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# *Chapter 4: The Hellenistic World*



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## The Rise of Macedonia

### Philip II



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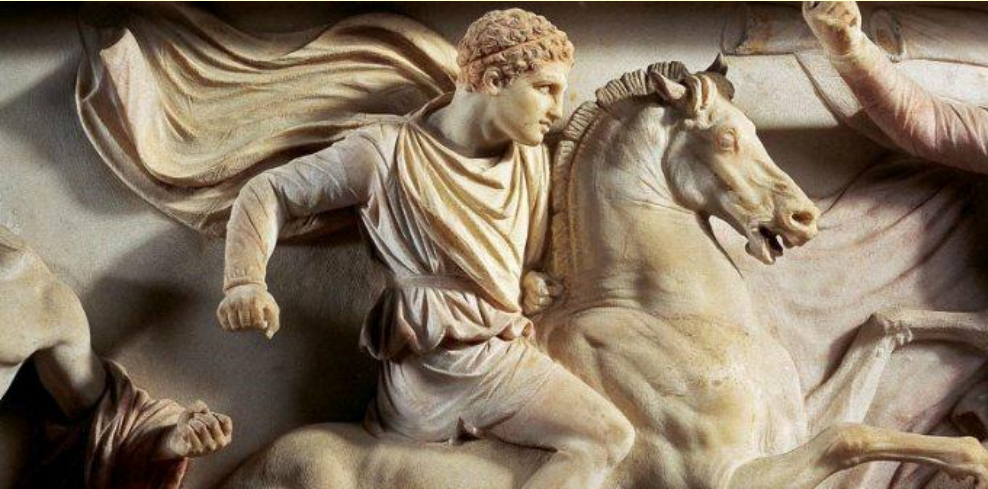
## Alexander Comes to Power



- Alexander's Youth
  - As a child, Alexander studied under Aristotle
  - Under his father's leadership, trained for battle
- Phillip II assassinated in 336 BC
- His son Alexander seized power at the age of 20
- With Greek city-states unified under his rule, he set out to conquer Persia
- Main Goal: Conquer the known world



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### **Alexander's Rise to Power**

Alexander – son of Philip's 4<sup>th</sup> wife Olympias, (from Epirus)  
King Phillip marries 7<sup>th</sup> wife Cleopatra Eurydice (from Macedon)  
Philip assassinated – Alexander proclaimed king (20 years old)

#### **Elimination of potential rivals:**

Cousin and 2 Macedonian princes

Olympias had Cleopatra Eurydice and daughter and son killed  
Alexander order Cleopatra's uncle killed

Spared half-brother (mentally disabled, possibly resulting from poisoning by Olympias)

