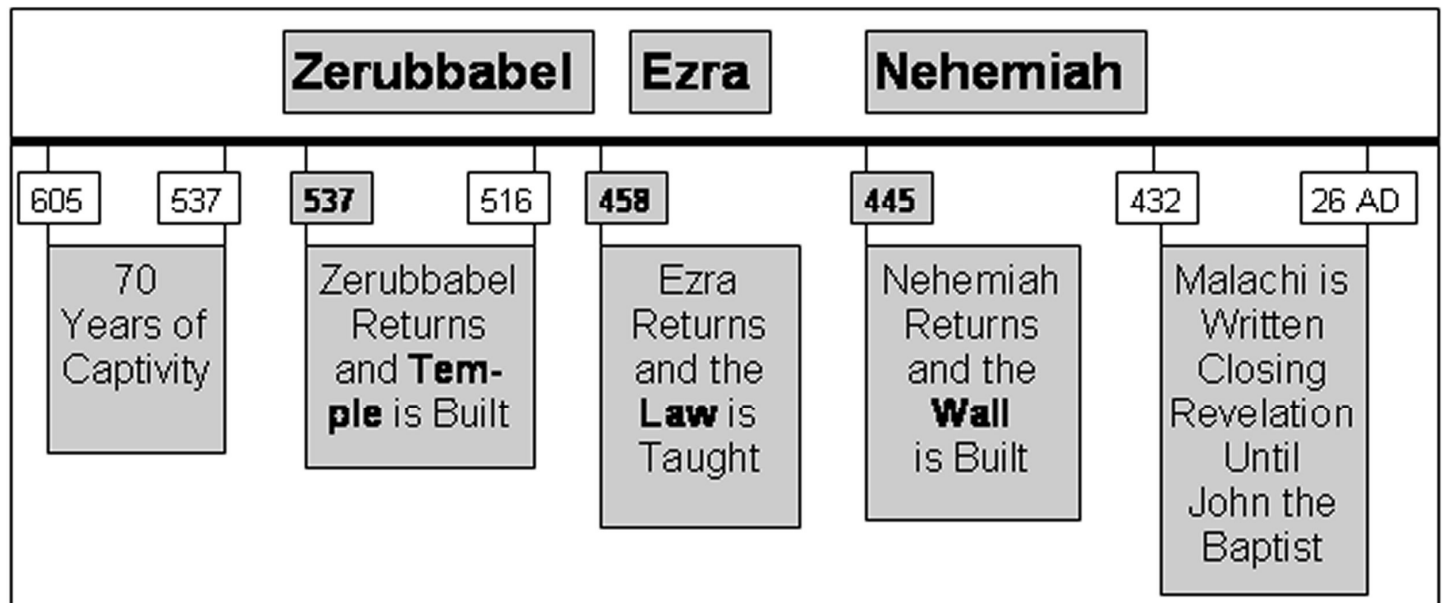
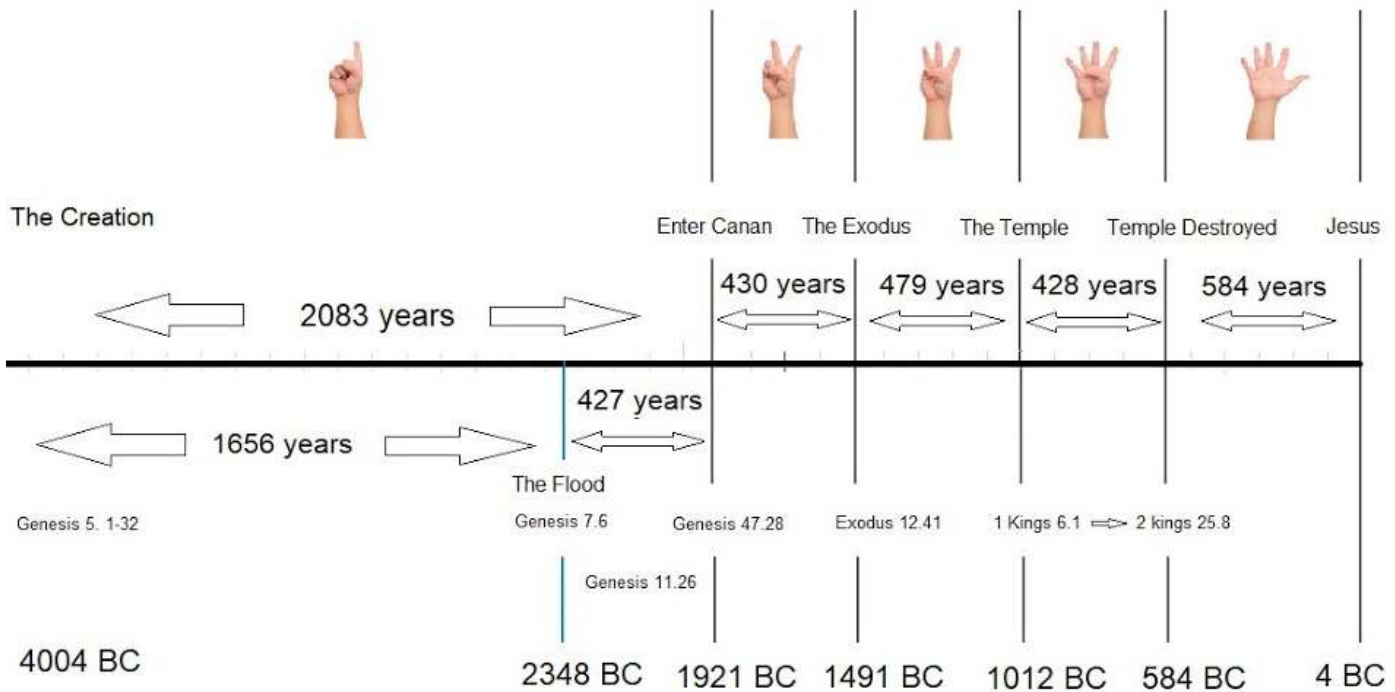


