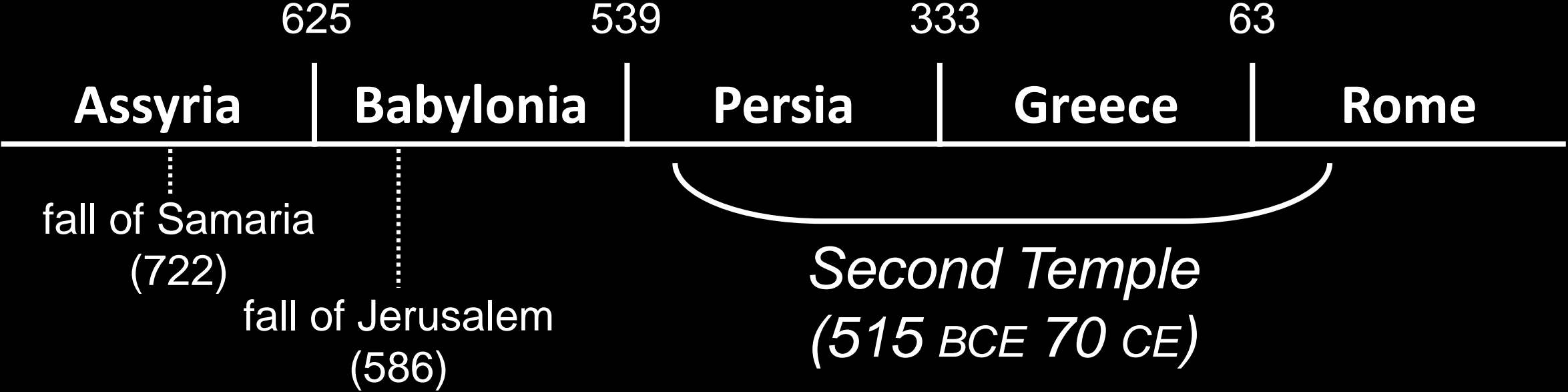


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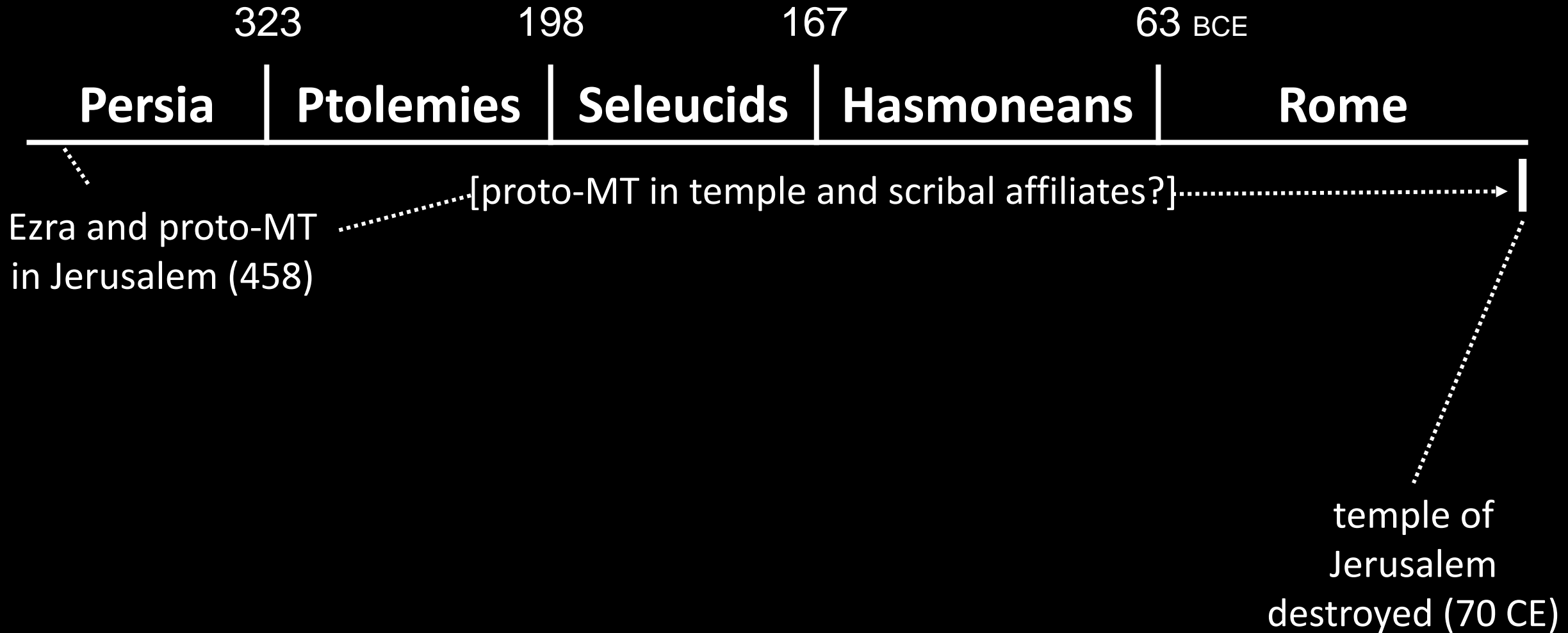
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