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## Alexander III of Macedon

**Conquered**  
**Balkans, Asia Minor, Syria, Egypt, Assyria, Persia**  
**Invaded India**



# Key Battles

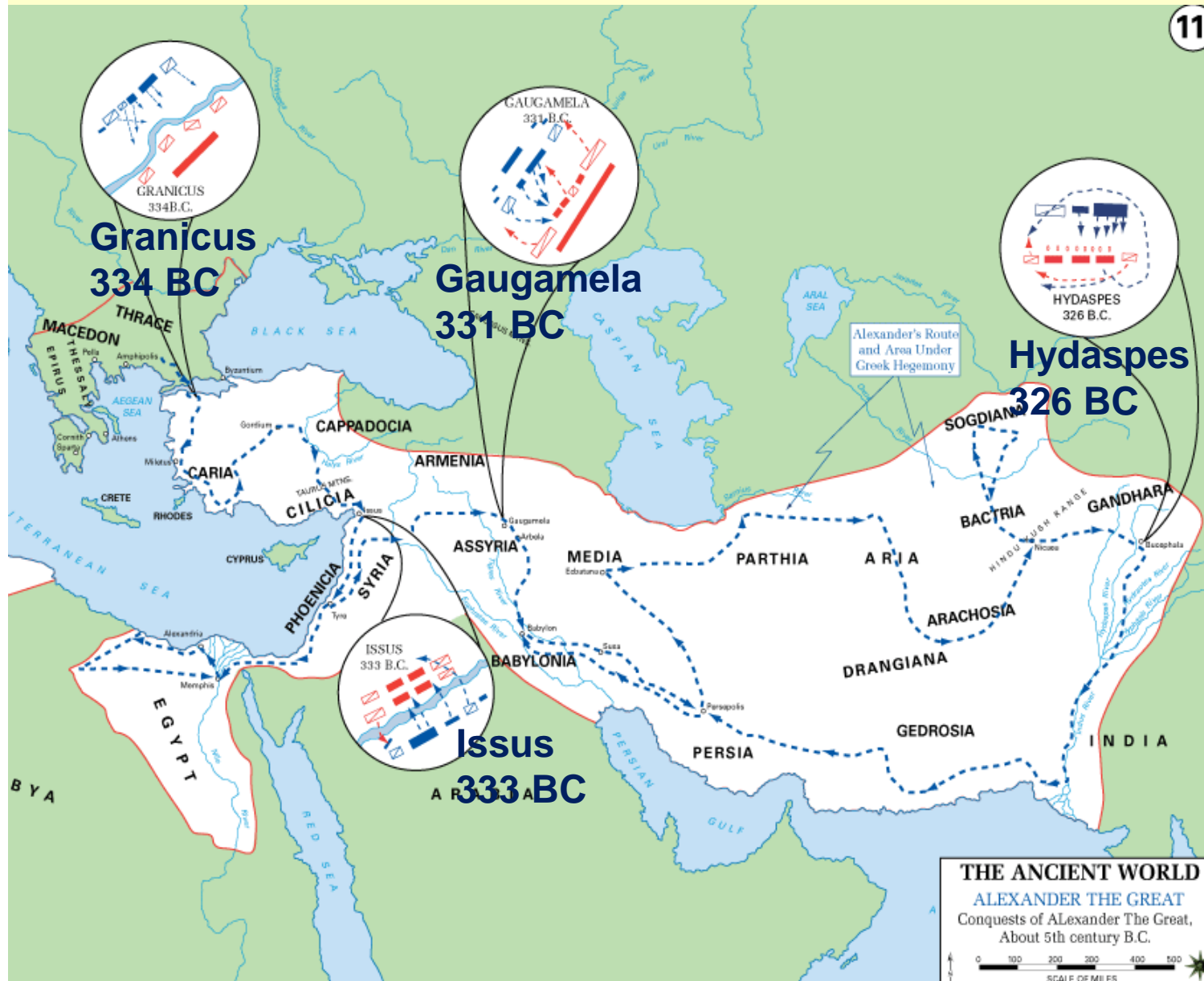
**Granicus**  
Conquers Asia Minor

**Issus**  
Darius flees, without wife, daughters, mother

**Gaugamela**  
Darius again flees, but taken prisoner and killed by kinsman

**Hydaspes**  
eastmost extent. Discipline and weapons defeat numbers and elephants

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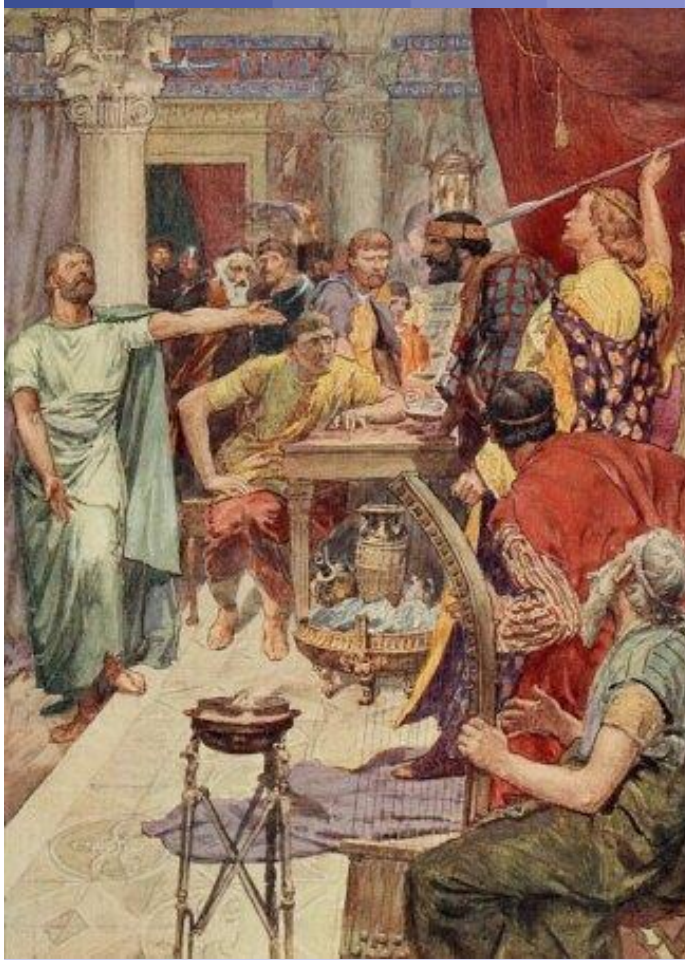




**Goes  
Native**

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**Dressing as  
a Persian  
330 BC**



**Killing of  
Friend  
328 BC**

**Mass  
Wedding  
324 BC**





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## **Death and remains of Alexander (323 BC)**



