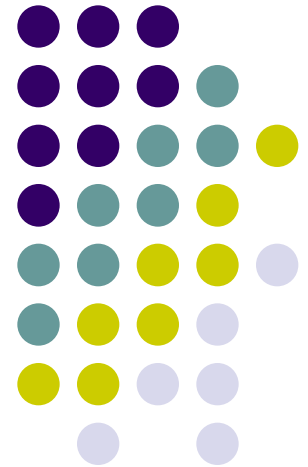


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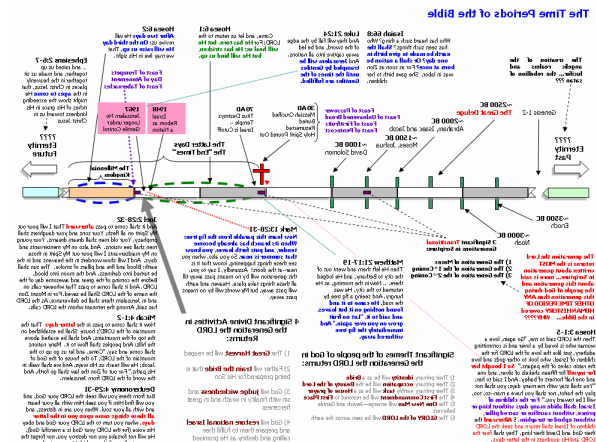
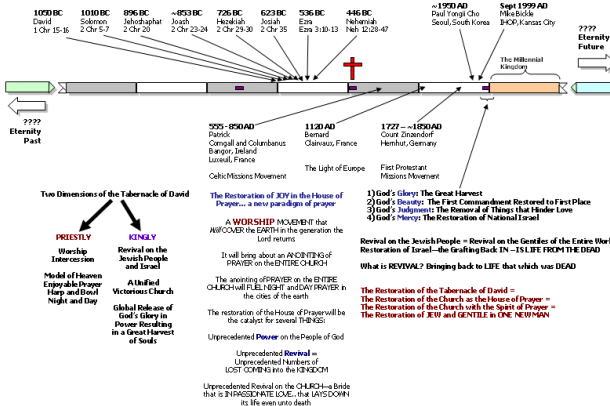


Online Resources

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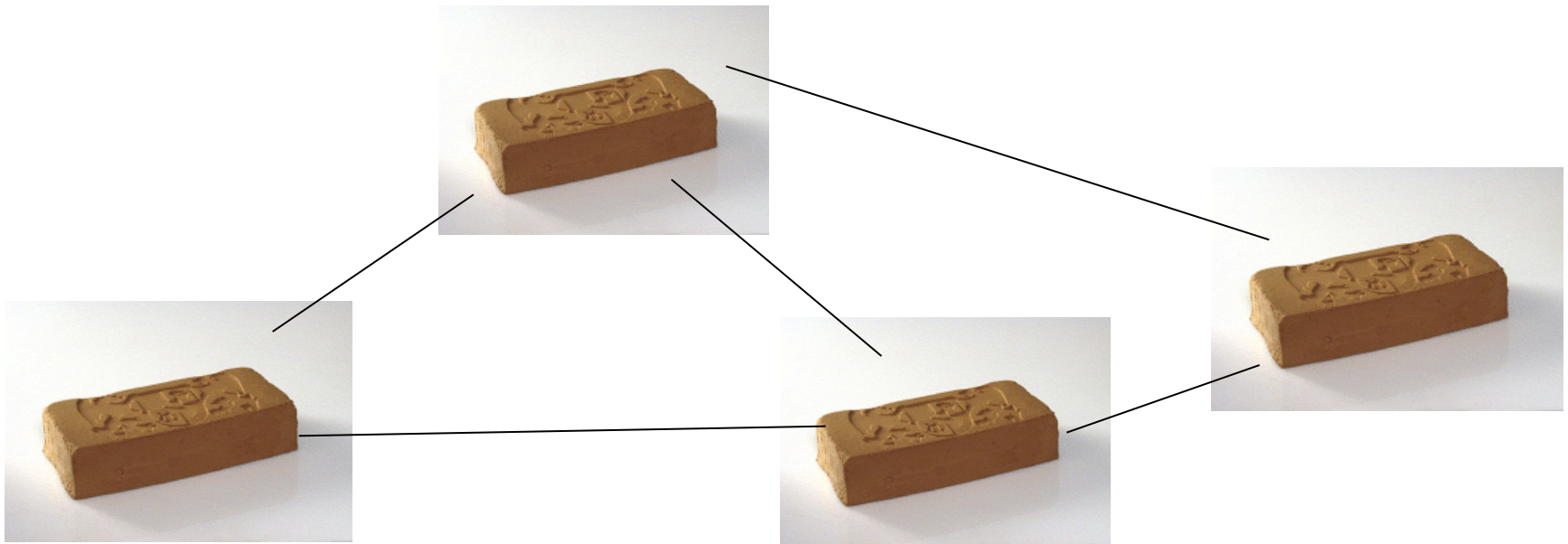
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Perspectives

- Course Direction/Correction:
“Give them resources to study this for themselves...point them to building blocks...”





Clarifications from Session 1

- **Phillip and the Ethiopian eunuch (Acts 8:26-35)**
- **Great Deluge ~2500 BC (2348 BC/ 1656 AM**
AM = “Year of the World”)
- **Feast of Tabernacles = God Tabernacles with Man again (John 1:14)**
- **Understanding context of Major/Minor Prophets and the generation the Lord returns**

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| Adam | 930 | 130 | | 930 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seth | 912 | 105 | 130 | 1042 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enosh | 905 | 90 | 235 | 1140 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cainan | 910 | 70 | 325 | 1235 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mahalelel | 895 | 65 | 395 | 1290 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jared | 962 | 162 | 460 | 1422 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enoch | 365 | 65 | 622 | 987 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Methusaleh | 969 | 187 | 687 | 1656 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lamech | 777 | 182 | 874 | 1651 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Noah | 950 | 500 | 1056 | 2006 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shem | 600 | 100 | 1558 | 2158 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Arphaxad | 438 | 35 | 1658 | 2096 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Selah | 433 | 30 | 1693 | 2126 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eber | 464 | 34 | 1727 | 2191 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peleg | 239 | 30 | 1757 | 1996 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reu | 239 | 32 | 1787 | 2026 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Serug | 230 | 30 | 1819 | 2049 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nahor | 148 | 29 | 1849 | 1997 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Terah | 205 | 130 | 1878 | 2083 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Abraham | 175 | 100 | 2008 | 2183 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Isaac | 180 | 60 | 2108 | 2288 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jacob | 147 | | 2168 | 2315 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

