



# OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

LESSONS 15 & 16

# 17 Periods of Bible History

CREATION

FLOOD

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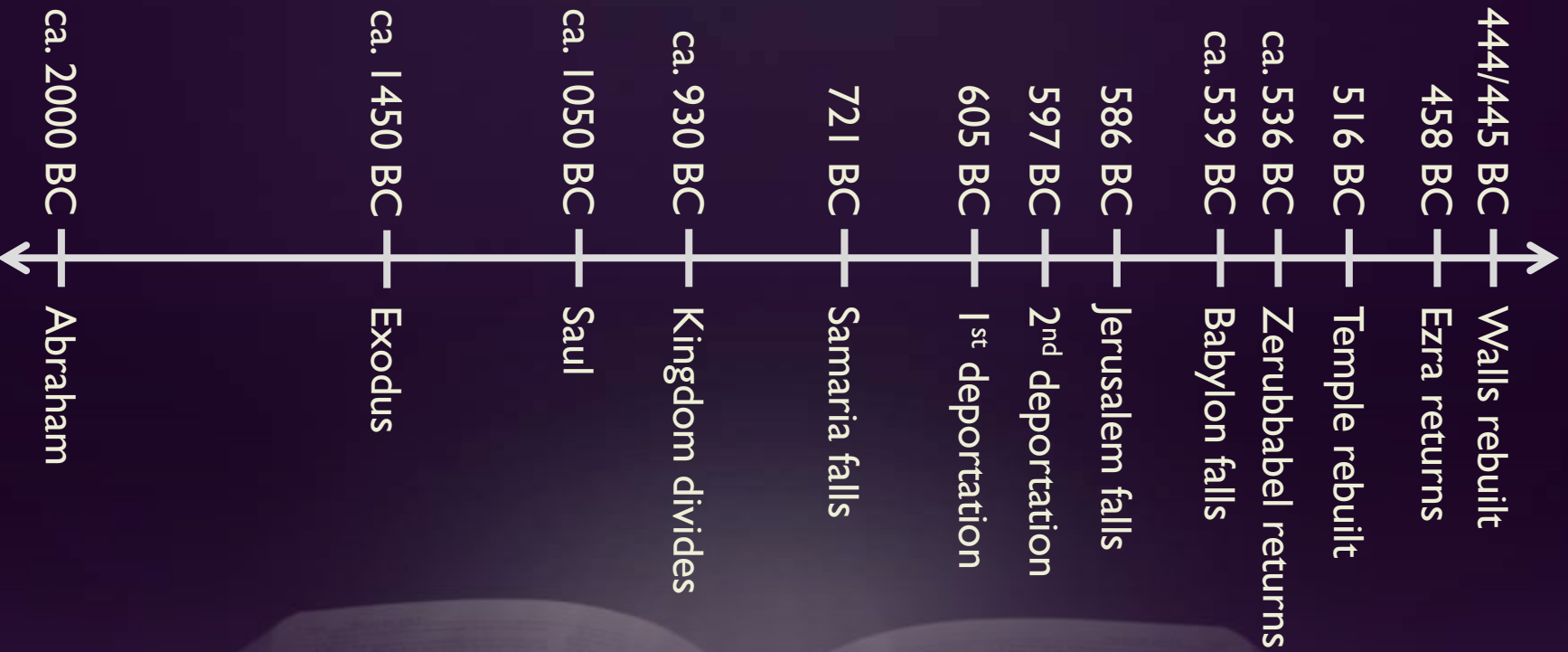
LIFE of CHRIST

EARLY CHURCH

LETTERS to CHRISTIANS

ONE STORY

# Key Dates



# Understanding the Prophets

- ✓ Background: audience, circumstances, history
- ✓ New Testament commentary
- ✓ Truth in figures/symbols
- ✓ Some promises conditional
- ✓ Focus: main or clear points



# Key Themes

- ✓ Repentance
- ✓ The day of the Lord
- ✓ God's concern for all nations
- ✓ The coming Messiah



Then He said to them, “These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that **all things must be fulfilled** which were written in the **Law of Moses** and the **Prophets** and the **Psalms** concerning Me.”

