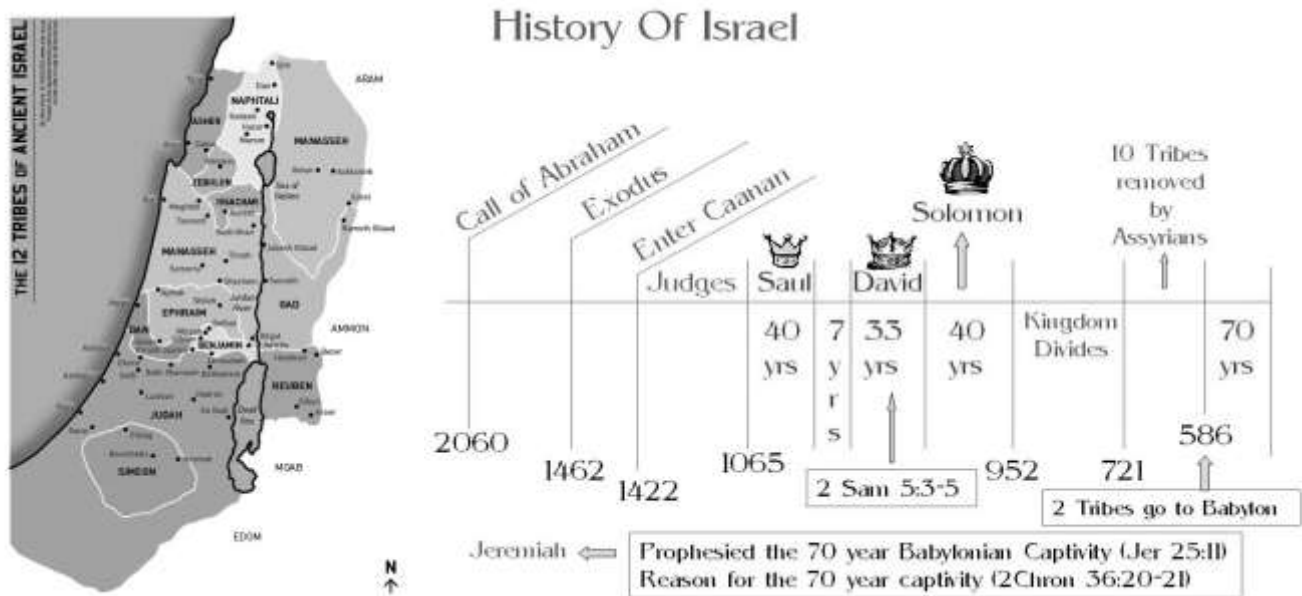


Intro to I&II KINGS

Author: Most scholars believe that Jeremiah penned the two books. The similarity of phrases and literary style of these books and other of Jeremiah's writings, lead scholars to believe that they were written by the same person. The majority of the writing was written prior to the Babylonian captivity in 586 BC. The latter part of second Kings were recorded during the captivity, with the writer placing himself in Babylon at the time of the writing. Working from the reference in II Kings 25:27, scholars place the time of this writing around 570 B.C.



	Solomon <i>"In all his splendor"</i>	Decline and Demise	Disruption <i>"A kingdom divided against itself"</i>	
	POLITICALLY David succeeded by Solomon NATIONALLY Kingdom united ECONOMICALLY Solid and secure SPIRITUALLY Shaky		POLITICALLY King after king NATIONALLY Kingdom divided ECONOMICALLY Unstable SPIRITUALLY Empty	
	Crowned and inaugurated (1-2) Married and exalted (3-4) Temple erected and dedicated (5-8) Warned and blessed (9-10)		Internal conflict and hostility (12-14) Civil war and idolatry (15-16) Ahab and Elijah (17-22) "He served Baal and worshiped him and provoked the Lord God of Israel to anger according to all that his father had done." (22:53)	
	CHAPTERS 1-10	CHAPTER 11	CHAPTERS 12-22	
Time	Forty years		Eighty years	
Kingdom	United and strong		Divided and weak	
People	Solomon		Jeroboam to Ahaziah Rehoboam to Jehoshaphat	
Identity	"All Israel . . . sons of Israel"		North: Israel; Samaria; Ephraim South: Judah; Jerusalem	
Key Verses	9:3-9; 11:11-13			
Christ in 1 Kings	Solomon's wisdom, which foreshadows Him who "became for us the wisdom of God" (1 Cor. 1:30); the prophetic ministry and miracles of Elijah			

I Kings

Part One: The United Kingdom (1:1 - 11:43)

- I. The Establishment of Solomon as King (1:1 - 2:46)
- II. The Rise of Solomon as King (3:1 - 8:66)
- III. The Decline of Solomon as King (9:1 - 11:43)

Part Two: The Divided Kingdom (12:1—22:53)

- I. The Division of the Kingdom (12:1 - 14:31)
- II. The Reigns of Two Kings in Judah (15:1 - 24)
- III. The Reigns of Five Kings in Israel (15:25 - 16:2)
- IV. The Reign of Ahab in Israel (16:29 - 22:40)
- V. The Reign of Jehoshaphat in Judah (22:41 - 50)
- VI. The Reign of Ahaziah in Israel (22:51 - 53)

II Kings

Part One: The Divided Kingdom Part One (1:1—17:41)

- I. The Reign of Ahaziah in Israel (1 Kings 22:51 - Kings 1:18)
- II. The Reign of Jehoram in Israel (2:1 - 8:15)
- III. The Reign of Jehoram in Judah (8:16 - 24)
- IV. The Reign of Ahaziah in Judah (8:25 - 9:29)
- V. The Reign of Jehu in Israel (9:30 - 10:36)
- VI. The Reign of Queen Athaliah in Judah (11:1 - 1)
- VII. The Reign of Joash in Judah (11:17 - 12:21)
- VIII. The Reign of Jehoahaz in Israel (13:1 - 9)
- IX. The Reign of Jehoash in Israel (13:10 - 25)
- X. The Reign of Amaziah in Judah (14:1 - 22)
- XI. The Reign of Jeroboam II in Israel (14:23 - 29)
- XII. The Reign of Azariah in Judah (15:1 - 7)
- XIII. The Reign of Zechariah in Israel (15:8 - 12)
- XIV. The Reign of Shallum in Israel (15:13ff)
- XV. The Reign of Menahem in Israel (15:16 - 22)
- XVI. The Reign of Pekahiah in Israel (15:23ff)
- XVII. The Reign of Pekah in Israel (15:27 - 31)
- XVIII. The Reign of Jothan in Judah (15:32 - 38)
- XIX. The Reign of Ahaz in Judah (16:1 - 20)
- XX. The Reign of Hoshea in Israel (17: 1 - 41)

Part Two: The Surviving Kingdom of Judah (18:1 - 25:30)

- I. The Reign of Hezekiah in Judah (18:1 - 20:21)
- II. The Reign of Manasseh in Judah (21:1 - 18)
- III. The Reign of Amon in Judah (21:19 - 26)
- IV. The Reign of Josiah in Judah (22:1 - 23:30)
- V. The Reign of Jehoahaz in Judah (23:31 - 34)
- VI. The Reign of Jehoiakim in Judah (23:35 - 24:7)
- VII. The Reign of Jehoiachin in Judah (24:8 - 16)
- VIII. The Reign of Zedekiah in Judah (24:17 - 25:2)
- IX. The Governorship of Gedaliah (25:22 - 26)
- X. The Release of Jehoiachin in Babylon (25:27 - 20)