







THE BIBLE TIMELINE

















Creation

"Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. Then He separated the light from darkness. God called the light "day" and the darkness "night." Genesis 1:3-5 (NLT)

"Then God said, Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us, they will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground." So God created human beings in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female he created them." *Genesis 1:26-27 (NLT)*

Fall of Man

Adam and Eve were placed in the garden of Eden to enjoy its beauty and the presence of God. There was only one rule: do not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Eve saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, so she took some of the fruit and ate it, then she gave some to her husband to eat. Their decision brought sin into the world and they were banished from the garden.

Adam and Eve had Cain and Abel, but because Cain was jealous that God preferred Abel's sacrifice over his, he killed Abel. God banished Cain to the land of Nod, and placed a mark on him. that no man would kill him.

The Flood

The wickedness of man became so great that God was grieved that He made us. God told Noah to build an ark because the earth was going to be flooded. Noah and his family entered the ark, God shut the door, and the waters flooded the earth.



God's Covenant with Abraham

God made a covenant with Abraham. He promised to make him the father of many nations and to give him the land of Canaan. The problem was that Abraham and his wife, Sarah, could not bear a child. Sarah convinced him to have a child with her servant. They named the child Ishmael.

When Abraham was 100 and Sarah was 90, she gave birth to the promised child, Isaac. Isaac married Rebekah and had two children, named Jacob and Esau. God later changed Jacob's name to Israel.



Preservation of Israel

Jacob had twelve sons. Joseph was his favorite son because he had him in his old age. Joseph's brothers were jealous and they sold him into slavery. Joseph was later imprisoned for a crime he did not commit. And while he was in prison he had the opportunity to interpret a dream for the Pharaoh.

As a result, he was placed second in charge of Egypt and he oversaw the distribution of food during a great famine. During that time, his brothers came to Egypt in search of food. Joseph recognized them, tested them, and forgave them. After this, Jacob and his family were relocated to Egypt.

Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

Israelites in Slavery in Egypt

Almost 400 years later the Israelites were slaves to the Egyptians. Moses' mother, Jochebed, hid him when the Pharaoh ordered all newborn Israelite boys to be killed. Moses was saved through the compassion of Pharaoh's daughter, who took him home as her son. Years later, God called Moses out of the wilderness to go back to Egypt to free God's people from slavery.

Notable Events

Plagues - First Passover (1446)
Ten Commandments - Tabernacle
Wandering in the desert for 40 years



Israelites enter the Promised Land

Joshua was one of the twelve spies of Israel sent by Moses to explore the land of Canaan. After the death of Moses, he led the Israelite tribes in the conquest of Canaan and allocated the land to the tribes.

Notable Events

- Rahab saves the spies
- Crossing the Jordan River
- Fall of Jericho
- Conquering of the Land



Period of the Judges

Judges were people whom God raised up to protect the Israelites from enemies. They were equivalent to modern-day five-star generals.

Notable Judges

- Deborah - Gideon - Samson - Eli - Samuel 1 & 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon



Kings of Israel

Saul: The first king of Israel Chosen by God

David: King of Judah, later of Israel

Second king of Israel. Although described as a man after God's own heart, he was not without faults and failures. God promised to preserve his lineage.

Solomon: King of Israel

Son of David, built first temple in Jerusalem



Founded 1021 B.C. Divided 931 B.C.

SRAEL Northern Kingdom

ISRAEL FALLS TO ASSYRIA IN 722 B.C.

ASSYRIA. THEN JUDAH FALLS TO BABYLON IN 586 B.C.

BABYLON FALLS TO

JUDAH

Northern Kingdom

EREMIAH 738-698 BC

Divided Kingdom

In 931 B.C. the kingdom of Israel was divided into two kingdoms, the southern kingdom "Judah" and the northern kingdom "Israel." The northern kingdom of Israel was conquered by the Assyrians in 722 B.C. Assyria fellto Babylon, and in 605 B.C. the Israelites were exiled to Babylon. In 586 B.C. the southern kingdom of Judah fell to Babylon and Solomon's temple was destroyed. During his time God raised up prophets to warn the people not to turn away from Him.