— Luke 24:44 NKJV. Jesus to His apostles after His resurrection



# One Story: The MESSIAH

1. “He shall bruise your head” **Gen 3:15**
2. Melchizedek **Gen 14:18–20**
3. The-Lord-Will-Provide **Gen 22**
4. Seed promise **Gen 22:18; 26:4; 28:14**
5. Shiloh **Gen 49:10**



# One Story: The MESSIAH

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| 6.  | Passover            | <b>Ex 12</b>     |
| 7.  | Moses: Deliverer    | <b>Ex 15</b>     |
| 8.  | Manna               | <b>Ex 16</b>     |
| 9.  | Water from the rock | <b>Ex 17:1-7</b> |
| 10. | Holy nation         | <b>Ex 19:6</b>   |





# One Story: The MESSIAH

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| 11. Moses: Lawgiver       | <b>Ex 21ff</b>  |
| 12. Blood of the covenant | <b>Ex 24:8</b>  |
| 13. Moses: Intercessor    | <b>Ex 32–34</b> |
| 14. Tabernacle & veil     | <b>Ex 35–40</b> |
| 15. Offerings             | <b>Lev 1–7</b>  |



# One Story: The MESSIAH

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| 16. Clean vs. unclean | <b>Lev 11–15</b> |
| 17. Day of atonement  | <b>Lev 16</b>    |
| 18. Bronze serpent    | <b>Num 21</b>    |
| 19. Moses: Prophet    | <b>Deu 18</b>    |
| 20. Joshua: Conqueror | <b>Joshua</b>    |



# One Story: The MESSIAH

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| 21. Throne of David                 | <b>ISa 7</b>   |
| 22. The temple                      | <b>IKi 5–8</b> |
| 23. Why do the nations rage?        | <b>Ps 2:1</b>  |
| 24. “Today I have begotten You”     | <b>Ps 2:7</b>  |
| 25. “Break them with a rod of iron” | <b>Ps 2:9</b>  |



# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 26. A little lower than the angels **Ps 8**
- 27. “You will not leave my soul in Sheol” **Ps 16**
- 28. “Why have you forsaken me?” **Ps 22**
- 29. “In the scroll ... it is written of me” **Ps 40:6–8**
- 30. “My friend ... lifted up his heel ...” **Ps 41:9**




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31. Your throne, O God, is forever ... **Ps 45:6,7**
32. “Zeal for Your house ...” **Ps 69:9**
33. “They also gave me gall for my food” **Ps 69:21**
34. Worship Him, all you gods [angels] **Ps 97:7**
35. “Of old You laid the foundation ...” **Ps 102:25–27**



# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 36. “Sit at My right hand till ...” **Ps:110:1**
  - 37. Order of Melchizedek **Ps 110:4**
  - 38. The Chief Cornerstone **Ps 118:22**
  - 39. “The tabernacle of David” **Am 9:11–15**
  - 40. “You are My people!” **Hos 2:23**
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# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 41. “Out of Egypt I called My son” **Hos 11:1**
- 42. Mountain of the Lord’s house **Is 2; Mic 4**
- 43. A virgin shall conceive / Immanuel **Is 7**
- 44. Wonderful ... Prince of Peace **Is 9**
- 45. Eyes of the blind opened, ... **Is 35:5, 6**



# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 46. One crying in the wilderness **Is 40:3–5**
- 47. Servant Songs **Is 42; 49; 50; 53**
- 48. “The sure mercies of David” **Is 55**
- 49. “The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me” **Is 61:1,2**
- 50. Bethlehem Ephrathah **Mi 5:2–4**





# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 51. Branch of righteousness      **Je 23:5,6; 33:15,16**
- 52. Rachel weeping for her children      **Je 31:15**
- 53. The new covenant      **Je 31:31–34**
- 54. “David My servant ...”      **Ezek 37:24–28**
- 55. Indestructible kingdom      **Dan 2**



# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 56. Everlasting dominion **Dan 7**
- 57. Seventy weeks **Dan 9:24–27**
- 58. Lowly and riding on a donkey **Zec 9:9**
- 59. “... Me whom they pierced” **Zec 12:10–14**
- 60. “Strike the Shepherd ...” **Zec 13:7**



# One Story: The MESSIAH

- 61. “He will prepare the way before Me” **Ma 3:1**
- 62. “I will send you Elijah the prophet” **Ma 4:5,6**



# Lessons

- ✓ God hates sin and punishes sinners
- ✓ God is also merciful
- ✓ God keeps His promises for the good and bad
- ✓ God acts for His cause and His people
- ✓ God's great majesty



# Obadiah

- Audience: Edom
- Timeframe unknown
- Divided kingdom
- Topic: Edom's downfall (2–4)



# Joel

- Audience: Judah
- Timeframe uncertain
- Divided kingdom



# Joel

- Topics
  - Judgment by a fierce and vast army (2:1–5)
  - Call to repent (2:12, 13)
  - Blessing (3:18)
  - Messianic kingdom (2:28–32)