- | Event | A.M | B.C. | Adam | Seth | Enos | Cainan | Mahaleleel | Jared | Enoch | Methusaleh | Lamech | Noah | Shem | Arphaxad | Selah | Eber | Peleg | Reu | Serug | Nahor | Terah | Abraham | Isaac | Jacob |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|------------|-------|-------|------------|--------|------|------|----------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Adam created | | 4004 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seth born | 130 | 3874 | 130 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enos born | 235 | 3769 | 235 | 105 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cainan born | 325 | 3679 | 325 | 195 | 90 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mahaleleel born | 395 | 3609 | 395 | 265 | 160 | 70 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jared born | 460 | 3544 | 460 | 330 | 225 | 135 | 65 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enoch born | 622 | 3382 | 622 | 492 | 387 | 297 | 227 | 162 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Methuselah born | 687 | 3317 | 687 | 557 | 452 | 362 | 292 | 227 | 65 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lamech born | 874 | 3130 | 874 | 744 | 639 | 549 | 479 | 414 | 252 | 187 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Adam died | 930 | 3074 | 930 | 800 | 695 | 605 | 535 | 470 | 308 | 243 | 56 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enoch translated | 987 | 3017 | | 857 | 752 | 662 | 592 | 527 | 365 | 300 | 113 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seth died | 1042 | 2962 | | 912 | 807 | 717 | 647 | 582 | | 355 | 168 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Noah born | 1056 | 2948 | | | 821 | 731 | 661 | 596 | | 369 | 182 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enos died | 1140 | 2864 | | | 905 | 815 | 745 | 680 | | 453 | 266 | 84 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cainan died | 1235 | 2769 | | | | 910 | 840 | 775 | | 548 | 361 | 179 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mahaleleel died | 1290 | 2714 | | | | | 895 | 830 | | 603 | 416 | 234 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jared died | 1422 | 2582 | | | | | | 962 | | 735 | 548 | 366 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shem born | 1558 | 2446 | | | | | | | | 871 | 684 | 502 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lamech died | 1651 | 2353 | | | | | | | | 964 | 777 | 595 | 93 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Methuselah died | 1656 | 2348 | | | | | | | | 969 | | 600 | 98 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| The Deluge | 1656 | 2348 | | | | | | | | | | 600 | 98 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Arphaxad born | 1658 | 2346 | | | | | | | | | | 602 | 100 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Selah born | 1693 | 2311 | | | | | | | | | | 637 | 135 | 35 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eber born | 1723 | 2281 | | | | | | | | | | 667 | 165 | 65 | 30 | | | | | | | | | |
| Peleg born | 1757 | 2247 | | | | | | | | | | 701 | 199 | 99 | 64 | 34 | | | | | | | | |
| Reu born | 1787 | 2217 | | | | | | | | | | 731 | 229 | 129 | 94 | 64 | 30 | | | | | | | |
| Serug born | 1819 | 2185 | | | | | | | | | | 763 | 261 | 161 | 126 | 96 | 62 | 32 | | | | | | |
| Nahor born | 1849 | 2155 | | | | | | | | | | 793 | 291 | 191 | 156 | 126 | 92 | 62 | 30 | | | | | |
| Terah born | 1878 | 2126 | | | | | | | | | | 822 | 320 | 220 | 185 | 155 | 121 | 91</ | | | | | | |

Timeline of History



	Age at Death	Age at Birth of Heir	Year Born Anno Mundi (A.M.)	Year Died Anno Mundi (A.M.)
Adam	930	130		930
Seth	912	105	130	1042
Enos	905	90	235	1140
Cainan	910	70	325	1235
Mahaleleel	895	65	395	1290
Jared	962	162	460	1422
Enoch	365	65	622	987
Methusaleh	969	187	687	1656
Lamech	777	182	874	1651
Noah	950	500	1056	2006
Shem	600	100	1558	2158
The Deluge				0
Arphaxad	438	35	1658	2096
Selah	433	30	1693	2126
Eber	464	34	1727	2191
Peleg	239	30	1757	1996
Reu	239	32	1787	2026
Serug	230	30	1819	2049
Nahor	148	29	1849	1997
Terah	205	130	1878	2083
Abraham	175	100	2008	2183
Isaac	180	60	2108	2288
Jacob	147		2168	2315

Timeline of History



Adam Was Contemporary With

	Years
Lamech	56
Methusaleh	243
Jared	470
Mahalaleel	535
Cainan	605
Enos	695

The man with no belly button who lived in Eden

Noah Was Contemporary With

	Years
Lamech	594
Methusaleh	600
Jared	366
Mahalaleel	234
Cainan	179
Enos	84

The man who helped build the ark and witnessed the deluge

He missed Abraham by 2 years

Shem Was Contemporary With

	Years
Lamech	93
Methusaleh	98
Noah	448
Abraham	150
Isaac	50



Timeline of History

- What about the Jewish calendar?
 - Interesting Note: Jesus Birth, ~4 BC
 - Current Gregorian year:
 $2006 + 4000 = 6006 \text{ AM}$
 - Current Jewish Year: 5766 AM
 - Around 240 Years are missing....



Timeline of History

- Basic Issue
 - Jewish scholarship dates beginning of Persian Empire/Fall of Babylon in 374 BC
 - Traditional scholarship dates it in 538 BC
- Early Jewish historians date historical events from 312 BC, Seleucid dynasty
 - Seder Olam Rabbah (the “Book of the Order of the World”, basis for modern Jewish calendar
 - Jewish calendar adopted in 1517, dating was from creation BASED ON Seder Olam



Timeline of History

- Technical Issue of the Seder Olam
 - **60 years:** Abram was born when Terah was 130 years old, not 70
 - **5 years:** Abrahamic covenant established when Abraham was 75, not 70
 - **17 years:** 497 years from 1st Temple to the 2nd Temple, instead of 480
 - **154 years:** 13 Medo/Persian kings over 207 years instead of 5 over 53 years
- = 236 Years**



Timeline of History

- Correct Jewish Year: $5766 + 236 = 6002$
- Sometime between 135-160 AD....
 - Yose ben Halafta (author of Seder Olam) was a student of Rabbi Akiva
 - Rabbi Akiva: the one who proclaimed Bar Kokhbah the “star out of Jacob” (135 AD)
 - Why the cover up? Possibly to change the dating so that Daniel’s seventy weeks would correspond with Bar Kokhbah.. and not Yeshua Ben Yoseph...



