

# Bible History Notes

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# God's goal and plan

Goal: good creation. Corrupted. Plan: restore goal.	Gen 1:1-3:24
Plan implemented to reach goal.	Gen 4:1 - Rev 20:15
Creation fixed, goal achieved.	Rev 21:1-22:21

Creation corrupted	Plan after corruption: preserve access to Tree of Life.
Abraham	Base promises made to Abraham and his offspring.
Israel	Promises through Israel and his offspring.
Nation	People of Israel selected for service.
David	Plan centered on a king, an offspring of Abraham.
Jesus	Jesus is the king and fulfillment of the promises.
Church (times of Gentiles)	After the Great Commission and Pentecost
Judgment	End of this age
Goal	Plan accomplished: new heaven, earth and Jerusalem with access to the Tree of Life.

See:  
 Rom 8:19-26 ESV For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. [20] For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope [21] that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. [22] For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. [23] And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. [24] For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? [25] But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. [26] Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.

# Old Testament-New Testament

## Old Testament

Begins with

Good creation Gen 1:1-2:3

Creation corrupted by man Gen 2:4-3:24

Plan to fix through son of Abraham and David Gen 4-Mal 4

Ends with

Promise that Elijah comes before the day of the son of David Mal 4:5-6

## New Testament

Begins with

Birth of the son of David and of Abraham Mat 1-2

Coming of Elijah Mat 3, 11:14, 17:11-12 Mar 9:12-13

Ends with

New creation Rev 21-22

## Abraham's descendants

Good creation, man failed and declined Gen 1-11

Abraham and descendants Gen 12 - Rev 20

David, son of Abraham

Jesus, son of David, son of Abraham

Descendants of Abraham

New creation Rev 21-22

# Creation and Revelation

## Creation

(Genesis 1-3)

- God created the heaven and earth  
Gen 1:1 ESV In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.  
Gen 1:6-8 ESV And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." [7] And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. [8] And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.
- Creation was good Gen 1:31 ESV And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.
- Man corrupted creation and death began Gen 3:19 ESV By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

## Revelation

(Revelation 21-22)

- God will create a new heaven and earth Rev 21:1 ESV Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.
- No more corrupted creation or death Rev 21:4 ESV He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

- Man separated from God, the way to the tree of life guarded Gen 3:24 ESV He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.
- God will dwell with man Rev 21:2-3 ESV And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. [3] And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.
- Tree of life will be available Rev 2:7 ESV He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.'
- Rev 22:2 ESV through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.
- Rev 22:14 ESV Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.

# Biblical focusing

## Narrowing of focus

Heavens and earth/Universe	Gen 1:1
Earth	Gen 1:2-2:3
Mankind	Gen 2:4-4:26
Adam	Gen 5:1-6:8
Noah	Gen 6:9-11:9
Abraham	Gen 12:1
Israel (Jacob)	Gen 27:5
David	2Sa 7:8-17 - Mal 4:6
Jesus	Mat 1:1 - John 21:25
Church (times of Gentiles)	Act 1:1 - Rev 20:15 Luk 21:24 Rom 11:25
New heavens and earth	Rev 21:1-22:21

# Narrowing by lines of descent

Gen 1:1	Creation of entire universe
Gen 1:2-2:3	Creation of earth
Gen 2:4-4:26	Generations of heavens and earth ( <b>focus</b> on man)
Gen 5:1-6:8	Generations of Adam
Gen 6:9-9:29	Generations of Noah
Gen 10:1-11:9	Generations of the sons of Noah
Gen 11:10-26	Generations of Shem
Gen 11:27-25:11	Generations of Tera
Gen 12:1	Abraham called out ( <b>focus</b> on Abraham)
Gen 25:12-18	Generations of Ishmael (not focus)
Gen 25:19-35:29	Generations of Isaac
Gen 36:1-43	Generations of Esau (not focus)
Gen 37:1-50:26	Generations of Jacob. ( <b>focus</b> on people of Israel)
Gen 49:10	Judah will always have the scepter
Exo 1:1-Deu 34:12	Exodus and new nation
Jos 1:1-24:33	Promised land delivered
Jdg 1:1-21:25	Israel before Saul and monarchy
1Sa 10:1	Saul anointed as king
1Sa 16:1	David chosen as king
2Sa 7:11c-14	Descendants of David ( <b>focus</b> )
Mat-Joh	Jesus, son of David, son of Abraham ( <b>focus</b> )
Act-Rev	Brothers and sisters of Jesus, children of Abraham - all who trust Jesus are descendants of Abraham ( <b>focus</b> )