# Jonah

- Audience: Assyria (Nineveh)
- Jeroboam II (2Ki 14:25)
- Ca. 790 BC
- Divided kingdom





# Jonah

- Topics
  - Omniscience / omnipresence of God (1; 2)
  - Judgment (3:4ff)
  - God's mercy (3:10)
  - God's concern for all the nations (4)



# Amos

- Audience: Israel
- Uzziah, Jeroboam II (1:1)
- Ca. 760–755 BC
- Divided kingdom



# Amos

- Topics
  - Judgment: nations including Israel & Judah (1; 2)
  - Excess, sloth, oppression (4:1,2)
  - Ignored signs of God's disapproval (4:6–8ff)
  - Yet, hope / Messiah (9:11ff)
  - Silence (8:11,12)



# Hosea

- Audience: Israel
- Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Jeroboam II (1:1)
- Ca. 750–725 BC
- Waning days of Israel



# Hosea

- Topics
  - Betrayal of Israel (1; 2)
  - God's love for Israel (3)
  - Restoration (14:4–7)
  - For lack of knowledge (4:4–6)



# Isaiah

- Audience: Judah
- Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah (1:1; 6:1)
- Ca. 740–700 BC
- Israel, Syria, Assyria threatening



# Isaiah

- Topics
  - Judgment against Judah (5:8, 9, 11–15)
  - Judgment against Israel (9:8–12)
  - Judgment against the nations (13–21; 23; 24)
  - The Messiah (2; 7–9; 11; 35; 40; 42; 49; 50; 53; etc.)
  - The remnant (10:20–23)



# Micah

- Audience: Judah
- Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah (1:1)
- Ca. 735–700 BC
- Last days of Israel; Judah alone





# Micah

- Topics
  - Judgment on Israel coming for Judah (1:6,9)
  - Judgment for leaders' crimes (3:9–12)
  - Mountain of the Lord (4)



# Nahum

- Audience: Assyria
- Ca. 663–612 BC or 640–625 BC
- Judah alone
- Topic: Judgment against Assyria (2:13–3:7)



# Zephaniah

- Audience: Judah
- Josiah (1:1)
- Ca. 640–625 BC
- Judah alone



# Zephaniah

- Topics
  - Judgment on Judah (1:2–4)
  - Call to repent (2:3)



# Habakkuk

- Audience: Judah
- Ca. 609–606 BC
- Judah alone
- Topic: Judgment on Judah via Chaldeans (1:2–8)



# Jeremiah

- Audience: Judah
- Josiah–Zedekiah, Gedaliah (1:1–3; 40:7ff)
- Ca. 627–586 BC
- Waning days of Judah; Babylonian captivity



# Jeremiah

- Topics
  - Narrative (35–45; 52)
  - Downfall of Judah (25:8–11)
  - Duration of captivity (25:12, 13)
  - Judgment against the nations (47–51)
  - New covenant (31:31–34)



# Ezekiel

- Audience: Judah in captivity
- Ca. 593–573 BC
- Waning days of Judah; Babylonian captivity





# Ezekiel

- Topics
  - God's departure from the temple (8–11)
  - Hope of restoration (37; 43:4–7)
  - The watchman (33)
  - The soul who sins shall die (18)



# Daniel

- Audience: Babylonian / Medo-Persian court
- Ca. 605–537 BC
- Waning days of Judah; Babylonian captivity



# Daniel

- Topics
  - Narrative (1–6)
  - Future events (7–12)
  - Messianic prophecy (2; 7; 9)



# Haggai

- Audience: Judah
- Second year of Darius (1:1)
- Ca. 520 BC
- Return & rebuilding



# Haggai

- Topics
  - Rebuild the temple (1:2–8)
  - The Lord returns to His temple (2:6–9)



# Zechariah

- Audience: Judah
- Darius (1:1)
- Ca. 520–? BC
- Return & rebuilding



# Malachi

- Audience: Judah
- Ca. 425? BC
- Return & rebuilding






Review



**All Scripture** is given by **inspiration of God**, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

— II Timothy 3:16, 17 NKJV



# The Old Testament

HEBREW \*

GENESIS— DEUTERONOMY	JOSHUA— ESTHER	JOB— SONG of SOLOMON	ISAIAH— DANIEL	HOSEA— MALACHI
LAW	HISTORY	POETRY & WISDOM	MAJOR PROPHETS	MINOR PROPHETS

