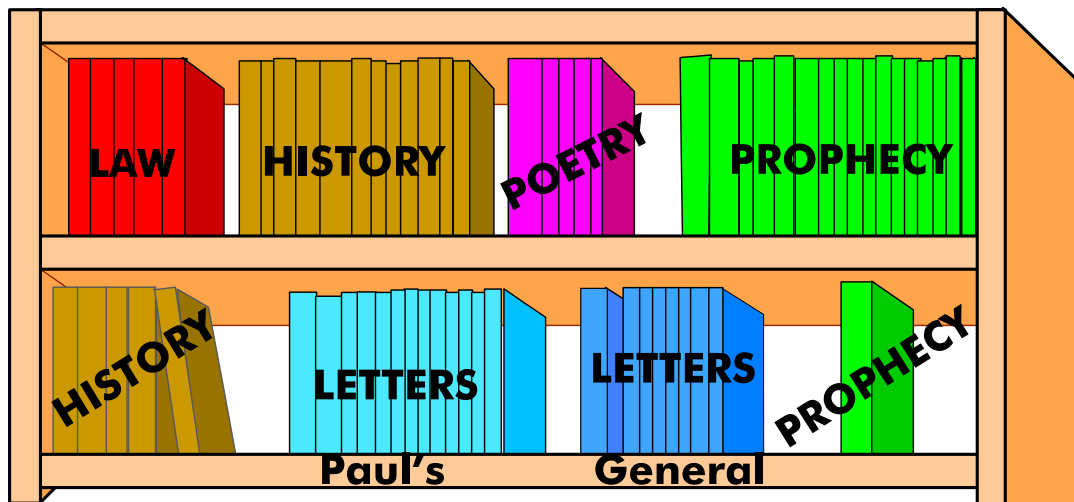


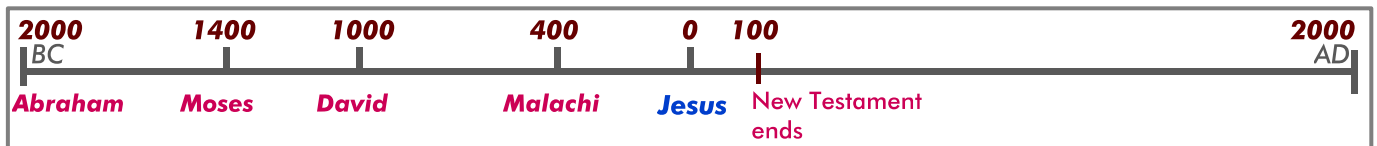
Important Charts

BIBLE LIBRARY



The books in the Bible are not in chronological order - they are put together by topic.

TIME LINE FOR HISTORY



This chart gives the approximate time period for people and events in the Old Testament.

In the 600 years between 2000 and 1400 BC there is Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and the time in Egypt.

Between 1400 and 1000 BC are Moses, Joshua, Judges, including Samuel and their first king, Saul.

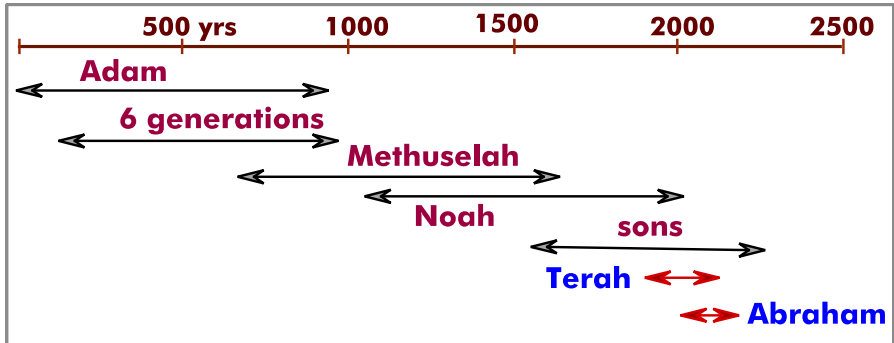
Starting with 1000 and going to 400 BC are David, Solomon and all the rest of Old Testament history.

The 600 years between 1000 and 400 BC include all the kings after David and all the prophets.

Events mentioned in the books of 1 and 2 Maccabees occur between 400 BC and 0 AD.

