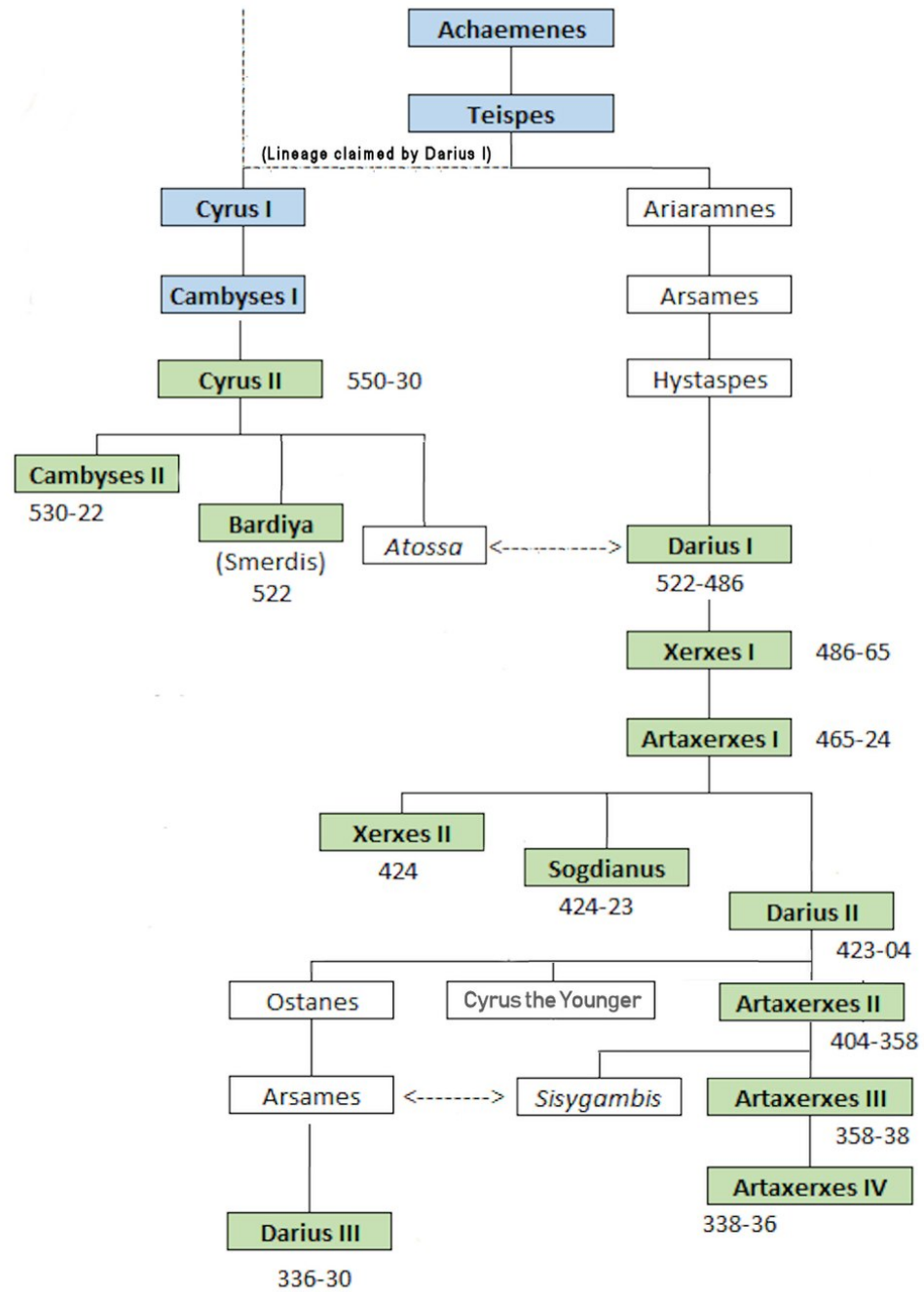


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Gold with horned lion-griffins, part of a belt ornament (?), 13.5 × 9.8 × 1.2 cm, 0.1 kg, c. 6th–4th century BCE / Metropolitan Museum, New York