### **Palace of Nebuchadnezzar II Babylon**

**Body place in gold  
sarcophagus filled with  
honey, inside a gold casket.**

**Ptolemy stole and took it  
to Memphis.**

**Later to Alexandria where  
visited by Pompey, Julius  
Caesar and Augustus.**

**Whereabouts after 200 AD  
unknown (>140 search  
attempts)**

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## The Hellenistic Age (323-30 BC)

**Ptolemaic Kingdom**

From Ptolemy I to Cleopatra VII

**Seleucid Kingdom**

Defeated by Rome in 63 BC





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## The Hellenistic Age (323-30 BC)





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## **Revolt of the Maccabees**

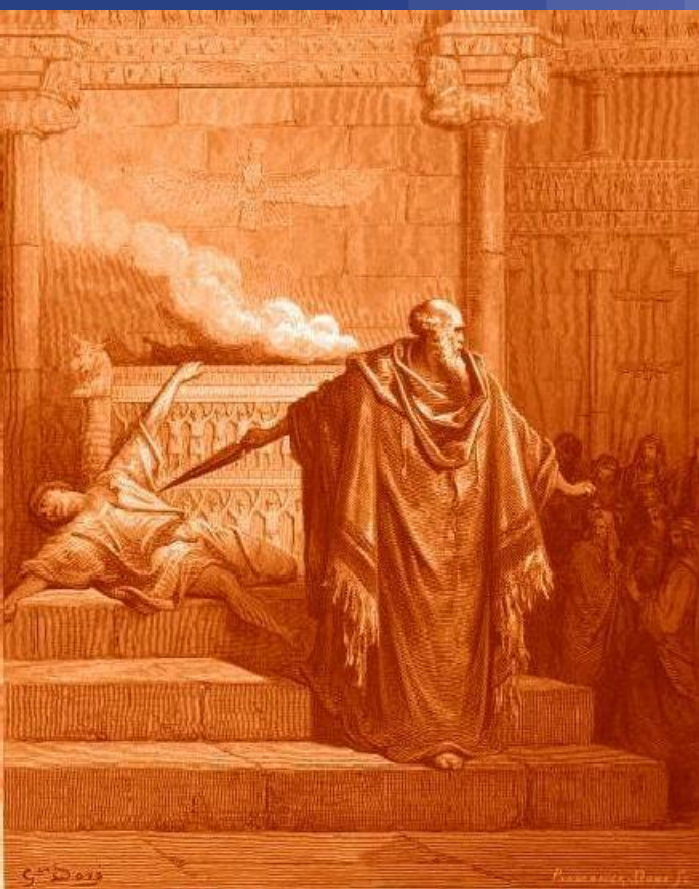
**An old priest Mattathias refuses to sacrifice to a Greek god.**

