

Why Were the Romans Involved?

Christmas Questions

Luke 2:1-7; 3:1-2

BECAUSE ISRAEL'S DISOBEDIENCE BROUGHT DISCIPLINE FROM THE NATIONS

Dt 28:1, 9-10, 36, 45-52, 64-68; 2 Sam 7:14

Assyria was the rod of God's discipline / anger Is 10:5-19

Babylon & Nebuchadnezzar were God's servants of discipline - 70 years Jer 25:1-14

BECAUSE DANIEL PROPHESED ROME'S IMPACT ON ISRAEL Dan 2; 7; 9:24-27

Roman Empire ruled during Christ's birth & death Lk 2:1-2; 3:1-2; 23:47

Roman Empire / European Coalition rules at Christ's future return to earth

BECAUSE GOD DECREED THE TIMING OF CHRIST'S BIRTH Mic 5:2; Gal 4:4

God's timing - Roman Census, Roman Roads & Roman Peace (Pax Romana)

God's timing - Koine Greek - Bible written in the common language of the people

God's timing - Israel's depravity - they needed the Messiah Savior Gal 3:19-25

WHY WERE THE ROMAN'S THERE?

Because God wasn't there Jdg 16:20

Roman world & Judaism were politically corrupt

Roman world & Judaism were morally depraved

Roman world & Judaism were spiritually bankrupt

Because God will be there Is 2:1-5; Ezek 48:35; Zech 14

The name of Jerusalem will be "The Lord is There" = Jehovah Shammah Ezek 48:35

WHERE ARE YOU?

Is God with you? Gen 39:1-5, 23; Heb 13:5-6

Are you with God? 2 Chron 15:2; 1 Cor 11:1; Jas 4:8