

generals said, I can't move to take over Alexander's empire, but if I could get a good portion of it. He said, There's Egypt that Alexander conquered. And Egypt is shut in by deserts and by the sea. It is very difficult to conquer Egypt. He said, Alexander has conquered Egypt; if I can grab Egypt none of them can take it from me without a tremendous amount of effort. So he grabbed Egypt. And he had these three generals, and ~~then two others~~ grabbed some territories and so for a period of 40 years we have 5 generals fighting. Alexander's young ~~brother~~ brother died and his son the baby did not live very long before it was killed in the course of the conflict. And in fact they killed all of Alexander's brothers so there was no one who had the ~~hereditary~~ hereditary right to take Alexander's place. But there were 5 generals fighting for 40 years, some of them trying to take over the whole empire Alexander ~~had~~ had. Others tried to hold as much of it ~~as~~ as they could. I have not come across any period when there were four kingdoms succeeding Alexander. In most of the Christian commentaries that you look at it will say that the four kingdoms that succeeded Alexander are the ~~following~~ remaining four. But I don't know any secular history that names these four kingdoms that succeeded Alexander. We have 5 generals who fought for a period of 40 years. And when the 40 yr. period was ended we have Ptolemy, one of his generals who had grabbed Egypt -- and down here in Egypt he has a very fine fertile wealthy area which he ruled -- and Ptolemy pretended to be the successor of the old Pharaohs of Egypt, even though he talked Greek, and his leading officers were all Greek, and he introduced Greek civilization in many regards, yet he carried on the forms of the old Pharaohs of Egypt and represented himself like them and his successors reigned in Egypt for over 300 years, longer than the Persian empire ^{and} the Babylonian empire put together. The successors of Ptolemy ruled Egypt until the ^{last of them} ~~wrath of~~ the Cleopatra is conquered by ^{Augustus} Caesar, and it ~~is~~ is made part of the Roman empire 300 years later. Now that is one of the ~~sections~~ ^{this} sections which you might say that great horn was broken and four notable horns come up in its place. Well certainly Egypt is one of them. And Egypt held Palestine, ^{or part of Syria} Syria/with all of Palestine for 100 years., it was held by Ptolemy. and was part of Ptolemy's realm. Now there was another of his generals - one named ^{Perdiccas} Perdiccas (?) had