

# 1 & 2 Chronicles

## GENEALOGIES FROM ADAM TO DAVID

9:1  
"And Judah was carried away into exile to Babylon for their unfaithfulness"

## THE REIGN OF DAVID (1011-971 BC)

- Saul's failure and death
- David established as king over all Isr. in Jeru.
- Religion established and organized in Jerusalem
- Denied to build Temple but given Davidic coven.
- Military victories over surrounding nations
- The census and its consequences
- Preparation for Temple building
- Organization for Temple service
- David's charge to Israel and his death

1 Chr 10:1--29:30

## THE REIGN OF SOLOMON (971-931 BC)

- Solomon established as King
- The building of the Temple
- The dedication of the Temple
- International relations

2 Chr 1:1--9:31

## THE KINGS OF JUDAH (930-586 BC)

- A. Rehoboam (10:1--12:16) 931-913
- B. Abijam (13:1-22) 913-910
- ★ C. Asa (14:1--16:14) 910-869
- ★ D. Jehoshaphat (17:1--20:37) 873-848
- E. Jehoram (Joram) (21:1-20) 854-841
- F. Ahaziah (22:1-9) 842-841
- G. Athaliah (22:10--23:21) 841-835
- H. Joash (Jehoash) (24:1-27) 835-796
- I. Amaziah (25:1-28) 796-767
- J. Uzziah (Azariah) (26:1-23) 791-739
- K. Jotham (27:1-9) 750-731
- L. Ahaz (28:1-27) 735-715
- ★ M. Hezekiah (29:1--32:33) 729-686
- N. Manasseh (33:1-20) 697-642
- O. Amon (33:21-25) 642-640
- ★ P. Josiah (34:1--35:27) 640-609
- Q. Jehoahaz (Shallum) (36:1-4) 609-609
- R. Jehoiakim (Eliakim) (36:5-8) 609-598
- S. Jehoiachin (Jeconiah) (36:9-10) 598-597
- T. Zedekiah (Mattaniah) (36:11-21) 597-586

2 Chr 10:1--36:23

## RETURN UNDER CYRUS (538)

(dates generally include the co-regency)

Cyrus issues decree permitting Jews to return

36:22-23

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## Observations

1. Genealogy of Judah is treated before other tribes.
2. Ch 3 given to Davidic dynasty.
3. Extended discussion given to the Levites.

1. No mention of David's sin with Bathsheba or David's early life
2. Stress is placed on the kingship and the Davidic covenant.
3. Stress is placed on the religious life, and especially with the plans for the Temple.

1. Omits Solomon's apostasy & idolatry.
2. Focus is given to the Temple that is dedicated to the glory of God.

1. Omits the kings of the northern kingdom (concern for the line of David).
2. Attention given to Rehoboam (division of the kingdom came with him).
3. Attention given to four reforming kings who were faithful: Asa, Jehosh., Hezek., Josiah
4. Concern for faithful YHWH worship and a pure heart (such kings were blessed; others cursed).

Culminates with post-exilic community of faith.

Need to remember their historical link with the past as "The People of God"

Need to maintain their hope in God's promise to come through the Davidic Covenant

Need to be whole-heartedly committed to Temple worship

Need to serve YHWH faithfully with a pure heart (especially the leaders)

Lessons for the Post-exilic Community