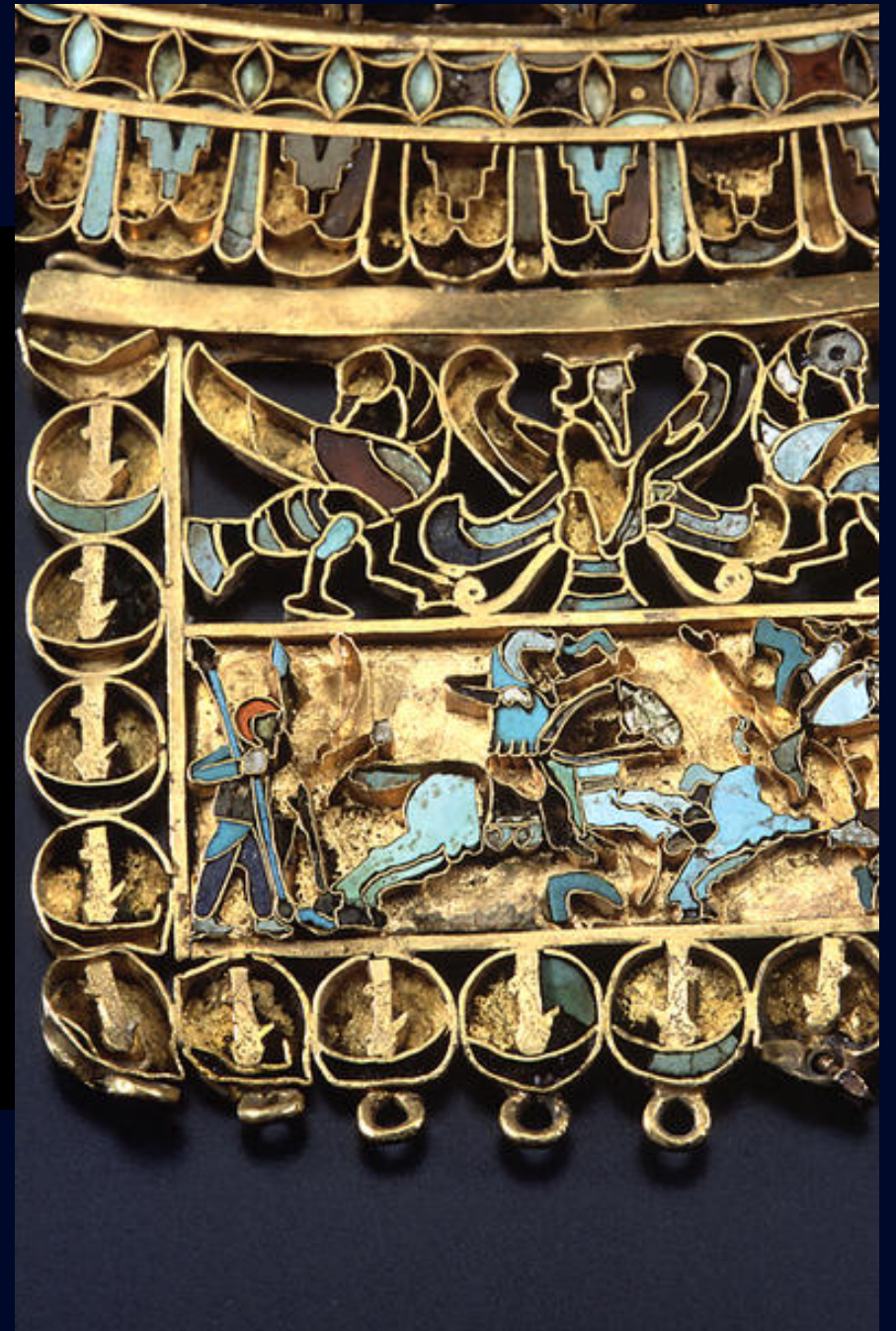


Vessel / Rhyton, 17 × 13.8 × 9.2 cm, 1 kg, c. 5th century BCE  
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Gold armband, from the Oxus Treasure /  
