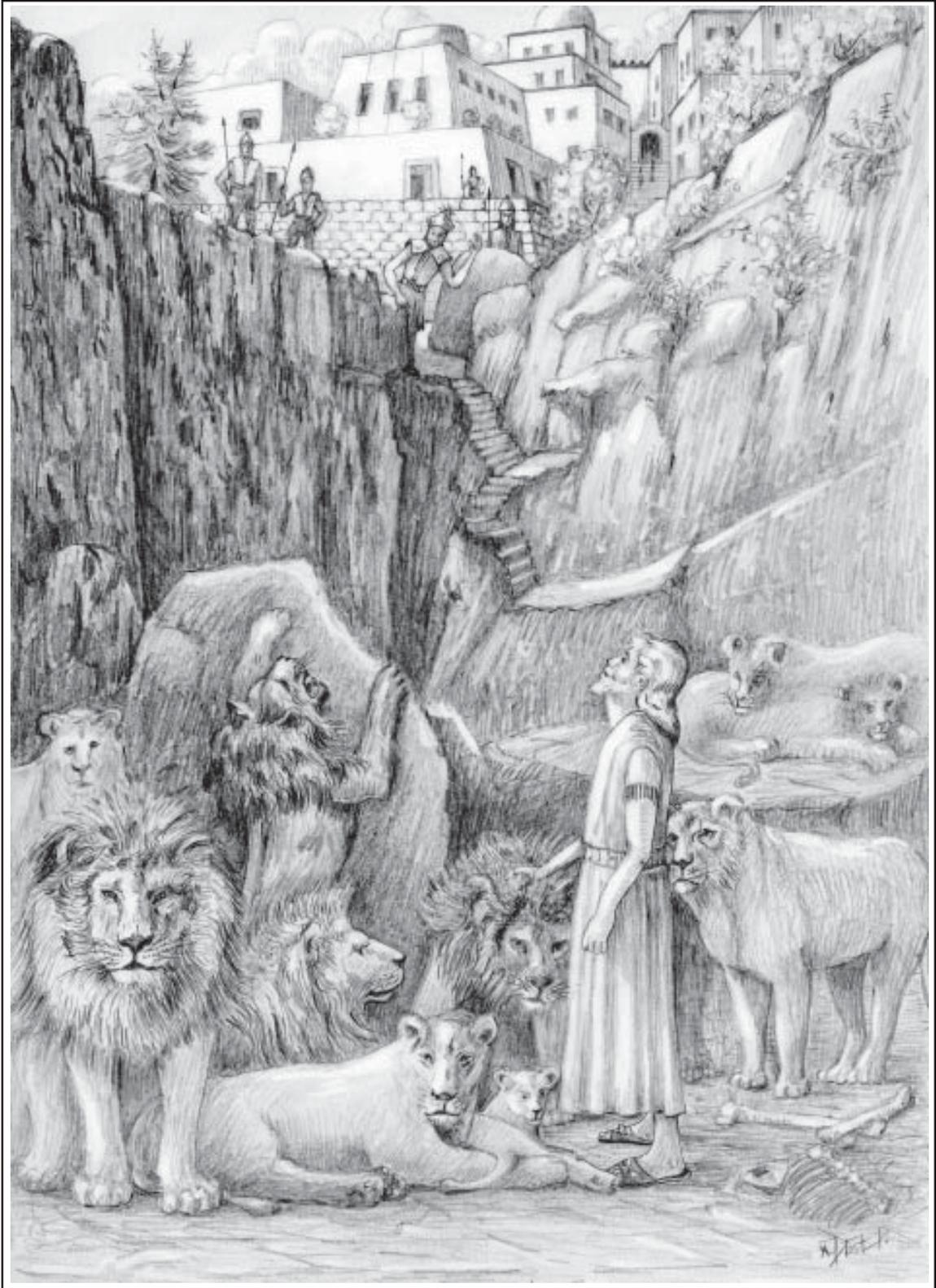
**74. The small horn grows and becomes mighty**

*...which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Beautiful Land. Dan 8:8-9 And it grew up to the host of heaven and caused some of the host and some of the stars to fall to the earth, and it trampled them down. Dan 8:9b-10*

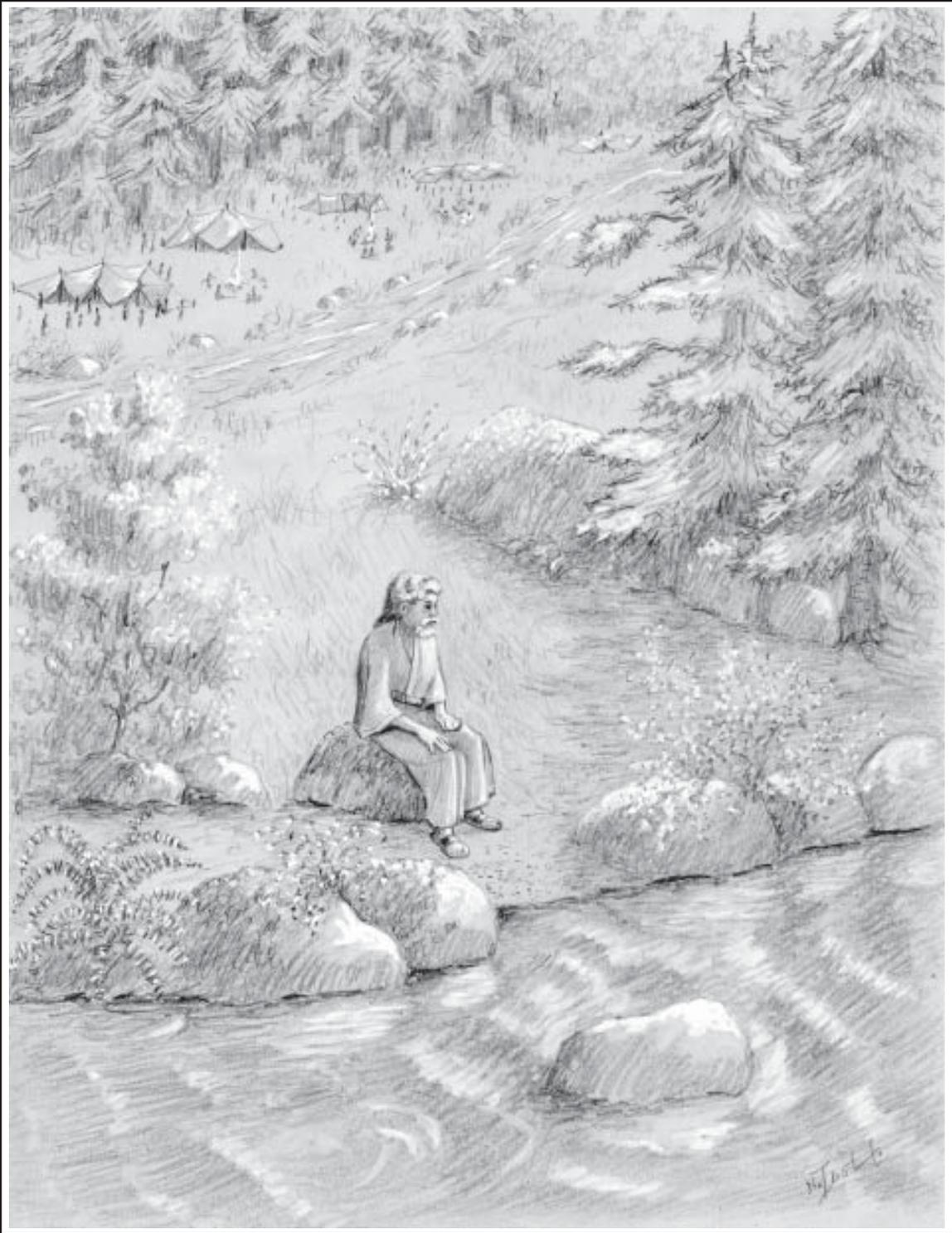
*It even magnified itself to be equal with the Commander of the host; and it removed the regular sacrifice from Him, and the place of His sanctuary was thrown down. Dan 8:11*



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*One of those who returned to Jerusalem after 70 years of captivity in Babylon.*

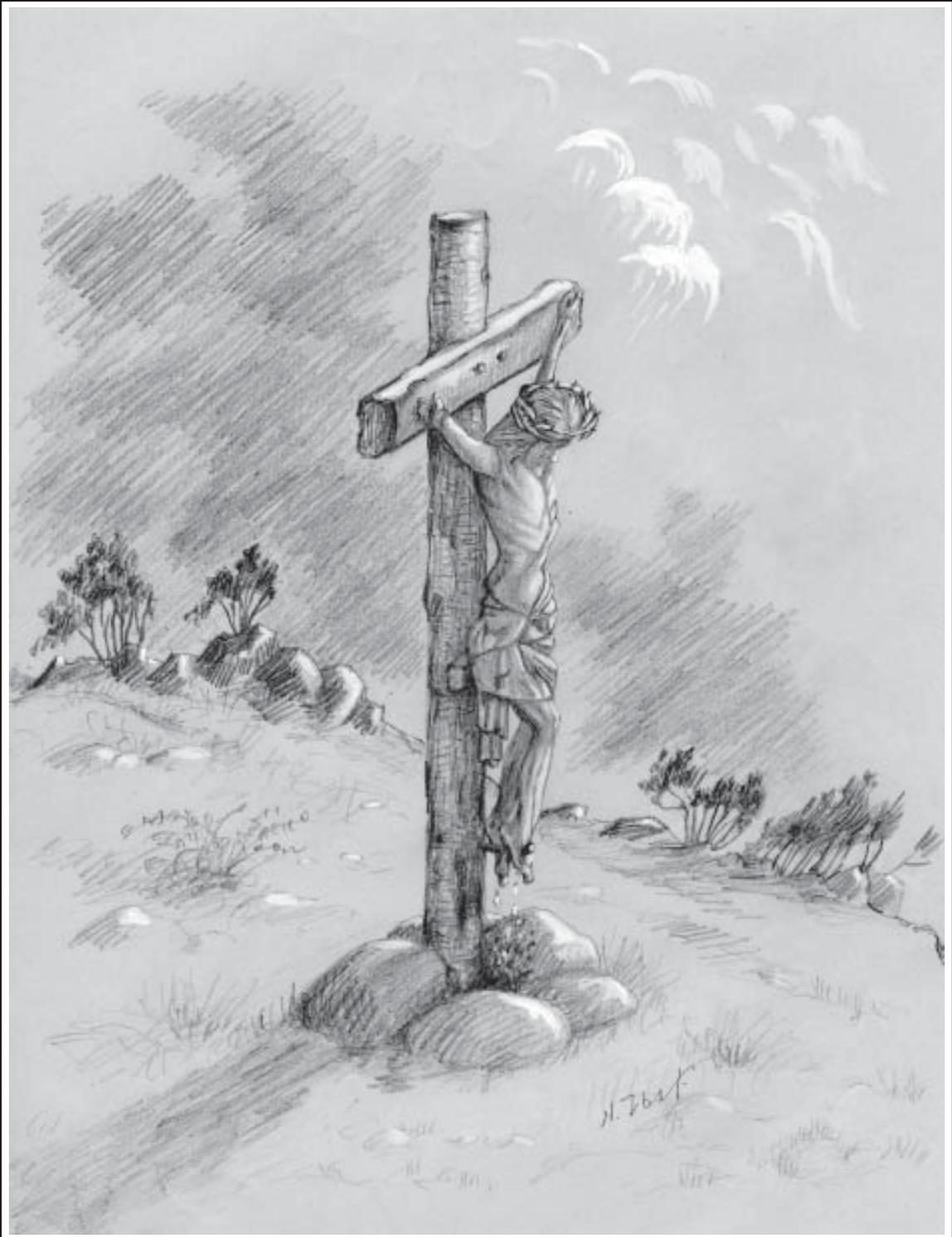
*Asarja is sitting on the same stone as 70 years ago.*