Timeline of History

- Recommended Readings
 - The Chronology of the Old Testament, Floyd Nolen Jones.
 - The Annals of the World, Bishop James Ussher (17th Century author)
 - “Where did 240 Years Go?”, *Prophecy In the News*, August 2005. J.R. Church, (www.prophecyinthenews.com)

Context of Major/Minor Prophets



The United Monarchy				
Dates (BC)	Kingdom of the Israelites			
1020-1000	Saul			
1000-961	David			
961-922	Solomon			
The Divided Kingdoms				
Dates (BC)	Israel (Northern)		Judah (Southern)	Dates (BC)
922-901	Jeroboam I		Rehoboam	922-915
			Abijah	915-913
901-900	Nadab		Asa	913-873
900-877	Baasha			
877-876	Elah			
876	Zimri	Tibni	Jehoshaphat	873-849
876-869	Omri			
869-850	Ahab			
850-849	Ahaziah		Jehoram	849-843
849-843	Joram (Jehoram)		Ahaziah	843
843-815	Jehu		Athaliah (non-Davidic Queen)	843-837
815-802	Jehoahaz		Joash	837-800
802-786	Jehoash (Joash)		Amaziah	800-783
786-746	Jeroboam II		Uzziah (Azariah)	783-742
746-745	Zachariah		Jotham (co-regent)	750-742
745	Shallum			
745-737	Menahem		Jotham (king)	742-735
737-736	Pekahiah			
736-732	Pekah			
732-724	Hoshea		Ahaz	735-715
721	Fall of Samaria			
			Hezekiah	715-687
			Manasseh	687-642
			Amon	642-640
			Josiah	640-609
			Jehoahaz	609
			Jehoikim (Eliakim)	609-598
			Jehoiachin (Jeconiah)	598-597
			Zedekiah (Mattaniah)	597-587
			Fall of Jerusalem	587

- The Nation of Israel
 - 12 Tribes/Judges
 - Kings of United Israel
 - Kings of Judah
 - Kings of Israel/Samaria



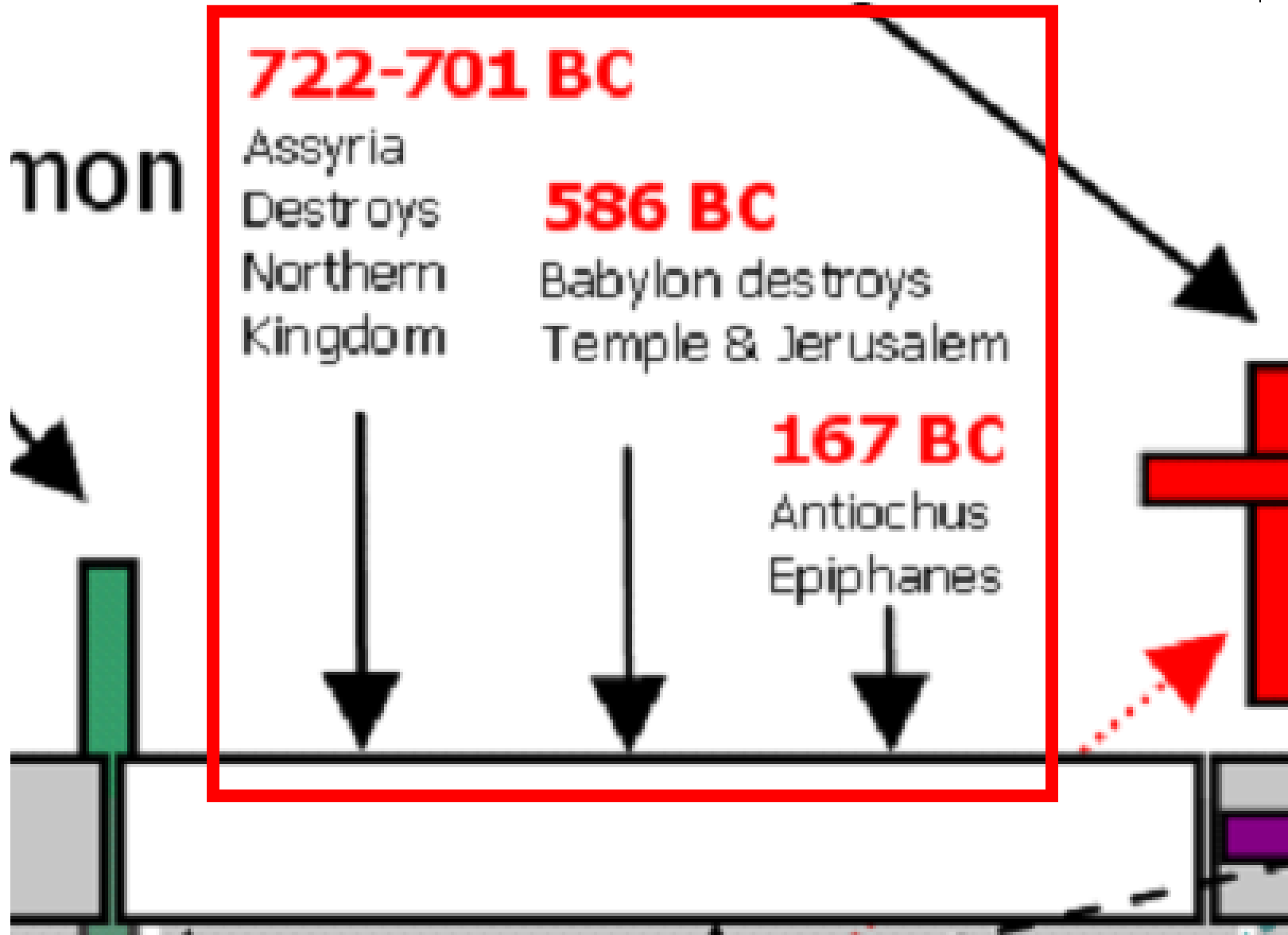
Context of Major/Minor Prophets



- 3 **Dispersions or Captivities** / 2 **Regatherings**
 - **Israel/Ephraim by Assyria** (722-701 BC)
 - **Judah by Babylon** (605-586 BC)
 - Destruction of 1st (Solomon's) Temple (586 BC)
 - **Regathering (Judah) from Babylon** (3 returns under Zerubbabel, Ezra, and Nehemiah)
 - Rebuilding of 2nd Temple (515 BC)
 - Herod renovates (~20 BC)
 - **Judah by Rome** (70/135 AD)
 - Destruction of 2nd Temple (70 AD)
 - **Regathering from the nations/diaspora** (1947)
 - **Rebuilding of 3rd Temple ??? Desecration? Millennial Temple?**



