

Joshua

Theme: Conquest of Canaan

Author: Joshua

Date: 14th century B.C.

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Verse Joshua 1:9

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This book bears the name of its author, Joshua, who led the Israelites into Canaan. It tells of Israel's conquest of the Promised Land. Interwoven with its historical narrative, the Book of Joshua illustrates the believer's victory in Christ. As the Israelites were delivered out of Egypt into the Promised Land, so our salvation is both, out of bondage to sin, and into a new life in Christ. The book of Joshua describes how the believer may attain victory in his walk and in his spiritual warfare.

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1 Kings

Theme: Division and decay of the kingdom

Author: Unknown

Date: 6th Century B.C.

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Verse 1Kgs 11:11

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Major topics included in the book of 1 Kings are King Solomon's reign, details of building the temple, the division of Israel into the Northern Kingdom (Israel) under King Jeroboam and the Southern Kingdom (Judah) under King Rehoboam, the ministry of Elijah, and the reign of King Ahab. Originally, the books of 1 and 2 Kings were one book.

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2 Kings

Theme: The divided kingdom and captivity

Author: Unknown

Date: Sixth century B.C.

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Verse 2Kgs 23:27

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The book of 2 Kings covers a total of 250 years, including the reigns of the last 12 kings of Israel and the last 16 kings of Judah. It records God's punishment upon Israel and Judah because of their back-sliding away from God and disobedience to His commands. The Northern Kingdom, Israel, fell to the Assyrians in 721 B.C. Judah was taken captive by the Babylonians in 586 B.C. Also recorded is Elijah's translation to heaven without dying. Elisha, his successor, was given a double portion of God's Spirit, enabling him to perform many miracles.

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1 Chronicles

Theme: Genealogy and history

Author: Unknown

Date: 5th century B.C.

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Verse 1Chr 29:11

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The books of 1 and 2 Chronicles repeat much of the history of 2 Samuel and 1 and 2 Kings. The first nine chapters contain an extensive genealogy of the patriarchs and the 12 sons of Israel. Chapter 10 relates details about Saul's last days and his death. The rest of the book describes King David's reign over the nation of Israel.

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2 Chronicles

Theme: Reign of King Solomon and history of Judah

Author: Unknown

Date: Probably written during Babylonian captivity

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Verse 2Chr 7:14

Recited

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The books of 1 and 2 Chronicles formed one book in the Old Hebrew canon. The first nine chapters of 2 Chronicles relate events during King Solomon's reign with a detailed description of the building and dedication of the temple. The remainder of the book continues the history of Judah (the Southern Kingdom), the reign of King Rehoboam, the destruction of the capital city, Jerusalem, and the nation's captivity under Nebuchadnezzar. The revival under King Hezekiah is given much importance.

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Esther

Theme: God's care for His people

Author: Unknown

Date: 5th Century B.C.

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Verse Esther 4:14

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The book records events that occurred during the Jews' captivity in Persia. Esther, a Jewish maiden who became Queen of Persia, was used by God to deliver her people from death. The name of God is never mentioned in the Book of Esther, but God's care for His people is undeniably demonstrated throughout the book.

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Job

Theme: The problem of suffering

Author: Unknown

Date: Unknown, probably first book of the Bible written

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Verse Job 19:25

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Job, a righteous man who may have been a contemporary of the patriarchs, lived in the land of Uz before the nation of Israel came into existence. With God's permission, he was severely afflicted by Satan. Job lost his possessions, family and health. His life, however, was preserved because Satan could not proceed beyond the boundary God had set for him. The great question of the book is, "Why do the righteous suffer?" Through his experiences, Job was brought to utter subjection to and dependence on God, as well as a new understanding of God's holiness and power.

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Psalms

Theme: Rejoicing and praise

Author: David and others

Date: 10th century B.C. to approximately sixth century B.C.

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Verse Psm 100:4

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The Psalms, Israel's prayer and praise book, consist of five books with each ending in a doxology. The Psalms have been a source of comfort and encouragement to believers of all ages. Great themes of the Psalms include: Messianic prophecies, the law, creation, Israel's future events and God's love and concern for all His children. As God's truths are revealed in the Psalms, they are expressed in terms of human experiences.

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Jeremiah

Theme: Warnings and predictions to Judah
 Author: Jeremiah
 Date: 7th century B.C.

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Key Verse Jer 33:3

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The book of Jeremiah contains warnings and appeals to the Kingdom of Judah. "Unless you repent of your sins," Jeremiah, the weeping prophet, warned the people, "Jerusalem will be destroyed, and you will be carried away captive into Babylon." Because of his unpopular message, Jeremiah was persecuted and imprisoned by his own people. Jeremiah also predicted that the 12 tribes of Israel would return to their land in the end times and Christ would be Israel's King during the Millennium (Jeremiah 23:5-8).

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Lamentations

Theme: Jeremiah's lament for all Israel
 Author: Jeremiah
 Date: 6th century B.C.

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Key Verse Lm 3:22-23

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Jeremiah's sorrow for Jerusalem shows the Lord's love and concern for the very people He is chastening. Each of the five chapters is a separate poem of mourning and sorrow for the afflicted nation of Israel. Each poem in the original writings, except chapter three, has 22 verses. Each begins with one of the 22 different letters of the Hebrew alphabet.

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Joel

Theme: Prediction of the Day of the Lord
 Author: Joel
 Date: 9th or 8th century B.C.

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Key Verse Joel 1:15

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Joel predicts the coming day of the Lord (the Great Tribulation) with its judgments on the Gentiles and the final restoration of Israel. The Apostle Peter quotes from chapter one of the Book of Joel in his sermon on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2).

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Jonah

Theme: God's mercy
 Author: Unknown (possibly Jonah)
 Date: 9th century B.C.

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Key Verse Jonah 3:10

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 Leader sign/date

Although at first he disobeyed God, Jonah occupies a unique place in his nation's history as the first foreign missionary. Because of his preaching, the people of Nineveh, Israel's avowed enemy, repented of their sins, and God's judgment upon them was postponed. The book of Jonah portrays an impartial, merciful God who intervenes supernaturally in the lives of men and the affairs of nations. In the gospels, Christ compared His burial and resurrection to Jonah's three-day experience in the belly of the fish.

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