## Promises and covenants

### Old Testament promises to people

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| Eve  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jesus will defeat Satan Gen 3:15 ESV I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."</li></ul> |
| Adam | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dominion over animals Gen 1:26 ESV Then God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the</li></ul>          |

heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

- Plants for food Gen 1:29-30 ESV And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. [30] And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.
- Access to tree of life guarded Gen 3:24 ESV He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

Noah

- Fear of man in animals Gen 9:2 ESV The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the heavens, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered.
- Plants and animals for food Gen 9:3 ESV Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything.
- Covenant not to destroy life by flood Gen 9:9-17 ESV "Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, [10] and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. [11] I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." [12] And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: [13] I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. [14] When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, [15] I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. [16] When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." [17] God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

## Abraham

- Great nation and all people blessed Gen 12:2-3 ESV And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. [3] I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." [Gal 3:8 Paul cites the last portion of verse 3.]
- Descendants will get land of Canaan Gen 12:7 ESV Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.
- Abraham and descendants will get land forever Gen 13:15 ESV for all the land that you see I will give to you and to your offspring forever.
- Descendants will multiply Gen 13:16 ESV I will make your offspring as the dust of the earth, so that if one can count the dust of the earth, your offspring also can be counted.
- Descendants like stars. Abraham's faith counted as righteousness. Gen 15:5-6 ESV And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." [6] And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.
- Descendants gets defined land Gen 15:18 ESV On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,
- Covenant with Abraham, father of multitude of nations, nations and kings will come from Abraham, everlasting covenant with Abraham and descendants Gen 17:2-8 ESV that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." [3] Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, [4] "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. [5] No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. [6] I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. [7] And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. [8] And I will give to you and to your offspring after you the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God." [Gal 3:16-17 Paul cites the covenant in 7.]

- All nations will bless themselves by Abraham and Yahweh will do the promises Gen 18:18-19 ESV seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? [19] For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him."
- Abraham's descendants will be numerous and will prevail. All nations will bless themselves by descendants. Gen 22:17-18 ESV I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, [18] and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice." [Acts 3:22-26 Peter, when speaking to the "men of Israel" cites 18.]

Isaac

- Everlasting covenant with Isaac and descendants Gen 17:19 ESV God said, "No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his offspring after him.
- Abraham's descendants through Isaac Gen 21:12 ESV But God said to Abraham, "Be not displeased because of the boy and because of your slave woman. Whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for through Isaac shall your offspring be named.
- Descendants will get the land. Yahweh will fulfill his promises to Abraham. All nations will bless themselves by descendants. Gen 26:3-4 ESV Sojourn in this land, and I will be with you and will bless you, for to you and to your offspring I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath that I swore to Abraham your father. [4] I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and will give to your offspring all these lands. And in your offspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed

Jacob

- Yahweh is the God of Abraham and Isaac. Descendants will get the land. All nations bless themselves by him and descendants. Gen 28:13-15 ESV And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. [14] Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be

blessed. [15] Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

- Name changed to Israel and promise of land Gen 35:9-12 ESV God appeared to Jacob again, when he came from Paddan-aram, and blessed him. [10] And God said to him, "Your name is Jacob; no longer shall your name be called Jacob, but Israel shall be your name." So he called his name Israel. [11] And God said to him, "I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply. A nation and a company of nations shall come from you, and kings shall come from your own body. [12] The land that I gave to Abraham and Isaac I will give to you, and I will give the land to your offspring after you."
- Make a great nation in Egypt Gen 46:3-4 ESV Then he said, "I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for there I will make you into a great nation. [4] I myself will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you up again, and Joseph's hand shall close your eyes."

Judah

- Kingship passed to Judah, the fourth born. Gen 49:9-10 ASV Judah is a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, thou art gone up: He stooped down, he couched as a lion, And as a lioness; who shall rouse him up? [10] The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, Nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, Until Shiloh come: And unto him shall the obedience of the peoples be.