Assyrian and Babylonian Dispersions



Context of Major/Minor Prophets



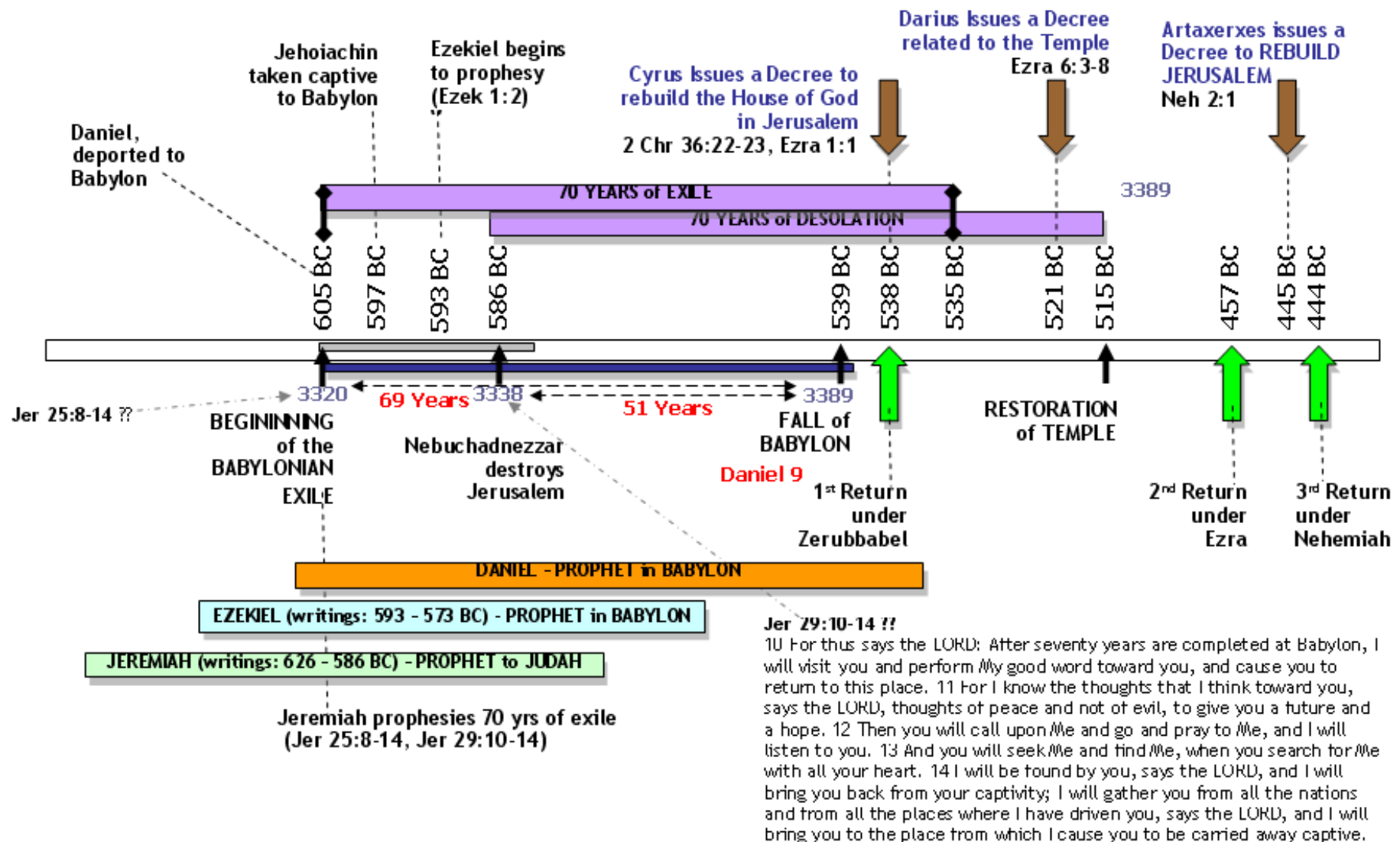
- The Nation of Israel

- Prophets of United Israel (Samuel/Gad/Nathan)

The United Monarchy				
Dates (BC)		Prophets of United Israel		
1020-1000	Samuel			
975-960	Nathan			
The Divided Kingdoms				
Dates (BC)	Israel (Northern)		Judah (Southern)	Dates (BC)
870-850	Elijah			
850-800	Elisha			
750-745	Amos		[Jonah]	[740-730]
750-745	Hosea			
			Isaiah of Jerusalem	742-700
			Micah	722-701
			Zephaniah	628-622
			Jeremiah	626-586
			Nahum	612
			Habakkuk	605
			Ezekiel	593-573
			Obadiah	c. 586/5
			Isaiah 40-55	540
			Haggai	520-515
			Zechariah	520-515
			Isaiah 56-66	515-500
			Joel	500-350?
			Malachi	500-450
			Jonah	450-400

