



🌀 Book of Zephaniah 🌀

At-A-Glance

An Overview of the Books of the Bible

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PENMAN: Zephaniah (VI) POSITION: OT - Minor Prophets

PERIOD: ~610 B.C. PLACE: Judah

PHASE: Judah alone PUBLIC: Judah

KEY POINTS:

"Condemnation" of Judah

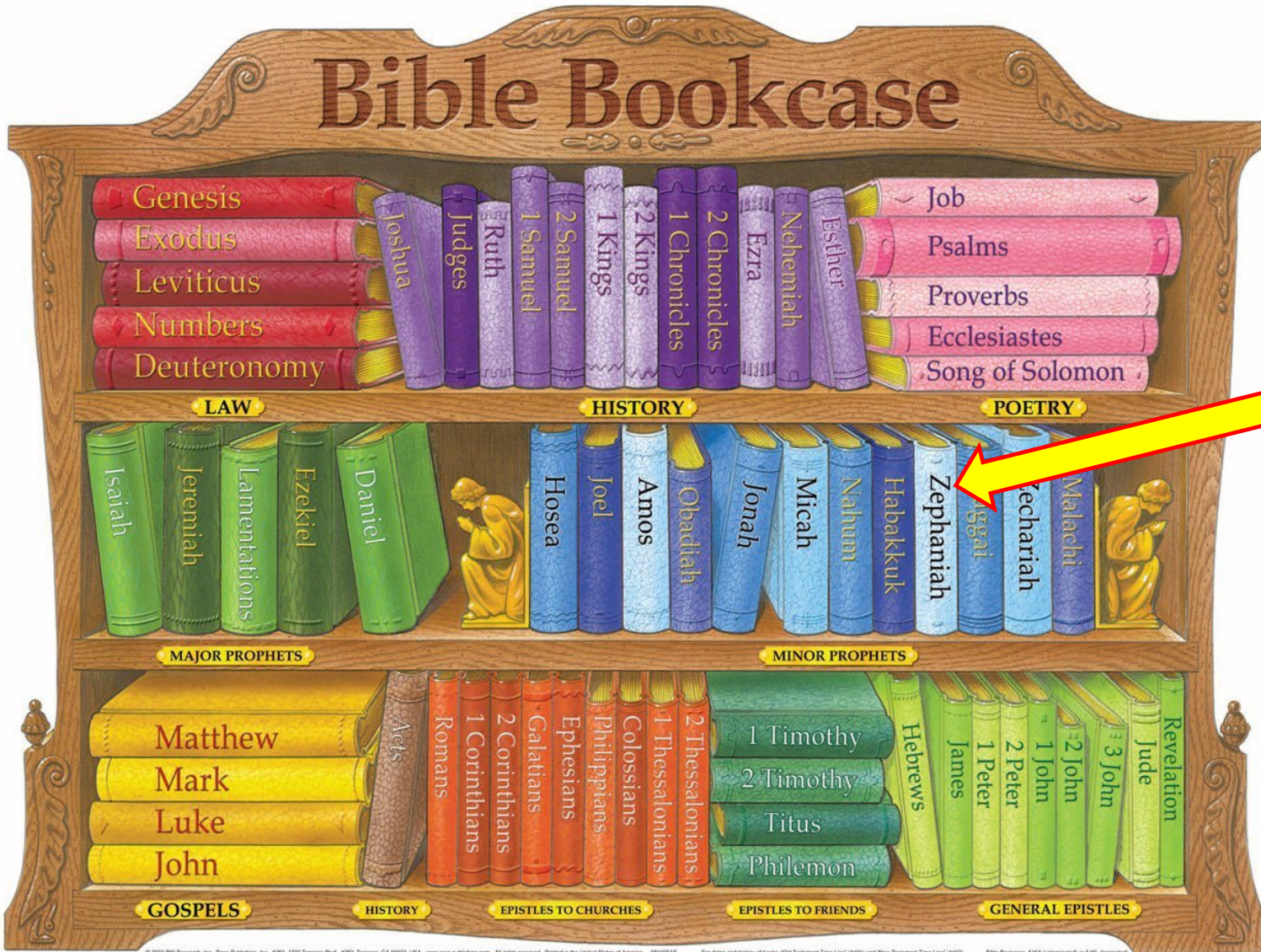
To shake people out of complacency; urge to return to God