*After 70 years in captivity returned Zerubbabel with 42.360 Jews to Jerusalem. 536 B.C.  
The temple was rebuilt. Very few had survived the 70 years of captivity and could return.*

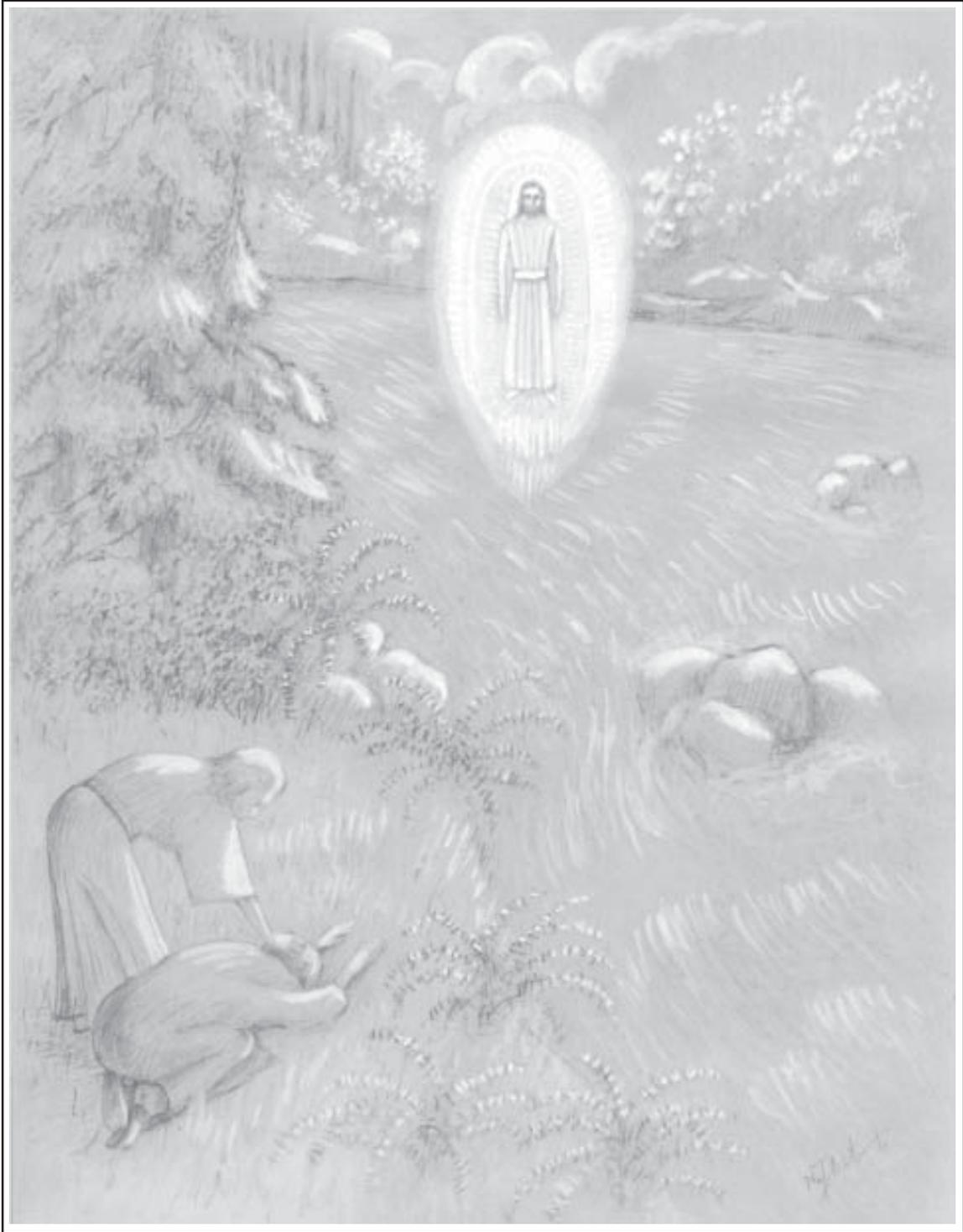


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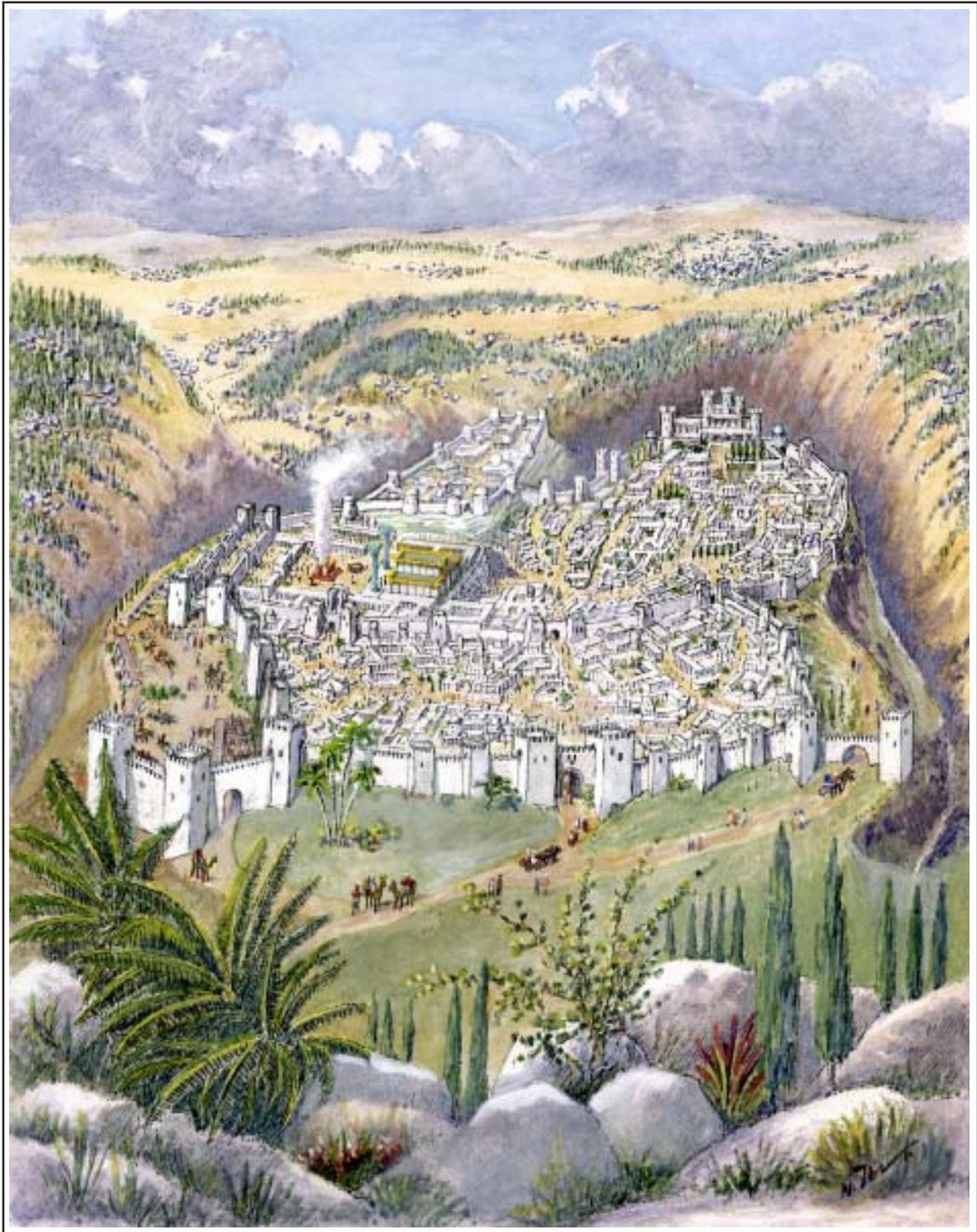


