

The Persian Empire

Read: Is. 44:25-45:4; Malachi

Who are the four rulers of the Persian Empire that we have talked about already and in what order did they reign?

Which of these kings is mentioned in Isaiah 44-45 and what is prophesied concerning him and what he will do for the people of Israel?

Look in a commentary or other Bible reference book to find out in what time period the book of Malachi was written in:

How does God prove His love for Israel in Mal. 1:1-5?

In what way are the Israelites provoking God to wrath in Mal. 1:6-14?

What fundamental heart problem is the cause of all these sinful actions?

What two sins of Israel are described in Mal. 2:10-16 and how does God feel about these things?

What events are prophesied about in Mal. 3:1-3 and 4:4-6?

What do the people accuse God of in Mal. 2:17; 3:13-15 and what is His answer in Mal. 3:16-4:3?