Threat of the "Day of the Lord"

Prophecy of salvation of remnant

1	ANTE-DILUVIAN PHASE	Creation – 2349 B.C.	Gen. 1:1 - 8:12
2	POST-DILUVIAN PHASE	- 1921 B.C.	Gen. 8:13 - 11:26
3	PATRIARCH PHASE	- 1706 B.C.	Gen. 11:26 - 46:7
4	EGYPTIAN BONDAGE	- 1491 B.C.	Gen. 46:8 - Ex. 14:31
5	WILDERNESS WANDERING	- 1450 B.C.	Ex. 15:1 - Josh. 3:17
6	CONQUEST OF CANAAN	- 1430 B.C.	Joshua 4:1 - Judges 3:9
7	THE JUDGES	- 1095 B.C.	Judges 3:10 - 1 Sam 10:17
8	UNITED KINGDOM	- 975 B.C.	1 Sam 11:1 - 1 Kings 11:43
9	DIVIDED KINGDOM	- 721 B.C.	1 Kings 12:1 - 2 Kings 17:41
10	JUDAH ALONE	- 586 B.C.	2 Kings 18:1 - 25:30
11	BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY	- 536 B.C.	2 Chr. 36:22 - Ezra 1:4
12	THE RESTORATION	- 432 B.C.	Ezra 1:1 - Nehemiah 13:31
13	BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS	- 5 B.C.	
14	COMING OF IMMANUEL	- 29/30 A.D.	Matthew; Mark; Luke; John
15	THE CHURCH	- Current	Acts 2:1 – Revelation 22:21

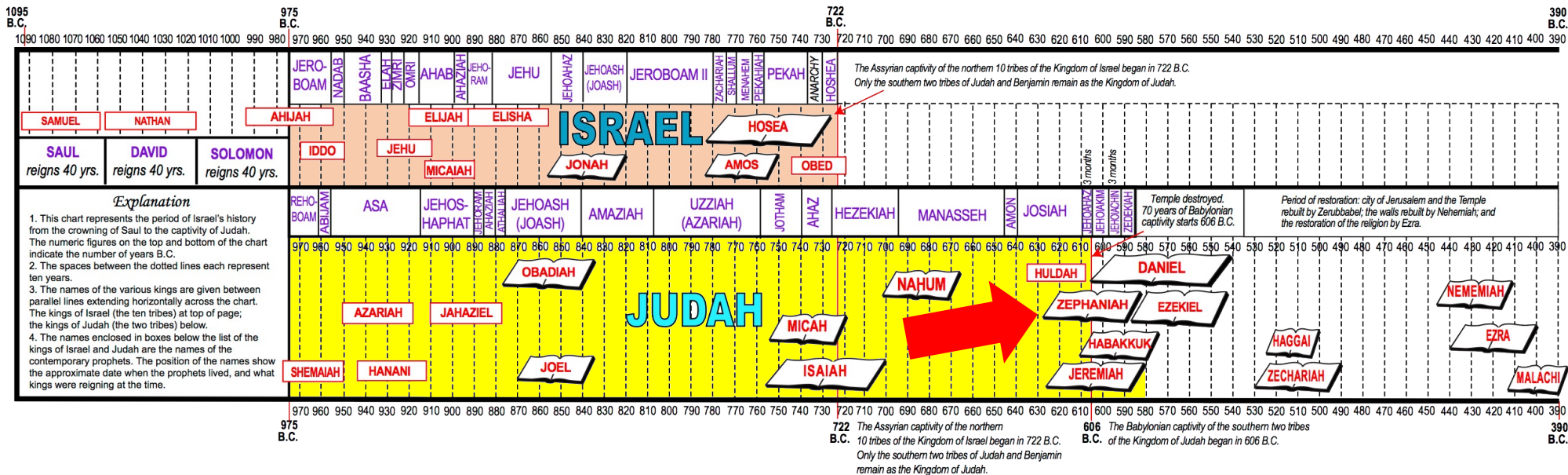
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KINGS AND PROPHETS CHART