**79. The man of sorrows**  
*Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off... Dan 9:26*

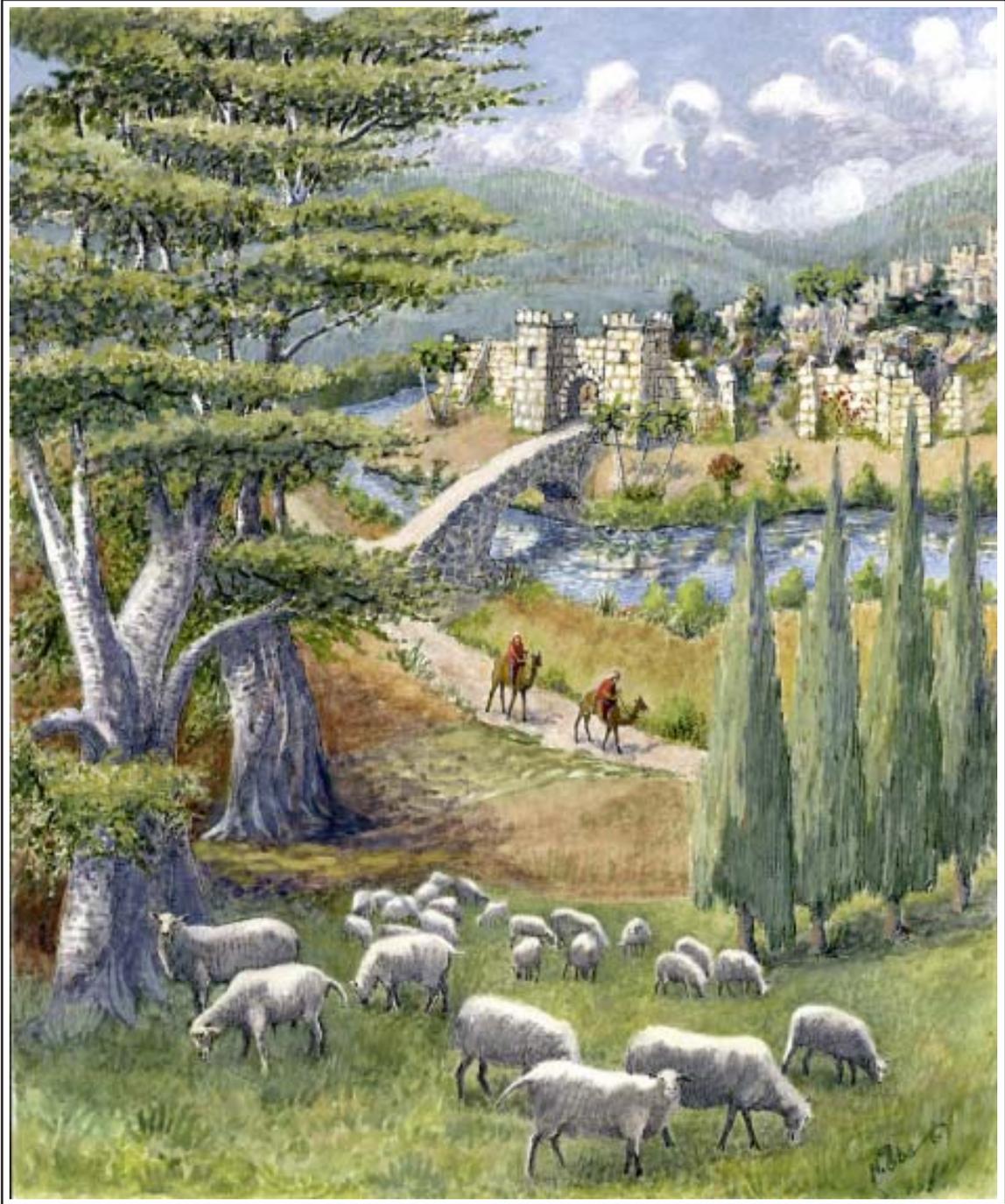


**80. Daniel's vision at the river Hiddekel (Tigris)**

*"I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, there was a certain man dressed in linen, whose waist was girded with a belt of pure gold of Uphaz. His body was like beryl, his face had the appearance of lightning, his eyes were like flaming torches, his arms and feet like the gleam of polished bronze, and the sound of his words like the sound of a multitude. ...I fell into a deep sleep on my face, with my face to the ground." Dan 10: 5-9 +9+19*

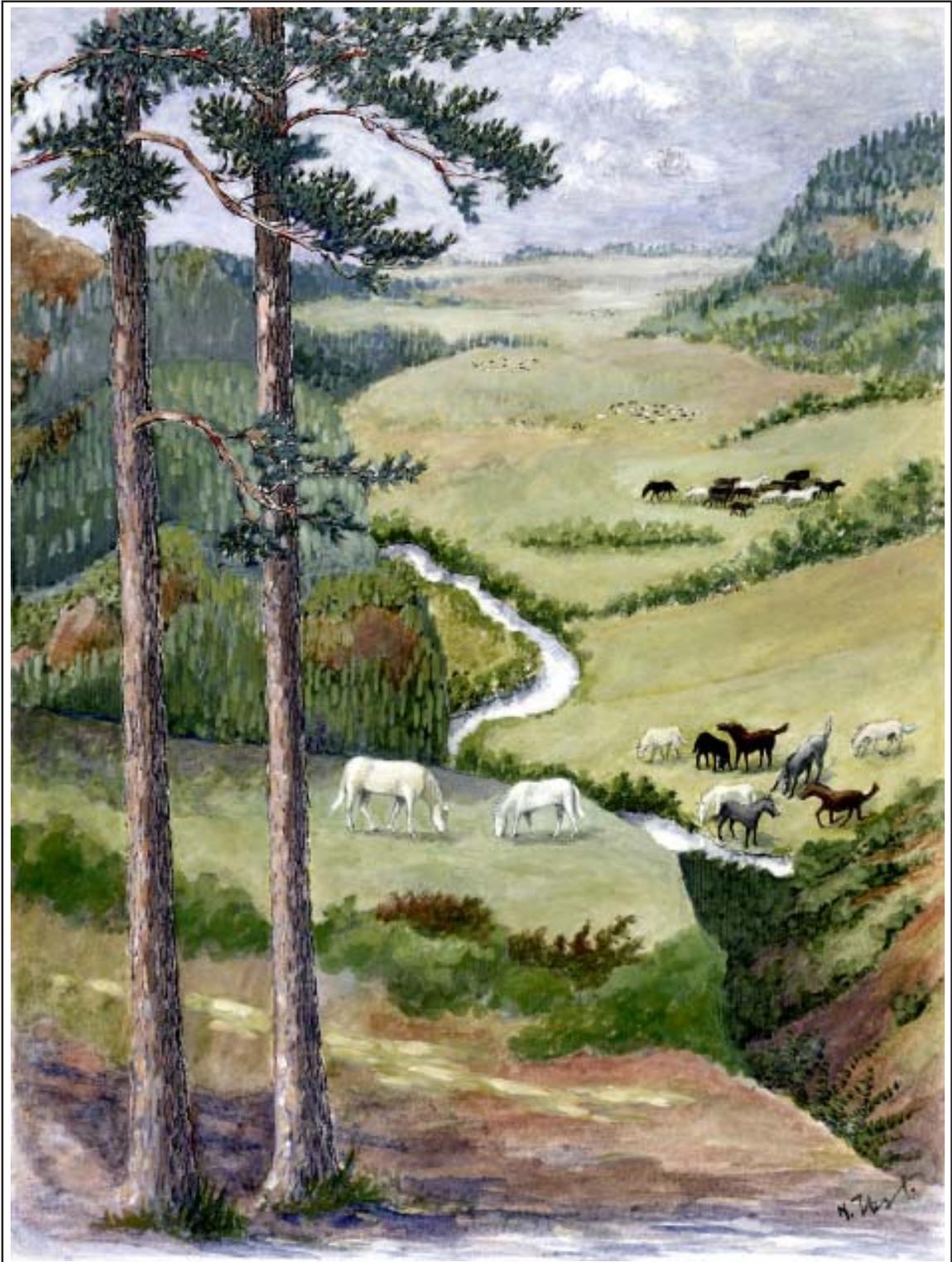


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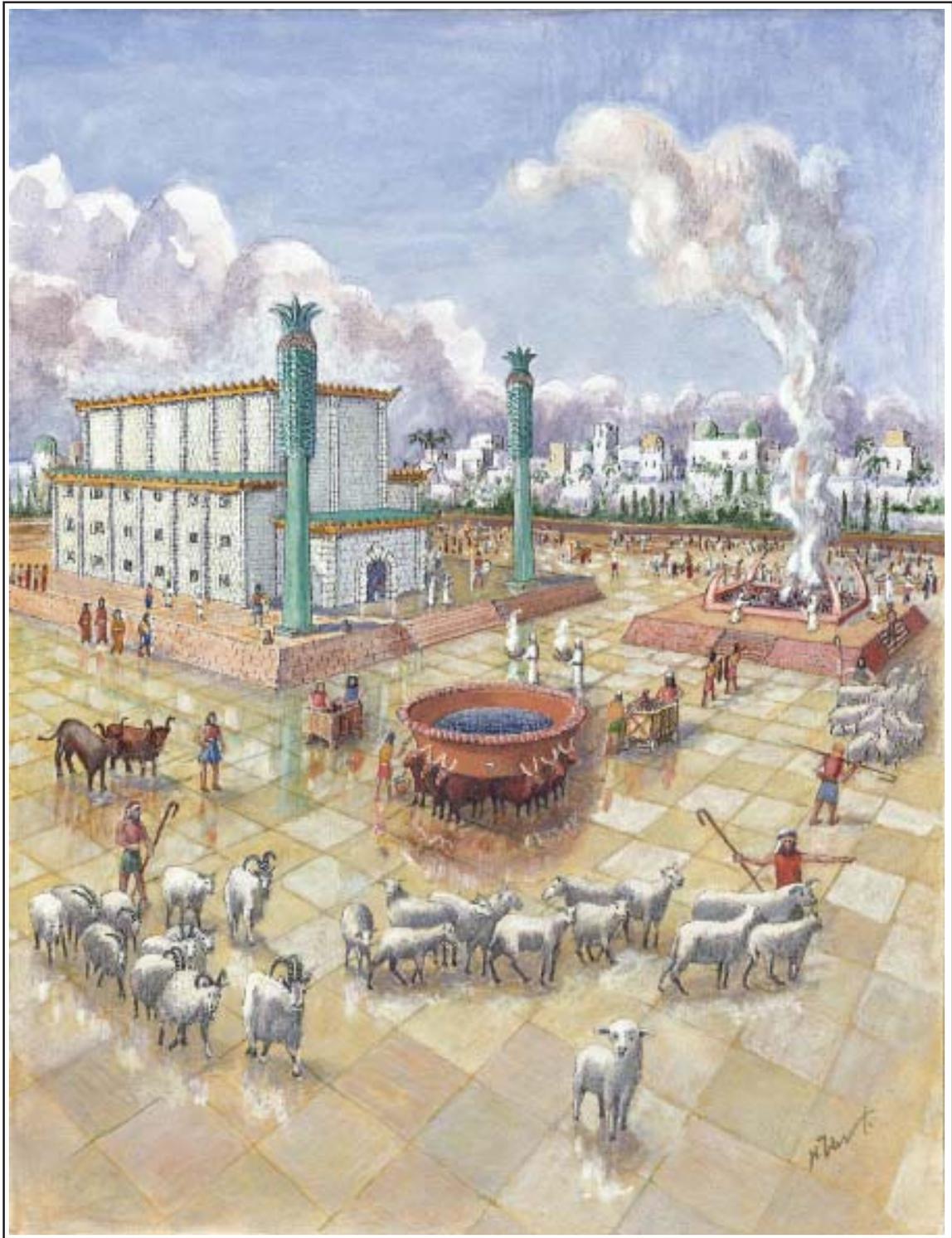


