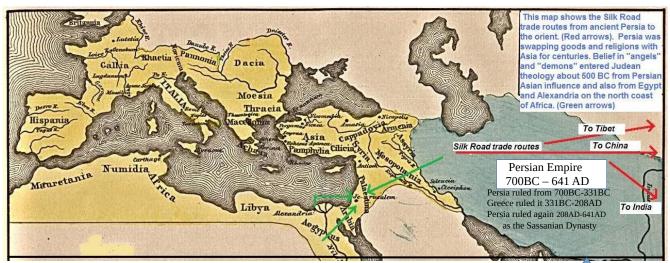
Sack The "Royal Roads" (c.6/500 BC) of Persia traveling eastward later became parts of the more developing "Silk Road" of China. History shows a Persian/Asian connection even before travel on these trade routes became known in Europe 130 BC.

"The beliefs of Zoroastrianism were spread across Asia via the <u>Silk Road</u>, a network of trading routes that spread from China to the Middle East and into Europe.---- Some scholars say that tenets of Zoroastrianism helped to shape the major Abrahamic religions —including Judaism, Christianity and Islam through the influence of the Persian Empire." (<u>Zoroastrianism</u>: History.com, Feb.18, 2018)

"--- the function of angels in Eastern religions was carried by avatars, bodhisattvas, and other such spiritual beings who were extensions of God or the sacred. In Hinduism the *asuras* (the Zoroastrian *ahuras*) are the demons who oppose the *devas* (the gods)." (*Britannica.com:* <u>Angel and Demon – In the religions of the East</u>)



Persia, shown above in the gray/blue area (right) is seen below in the lower left.

The below map is Eastern Persia and Asia along the Silk Road. Enlarge this page 300% for a closeup.

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