These stories are found in these books

- Isaiah
- Jonah
- Jeremiah
- Micah - Nahum
- Lamentations - Ezekiel
- Habakkuk
- Daniel
- Zephaniah
- Hosea
- Haggai
- Amos
- Obadiah
- Zechariah

- Elisha (845-800 B.C.)

- Jonah (781 B.C.) Amos (765-754 B.C.)
- Isaiah (765-754 B.C.)

- Elijah (870-845 B.C.)

- Hosea (758-725 B.C.)
- Micah (738-698 B.C.)
- Nahum (658-615 B.C.)

- God's prophets during this time:
 - Jeremiah (650-582 B.C.)
 - Zephaniah (640-626 B.C.)
 - Habakkuk (608 598 B.C.)
 - Ezekiel (620-570 B.C.)
 - Daniel (620-540 B.C.)

 - Zechariah (599-586 B.C.)

THE **SECOND** TEMPLE

536-516 R.C.

GREECE

Persia falls to Alexander the Great in 330 B.C.

ROME

Roman empire begins with Julius Caesar as dictator in 100 B.C.

JERUSALEM

Reconstruction begins in 538 B.C.

Reconstruction of Jerusalem

King Cyrus of Persia allowed the Israelites to return to their land. Rebuilding of the Temple began in 536 B.C. Temple is dedicated in 516 B.C.

Notable people & books:

- Esther (478 B.C.)
- Malachi (465 B.C.)
- Ezra (457 B.C.) - Joel (450 B.C.)
- Nehemiah (444-430 B.C.)

Period Between Old Testament & New Testament

For 400 years God was silent among His people. There were no visions, no prophets, and no angel visitations. Behind the scenes God was setting the stage to enter our world to pay the price for our sins by becoming flesh and dwelling among His people.





The Life of Christ

Jesus was born in Bethlehem. He started His public ministry at the age of 30. He healed the sick, raised the dead, and performed miracles. He showed us the full extent of God's love by taking our place and dying on the cross for our sin, but He did not stay dead. Three days later Jesus rose again from the dead conquering sin, death, and the grave.





Birth of the Church

The disciples spread the message of Jesus to the outer ends of the earth. As they went from town to town, small groups of people formed communities of faith called churches.

These people were severely persecuted by both the Jewish religious establishment and the Roman government, but they remained faithful to their Lord and Savior, Jesus.



Writings of Paul

Paul's original name was Saul. God later changed his name to Paul. God used Paul to write almost half of the New Testament. He was the greatest missionary to ever live.

Books that Paul wrote:

- Romans
- -1 & 2 Corinthians
- Galatians
- Ephesians
- Philippians
- Colossians
- 1 & 2 Thessalonians
- -1&2 Timothy
- Titus
- Philemon

Hebrews, James, 1,2,3 Peter, 1,2,3 John, Jude



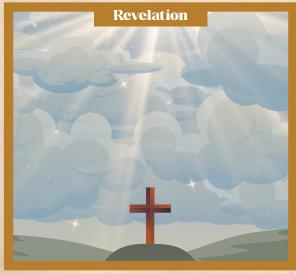
Other Noted Books

God used other men to write these books to encourage God's people to live a fully devoted life for Jesus.

Authors of Noted Books:

- James was the half brother of Jesus
- John, Peter, and Jude were all disciples of Jesus who followed him for 3 1/2 years.





The Present Day Church

Jesus told us to go make disciples of all the nations. -Matthew 28:19-20

We are a part of God's story, and we can advance the Kingdom of God just like the disciples did by trusting in the grace of God, pursuing growth in Christ through daily prayer and Bible study, and being in a small group where we can mature in faith alongside others.

We should also use our spiritual gifts to build up the church, live a life of worship through giving, and be open to going wherever God calls us to go to share Him with others.

It's our time to pass on our faith by inviting our friends and family members to church and encouraging our children to participate in their age-appropriate church environments where they can learn God's Word and live out His story.

The Return of Christ

While the apostle John was exiled on the island of Patmos, God revealed to John how Jesus would return and make everything new again. One day Jesus will return and take His Church to be with Him, and every knee will bow and every tongue confess that He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.