

# THE KINGDOM

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## I. Qualification for a King:

- a. **Deuteronomy 17:14-20** Moses gives Israel the qualification for a king.

## II. The Period of Judges:

- a. From **Joshua** to **Samuel** Israel was ruled by God and judges set to govern it.

## III. Israel Kingdom:

- a. **I Samuel 3:7** Samuel, the last judge, is a child and does not know God.
- b. **I Samuel 3:21** God reveals himself to Samuel
- c. **I Samuel 8:4-5** Samuel is judge over Israel, Israel demands a king and to be made into a kingdom
- d. **I Samuel 8:6-9** Samuel cries out to God. God tells Samuel that Israel has rejected God as their king
- e. **I Samuel 8:10-18** Samuel pleads with the elders of Israel
- f. **I Samuel 8:19-22** Israel doesn't listen to Samuel. God grants them a king
- g. **I Samuel 10:1** Samuel anoints Saul as king

## IV. King David:

- a. **2 Samuel 7:12-17** God makes a covenant with David that his throne shall be established forever.
- b. **I Chronicles 17:11-15** God makes a covenant with David that his seed will be king forever and his throne shall be established forever.

## V. King Solomon:

- a. **I Chronicles 22:6-16** David tells Solomon that he is the one to fulfill God's covenant
- b. **I Chronicles 28:1-8** David tells the people Solomon is the one to fulfill God's covenant
- c. **I Kings 9:1-9** God tells Solomon IF he walks righteously as his father did, God will establish Solomon's throne forever.
- d. **2 Chronicles 7:17-21** Solomon walks evil before the Lord. God gives him a warning.
- e. **I Kings 11:9-13** Solomon continues to do evil. God tells Solomon that he will split Israel. However for David's sake he will leave one tribe of Israel.

## VI. Israel is Split: 2 Chronicles 10:12 to 11:5

- a. Rehobam the king walks in evil
- b. Jeroboam leads a rebellion against the house of David
- c. Rehobam remains king of Judah.

## VII. Kings of Israel and Judah: see handout

- a. Rehobam to Josiah reigns as kings of Judah.

## VIII. Israel is cutoff:

- a. **2 Chronicles 33:24-25** Josiah the son of Amon is made king
- b. **2 Chronicles 34:14-17** Hilikiah the priest finds the book of law.
- c. **2 Chronicles 34:29-30** King Josiah reads the law to the elders.
- d. **2 Chronicles 35:1** King Josiah re-instates the passover.
- e. **Jeremiah 18:5-12 & 27:1,7-9** Jeremiah the prophet give Judah God's warning.
- f. **Lamentation 2:1-22 & 2 Chronicles 35:25** Jeremiah the prophet laments or mourns for Israel for God has cut them off
- g. **2 Chronicles 36:1** Josiah dies and his son Jehoaz his son reigns.

## IX. Egyptian Reign of Israel:

- a. **2 Chronicles 36:3** King of Egypt rises
- b. **2 Chronicles 36:3** Sets his brother, Eliakim as king
- c. **2 Chronicles 36:4** Jehoahaz the king is taken to Egypt
- d. **2 Chronicles 36:5** King Eliakim is renamed to Jehoiakim
- e. **2 Chronicles 36:8** King Jehoiakim killed and his son Jehoiachin reigns

#### X. Babylonian Reign of Israel:

- a. **2 Chronicles 36:6-7** Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, reigns as king.
- b. **2 Chronicles 36:10** Nebuchadnezzar places his brother, Zedekiah as king.
- c. **2 Chronicles 36:11** Zedekiah rebels against King Nebuchadnezzar.
- d. **Daniel 2:36-45** King Nebuchadnezzar has a dream. Daniel has a similar vision in **Daniel 7:15-28**
  1. First kingdom is Babylon Empire
  2. Second Kingdom is Medo-Persian Empire
  3. Third kingdom is Greece Empire
  4. Fourth kingdom is Roman Empire
  5. After the “Ancient Days” will be Christ kingdom
- e. **Daniel 4:19-37** Nebuchadnezzar has a second vision that the kingdom is removed from Babylon.

#### XI. King Belshazzar:

- a. Nebuchadnezzar dies and his son Belshazzar reigns
- b. **Daniel 5:30** King Belshazzar is also known as the king of the Chaldeans
- c. **Daniel 5:1-4** King Belshazzar defiles the temple of God.
- d. **2 Chronicles 36:17-19** The “king of the Chaldeans” burns the temple of God and destroys the walls of Jerusalem.
- e. **Daniel 5:12-31** King Belshazzar sees God’s hand write on the wall which means that the Medo-Persian will reign

#### XII. Medo-Persian Reign over Israel:

- a. **2 Chronicles 36:20-22** King Cyrus the king of Persia reigns
- b. **Daniel 5:31** King Belshazzar is slain by Darius the Median

#### XIII. Greece Reign over Israel:

- a. History show us that the Greece Empire reigned after the Medo-Persian Empire

#### XIX. Roman Reign over Israel:

- a. History shows us that the Roman Empire reigned after the Greece Empire.
- b. We are still under the Roman Empire as described in **Daniel 2:36-45** and **Daniel 7:15-28**.

#### XX. The Messiah Came and was Rejected:

- a. **Luke 1:1-25** A messenger speaks to Zacharias, God has remember Israel and he will have a son John.
- b. **Luke 1:57-80** John is born and Zacharias prophesied that God will deliver Israel.
- c. **Matthew 3:1-17** John begins his ministry to prepare the people to receive the Messiah, preaching repent for the Kingdom is at hand.
- d. **John 1:19-34** John testifies that Jesus is the Messiah.
- e. **Matthew 4:12-17** Jesus begins his ministry preaching repent for the Kingdom is at hand.
- f. **Luke 4:16-30** Jesus preaches at home. Rejected by his Community.
- g. **John 5:1-47** Jesus gives four witnesses that Jesus is the Messiah
- h. **Matthew 11:1-6** John the Baptist sends word to Jesus asking, “Are you the one?”
- i. **John 6:1-71** Jesus is the bread of Life and Messiah. Rejected by his followers.
- j. **John 7:1-53** Jesus participates in the feast secretly and people begin to believe he is the Messiah.
- k. **John 8:1-59** Jesus proves by law that he is the Messiah.
- l. **Luke 17:20-30** Jesus prophesies that the Messiah must be rejected.
- m. **John 11:47-57; 12:10-11; 12:19** The rulers decided that the Messiah must die to saved the Nation.
- n. **Luke 19:29-44** Jesus’ glories entrance as King, but not received.
- o. **Zechariah 11:10-14** Prophecy: Israel shall reject the Messiah for 30 pieces of silver.
- p. **John 12:20-50** The hour has come for the Messiah to be glorified. Rejected by the Religious Leaders.
- q. **Matthew 21:23-27 & Matthew 22:15-46** Jesus is tested. Rejected by the Religious Leaders.
- r. **John 18:36-37** Jesus’ Trial: The Kingdom is not of this world.
- s. **Matthew 22:66 & 27:26** Jesus’ Trial: Jesus does not deny he is king. Rejected by the Nation of Israel.
- t. **Luke 24:13-49** Jesus teaches the disciples that the Messiah had to come and die to fulfill all things.
- u. **1 Corinthians 2:8-9** If the princes of this world had known they would not have crucified the Lord

#### XXI. Kingdom of God:

**Psalms 145:11-14 & Isaiah 9:6-7 & Daniel 2:36-45 & Daniel 4:3 & Daniel 7:15-28**