Bible timeline in 5 steps !

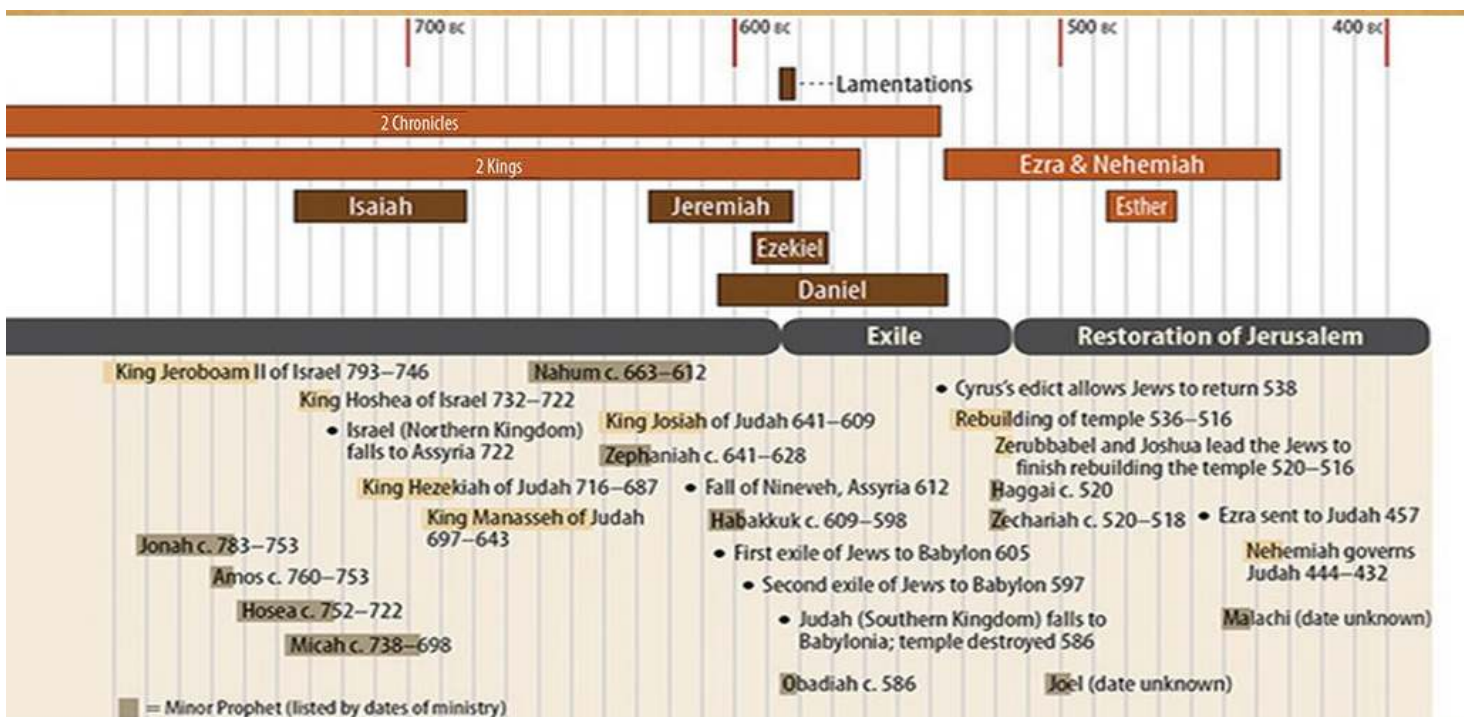
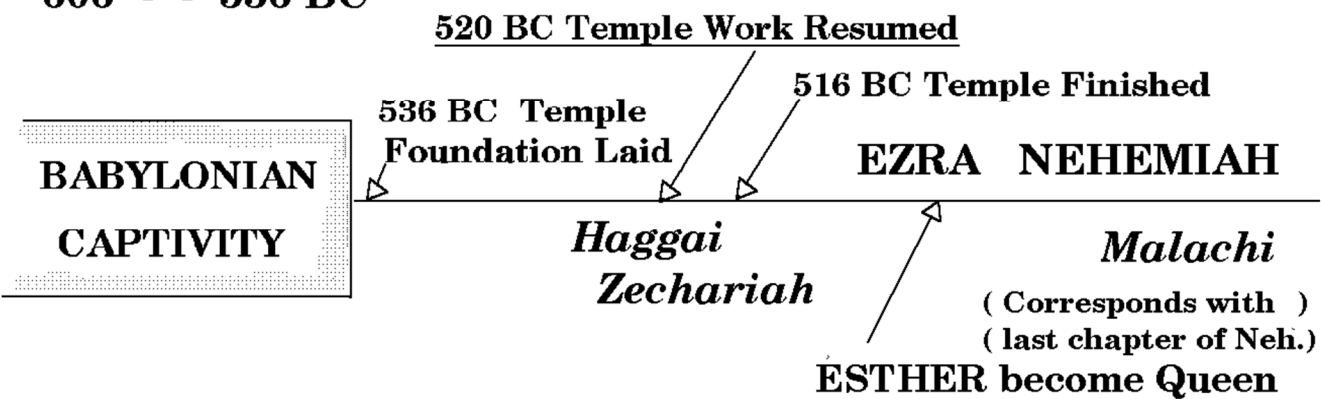


Chronology of Ezra, Nehemiah & Esther

1 st Return under Zerubbabel	Events of the book of Esther	2 nd Return under Ezra	3 rd Return under Nehemiah
Ezra 1-6	Book of Esther	Ezra 7-10	Book of Nehemiah
537-516 B.C.	473 B.C.	458-457 B.C.	437 B.C.

RETURN FROM CAPTIVITY

606 - - 536 BC



Ezra Chapter 5 - Conviction Returns

Ezra Chapter 5:1,2; Haggai Chapter 1

1. Who spoke to the Jews in Jerusalem and why? What was the result?

Who was Haggai?

- Little is known - Outside the book, he is mentioned twice by Ezra
 - No record of him in captivity, nor is his age,
 - He had knowledge of Solomon's Temple leading some scholars to think he was older
- Prophet of God
- Ministry was short - 4 months to 1½ years, 4 messages.
- Theme - Stir up the people to:
 - Rebuild the temple
 - Reorder their spiritual priorities

Chronology of the Persian Period

PERSIAN KING	DATES	BIBLICAL CORRELATION
CYRUS	539-530	Return of Zerubbabel and Jeshua (Ezra 1-3)
CAMBYSES	530-522	Rebuilding at Jerusalem stopped (Ezra 4)
DARIUS I	522-486	Haggai and Zechariah prophesy (520) Temple Completed (516) (Ezra 5-6)
XERXES	486-464	Story of Esther (Esther 1-9)
ARTAXERXES I	464-423	Return of Ezra (458) (Ezra 7-10) Return of Nehemiah (445) (Nehemiah 1-2) Prophecy of Malachi (433)

70 YEARS - TIMELINE