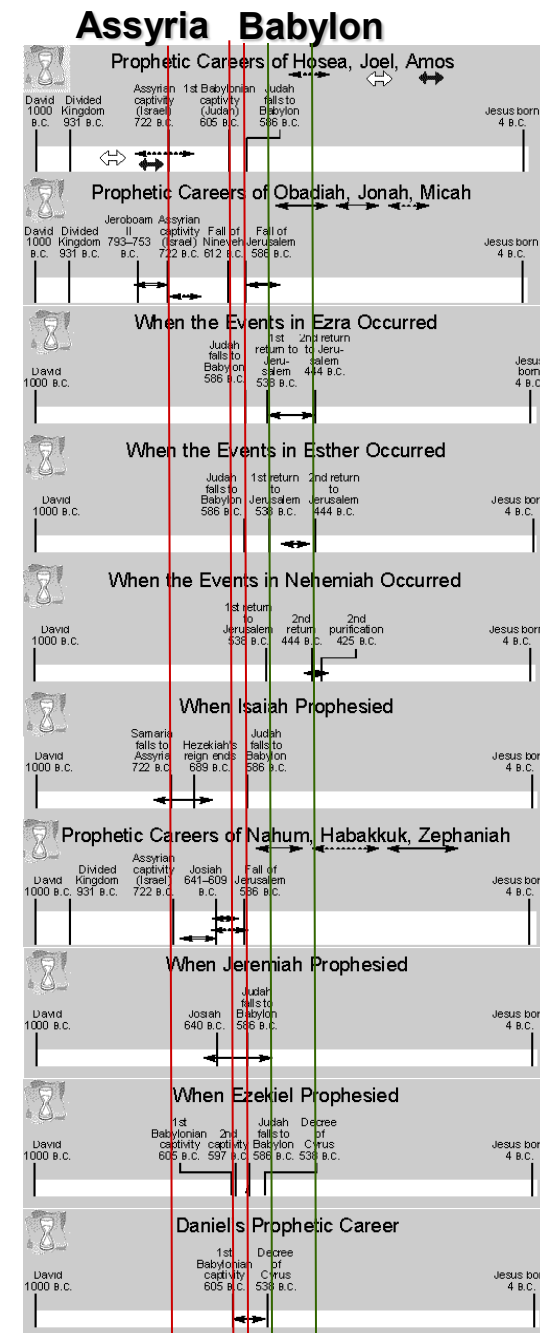
- Prophets of Judah (**Isaiah**/Jeremiah/Ezekiel/**Daniel** /**Joel**/Zechariah/Haggai/Amos/Zephaniah/Habakkuk/Malachi)
- Prophets of Israel/Samaria (Elijah/Elisha/Joel/Amos/**Hosea**/Micah/Nahum/Zephaniah/Malachi)

Babylonian Captivity



Context of Major/Minor Prophets

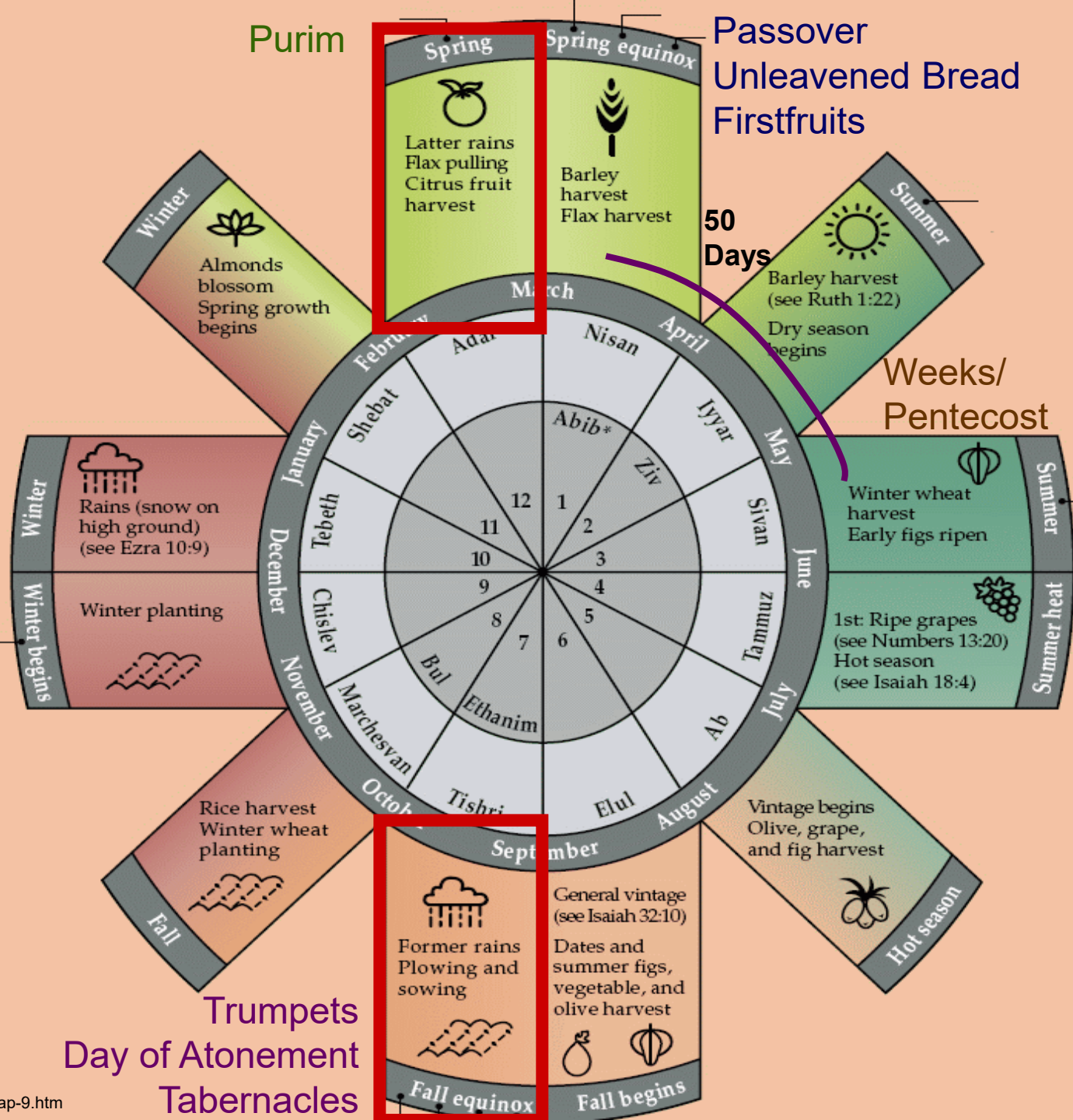
- Before judgment and dispersion (in times of prosperity)
- During/after judgment and dispersion
 - In the land
 - In captivity
- Before/during return
- After return
- Messiah (1st Coming)
- Messiah (2nd Coming)