Moses

- God remembered his promises to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Exo 2:24 ESV And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.
- God giving the land that he swore to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Deu 1:8 ESV See, I have set the land before you. Go in and take possession of the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give to them and to their offspring after them.'  
Deu 6:10 ESV "And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you--with great and good cities that you did not build  
Deu 11:21 ESV that your days and the days of your children may be multiplied in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers to give them, as long as the heavens are above the earth.  
Deu 19:7-10 ESV Therefore I command you, You shall set apart three cities. [8] And if the LORD your God enlarges

your territory, as he has sworn to your fathers, and gives you all the land that he promised to give to your fathers-- [9] provided you are careful to keep all this commandment, which I command you today, by loving the LORD your God and by walking ever in his ways--then you shall add three other cities to these three, [10] lest innocent blood be shed in your land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance, and so the guilt of bloodshed be upon you.

- Joshua
- Get land sworn to their fathers Jos 1:6 ESV Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them.
- David
- Descendant will be on the throne forever 2Sa 7:12-16 ESV When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. [13] He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. [14] I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, [15] but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. [16] And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever."

## New Testament references

- Mat
- Mat 1:21-23 ESV She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." [22] All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: [23] "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).
- Luke
- Luk 1:30-33 ESV And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. [31] And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. [32] He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, [33] and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."
- Luk 1:67-75 ESV And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying, [68] "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people [69] and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant

David, [70] as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, [71] that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; [72] to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, [73] the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us [74] that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, [75] in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

Romans

Rom 4:13-25 ESV For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. [14] For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. [15] For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. [16] That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring--not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, [17] as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"--in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. [18] In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." [19] He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. [20] No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, [21] fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. [22] That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." [23] But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, [24] but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, [25] who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Rom 9:4-8 ESV They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. [5] To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen. [6] But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, [7] and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." [8] This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring.

- Galatians Gal 3:16-18 ESV Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. [17] This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. [18] For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise. [Gen 17:7-8 which Paul cites in 16.] Gal 3:26 ESV for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.
- Gal 3:29 ESV And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.
- Hebrews Heb 11:1-40 ESV Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. [2] For by it the people of old received their commendation. [3] By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. ... [6] And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ... [13] These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ... [40] since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

## Old Testament eras and events

### Old Testament eras ?-420 BC

Pre-patriarchal	?-2100	Genesis 1:1-11:26
Patriarchal	2100-1800	Genesis 11:27-50:26
Egyptian/Exodus	1800-1406	Exodus 1:1-Deuteronomy 34:12
Conquest/Judges	1406-1050	Joshua 1:1-1 Samuel 10:1
United monarchy	1050-931	1 Samuel 10:1-1 Kings 12:15
Divided monarchy to Jehu	931-841	1 Kings 12:15-2 Kings 9:27
Divided monarchy to fall of Israel	841-722	2 Kings 9:27-16:6
Kingdom of Judah to fall of Judah	722-586	2 Kings 16:6-25:26
Babylonian exile and postexile	586-420	2 Kings 25:26-30; Ezra; Nehemiah

# The Patriarchs 2296-1806 BC

Birth of Terah	2296
Birth of Abram	2166
Abram's departure from Haran	2091
Abram's marriage to Hagar	2081
Birth of Ishmael	2080
Reaffirmation of the covenant	2067
Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah	2067
Birth of Isaac	2066
Death of Sarah	2029
Marriage of Isaac	2026
Birth of Jacob and Esau	2006
Death of Abraham	1991
Marriage of Esau	1966
Death of Ishmael	1943
Jacob's journey to Haran	1930
Jacob's marriages	1923
Birth of Judah	1919
End of Jacob's fourteen-year labor for his wives	1916
Birth of Joseph	1916
End of Jacob's stay with Laban	1910
Jacob's arrival at Shechem	1910
Marriage of Judah	1900
Selling of Joseph	1899
Joseph imprisoned	1889
Joseph released	1886
Death of Isaac	1886
Beginning of famine	1879
Brothers' first visit to Egypt	1878
Judah's incest with Tamar	1877
Brothers' second visit to Egypt	1877
Jacob's descent to Egypt	1876
Death of Jacob	1859
Death of Joseph	1806