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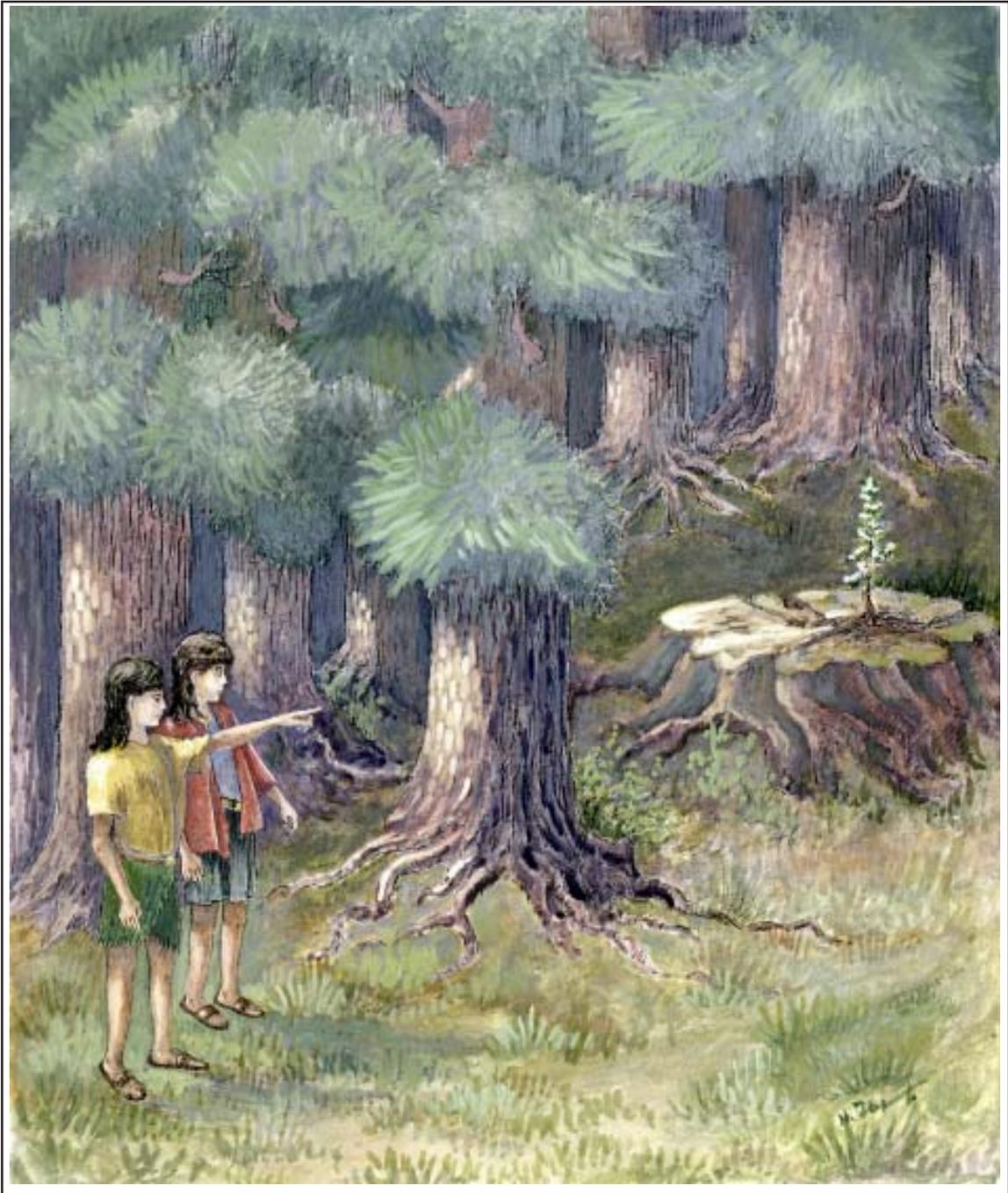
*On their way they passed by the ruins of Samaria  
Hundred years earlier the Assyrians had destroyed that city,  
the capital of the Northern kingdom*



*3. At the plain of Megiddo  
they saw many wild horses*



*4. King Solomon's Temple in Jerusalem*



### ***5. The cedars of Libanon***

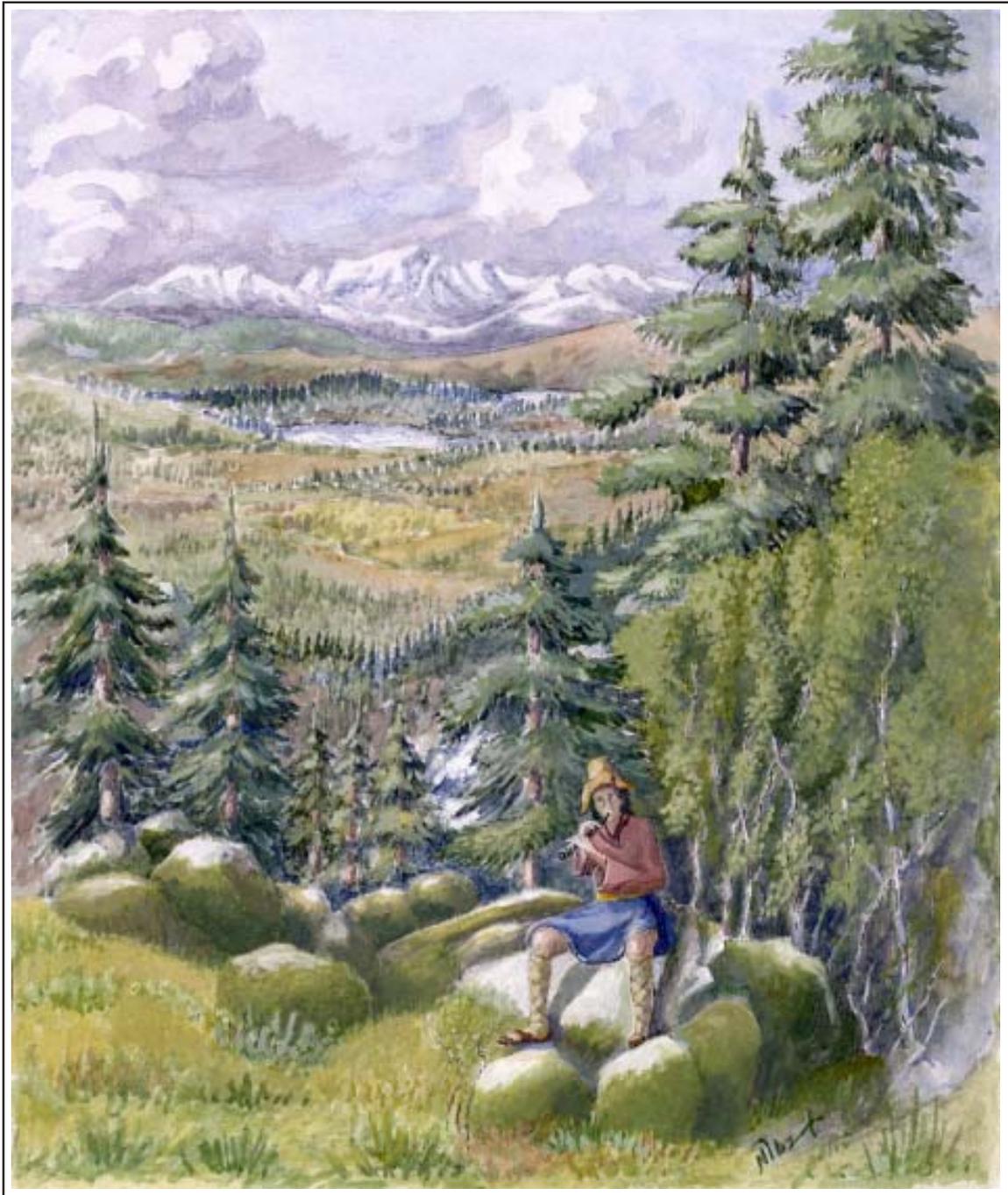
*On their route to Babylon they saw the mighty cedars of Libanon.*

*Daniel to Hananih: "Do you see that stump of a big cedar over there that has got a new shoot?*

