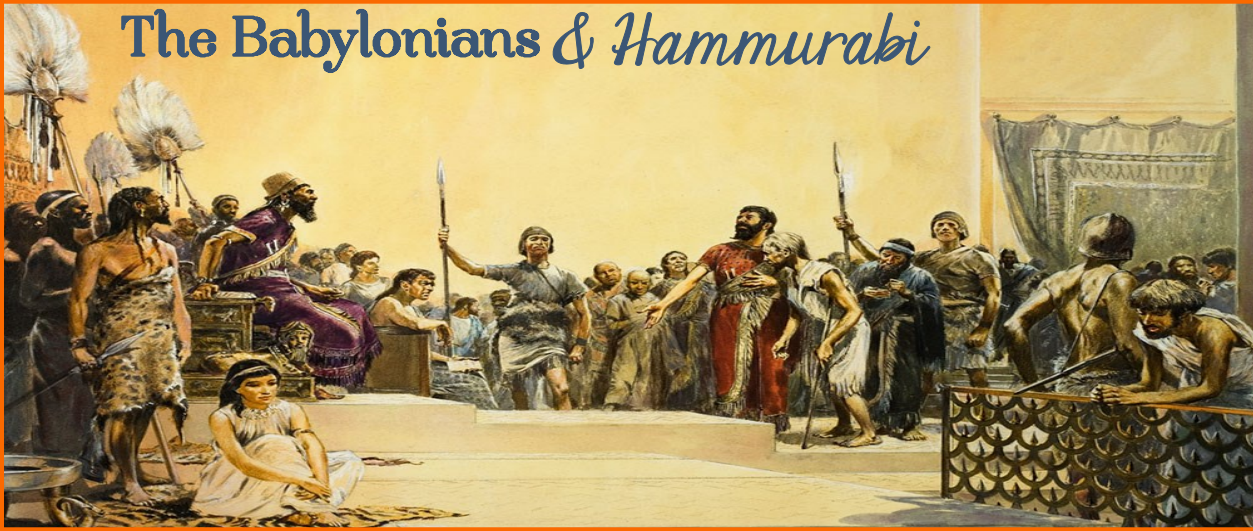


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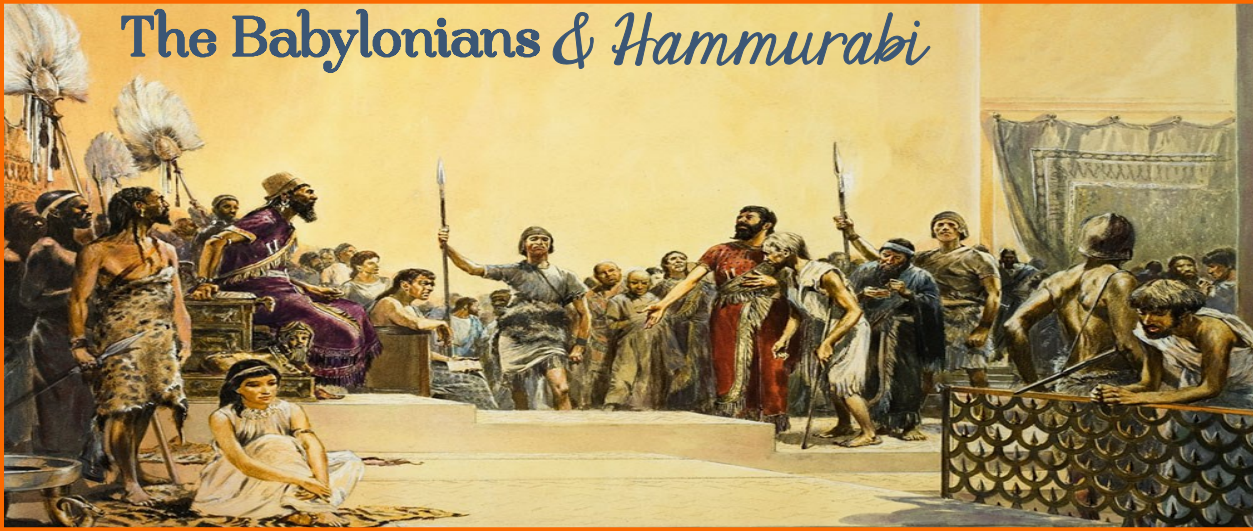
Babylonia was an ancient region around the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers. {Now southeastern Iraq.} Babylonia produced the first set of laws, studies in mathematics, astronomy and science. Great leaders such as Hammurabi, King Nebuchadnezzar, Cyrus the Great and Alexander the Great were rulers of Ancient Babylon.

Hammurabi regulated trade, built highways, established a postal system and constructed irrigation canals. He is famous for the *Code of Hammurabi* which is three hundred laws and strived to execute justice for all. An "eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth" was punishment for a crime.

Unlike the Mosaic Code the Hammurabi Code, does not seek to establish principles. In Hammurabi's code there was a "sympathetic" punishment. One of the rules states: "*If (a builder) has caused the son of the owner of the house to die (because the house is faulty and collapses), one shall put to death the son of that builder.*" God's law through Moses, to the contrary, stated: "*Fathers should not be put to death on account of children, and children should not be put to death on account of fathers.*" De 24:16

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