



# 2 Kings

## Background

- 1 and 2 Kings were originally one book (on two scrolls) spanning over 380 years of history.
- The author is unknown. The original readers were Jews in captivity.
- Rather than focusing on a few key characters, 2 Kings tells the story of twenty-nine kings.
- During this period, Amos and Hosea prophesied in Israel, and Elisha, Obadiah, Joel, Isaiah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, and Jeremiah in Judah.
- Assyria takes the Northern Kingdom into captivity (722 BC) (17). Babylon takes Judah into captivity (586 BC) (25).

## Roadmap

### 1. The \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom (1-17)

- A. The Annals of the Northern Kingdom (1-10)
- B. The Alternating Annals of the Northern and Southern Kingdoms (11-17)

### 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom (18-25)

- A. Hezekiah and Josiah: \_\_\_\_\_ and Restoration (18-23)
- B. The slave kings of Judah: Corruption and \_\_\_\_\_ (19-25)

## Landmark

The theme of 2 Kings is "\_\_\_\_\_ brings \_\_\_\_\_." Israel and Judah imitate the nations around them and eventually share their fate (17:1-16) (21:10-13).

## Must See

### Elisha

- Like Christ, he is a prophet who trained disciples, cleansed leprosy, fed the hungry, raised the dead, and gave life in his death.

### Israel

- Like Christ, they were blessed, judged, and resurrected.

## Takeaway

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ God gives (18) - Use it \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The promises God \_\_\_\_\_ (9) - Act accordingly!
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ God extends (5) - Receive it humbly!

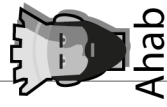


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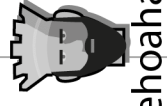
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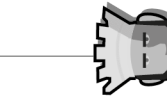
Overlapping  
co-regencies



Ahab



Ahaziah



Joram



Jehoahaz



Jehoash



Jeroboam



Zechariah



Shallum



Menahem



Pekahiah



Pekah



Hoshea

Kingdom of Israel

Assyrian Captivity  
(722 BC)

## Divided Kingdom

Kingdom of Judah



Jehoshaphat



Jehoram



Ahaziah



Athaliah



Joash



Amaziah



Azariah



Jotham



Ahaz



Hezekiah



Manasseh

850

800

750

700

650 BC

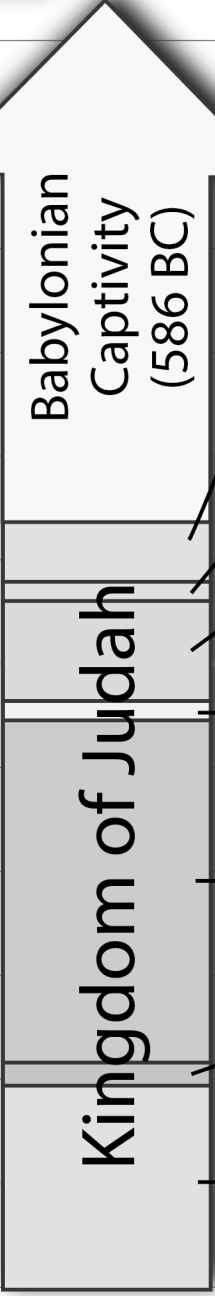
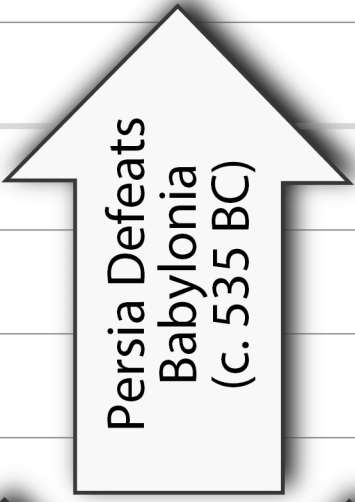
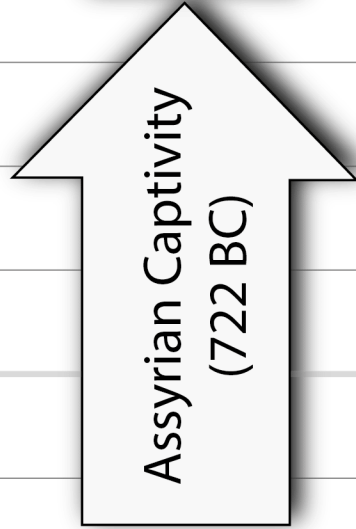
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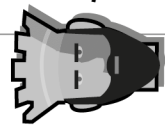


## Kingdom of Judah

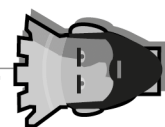
Babylonian Captivity (586 BC)



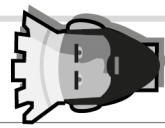
Manasseh



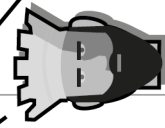
Amon



Josiah



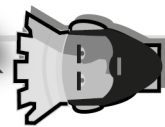
Jehoahaz



Jehoiakim



Jehoiachin



Zedekiah

650

600

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