*It reminds me of a prophecy about the coming of Messiah:"*

*"Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse.*

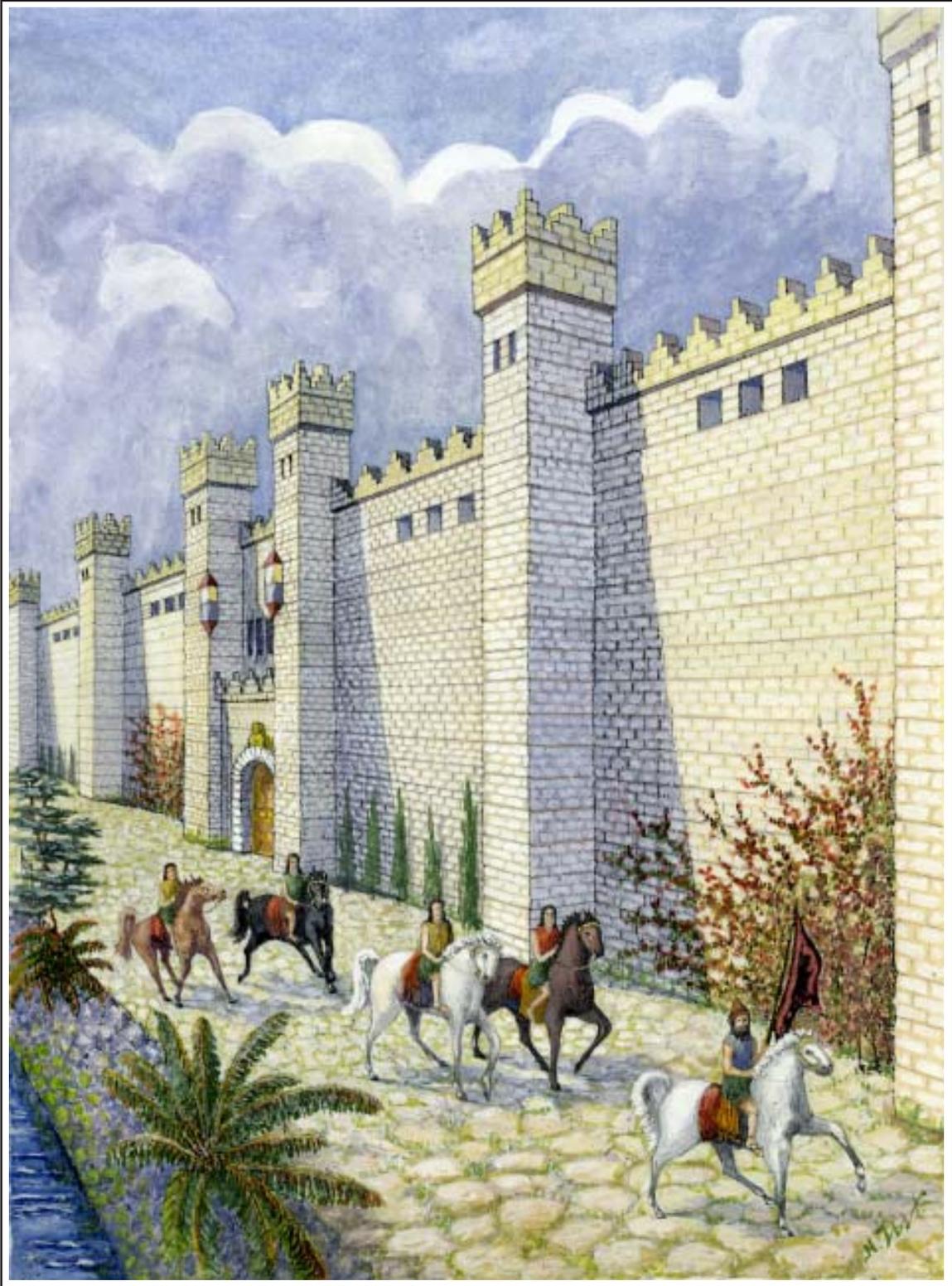
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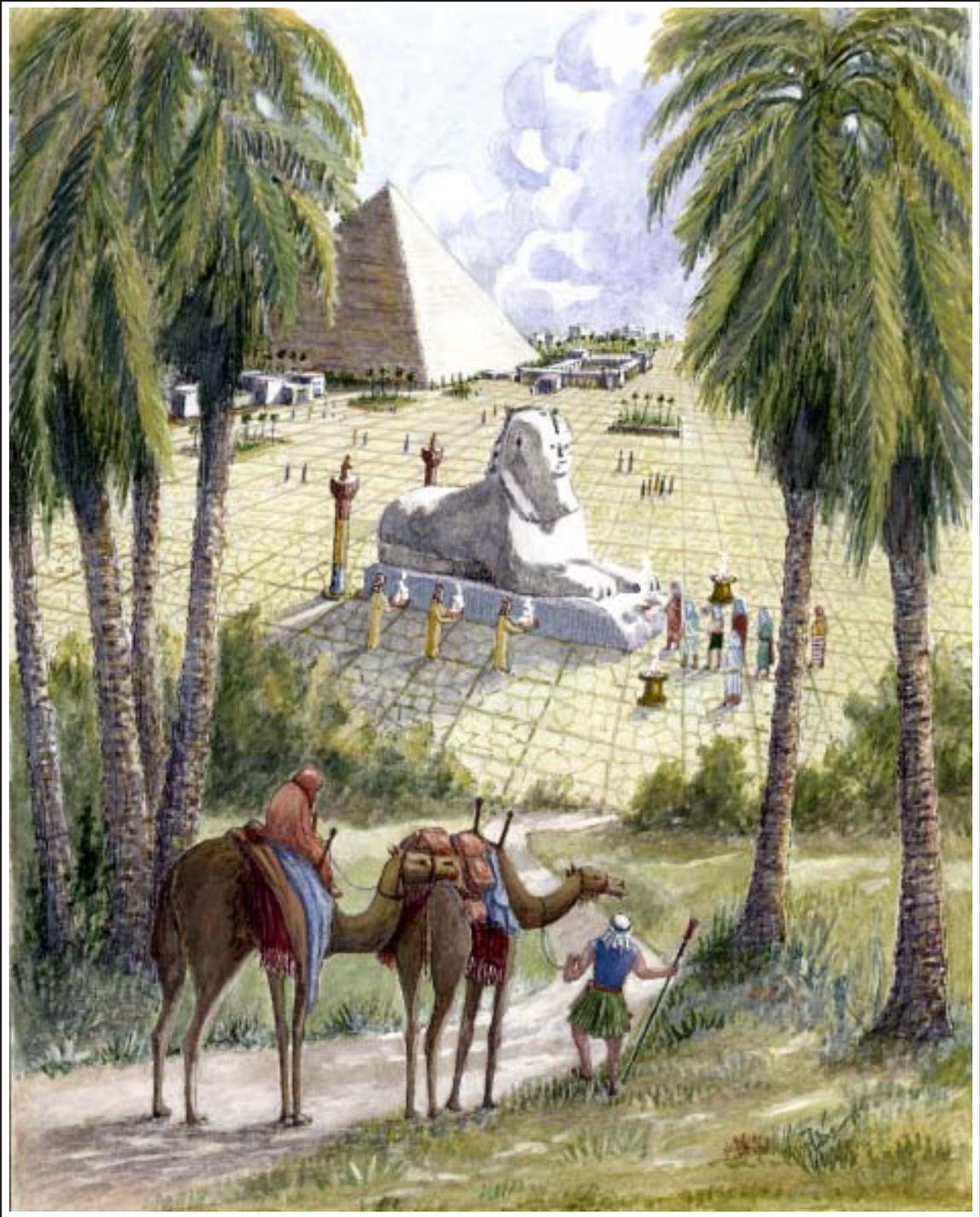
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*On their route to Babylon*

*From the highland in Libanon they had a grand view of Mt Hermon  
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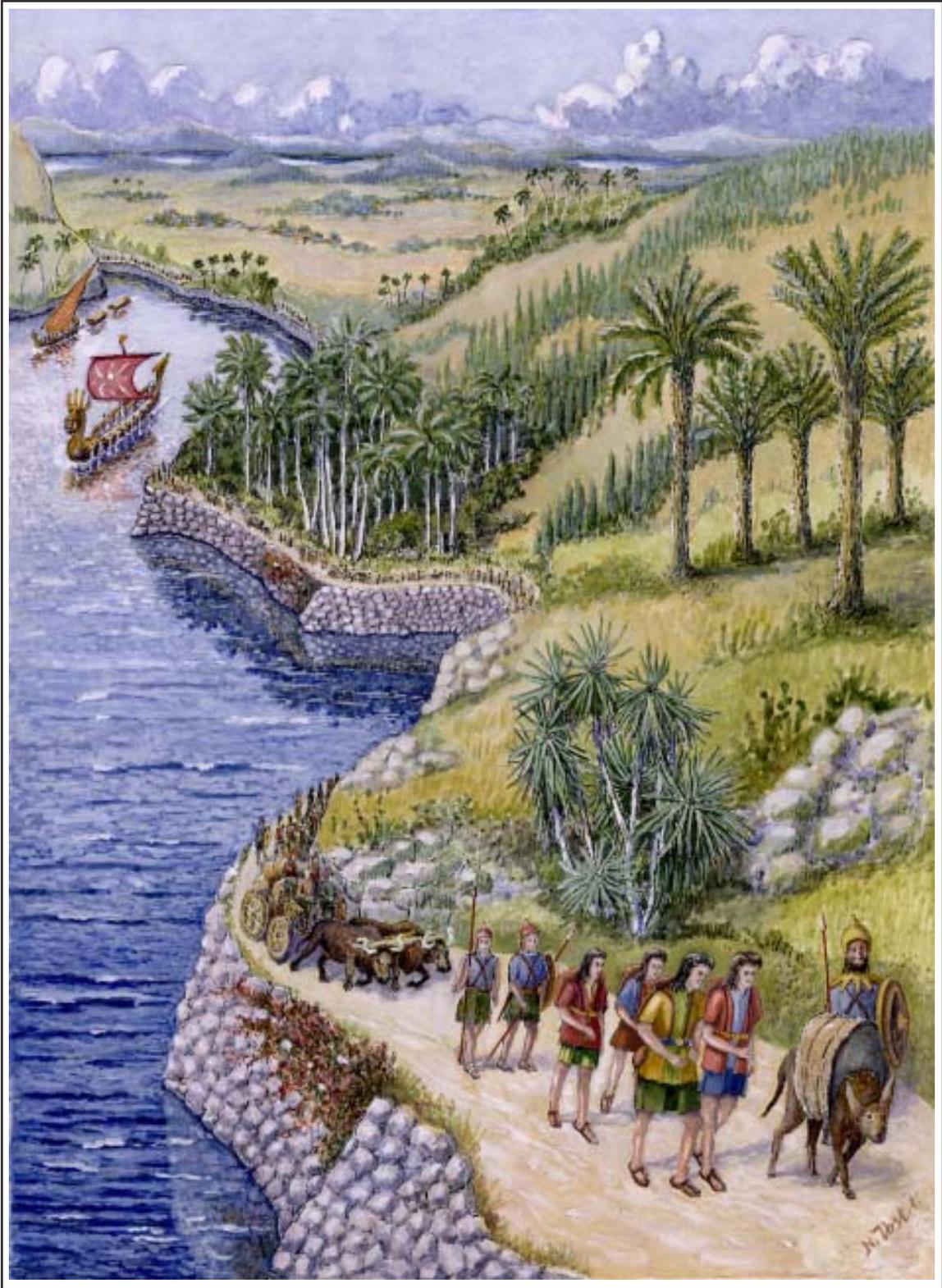


***8. Abraham – the fader of all believers***

*At the campfire in the evenings the four youths had many talks about faith and history.  
What did Abraham and Sarah see when they came to Egypt – a country of high culture?*