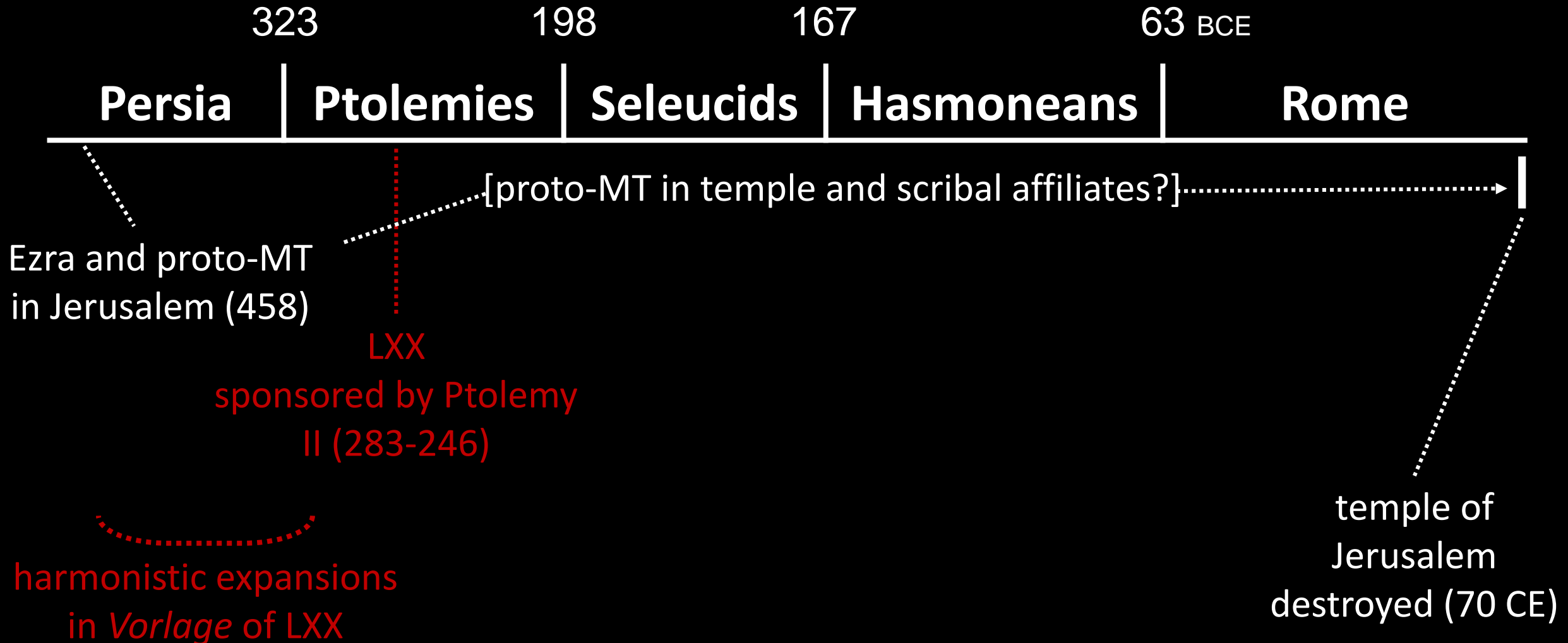
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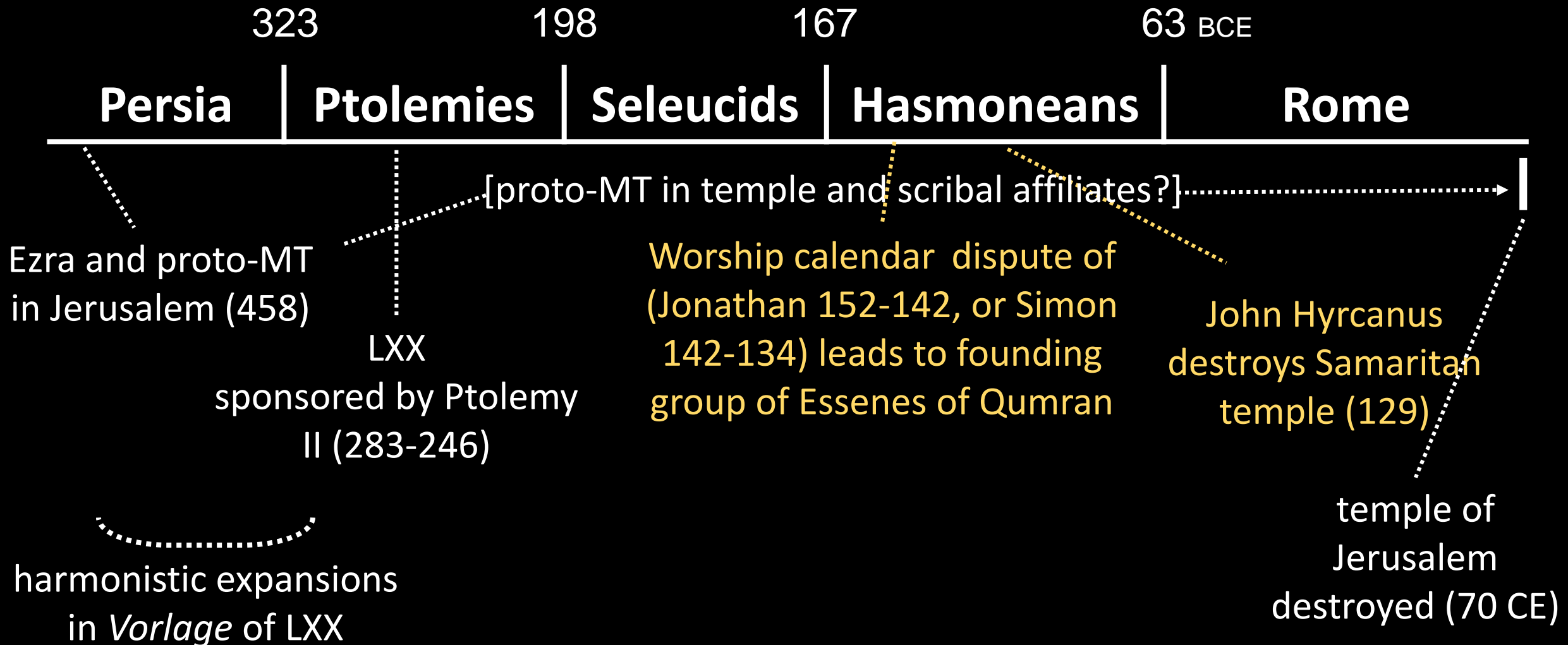
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LXX