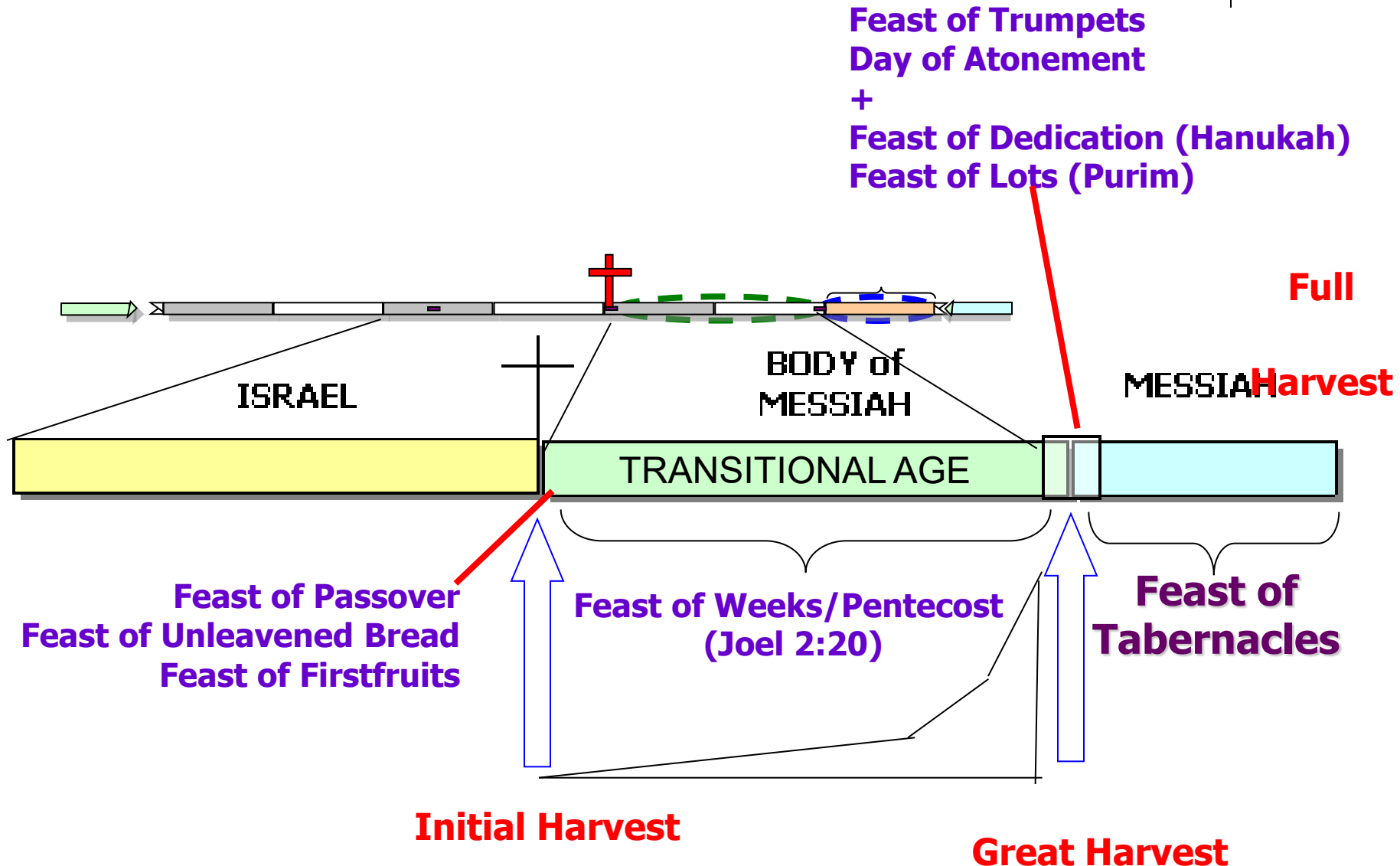
Feasts of the LORD and the Hebrew Calendar

Hanukkah

Joel 2:23



The Feasts, Israel, The Body of Messiah, and the Age to Come





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- They Thought for Themselves: Daring to Confront the Forbidden. Sid Roth. MV Press, 1996.
- The Tabernacle of David. Kevin J. Conner. City Bible Publishing, 1976.
- The Tabernacle of Moses. Kevin J. Conner.
- The Temple of Solomon. Kevin J. Conner.



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- God's Calendar of Prophetic Events. Ruth Specter Lascelle, Rock of Israel, 1993.
- Israel, the Church, and the Last Days. Dan Juster and Keith Intrater, Destiny Image, 1990.
- The Tabernacle: Shadows of the Messiah. David M. Levy, Friends of Israel Gospel Ministry, 1993.
- Restoring the Jewishness of the Gospel. David H. Stern, Jewish New Testament Publications, 1988.
- Yeshua: A Guide to the Real Jesus of the Original Church. Dr. Ron Moseley, Lederer Books, 1996.

Understanding Jewish Tradition / Hebraic Heritage



- TaNaKh = Torah + Neviim + Ketuvim
 - The “Scriptures” of the Lord Jesus, the Apostles, and the early church

Luke 24:44

- Torah = “Law” = “Pentateuch”
 - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy
- Neviim = “Prophets”
 - Joshua, Judges, Samuel, Kings, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi
- Ketuvim = “Writings”
 - Psalms, Proverbs, Job, SOS, Ecclesiastes, Lamentations, Ruth, Esther, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Chronicles

Understanding Jewish Tradition / Hebraic Heritage



- **Talmud:** record of rabbinic discussions on Jewish law, Jewish ethics, customs, legends and stories
 - Jewish tradition (i.e., rabbinical Judaism) considers authoritative
 - Talmud = Mishnah + Gemara
 - Began to be composed BEFORE the time of Messiah
- **Mishnah** = Oral Law, written down
 - Messiah Jesus: “You have heard it said....”
 - Mark 7:8-13
 - He was speaking with authority as the GREAT Rabbi
 - He was making corrections and calling the Jewish people back to accept the Written Law as authoritative over the Oral Law
- **Gemara** = commentary on Mishnah
- **In Messianic Judaism:** the Talmud is not (or should not be) authoritative, but is a valuable source of history and wisdom concerning the Law

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Babylonian Talmud, Sanhedrin 97a-b**

“The world will exist six thousand years. Two thousand years of desolation; two thousand years of Torah; and two thousand years of the Messianic era; but because our iniquities were many, all this had been lost”

- In other words: the Messiah did not come at the expected time

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Rashi: Rabbi Shlomo Yitzchaki, 1040-1105 AD, commentary on Talmud**

“After 2000 years of Torah, it was God’s decree that the Messiah would come and the wicked kingdom would come to an end and the subjugation of Israel would be destroyed”

- **Because Israel’s sins were many: “the Messiah has not come to this very day”**

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Rashi: Rabbi Shlomo Yitzchaki, 1040-1105 AD, commentary on Talmud**
 - He put Messiah's coming at ~200 CE
 - Based on same Talmudic dating error
 - Second Temple stood for 600 years, not 420
 - Adjusting Rashi's date by 180 years puts timing right in the period of Yeshua, Jesus