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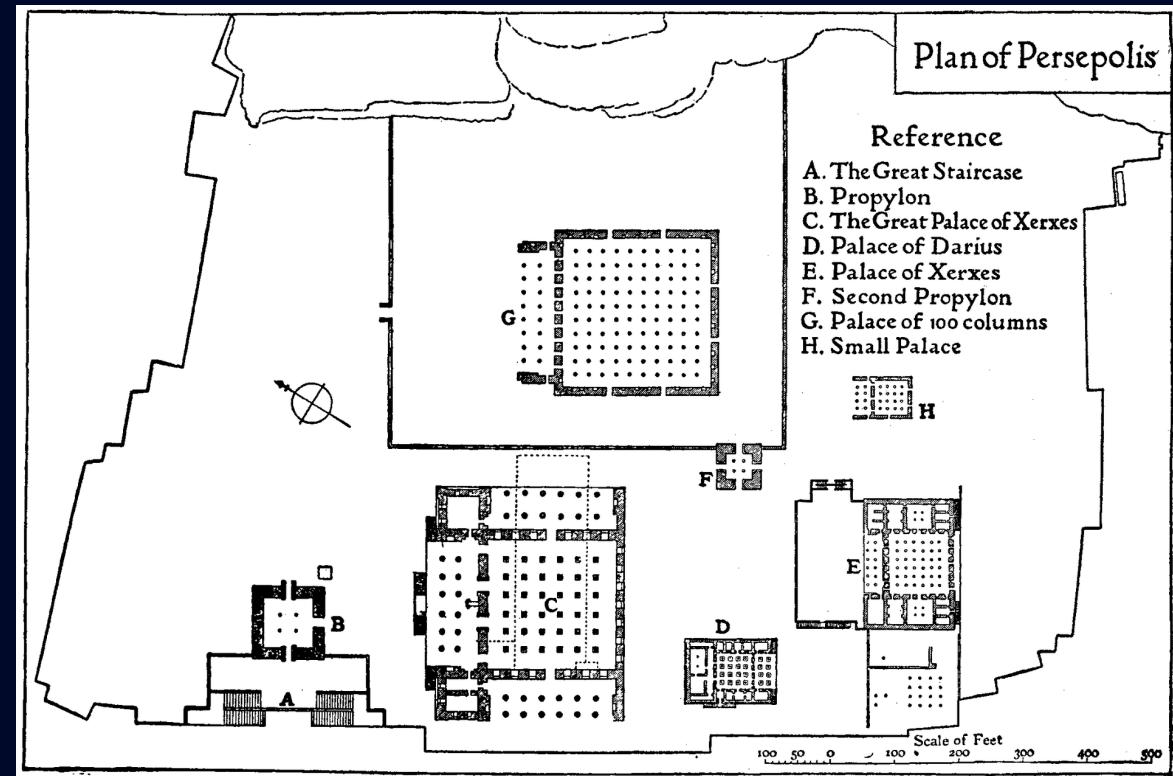
Gold dress ornaments, 6th-5th century BCE / Brooklyn Museum, New York