\* some Aramaic: **Daniel and Ezra**

# The New Testament

GREEK

MATTHEW-JOHN

ACTS

ROMANS-JUDE

REVELATION

GOSPELS

HISTORY

EPISTLES

PROPHECY

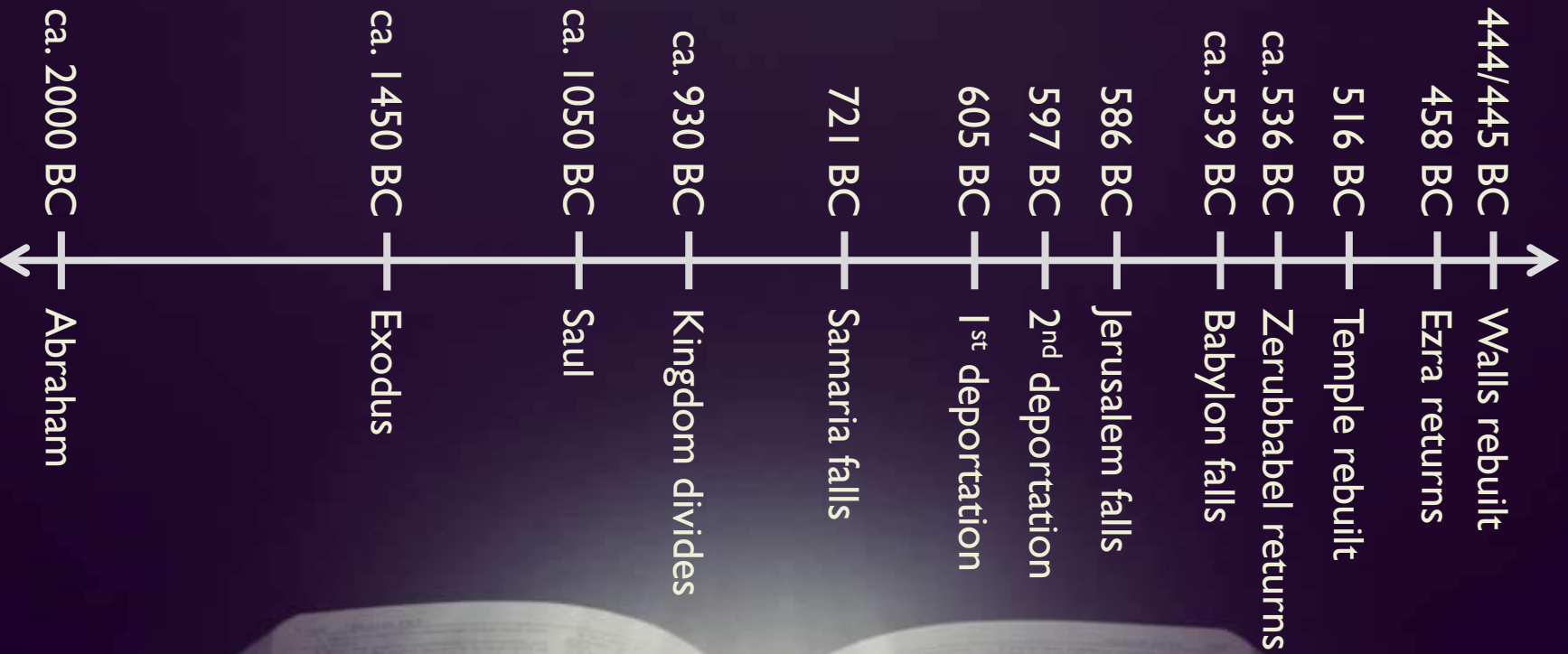


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# Chapter Summaries

<b>Creation</b>	Genesis 1–5
<b>The Flood</b>	Genesis 6–10
<b>Scattering</b>	Genesis 11
<b>Patriarchs</b>	Genesis 12–50



# Chapter Summaries

<b>Exodus</b>	Exodus 1–Numbers 13
<b>Wandering</b>	Numbers 14–Deuteronomy 34
<b>Conquest</b>	Joshua
<b>Judges</b>	Judges–1 Samuel 8



# Chapter Summaries

- U. Kingdom**    I Samuel 9–I Kings 11  
I Chronicles 1–II Chronicles 9
- D. Kingdom**    I Kings 12–II Kings 17  
II Chronicles 10–31





# Chapter Summaries

**Judah Alone**

II Kings 18–25

II Chronicles 32–36

Isaiah 36–39

Jeremiah 21, 26–28, 34–44, 52



# Chapter Summaries

## **Captivity**

II Kings 24, 25

II Chronicles 36

Daniel 1–6

## **Return**

Ezra–Esther