*His faith was not influenced of the heathen culture and their idolatry.*

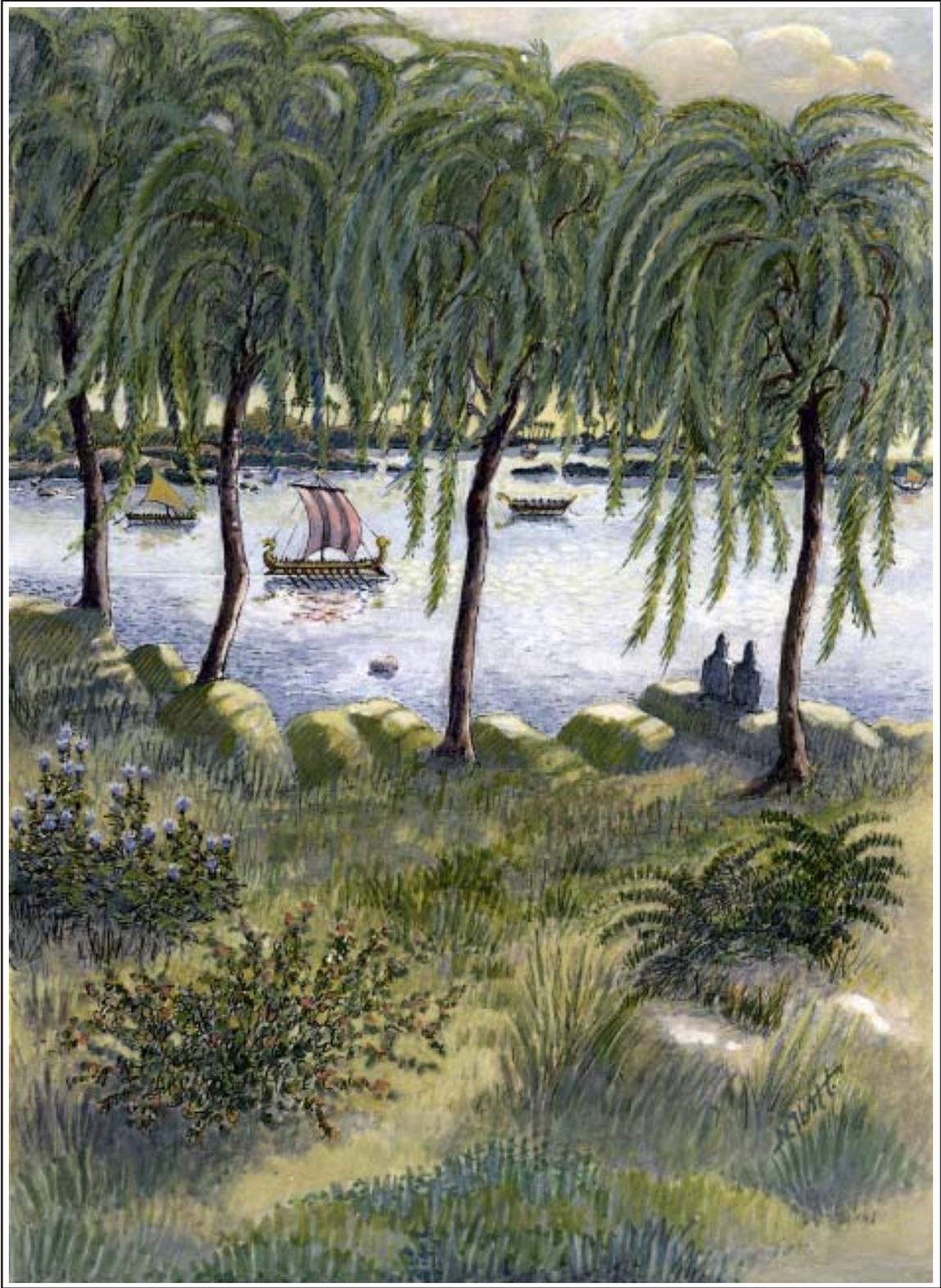
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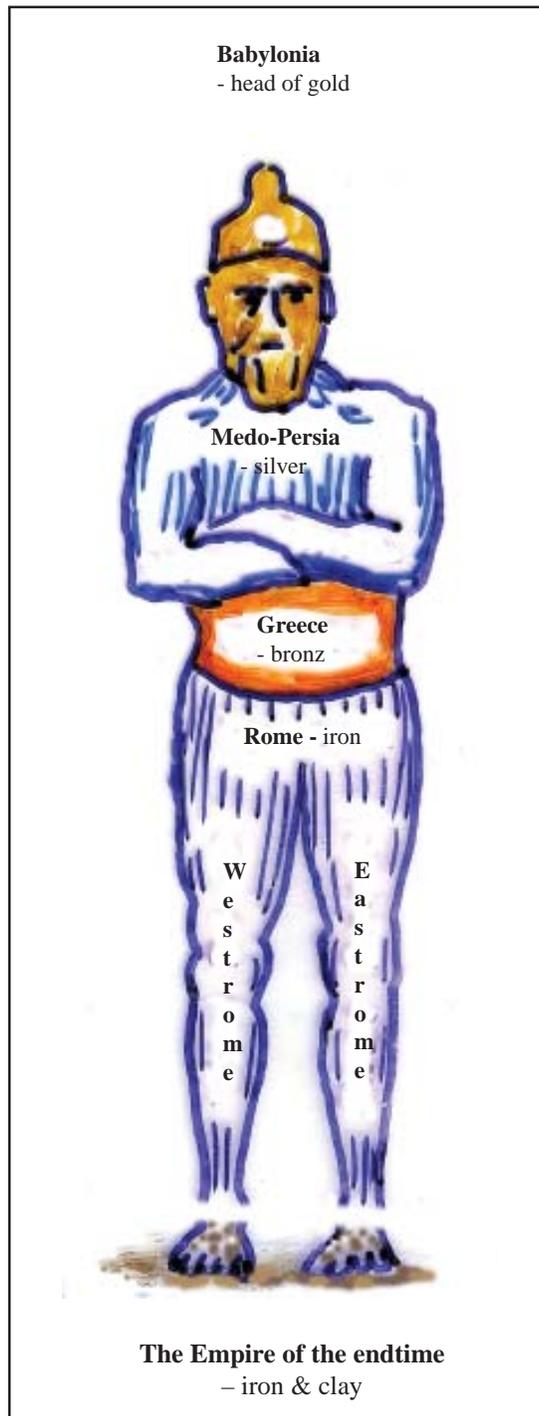
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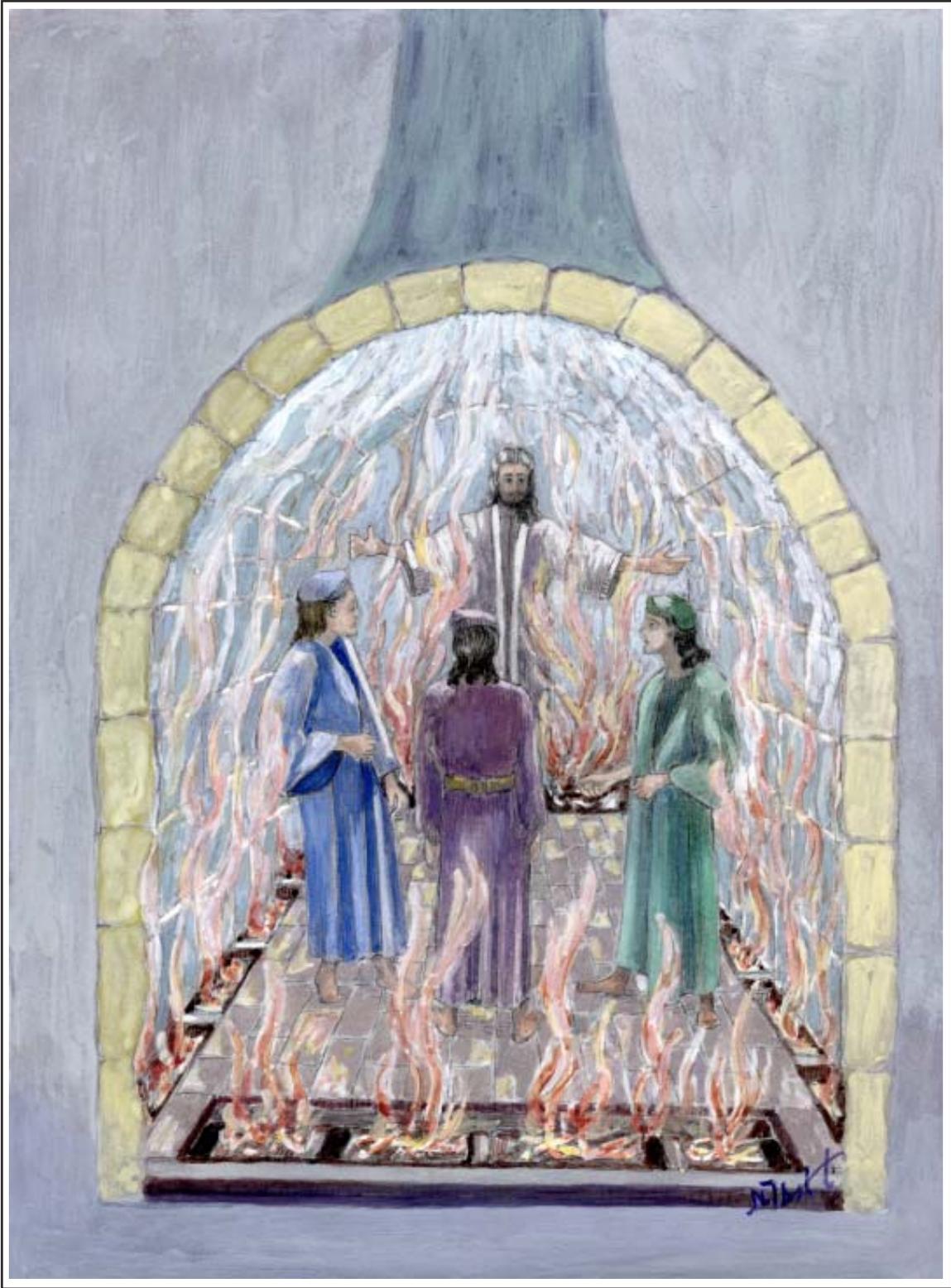