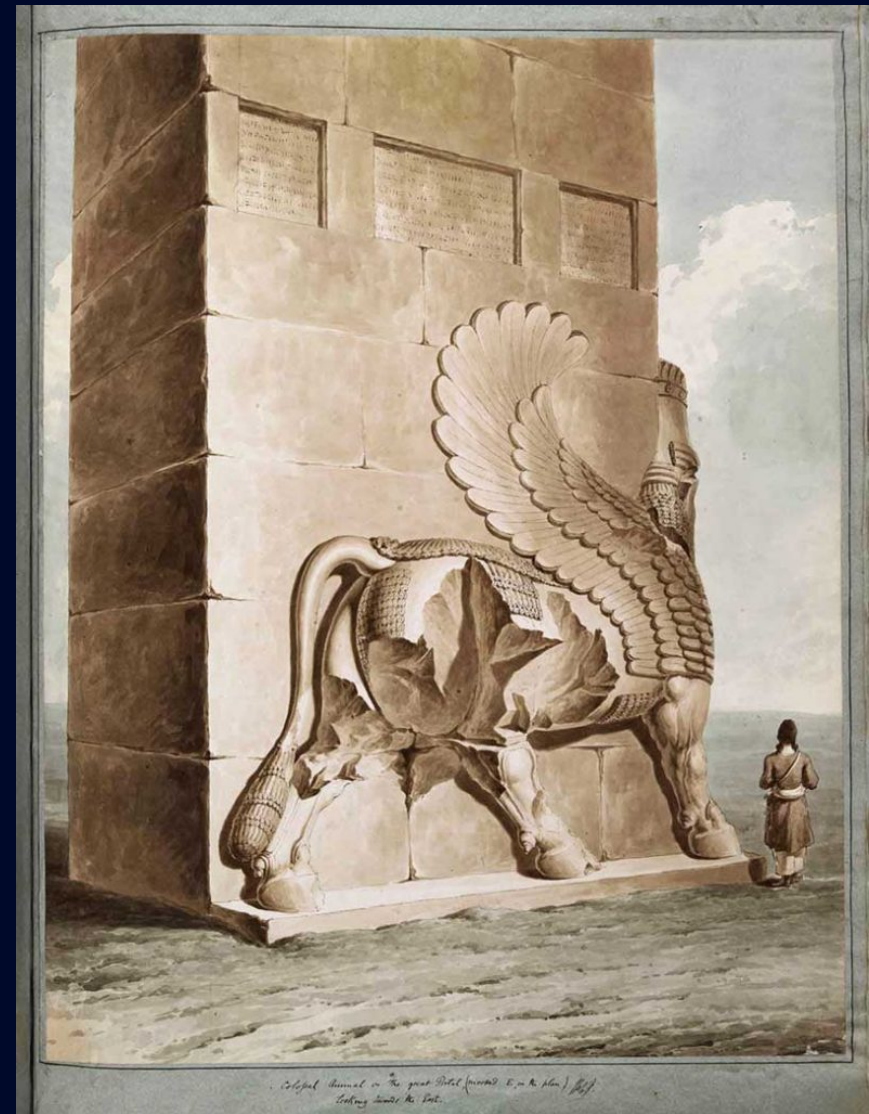
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