Important Charts

LONGEVITY OF PEOPLE



Why people lived so long before and just after the flood

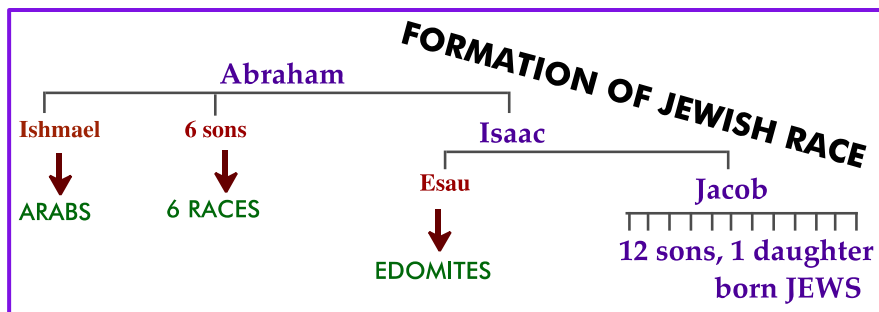
God wanted to communicate with humanity and wanted the information about Him to be accurate.

Adam lived long enough to tell 7 generations first-hand, what happened in the Garden of Eden and what it was like to walk and talk with God. The 7th generation was Methuselah. He lived long enough to give the information to the next 3 generations including Noah and his sons. Noah's sons lived up to the time of Abraham, the time when oral history changed to written history.

This means the facts of beginning history only go thru 4 people before it is written down. From Adam to Methuselah to Noah's sons to Abraham. Once history is put into writing, life spans become shorter and shorter. Abraham only lived 175 years. By the time we get to Moses, he says a life span is 70-80 years.

Long life before Abraham protected the accuracy of information about God and the facts of beginning history.

FORMATION OF THE JEWISH RACE



God develops the Jewish race in a way different from all other races. He picks Abraham to start this race.

Abraham has 3 wives and 8 sons. Of the 8 sons, only Isaac is part of the Jewish race, based on who his mother was. Isaac has one wife and twin boys.

Yet only one of them becomes part of the Jewish race, based on their choice about God.

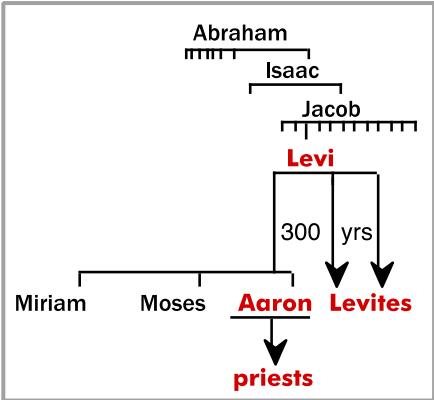
Esau, the one son rejects God. Jacob, the other son, follows God and becomes part of the Jewish race.

It takes 3 generations before the Jewish race is completely formed and only one from each generation is chosen. The rest form other nations. Only people with the combined genes of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are Jewish. It is not until Jacob that the race is completely formed. Then all 13 of Jacob's children are automatically born as Jews.

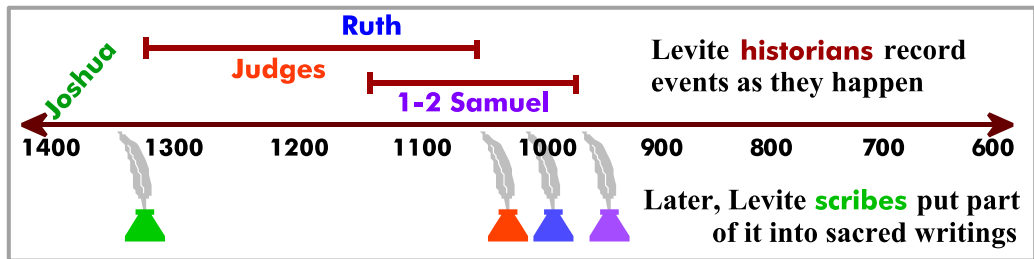
Important Charts

FORMATION OF LEVITES AND PRIESTS

All are descended from Levi, the 3rd son of Jacob
 Aaron is descended from one of the 3 sons of Levi
 Only Aaron and his descendants can serve as Jewish priests
 The other descendants of Levi are responsible
 For the care of the tabernacle, its music and its liturgy
 For the care and protection of sacred Scripture
 For the civic and social life of the people



BOOKS OF HISTORY



The **Levites** were responsible for Jewish history after the days of Joshua.

One group was the **historians** who wrote down general history as it happened during their lifetime.
 Another group was the **scribes**.

They were guided by the Holy Spirit to go thru the historical records, take out certain parts and put them in books that became their sacred writings - our Old Testament. The scribes were also responsible to care for, protect and make copies of these books.