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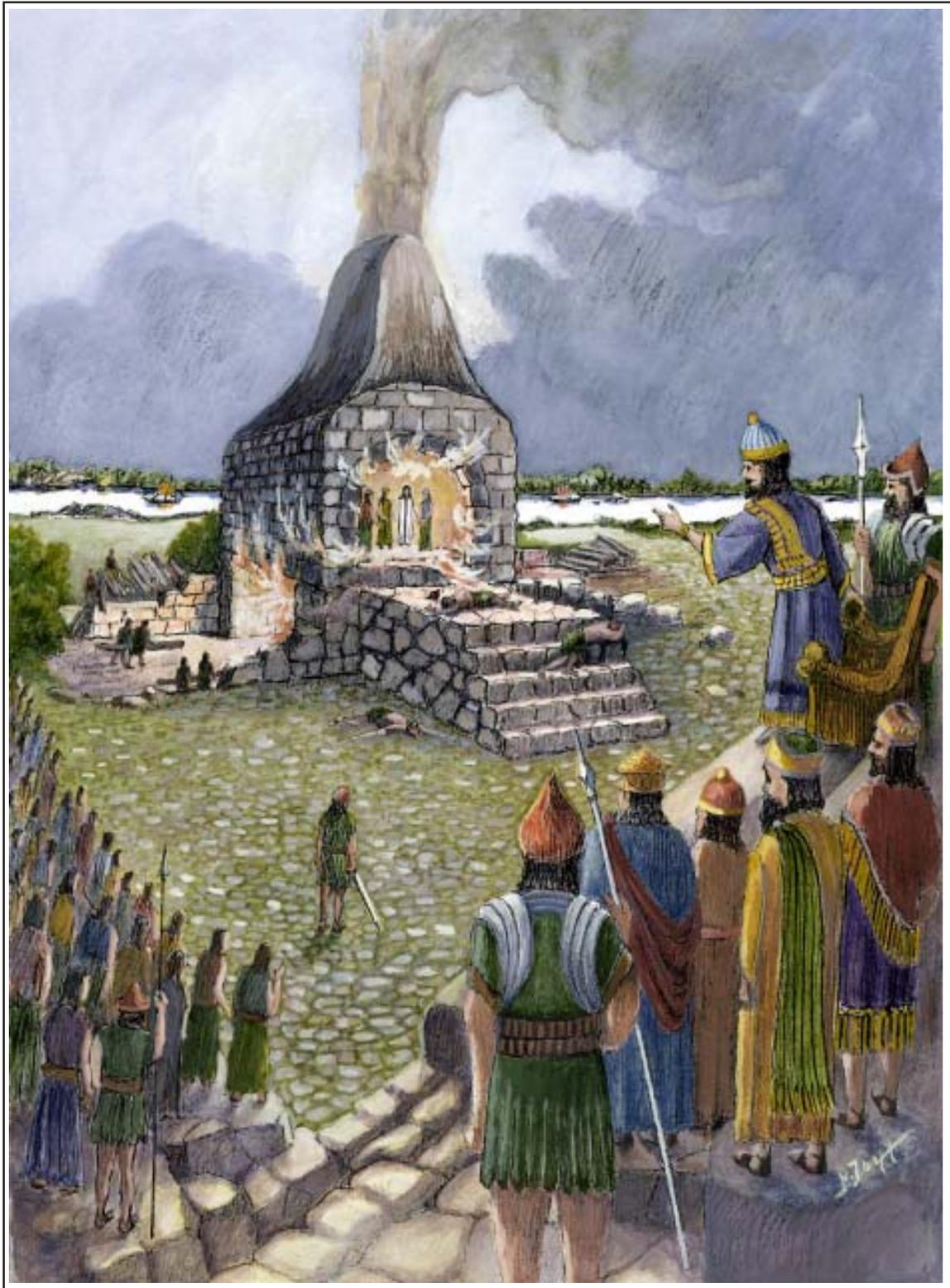


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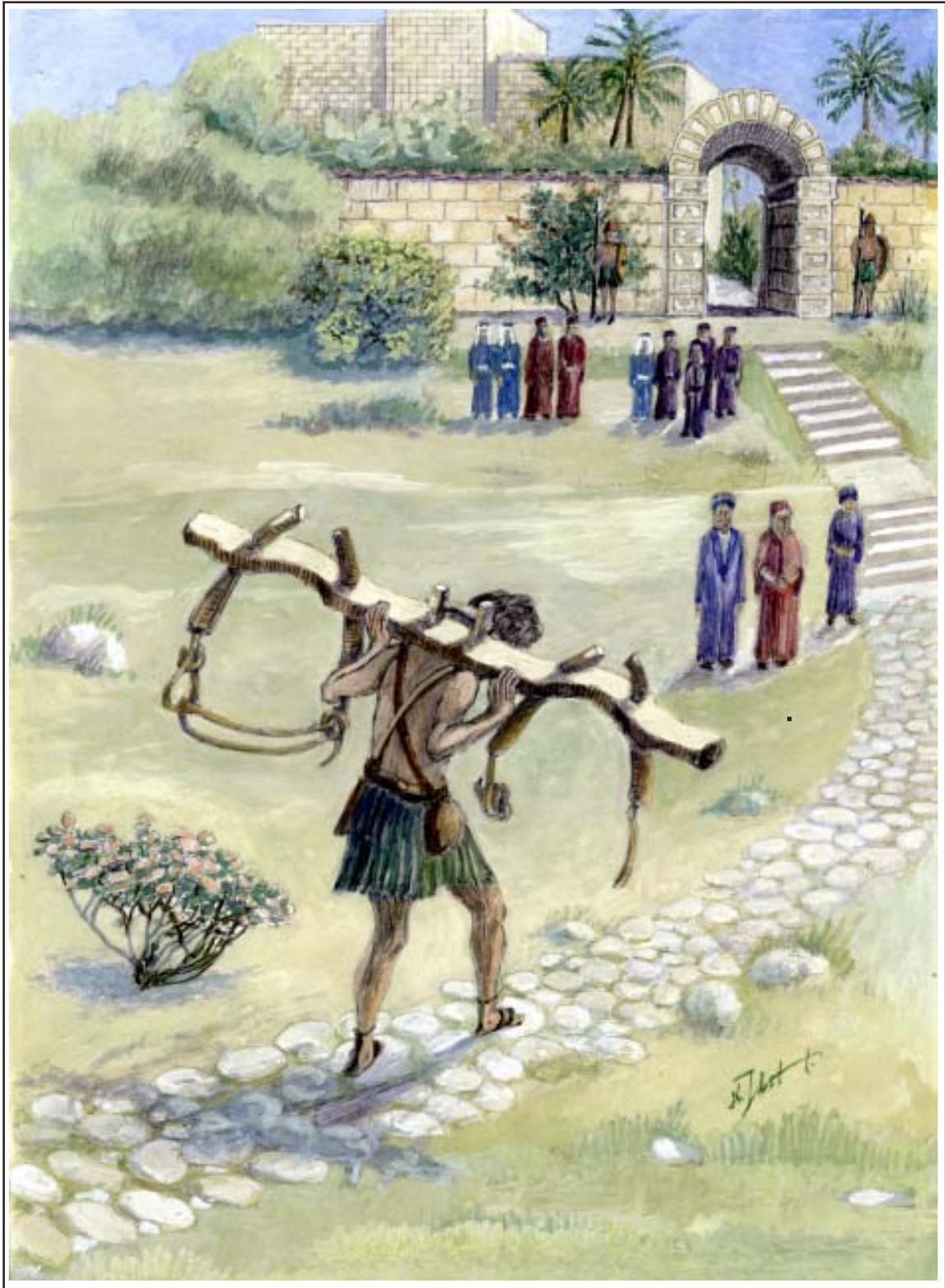
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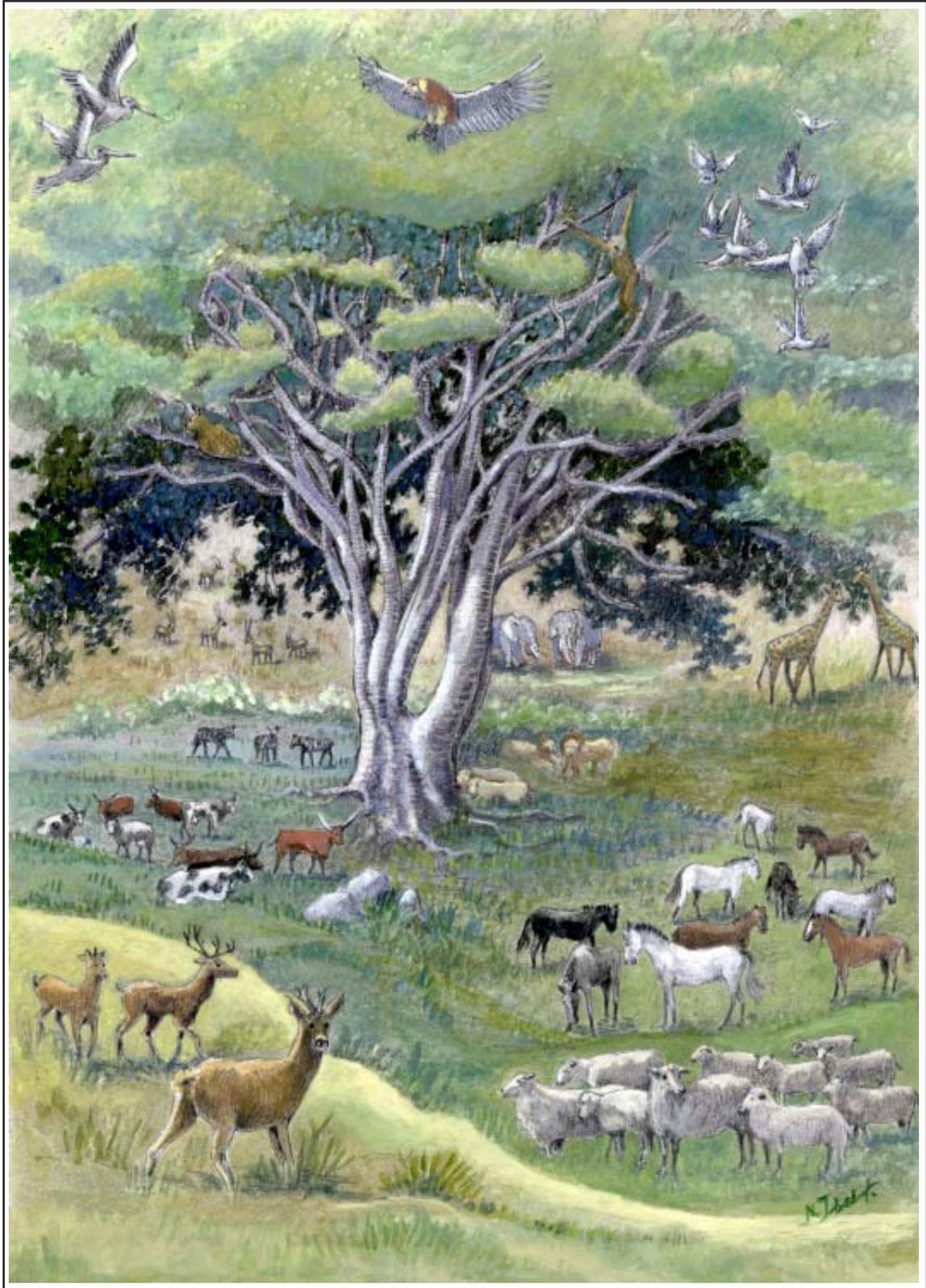