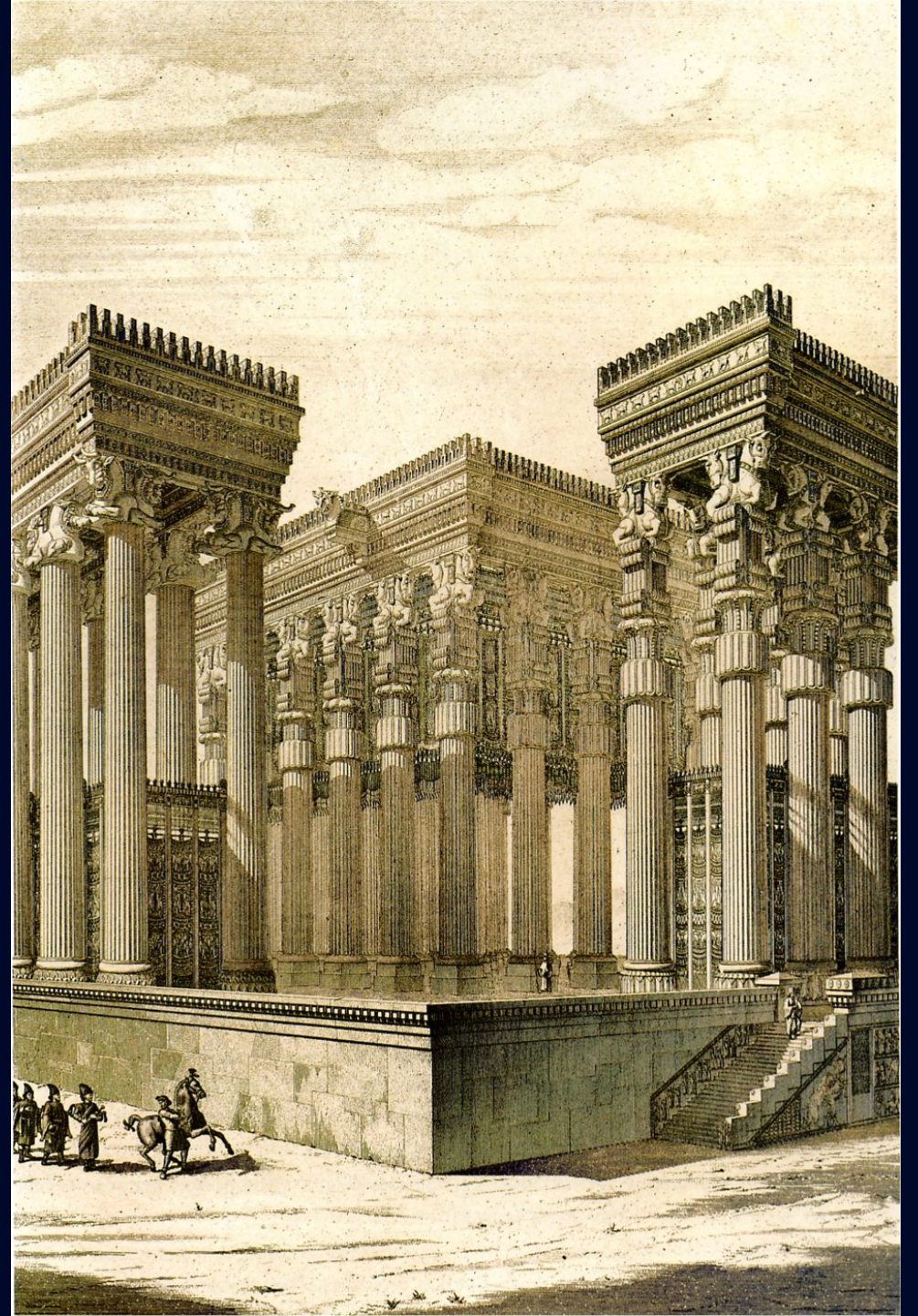


