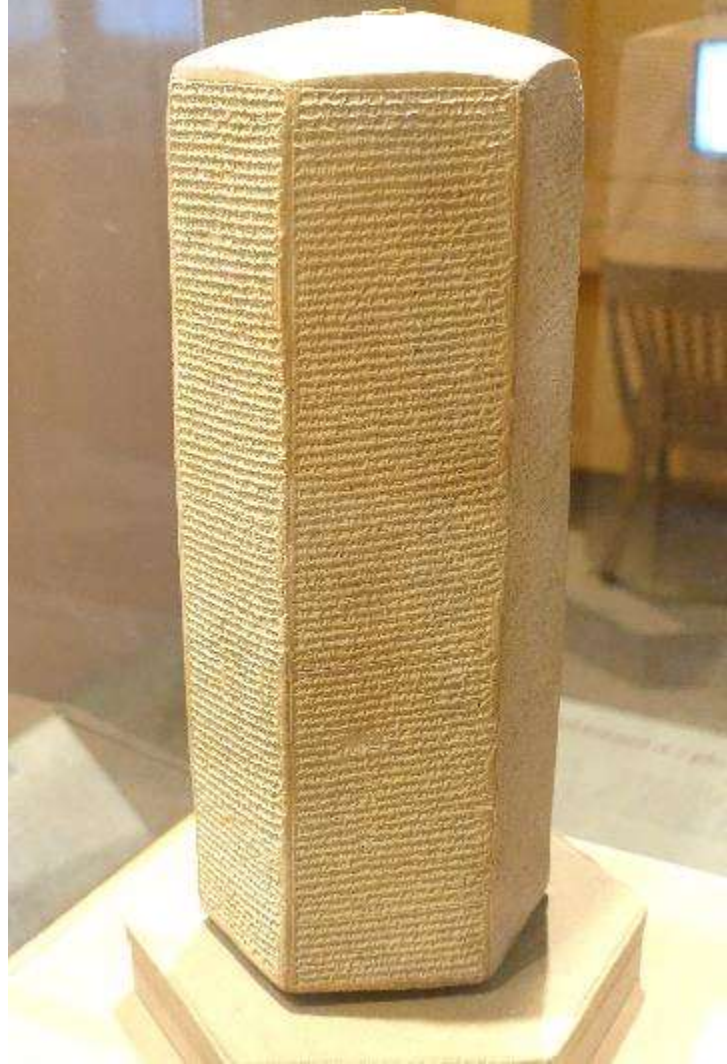




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Service and Salvation





**Reality vs.
Potential**

Isaiah 1-2

1:2 Listen, O heavens, and hear, O earth;
for the Lord speaks, “Sons I have reared
and brought up, But they have revolted
against Me. **3** An ox knows its owner, and
a donkey its master’s manger, but Israel
does not know, My people do not

understand.” 4 Alas, sinful nation, people weighed down with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, sons who act corruptly! They have abandoned the Lord, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they have turned away from Him.



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Present Reality:
Judah Resisting God

1:11 “What are your multiplied sacrifices to Me?” says the Lord. “I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed cattle; and I take no pleasure in the blood of bulls, lambs or goats. **12** When you come to appear before Me,

who requires of you this trampling of My courts? **13** Bring your worthless offerings no longer, incense is an abomination to Me. New moon and sabbath, the calling of assemblies—I cannot endure iniquity and the solemn assembly. **14** I hate your

new moon festivals and your appointed
feasts, they have become a burden to Me;
I am weary of bearing them.



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Present Reality:
Judah Resisting God
Judah Rejecting God

1:25 I will also turn My hand against you, and will smelt away your dross as with lye and will remove all your alloy. **26** Then I will restore your judges as at the first, and your counselors as at the beginning; after that you will be called the city of

righteousness, A faithful city.” **27** Zion
will be redeemed with justice and her
repentant ones with righteousness.



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Potential Future:
Judah Redeemed

2:2 Now it will come about that in the last days the mountain of the house of the Lord will be established as the chief of the mountains, and will be raised above the hills; and all the nations will stream to it. **3** And many peoples will

come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that He may teach us concerning His ways and that we may walk in His paths.” For the law will go forth from Zion and the word of the

Lord from Jerusalem. 4 And He will judge
between the nations, and will render
decisions for many peoples; and they will
hammer their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not lift up sword against

nation, and never again will they learn
war. **5** Come, house of Jacob, and let us
walk in the light of the Lord.



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Potential Future:
Judah Redeemed
God Reigning



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**What is My Present
Reality?**



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**What is My Present
Reality?
What is My Potential
Future?**