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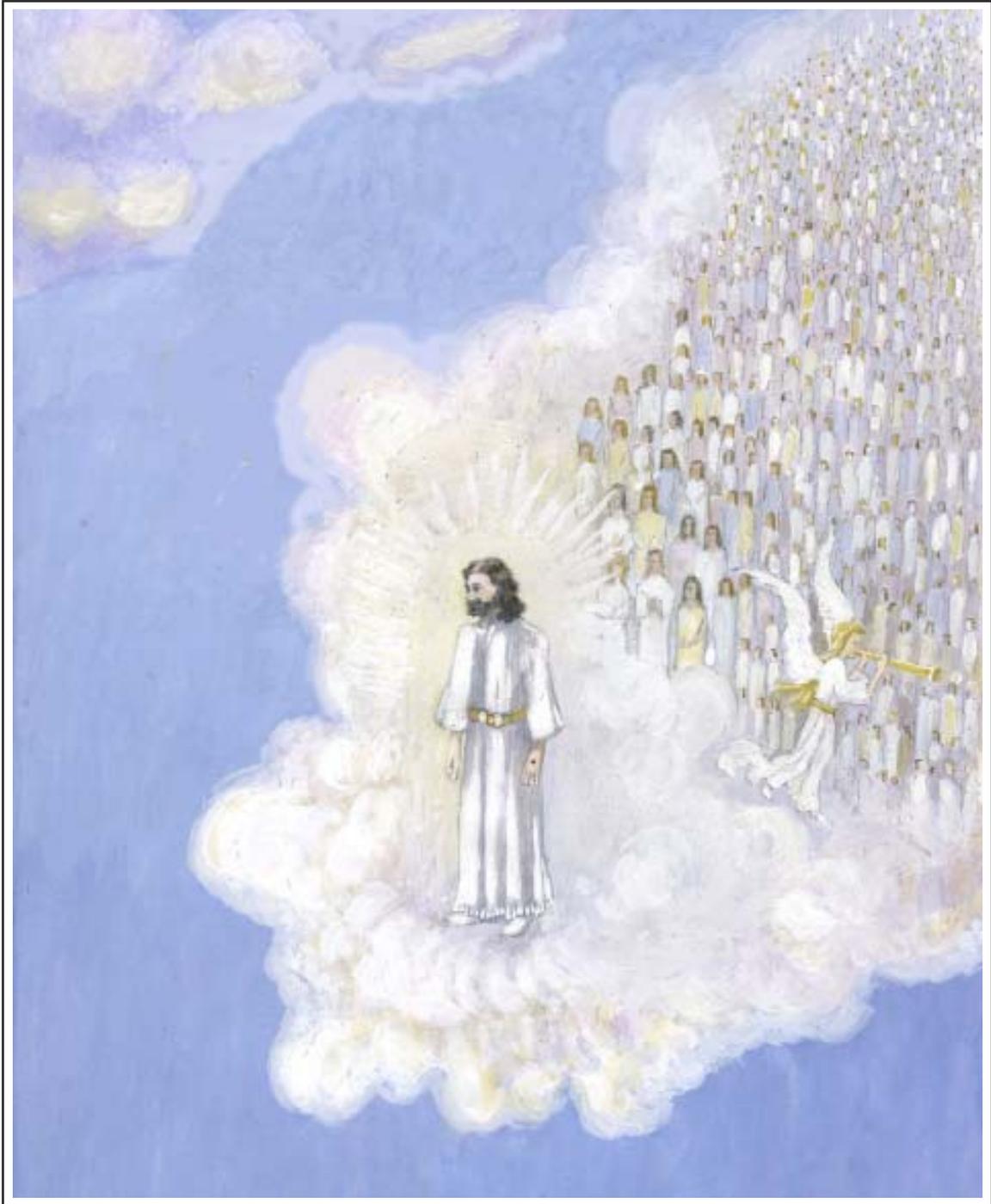
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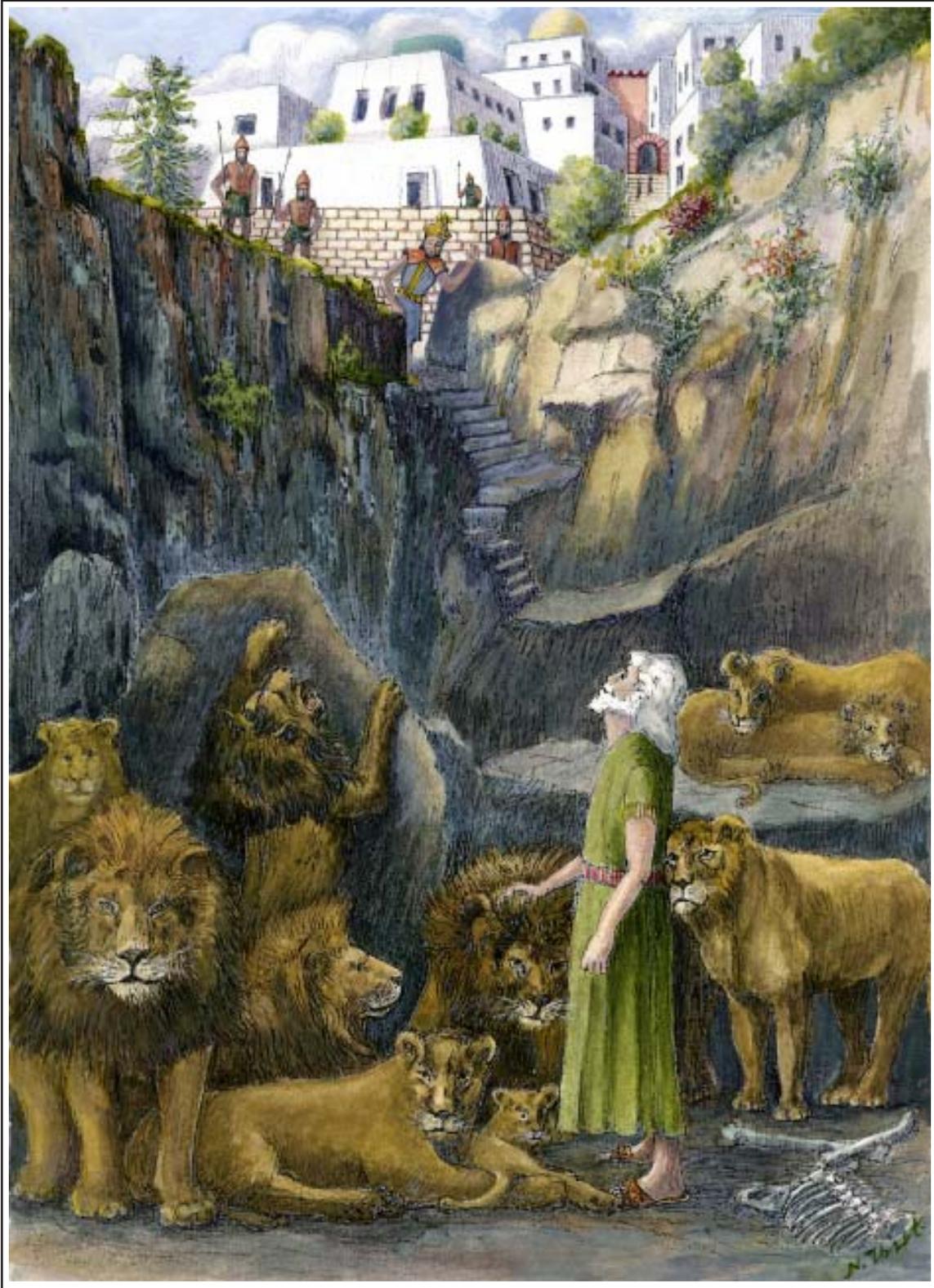
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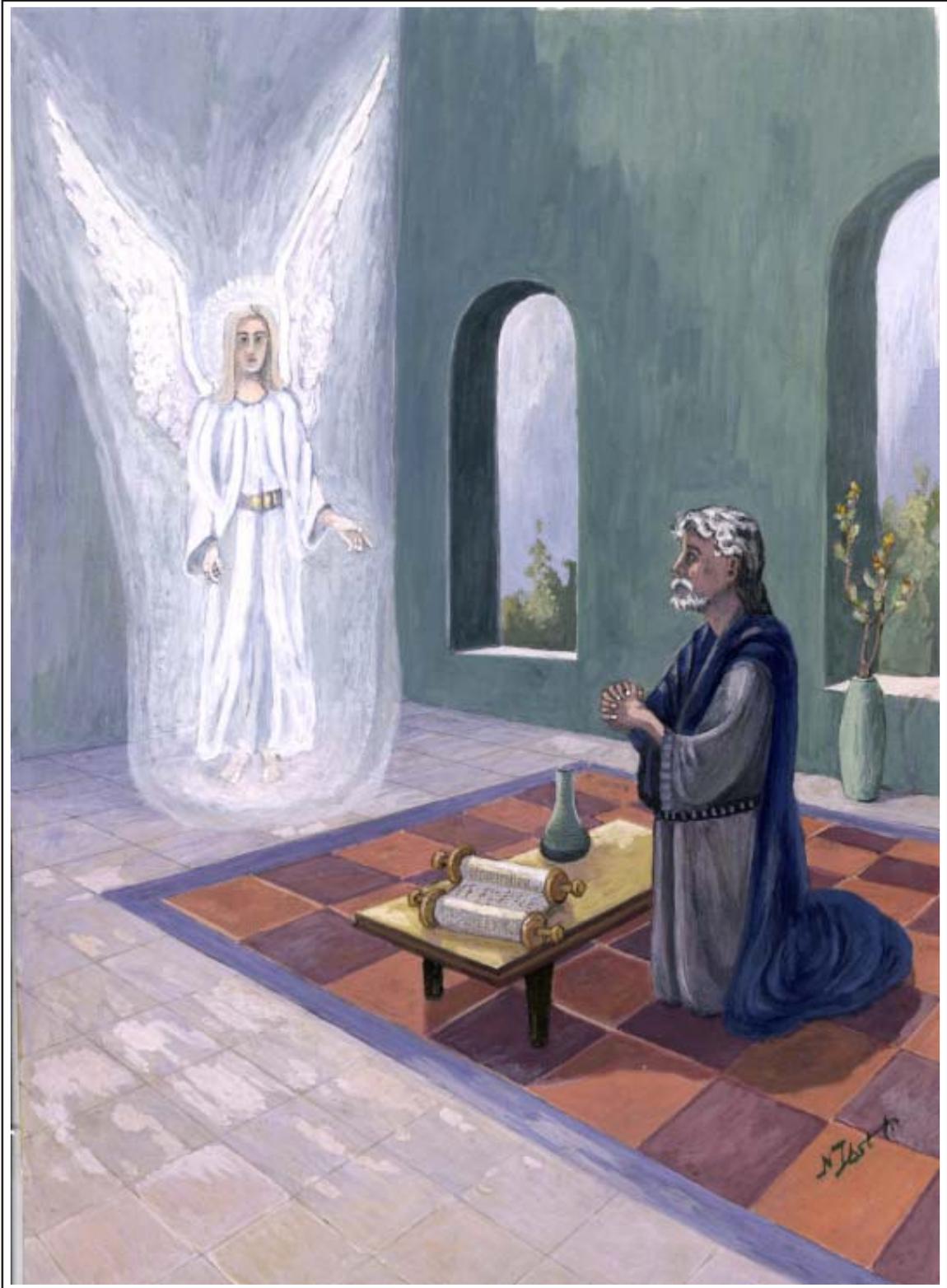


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