# Judges of Israel 1360-1084 BC

<b>Oppressors</b>	<b>Judge</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Mesopotamians (1360-1352)	Othniel (1352-1313)	Judges 3:8-11
Moabites (1300-1284)	Ehud (1284-1204)	Judges 3:12-30
Philistines (?)	Shamgar (?)	Judges 3:31
Canaanites (1260-1240)	Deborah (1240-1201)	Judges 4-5
Midianites (1201-1194)	Gideon (1194-1155)	Judges 6-8
?	Tola (1152-1131)	Judges 10:1-2
?	Jair (1131-1107)	Judges 10:3-5
Ammonites (1124-1106)	Jephthah (1106-1100)	Judges 10:6-12:7
?	Ibzan (1083-1076)	Judges 12:8-10
?	Elon (1076-1066)	Judges 12:11-12
?	Abdon (1066-1058)	Judges 12:13-15
Philistines (1124-1084)	Samson (1105-1085)	Judges 13-16

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# Life of David 1041-941 BC

The birth of David	1041
The anointing of David by Samuel	ca. 1029
David's exile from Saul	ca. 1020-1011
David anointed king over Judah	1011
David anointed king over Israel / conquest of Jerusalem	1004
The great famine	ca. 996-993
The Ammonite wars	ca. 993-990
The adultery with Bathsheba	ca. 992
The birth of Solomon	ca. 991
The rape of Tamar	ca. 987
The death of Amnon	ca. 985
The exile of Absalom	ca. 985-982
The building of David's palace	ca. 979
The building of the tabernacle and the moving of the ark	ca. 977
The rebellion of Absalom and exile of David	ca. 976
The census	ca. 975
The coregency of Solomon	ca. 973-971
The coronation of Solomon and death of David	971

# Kings of Divided Monarchy 931-586 BC

## Israel

Jeroboam	931-910
Nadab	910-909
Baasha	909-886
Elah	886-885
Zimri <small>(interregnum)</small>	885 (7 days)
Omri	885-874
Ahab	874-853
Ahaziah	853-852
Joram	852-841
Jehu	841-814
Jehoahaz	814-798
Jehoash	798-782
Jeroboam II	793-753
Zechariah	753
Shallum	752
Menahem	752-742
Pekahiah	742-740
Pekah	752-732
Hoshea	732-722

## Judah

Rehoboam	931-913
Abijah	913-911
Asa	911-870
Jehoshaphat	873-848
Jehoram	848-841
Ahaziah	841
Athaliah <small>(interregnum)</small>	841-835
Joash	835-796
Amaziah	796-767
Uzziah	792-740
Jotham	750-731
Ahaz	735-715
Hezekiah	729-686
Manasseh	696-642
Amon	642-640
Josiah	640-609
Jehoahaz	609
Jehoiakim	608-598
Jehoiachin	598-597
Zedekiah	597-586

# **Kings of Israel (North) 931-722 BC**

## **Dynasties**

Jeroboam I	931-909
Nadab	909-908
Baasha (usurper)	908-885
Elah	885-884
Zimri (usurper)	885 (7 days)
Tibni	885-880
[Civil Unrest]	885-880
Omri	880-874
Ahab	874-853
Ahaziah (eldest son of Ahab)	853-852
Joram (second son of Ahab)	852-841
Jehu (usurper, anointed by God)	841-814
Jehoahaz	814-798
Jehoash	798-782
[Coregency with Jeroboam II]	793-782
Jeroboam II	782-753
Zechariah	753-752 (6 months)
Shallum (usurper)	752 (1 month)
Menahem (usurper)	752-742
Pekahiah	742-140
Pekah (usurper)	740-732
Hoshea (usurper)	732-722

# **Kings of Judah (South) 930-587 BC**

## **Davidic Dynasty**

Rehoboam	930-913
Abijah	913-910
Asa	910-869
[Coregency with Jehoshaphat]	872-869
Jehoshaphat	869-848
[Coregency with Jehoram]	853-848
Jehoram	848-841
Ahaziah	841
Athaliah (Ahaziah's mother/daughter of Ahab)	841-835
Joash	835-796
Amaziah	796-767
[Coregency with Uzziah]	792-767
Azariah/Uzziah	767-740
[Coregency with Jotham]	750-740
Jotham	740-731
[Coregency with Ahaz]	735-731
Ahaz	731-715
Hezekiah	715-687
[Coregency with Manasseh]	697-687
Manasseh	687-642
Amon	642-640
Josiah	640-609
Jehoahaz	609 (3 months)
Jehoiakim	609-598
Jehoiachin	598-597 (3 months)
Zedekiah	597-587