Examples: Joshua, an army general, wrote down **historical** events of his day between 1400-1375 BC.

50 years later (1325 BC), Levite **scribes** took part of it to write and form the book of Joshua.

Levite Historians wrote down events during the 300 years of the judges from 1350-1050 BC.

Some 20 years later, (1030 BC), Levite **scribes** took parts of it to form our book of Judges.

Since Ruth lived during the time of the judges, it was part of Jewish **history** in 1150 BC.

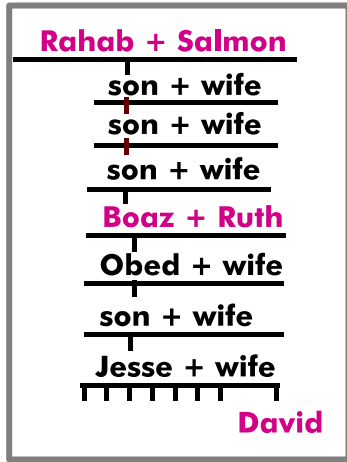
150 years after she lived, (1000 BC), Levite **scribes** took her story from historical records and made her book.

Levite **historians** including Samuel wrote down events of their day from 1125-970 BC.

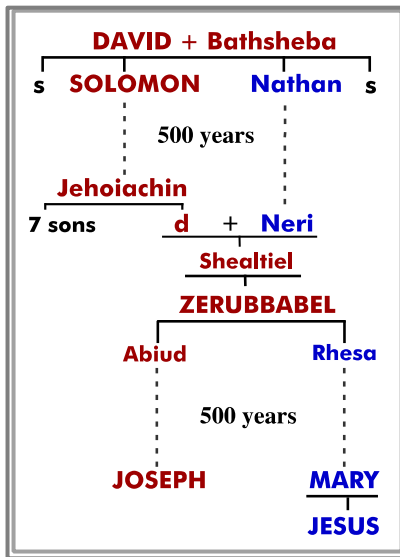
Some 10 years later (960 BC), **scribes** took some of the events to form the books we call 1 and 2 Samuel.

Charts - Genealogies

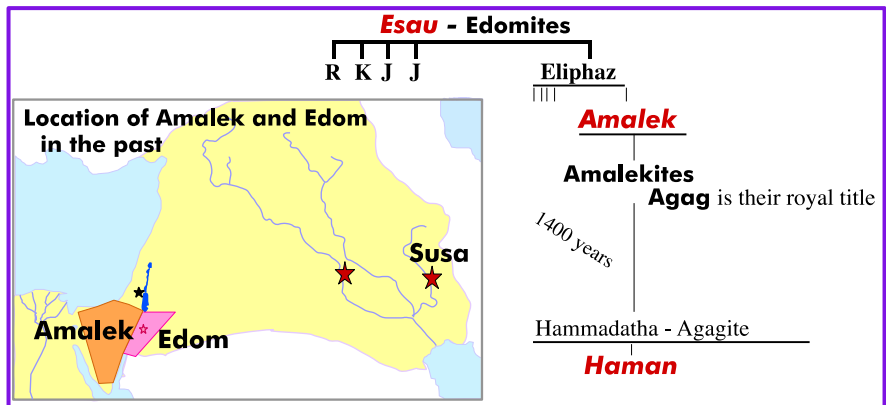
DAVID'S FAMILY LINE - from Rahab to David