Tachara Palace, 5th century BCE





Fragment of a Wall Decoration from the Palace of Xerxes, gray limestone, 53x43,6 cm, 486-465 BCE, Persepolis / Cleveland Art Museum





Column from the Apadana of  
Susa / Musée du Louvre, Paris

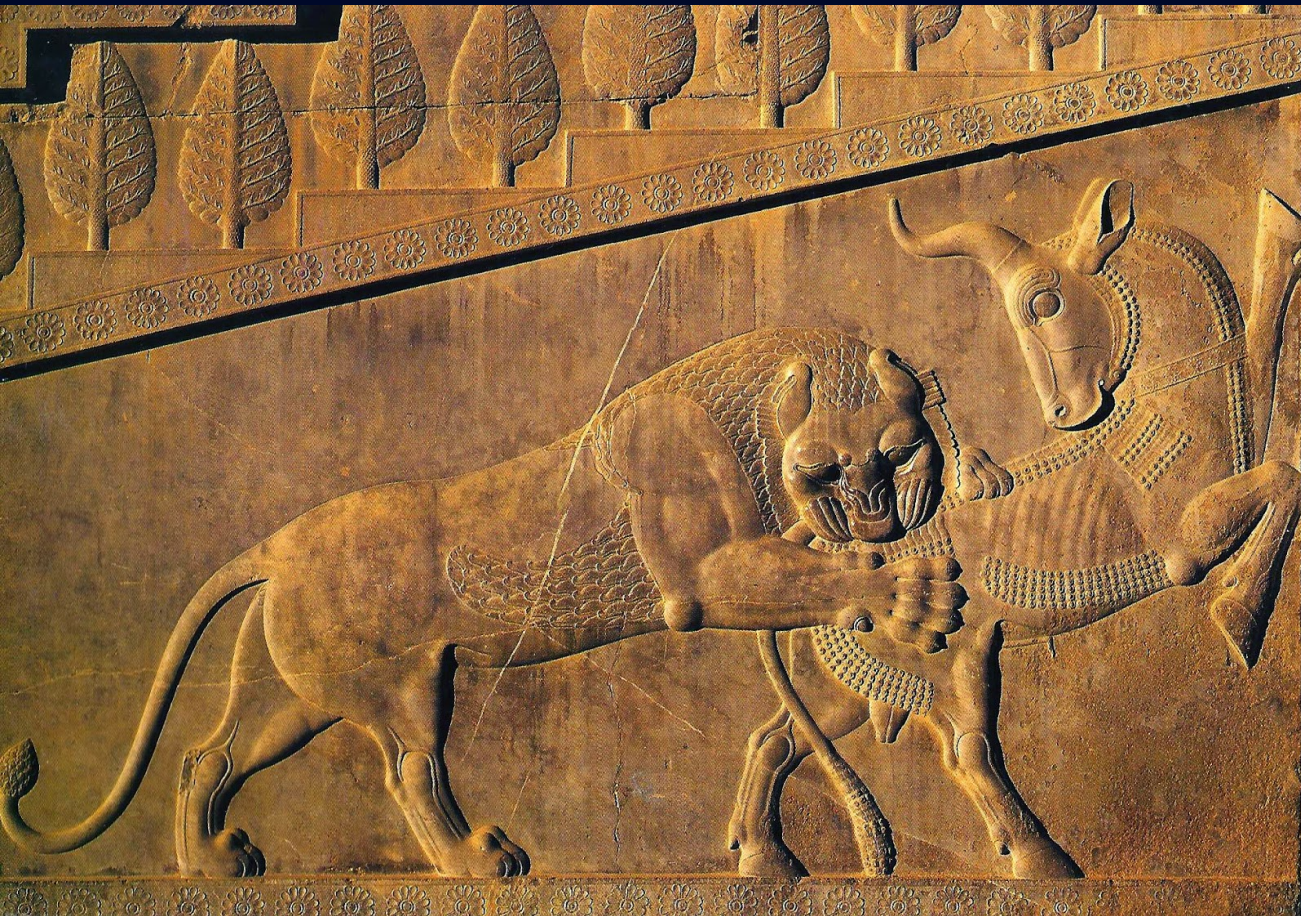




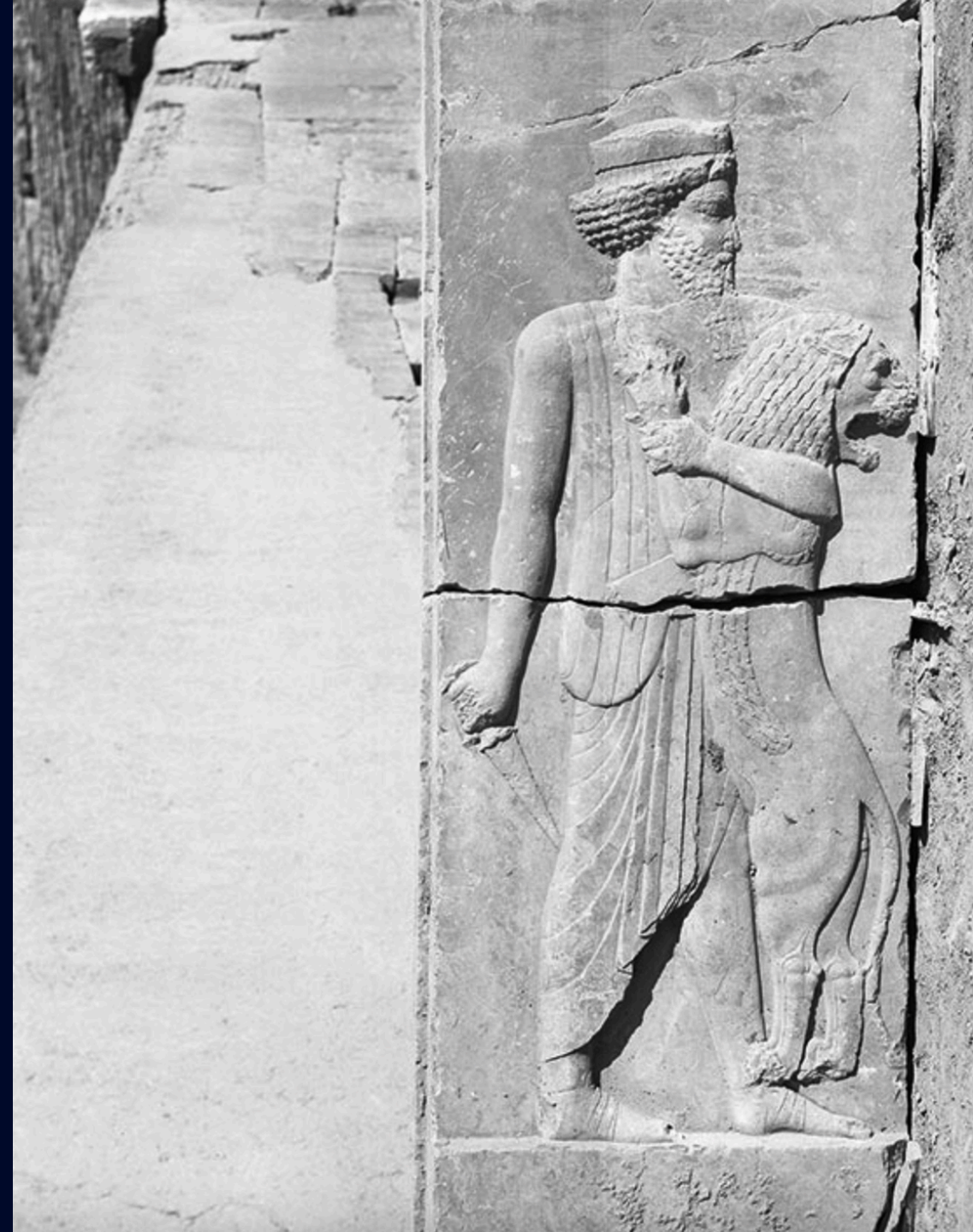
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Scythian gold belt buckle made of gold, found in Siberia, 5th-4th century BCE / Hermitage Museum, Saint Petersburg