## Dates of the Prophets 800-430 BC

Joel	800 (?)
Amos	760-750
Hosea	750-725
Jonah	750
Isaiah	740-687
Micah	701
Zephaniah	630-620
Jeremiah	627-587
Nahum	612
Habakkuk	610-600
Ezekiel	593-571
Obadiah	587
Haggai	520
Zechariah	520
Malachi	430

# Twelve Prophets Summaries

## Sin

Hosea	Israel's general spiritual adultery
Joel	Israel's sin, plus the nations' general wickedness
Amos	The specific sins of Israel and the nations
Obadiah	Edom's hatred of Israel
Jonah	Israel's hatred of Assyria
Micah	The solution for sin

## Punishment

Nahum:	Assyria's punishment
Habakkuk	Israel and Babylon's punishment
Zephaniah	Punishment of all nations

## Restoration

Haggai	Restoration of the temple
Zechariah	Restoration of Jerusalem and the nations
Malachi	Restoration of the Jewish people

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# Major Old Testament Events 2100-425 BC

Lives of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph	2100-1700
Egyptian Period	1800-1450 (1290)
The Exodus	1446 (1290)
Wilderness Wandering	1446-1406 (1290-1250)
Period of the Judges	1406 (1250) -1050
The United Kingdom	1050-930
The Divided Kingdom	930-722
Fall of Northern Israel	722
The Kingdom of Judah	722-587
The Fall of Jerusalem	587
The Exile	587-538
Return to Israel	538-535
Temple Rebuilt	517
Careers of Ezra and Nehemiah	c. 458-425

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## **Major Postexilic Events** 539-432 BC

Persia conquers Babylon	539
Cyrus' decree	538
First exiles return to Jerusalem	538-535
Temple rebuilt	520-517
Esther's era	487-465
Ezra's return	458
Nehemiah's first governorship	445-432

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## **Other eras and events**

### **Bronze age sequence** 3000-1200 BC

Early Bronze	3000-2000
Early Bronze I	3000-2800
Early Bronze II	2800-2500
Early Bronze III	2500-2200
Early Bronze IV	2200-2000
Middle Bronze	2000-1550
Middle Bronze I	2000-1900
Middle Bronze II	1900-1550
Late Bronze	1550-1200
Late Bronze I	1550-1400
Late Bronze II	1400-1200

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# Egyptian Dynasties

## **Dynasty 12 of Egypt** 1991-1786 BC

Ammenemes I	1991-1962
Sesostris I	1971-1928
Ammenemes II	1929-1895
Sesostris II	1897-1878
Sesostris III	1878-1843
Ammenemes II 1	1842-1797
Ammenemes IV	1798-1790
Sobkneferu	1789-1786

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## **Dynasty 18 of Egypt** 1570-1320 BC

Amosis	1570-1546
Amenhotep I	1546-1526
Thutmose I	1526-1512
Thutmose II	1512-1504
Hatshepsut	1503-1483
Thutmose III	1504-1450
Amenhotep II	1450-1425
Thutmose IV	1425-1417
Amenhotep II 1	1417-1379
Amenhotep [V (Ikhnaton)]	1379-1362
Smenkhkare	1364-1361
Tutankhamon	1361-1352
Ay	1352-1348
Horemheb	1348-1320

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## **Dynasty 19 of Egypt** 1320-1223 BC

Rameses I	1320-1318
Seti I	1318-1304
Rameses II	1304-1236
Merneptah	1236-1223

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## **Neo-Assyrian Kings** 911-609 BC

Adad-nirari II	911-891
Tukulti-Ninurta II	890-884
Assur-nasirpal II	883-859
Shalmaneser III	858-824
Shamshi-Adad V	823-811
Adad-nirari III	810-783
Shalmaneser IV	782-773
Assur-dan III	772-755
Assur-nirari V	754-745
Tiglath-pileser III	745-727
Shalmaneser V	727-722
Sargon II	722-705
Sennacherib	705-681
Esarhaddon	681-669
Ashurbanipal	668-627
Ashur-etil-ilani	627-623
Sin-sum-lisir	623
Sin-sar-iskun	623-612
Assur-uballit II	612-609