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DSS

Bible

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63 BCE

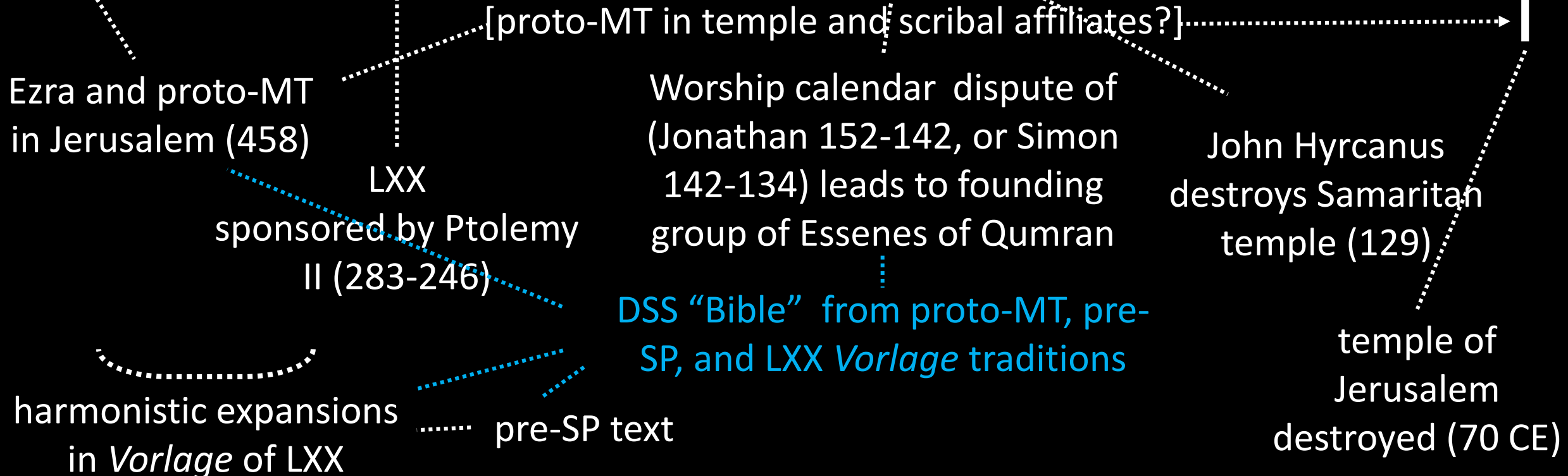
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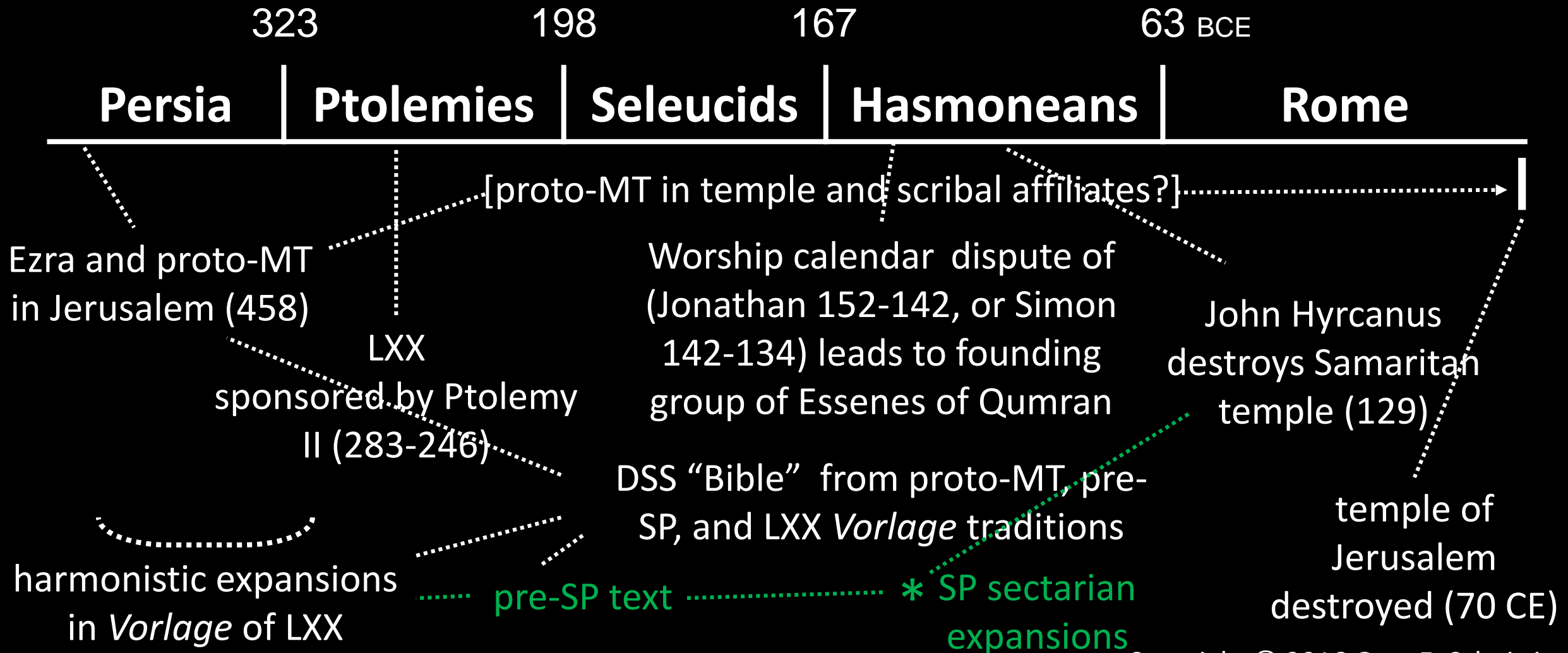
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SP



Proto-MT housed in temple and scribal affiliates (suggested though without evidence) by E. Tov 2012, 182 (and elsewhere); Further, Tov's assessment of the evidence suggests fluidity of textual traditions at Qumran and stable proto-MT like texts elsewhere in land (Tov 2012, 178-179) (in addition to LXX and SP) (E. Tov, *Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible*, 3d ed. [Fortress, 1992, 2001, 2012]; also see E. Tov, *Scribal Practices and Approaches Reflected in the Text Found in the Judean Desert* [Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2009])

Harmonistic expansions of text which became *Vorlage* of LXX (not all at once) pre-dates this use of text for SP revisions (SP sectarian elements more like a thin layer at a single time) (see Knoppers 2011, 522, 524) (G. Knoppers, "Parallel Torahs and Inner-Scriptural Interpretation: The Jewish and Samaritan Pentateuchs in Historical Perspective," in *The Pentateuch: International Perspectives on Current Research* [eds. T. B. Dozeman, K. Schmid, B. J. Schwatz; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2011], 508-531; also see Gary N. Knoppers, *Jews and Samaritans: The Origins and History of Their Early Relations* [Oxford University Press, 2013], chap 7; Molly M. Zahn, "The Samaritan Pentateuch and the Scribal Culture of Second Temple Judaism," *Journal for the Study of Judaism* 46 (2015): 285-313)

Origins of Qumran (VanderKam, e.g., *An Introduction to Early Judaism* [Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2001], chap 2, and elsewhere)