## **CHRONOLOGY OF THE BIBLE**

DATE	Time scales represent varied number of years.  B.C. = Before Christ c. = circa (around)*
PREHISTORY	THE BEGINNINGS: EVENTS IN PREHISTORY  Creation  Adam and Eve in the Garden  Cain and Abel  Noah and the Flood  The Tower of Babylon
2000 B.C.	THE ANCESTORS OF THE ISRAELITES  Abraham comes to Palestine. c. 1900  Isaac is born to Abraham.  Jacob is born to Isaac.
1800 B.C.	Jacob has twelve sons, who become the ancestors of the twelve tribes of Israel. The most prominent of these sons is Joseph, who becomes adviser to the King of Egypt.  THE ISRAELITES IN EGYPT  The descendants of Jacob are enslaved in Egypt.
1600 B.C.	c. 1700 — c. 1290
1250 B.C.	Moses leads the Israelites out of Egypt. c. 1290  The Israelites wander in the wilderness. During this time Moses receives the Law on Mount Sinai. c. 1290 — c. 1250  THE CONQUEST AND SETTLEMENT OF CANAAN  Joshua leads the first stage of the invasion of Canaan. c. 1250  Israel remains a loose confederation of tribes, and leadership is exercised by heroic figures known as the Judges.
1000 B.C-	THE UNITED ISRAELITE KINGDOM Reign of Saul c. 1030 — c. 1010 Reign of David c. 1010 — c. 970
	Reign of Solomon c. 970 — 931

<sup>\*</sup>A circa date is only an approximation. Generally speaking, the earlier the time, the less precise is the dating. From the time of the death of Solomon in 931 B.C. to the Edict of Cyrus in 538 B.C., the dates given are fairly accurate, but even in this epoch a possible error of a year or two must be allowed for.

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950 •	THE TWO ISRAELITE KINGDOMS			
B.C.	JUDAH(Southern Kingdom)	ISRAEL (Northern Kingdom)		
	Kings	Kings		
	Rehoboam 931-913	Jeroboam 931-910		
	Abijah 913-911	Nadab 910-909		
900 B.C.	Asa 911-870	Bausha 909-886		
	Jehoshaphat 870-848 Prophets Elijah	Elah 886-885 Zimri 7 days in 885 Omri 885-874 Ahab 874-853		
850	Jehoram 848-841 .			
B.C.	Ahaziah 841 Queen Athaliah Elisha 841-835	Joram 852-841  Jehu 841-814  Leal - a Seel utory		
	Joash 835-796	Jehoahaz 814-798		
800 B.C.	Amaziah 796-781	Jehoash 798-783		
	Uzziah 781-740			
	Ames Jonah	Jeroboam II 783-743		
750 B.C.	Jotham 740-736	Zechariah 6 mo. in 743 Shallum 1 mo. in 743		
B.C.	Ahaz 736-716 Hosea	Menahem 743-738		
	Micah Isaiah	Pekahiah 738-737		
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	Hezekiah 716-687 Sennader, b dad nel captereler.	Hoshea 732-723 Fall of Samaria 722 For them k.		
700	THE LAST YEARS OF THE K	INGDOM OF JUDAH		
B.C.	Manasseh 687-642			
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650	Amon 642-640			
B.C.	✓ Josiah 640-609 <	Propheis		
	Joshaz 3 mo. in 609	Zephaniah		
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	Jehoiakim 609-598	Jeremiah		
600	Jehoiachin 3 mo. in 598	Habakkuk?		
B.C.	Zedekiah 598-587	Ezekiel		
	Fall of Jerusalem July 587 or 586	: : !		

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550 B.C.	THE EXILE AND THE RESTORATION		
	The Jews taken into exile in Babylonia after the fall of Jerusalem		
	Persian rule begins. 539  Edict of Cyrus allows Jews to return. 538  Foundations of New Temple laid. 520  Restoration of the walls of Jerusalem 445-443  Prophets  Haggai Zechariah Obadiah Daniel Malachi Joel?		
400 B.C.	THE TIME BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS Alexander the Great establishes Greek rule in Palestine. 333		
	Palestine is ruled by the Ptolemies, descendants of one of Alexander's generals, who had been given the position of ruler over Egypt. 323 to 198	Ano cytha	
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200 B.C.	Palestine is ruled by the Seleucids, descendants of one of Alexander's generals, who had acquired the rule of Syria. 198 to 166	thindown hir. 75	
	Jewish revolt under Judas Maccabeus reestablishes Jewish independence. Palestine is ruled by Judas' family and descendants, the Hasmoneans. 166 to 63	Revise	
	The Roman general Pompey takes Jerusalem 63 B.C. Palestine is ruled by puppet kings appointed by Rome. One of these is Herod the Great, who rules from 37 B.C. to 4 B.C. THE TIME OF THE NEW TESTAMENT	Apucalypse Apucalypse Revealing Revealing Attack	
A.D. 1	Birth of Jesus*	N. 97.	
	Ministry of John the Baptist; baptism of Jesus and beginning of his public ministry		
A.D. 30	Death and resurrection of Jesus  Conversion of Paul (Saul of Tarsus) c. A.D. 37		
	Ministry of Paul c. A.D. 41 to A.D. 65		
	Final imprisonment of Poul		
Ll	Final imprisonment of Paul c. A.D. 65		

The present era was calculated to begin with the birth of Jesus Christ, that is, in A.D. 1 (A.D. standing for Anno Domini 'in the year of the Lord'). However, the original calculation was later found to be wrong by a few years, so that the birth of Christ took place perhaps about 6 B.C.

12 Minor - Hosea through Malachi First nine - pre-exile Last three - post-exile

## 5 Major - Isaiah through Daniel Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations - pre-exilic Ezekiel, Daniel - exilic prophets

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Jonah	770 B.C.	to Ninevah
Amos	760	to Israel
Hosea	760 - 730	to Israel
Isaiah	740 - 760	to Judah
Micah	737 - 690	to Judah
Habakkah	630	to Judah
Zephaniah	627	to Judah
Jeremiah	627 - 580	to Judah
Daniel	605 - 530	to Judah
<b>Ezekiel</b>	593 - 570	to high
Nahum	593 - 570	to Ninevah
Haggai	520	to Judah
Zechariah	520 - 518	to Judah
Joel .	500	to Judah
Obadiah	500	to Edom
Malachi	433 B.C.	to Judah