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## Neo-Babylonian kings 626-539 BC

Name	Dates	Significant Events
Nabopolassar	626-605	Chaldean chieftan who seized Babylon in 626; established an alliance with Cyaxeres the Mede; conquered Nineveh in 612.
Nebuchadnezzar	605-562	Defeated Egypt at Battle of Carchemish in 605; three times came to Jerusalem (605/598/587); twice besieged Jerusalem (598/97; 587/86).
Evil Merodach (Amel-marduk)	562-560	Son of Nebuchadnezzar; freed Jehoiachim, king of Judah (2 Kg 25:27-30).
Neriglissar	560-556	Son-in-law of Nebuchadnezzar; likely the Nergal-sharezer who was present at the final siege of Jerusalem (Jr 39:3).
Labashi-marduk	556 (3 months)	Son of Neriglissar; removed by Nabonidus.
Nabonidus	556-539	Spent considerable time outside of Babylon; Belshazzar served as regent in his absence; Babylon surrendered to Cyrus the Great in 539.

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## The Persian Kings 559-358 BC

Cyrus II	559-530
Cambyses II	530-522
Gaumata	522
Darius Hystaspes	522-486
Xerxes	486-465
Artaxerxes I	464-424
Darius II	423-404
Artaxerxes II	404-358

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# Kings of Persia 559-330 BC

Persian King	Dates	Biblical Connections	Events and Accomplishments
Cyrus II (the Great)	559-530	Permitted return of the Jews from exile; facilitated rebuilding of the temple at Jerusalem (Ezr 1:1-4; 6:3-5); the "Anointed One" of Isa 45:1	King of Anshan, 559, conquered kingdom of Media (550) and Lydian kingdom (546); conquered Babylon, 539
Cambyeses II	530-522	Not mentioned in the Bible	Son of Cyrus the Great; conquered Egypt, 525; his death (suicide?) in 522 led to two years of fighting between rival claimants to the throne
Darius I Hystaspes	522-486	Haggai and Zechariah preached during the 2nd year of Darius I (520); temple rebuilt and dedicated 517/516 ( Ezr 6:12-15)	Member of a collateral royal line; secured the throne ending the unrest following the death of Cambyeses; reorganized the Persian Empire into satrapies; established royal postal system began building Persopolis; invaded Greece and was defeated at Marathon, 490; revolt in Egypt
Xerxes I	487-465	Possibly Ahasuerus of the Book of Esther	Son of Darius I: continued building Persopolis; encountered numerous rebellions at the beginning of his reign (Egypt, Babylon); invaded Greece, sacked Athens (480), but was defeated by the Greeks in a naval engagement (Salamis, 480) and on land (Plataea and Mycale, 479); killed in a palace coup in 465
Artaxerxes I Longimanus	465-425	Nehemiah, cup bearer of Artaxerxes; came to Judah (445, Neh 2:1; 13:6) traditional date of Ezra's mission	Faced revolt in Egypt; completed major buildings at Persopolis; made peace with Greeks (Peace of Callais, 449BC); died of natural causes

		in the 7 <sup>th</sup> year of his reign (458, Ezr 7:7)	
Xerxes II	423	Not mentioned in the Bible	Ruled less than two months
Darius II Nothus	423-404	Not mentioned in the Bible; Jews in Egypt (Elephantine) appealed to Samaria and Jerusalem for help in rebuilding their temple about 407	Peloponnesian War, 431-404; Persia recovered several Greek cities in Asia Minor
Artaxerxes II Mnemon	405-359	Some scholars place Ezra's mission in the 7 <sup>th</sup> year of Artaxerxes II. about 398	Egypt regained freedom from Persia for a time; revolt of the satraps, 366-360
Artaxerxes III Ochus	359-338	Not mentioned in the Bible	Philip II of Macedon; rises to power about 359 Alexander the Great born, 356; Persia reclaims Egypt, 342
Arses	338-336	Not mentioned in the Bible	Unknown
Darius III Codomannus	336-330	Alexander subdues the Levant Tyre and Gaza besieged. 332; conquest of Egypt by Alexander. 332	Philip assassinated, 336; Alexander the Great invades the Persian Empire, 334; Darius III defeated by Alexander at Issus, 333, and Guagamela, 331; death of Darius; 330