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Vilna Gaon: Elijah ben Shlomo Zalman "Kremer", 1720-1797 AD**
 - Famous Rabbi and commentator on the Talmud
- **Observations on story in Talmud:**
 - Rabbi Yehoshua ben Chananyah
 - ~200 AD
 - Conversation with elders of Athens, Greece
 - They ask: “Where is the midpoint of the world?”
 - Elders were aware of tradition of Messiah
 - Chananyah responds: “Here” / ropes & measures
(Babylonian Talmud, Bechoroth 8b)

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Vilna Gaon**

- **Observations on story in Talmud:**

- **Athenian Elders: “present should be midpoint between the two productive eras of the world, the eras of Torah and Mashiach. But obviously he has not come, for you Jews have certainly not been redeemed. We have crushed you and turned you into a nation of ruin, disaster, and despair. The “midpoint of the world” has manifestly passed by and the Era of Mashiach has not begun.”**

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Vilna Gaon**

- **Observations on story in Talmud:**
 - **Solution: (Babylonian Talmud, Sanhedrin 97a) says “The son of David will not come until all the government has turned to heresy”**

IN OTHER WORDS: there will be a WORLDWIDE turning away from God before Messiah establishes His kingdom

- **Gaon explains: although the Jews had not merited Mashiach’s coming by their deeds, nevertheless the Era of Mashiach had indeed arrived at its appointed time**

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Vilna Gaon**

- **Observations on story in Talmud:**

- **What are the ropes and measure?**

- Reference to 2 Samuel 8:2
- David's dealing with Moab
- King David put 2/3 to death and spared the last 1/3

- **Gaon explains: “at the “midpoint” of the world, God began turning the wheels of history to insure the ultimate arrival of the scion of David”**

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- **Vilna Gaon**

- **God began a process of giving the human race over to spiritual darkness and sin**
- **Eventually, man would be brought to a place of realization:**

“mankind will realize that the only way to convert himself back into a true human, a God-like being filled with wisdom, love, kindness, and an exalted spirit, is by the acceptance of God’s dominion. And when God demonstrates all this and man recognizes it, Mashiach will finally come”

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- **Vilna Gaon**

- **When does this process begin?**

“with the advent of the last third of human history: the Era of Mashiach may not be apparent, but it is here. Yes, even though the Messiah himself has not come, the Messianic era began right on schedule, only not in the way most were expecting”

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- **Vilna Gaon**

- **Ropes of King David: measure of history**
- **2/3 of human history didn't choose to recognize God's dominion**
- **The last 1/3 will be directed towards God's eternal life by a Providence which lead the Jews step by step to the recognition of God**
- **“God will never abandon his world, that ultimately the good for which God created it will be realized”**

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Vilna Gaon**
 - **Current/Present Age: universal, increasing darkness and apostasy TRUE!**
- **BUT:**
 - **The Messianic era did begin with the coming of the Messiah**
 - **Increasing, worldwide knowledge of God and awareness of Messiah**

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Babylonian Talmud, Sanhedrin 98a:**

“If they [the people of Israel] are worthy [the Messiah] will come ‘with the clouds of heaven’ [Daniel 7:13]; if they are not worthy, ‘lowly and riding upon a donkey’ [Zechariah 9:9]

At his 1st coming, Israel was not worthy?

At his 2nd coming, Israel will be worthy?

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Babylonian Talmud, Yoma 39b:**

For 40 years before the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem (70 AD)

- **the Yom Kippur atonement sacrifices were not accepted**
- **The Temple doors would fly open unexpectedly**

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **Babylonian Talmud, Yoma 9b:**

“Why was the Second Temple destroyed, seeing that the people were engaged in Torah, [keeping] commandments, and [performing] charitable deeds? Because at that time there was hatred without a cause.”

Understanding Jewish Tradition / The Coming of Messiah



- **When did the prophets predict the Messiah?**
 - **Matthew 4:17**
 - **Haggai 2:6-9**
 - **Malachi 3:1-5**
 - **Daniel 9:24-27**
- **What's the point?**
 - **If they knew the general timing of His first coming...**
 - **Then we certainly will know the general timing of His second coming...**

Important Kingdom Principles: The Premise



- The interpretive key of prophecy is not PRIMARILY Israel and the CHURCH or even the particular DISPENSATION we are living in...
- The PRIMARY interpretive key of prophecy is the understanding that there is a PHYSICAL and SPIRITUAL dimension to the Kingdom of God, which is in the process of convergence

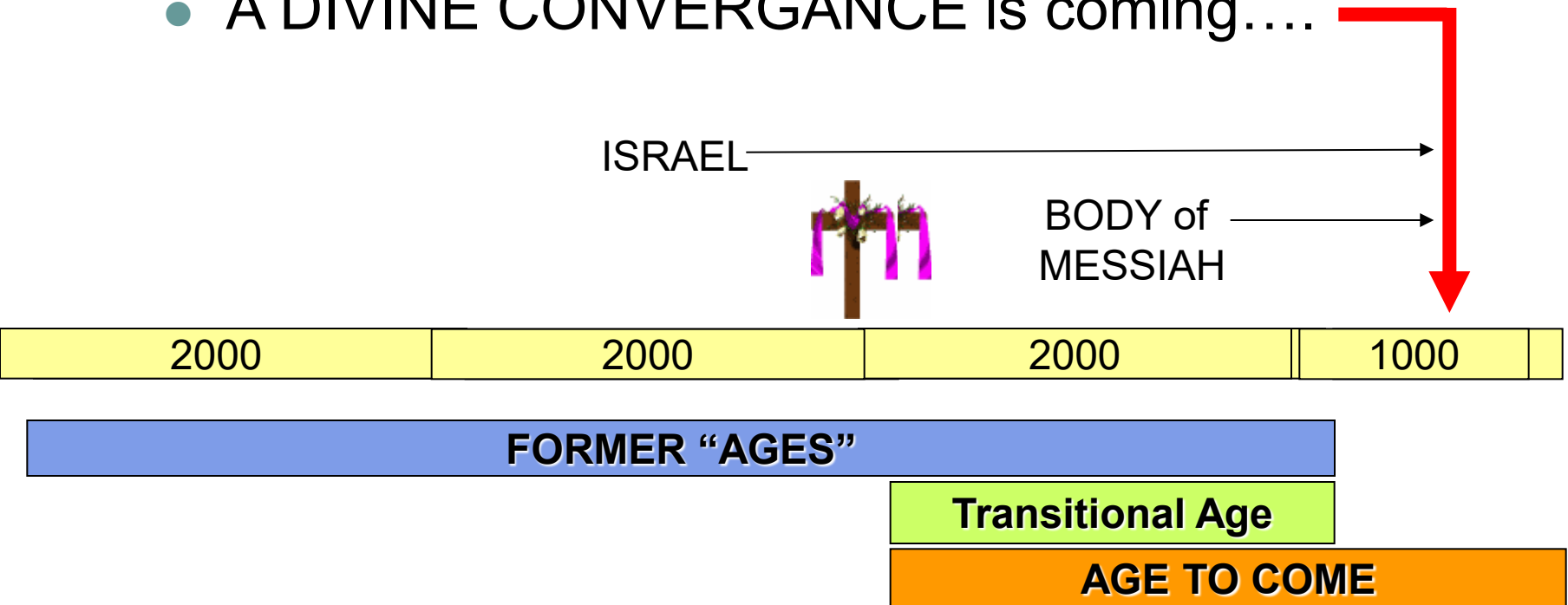
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- Ephesians 1:9-10