Tomb of Cyrus I, 559–529 BC



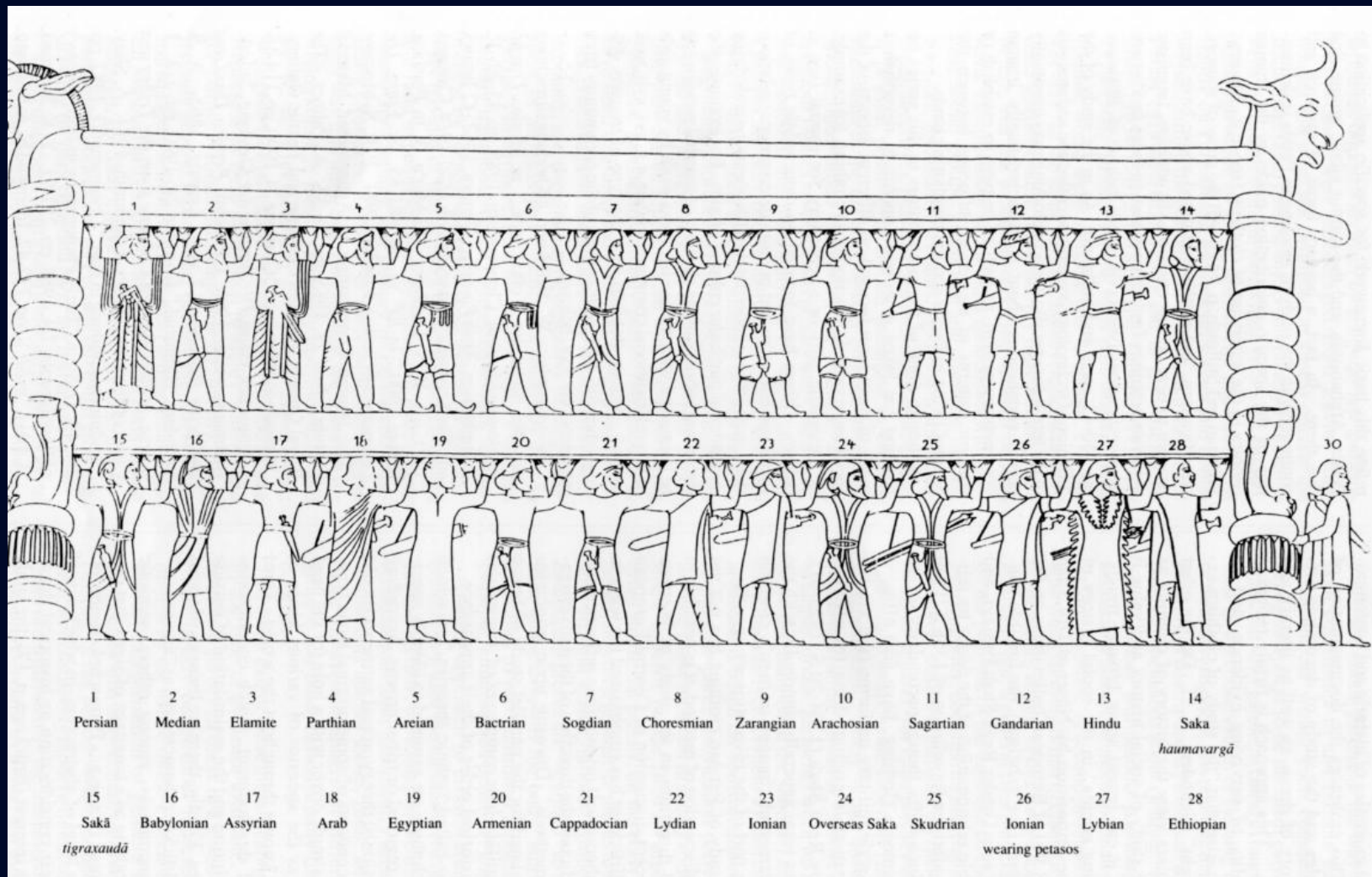
Necropolis of Naqsh-e Rostam, with the tombs  
of Darius II, Artaxerxes I, Darius I, Xerxes I,  
in use c. 550–330 BCE





Darius I









Tomb of Xerxes I at Naqsh-e Rostam,



Ka'ba-ye Zartosht, the “Kaaba of Zoroaster”, fire temple (?), mausoleum (?), treasury (?), sixth century CE





Sasanian relief with the triumph of Shapur I over the Roman emperors Valerian and Philip the Arab, c. 241–272 CE



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 480 - 479 B.C.  
 SCALE OF MILES  
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300, directed by Zack Snyder (2007)

Battle of Thermopylae, 480 BCE



Persian cylinder seal and modern impression, c. 550-486 BCE / Metropolitan Museum, New York



Greek hoplite and Persian warrior fighting on ancient kylix (cup), 5th c. BCE / National Archaeological Museum of Athens



Alexander Mosaic (Battle of Issus), House of the Faun, Pompeii, c. 100 BCE / Museo Archeologico Nazionale, Naples





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