**When a Hellenistic Jew tries to comply, Mattathias kills him and Greek official.**

**His 5 sons take up arms against Seleucid troops.**

**When father dies, son Judah becomes leader.**

**Because of his great fighting ability, Judah was nicknamed Maccabeus, "The Hammer."**



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**Koine (common) Greek:**  
The language of the New Testament  
(Biblical/New Testament Greek)

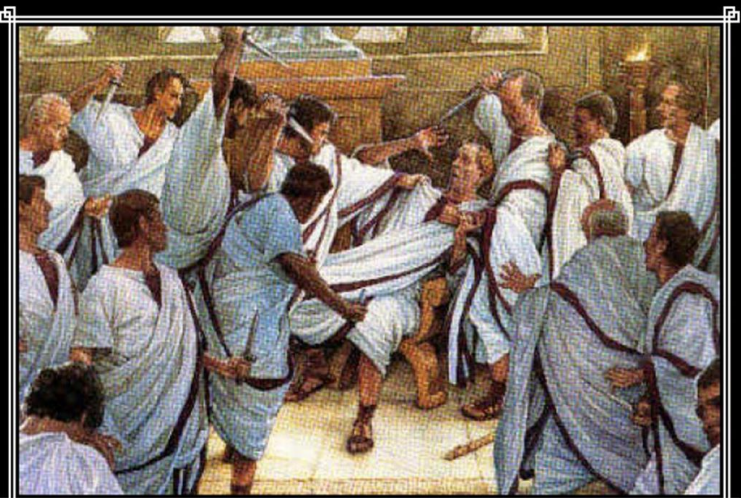
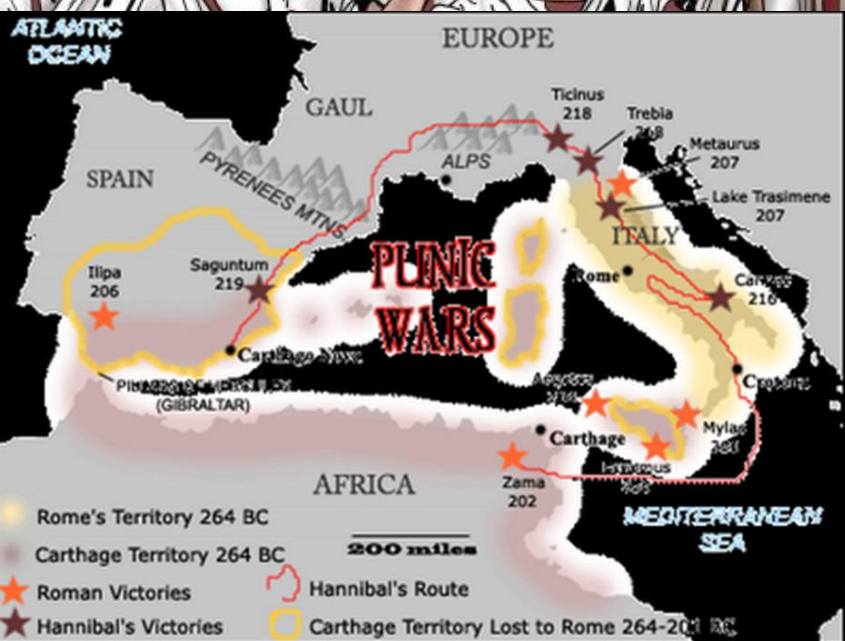


And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministrations.

- Acts 6:1 (KJV)



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