49TH ERA (100 – 51 BC): 49TH SIGN GOOD SHEPHERD “PROMISED SEED”

STAR PROPHECY

Bootes pictures a shepherd standing upright with staff in the right hand and an upraised sickle in the left hand.

It is a large constellation with a bright star Arcturus, which means “He Comes”, in the left knee. In the head the star Nekkar means “The Pierced”. Other stars: Merga (sickle) “Who Bruises”, Mizar or Mirac (at the waist) “Guarding”, Muphride (left calf) “Who Separates”, and Al Katurops (in the tip of the staff) “The Branch”.

Bootes is very bright: Arcturus is a star of the 1st magnitude and there are 6 of the 3rd magnitude and 11 of the 4th magnitude.

The ancient name of the sign may have been Arcturus.

Speaking of God Job said “...he fastens the stars [in their place]. He alone spreads out the heavens; and treads on the waves of the sea; He made: Arcturus, Orion, the Pleiades, and the Chambers of the South” (Job 9:7-9)

HISTORICAL EVENTS

Rome became the Protector, the Shepherd, of Judea. Not only Judea: Pax Romana was spreading over the face of the earth by the might of the Roman army.

Julius Caesar was a ‘Branch’ type: the awaited son in a fabled dynastic line: a ‘Promised Seed’ even a ‘son of god’: who (it was believed) descended from the Trojan prince Aeneas and the goddess Venus.

95 BC Judean Civil War
90 BC Judean rebels massacred
74 BC Herod the Great is born
67 BC Hyrcanus II is King of Judea
63 BC Pompey tours the Holy of Holies
62 BC Judea is a vassal of Rome
60 BC Triumvirate: Pompey, Crassus, Caesar
55 BC Julius Caesar defeats the Germans
54 BC Julius Caesar invades Britain
53 BC Crassus dies; Pompey appointed Sole Consul