“Jerusalem” and “Zion”

- Physical AND Spiritual: 2 REALMS
- A DIVINE CONVERGANCE is coming....



Important Kingdom Principles



- Jewish people *expected* there would be an age in which Jew and Gentile would be one
 - Isaiah 19:24-25
 - Zechariah 14:8-9
- BUT: NOT until Israel was delivered from enemies & Messiah reigns
 - Zechariah 14:10-16
- Ephesians 3:5-6 / 3:14-15
 - Jew & Gentile can be One in Messiah
 - God is creating the Bride of Messiah in the transitional age that will RULE in the Age to Come

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1 Corinthians 15:46-49

- Physical (first Adam – man from dust)
 - Joshua 1:2-7
 - 1 Samuel 15:3
 - Hebrews 11:30-34
 - Hebrews 12:18-21
- Spiritual (last Adam – man from heaven)
 - Luke 17:20-21
 - John 18:36
 - Hebrews 12:22-24
 - Ephesians 6:12

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- Convergence (**resurrected** last Adam—
BOTH physical and spiritual)
 - Hebrews 11:40
 - 1 John 3:2-3
 - 1 Corinthians 15:50
 - Psalms 2:6
 - Psalms 110
 - Matthew 25:32
 - Revelation 22:1-5

The FULLNESS of the ONE NEW MAN



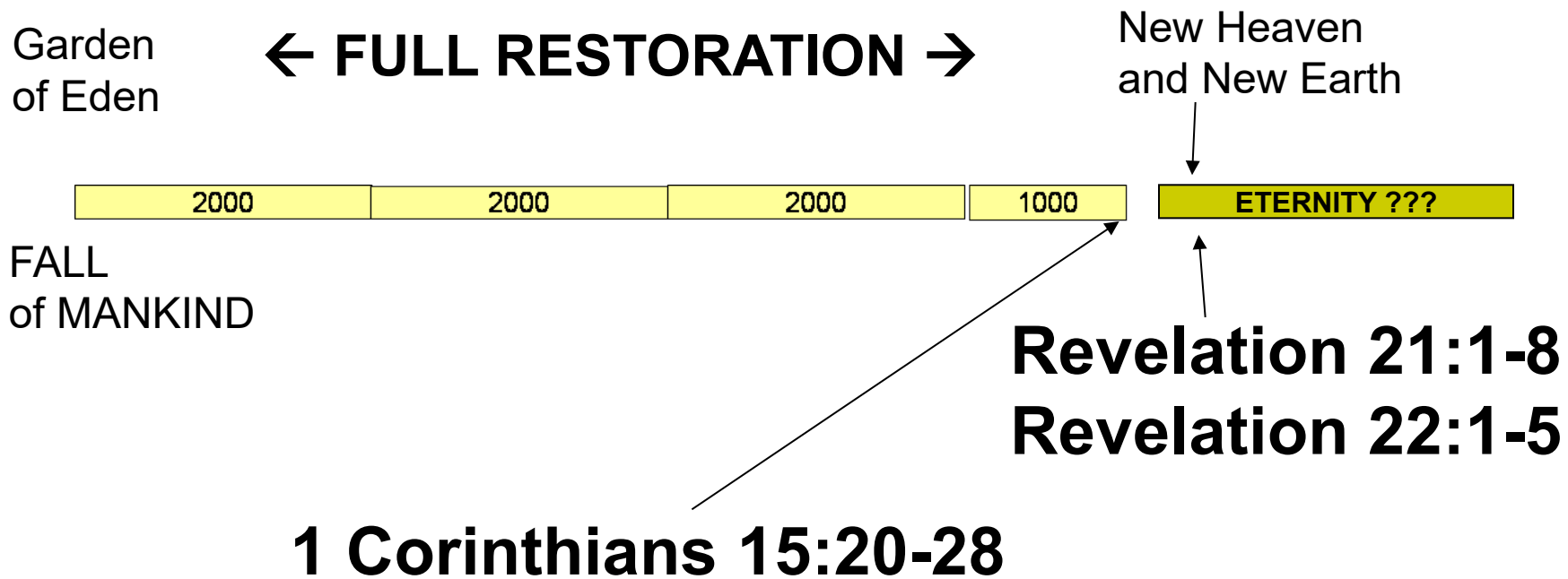
Ephesians 2:14-16

- The spiritual BRIDE is composed of Jewish and Gentile believers in RESURRECTED bodies (they can operate in BOTH realms)
- The physical kingdom of the Messiah on the earth will unify physical Israel and ALL Gentile nations in worship to the LORD of Hosts (but they will only operate in the physical realm – they are normal humans just like us now)

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“Behold! The Tabernacle of God is with man!”





The Dispensational Approach

- Tends toward “Replacement” Theology and other non-Biblical doctrines
 - Kingdom was offered to Israel/rejected
 - Kingdom was *postponed*
 - Parenthesis CHURCH age (not seen by prophets)
 - Gospel of the kingdom vs. grace of God
 - End times PREDOMINANTLY about Israel
- Clear distinction between Church and Israel
- No overlap in God’s economy between the 2



The Transitional Kingdom

- An “Addition” Theology
 - Israel never lost her priesthood/role in WORLD redemption
 - Values the covenant role of national/ethnic Israel in God’s economy or “blueprint”
 - Values the Scripture and their primary interpretation in context to their original audience
 - God added a second priesthood during a transitional age
 - Sees as absolutely essential the role of the Body of Messiah to intercede/pray/bless/help Israel back to her priesthood
 - Sees the destiny of BOTH groups tied to each other
- **END times PREDOMINANTLY about ISRAEL and the “CHURCH” coming together as ONE in the KINGDOM**