

45TH ERA (300 – 251 BC): 45TH SIGN ORION “CAPTAIN OF HOST: FIGHTS TYRANNY”**STAR PROPHECY**

Orion is: (1) one who stands up against arrogant bullies; (2) a moral teacher; (3) a deliverer who fights for freedom of people to choose a future.

Orion lies north of ecliptic thus he is deemed to be righteous: divinely ordained to do his work.

Betelgeuse in the right shoulder: “Coming of The Branch”; **Rigel** in the left foot: “The Foot That Crushes”; **Bellatrix** in the left shoulder: “Quickly Coming”; **Saiph** in the right foot: “Bruised”.

In the belt: **Al Nitak**: “The Wounded”; **Al Rai**: “Bruised”; **Mintaka**: “Divided”.

The word **Orion** means “Light”. The dark sky which surrounds him heightens his brilliance.

The right foot of **Orion** steps on **Knot of Snakes**: “False Prophets Multiply”. The left foot of **Orion** steps on **Eridanis** “Judgment: River of Fire”.

Orion’s position is defensive: his sword wards off charging **Taurus** “Gentile Kings: Mighty Brutes”; behind **Orion** is **Canis Major** “Mighty Warrior Scorns All”. **Orion** resists military aggression and oppression! **Orion** is brave! **Orion’s** cause is righteous! **Orion** is gallant but he dies in the end.

HISTORICAL EVENTS

Carthage built her empire on trade. **Carthage** was pre-disposed to co-exist with a diversity of neighbors (righteous). **Rome’s** style was tyrannical: crush all neighbors by conquest (selfish arrogant brute).

Rome invaded neutral Sicily: **Carthage** rose in righteous defiance. **Rome** had greater resources, but **Carthage** had superior military leaders. **Rome** prevailed in the end, but **Carthage** fought brilliantly.

298 BC War for Macedonia: Greeks fighting Greeks

280 BC Gauls invade Macedonia

279 BC Gauls invade Anatolia

277 BC Antigonas defeats the Gauls

275 BC Antiochus defeats the Gauls

264 BC **1st Punic War**: Rome versus Carthage

260 BC Roman army invades Sicily

256 BC Roman army invades Africa

255 BC Roman defeats on sea and on land

254 BC Rome decides to rebuild its fleet (1st time)