DAVID'S FAMILY LINE - from David to Jesus

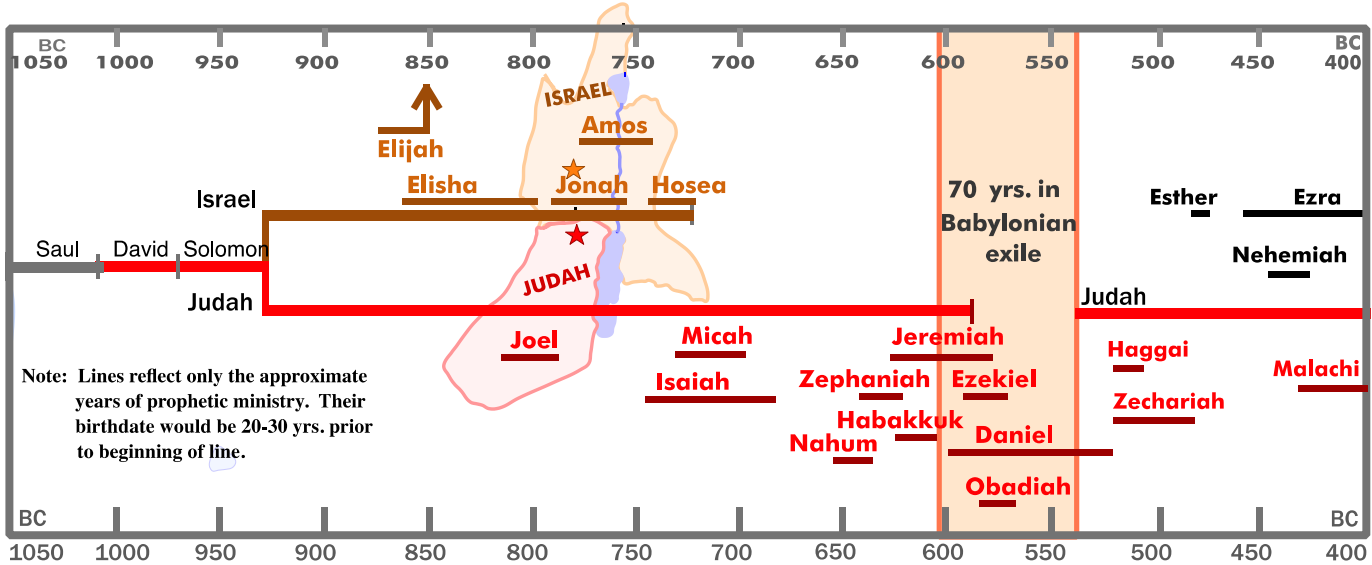


EDOMITES and AMALEKITES: from Esau to Haman

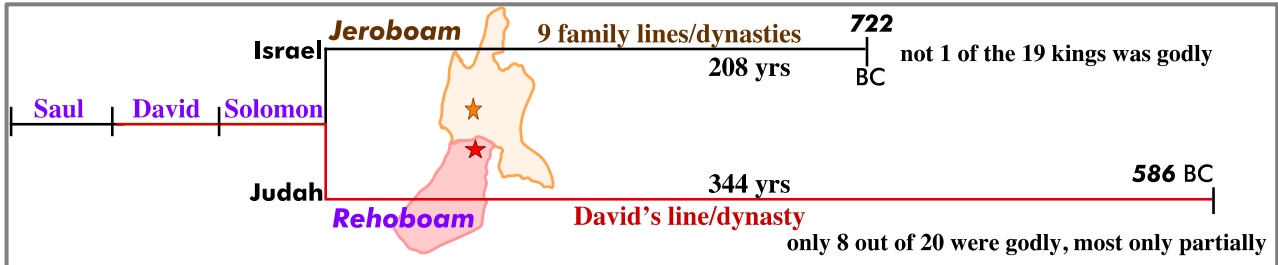


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PROPHET CHART FOR THE OLD TESTAMENT



THE DIVIDED KINGDOM (CIVIL WAR)



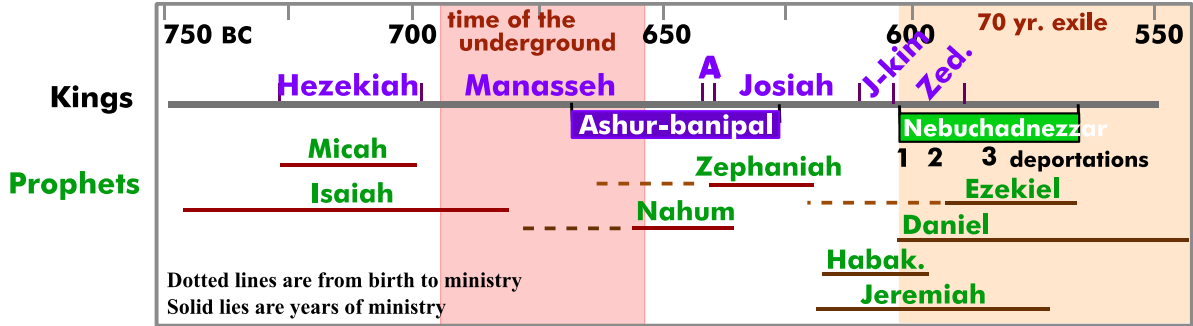
Charts - Jewish Kings and Prophets

Kings of Israel 930 - 722 BC			Prophets		Kings of Judah 930 - 586 BC		
name	date	yrs. ruled			name	date	yrs. ruled
Jeroboam	930-910	22			Rehoboam	930-913	16 3
Nadab	910-909	1			Abijam	913-911	
Baasha	909-886	24			Asa	911-870	41
Elah	886-885	2			Jehoshophat	870-852	25*
Zimri	885	7 days			Jehoram	852-841	8
Omri	885-874	12			Ahaziah	841	1
Ahab	874-853	22	Elijah	873-852	Athaliah	841-835	7
Ahaziah	853-852	2			Joash/Jehoash	835-796	40
Jehoram	852-841	12	Elisha	862-798	Amaziah	796-781	29*
Jehu	841-814	28			Uzziah/Azariah	781-740	52*
Jehoahaz	814-798	17			Jotham	740-736	16*
Jehoash	798-783	16	Jonah	790-755	Ahaz	736-726	16*
Jeroboam II	783-743	41	Amos	773-745	Hezekiah	726-697	29*
Zechariah	743	6 mo	Hosea	745-722	Manasseh	697-642	55
Shallum	743	1 mo			Amon	642-640	2
Menahem	743-738	10 ?			Josiah	640-609	31
Pekahiah	738-737	2			Jehoahaz	609	3 mo
Pekah	737-730	20*			Jehoiakim	609-598	11
Hoshea	730-722	9			Jehoiachin	598	3 mo
					Zedekiah	598-586	11

? - no explanation for difference in dates
 * - includes yrs. he claimed as king in Gilead
 — - marks the end of a dynasty (family line)

These are approximate dates - they will vary according to the chronology and scholars that are used.

CHART OF KINGS and PROPHETS: during independence and Babylon exile



Charts - Kings

BABYLONIAN KINGS and THEIR GENEALOGY when in control of the Jews

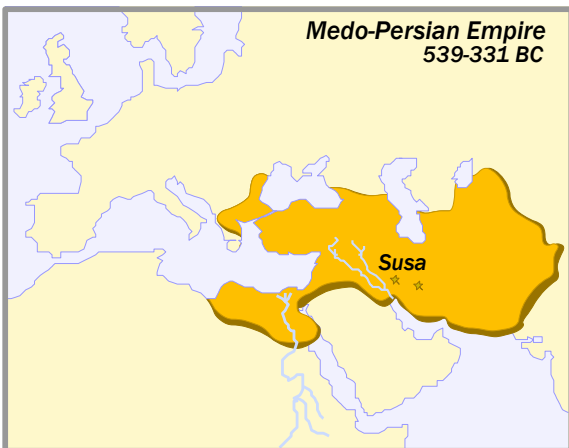
BABYLONIAN KINGS	Time ruled	BABYLONIAN EMPIRE 605 – 539 BC (68 years)
<p>Nebuchadnezzar</p> <p>----- 43 yrs.</p> <p>son ----- 2 yrs.</p> <p>daughter + son in law ----- 4 yrs.</p> <p>↓</p> <p>son ----- 9 mo.</p> <p>+ Nabonidus ----- 2 yrs.</p> <p>son, Belshazzar ----- 16 yrs.</p>		<p>Note: the 70 yr. exile includes 3 yrs. of Persian rule – 539-536</p> <p>Critics say there was no Belshazzar in history.</p> <p>Archeology has shown Belshazzar was the oldest son of Nabonidus. He was also the step-grandson of Nebuchadnezzar. (Nabonidus was an outsider. So he married Nebuchadnezzar's daughter as his 2nd wife, to make him acceptable as an insider.)</p>

DATE OF BABYLONIAN RULERS (all dates are BC)		
Nebuchadnezzar	605 - 562	King at 25 yrs. old
son	562 - 560	
son in law	560 - 556	
son	556	
Nabonidus	556 - 554	
son, Belshazzar	554 - 539	

CHART OF KINGS and PROPHETS: during restoration under Persian government

Persian kings	Cyrus 2	Darius Gt	Xerxes Ahasuerus	Artaxerxes 1	Darius II
	536 530	521	486 465		425 400
Prophets & leaders		Hag Zech	Esther	Neh. Ezra	Malachi

PERSIAN KINGS



governor Gobryas, Darius the Mede	539-536
Cyrus	536-530 BC
Cambyses II	530-522 BC
Pseudo-Smerdis	522 BC
Darius I, the Great	522-486
Xerxes (Ahasuerus)	486-465 BC
Artaxerxes Longimanus I	465-425
Xerxes II	424
Darius II	423-405
Artaxerxes II	405-358 BC
Artaxerxes III	358-338 BC
Arses	338-335 BC
Darius III	335-331 BC