United Kingdom

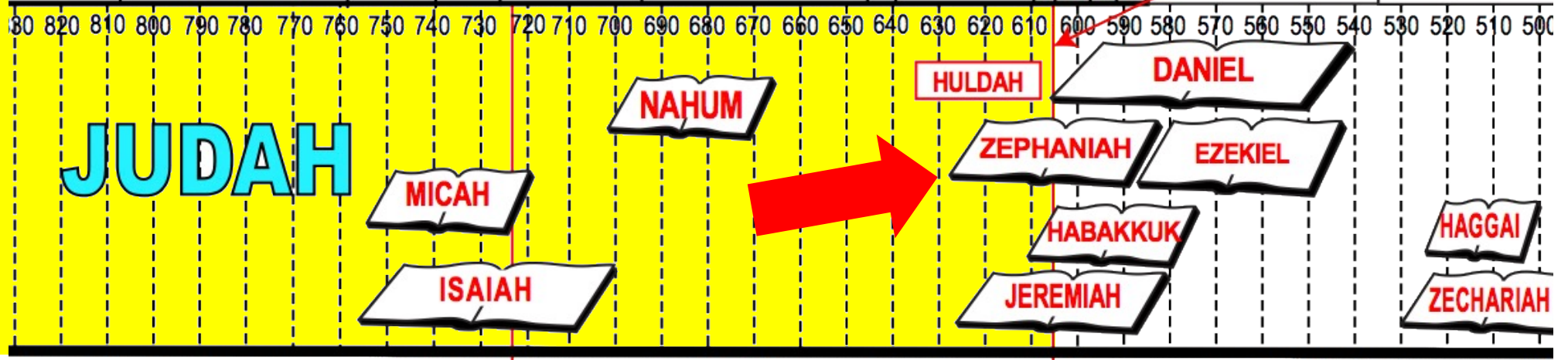
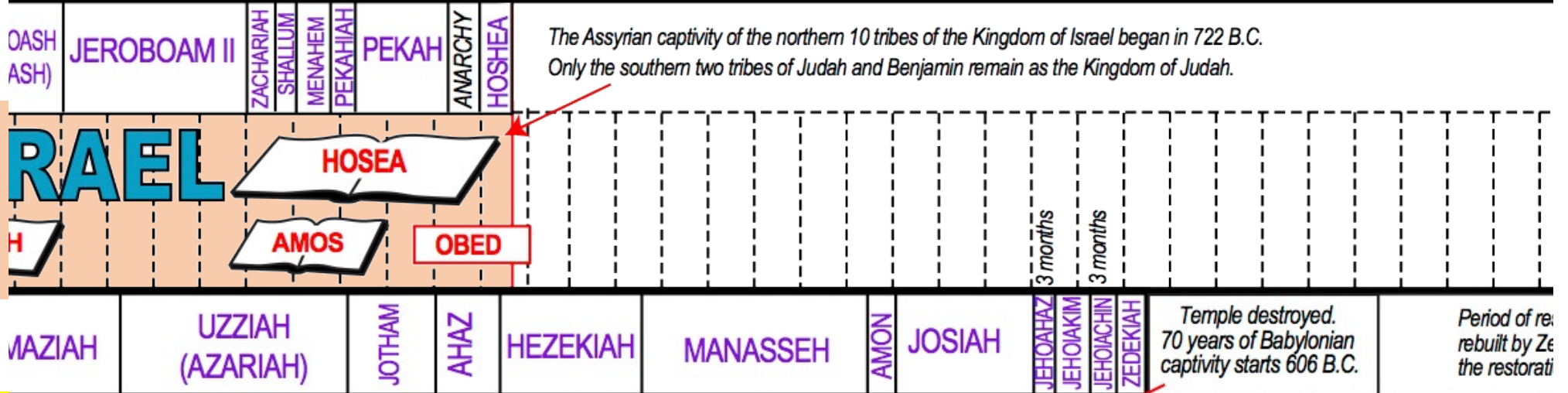
Divided Kingdoms of Israel and Judah



Important Dates:

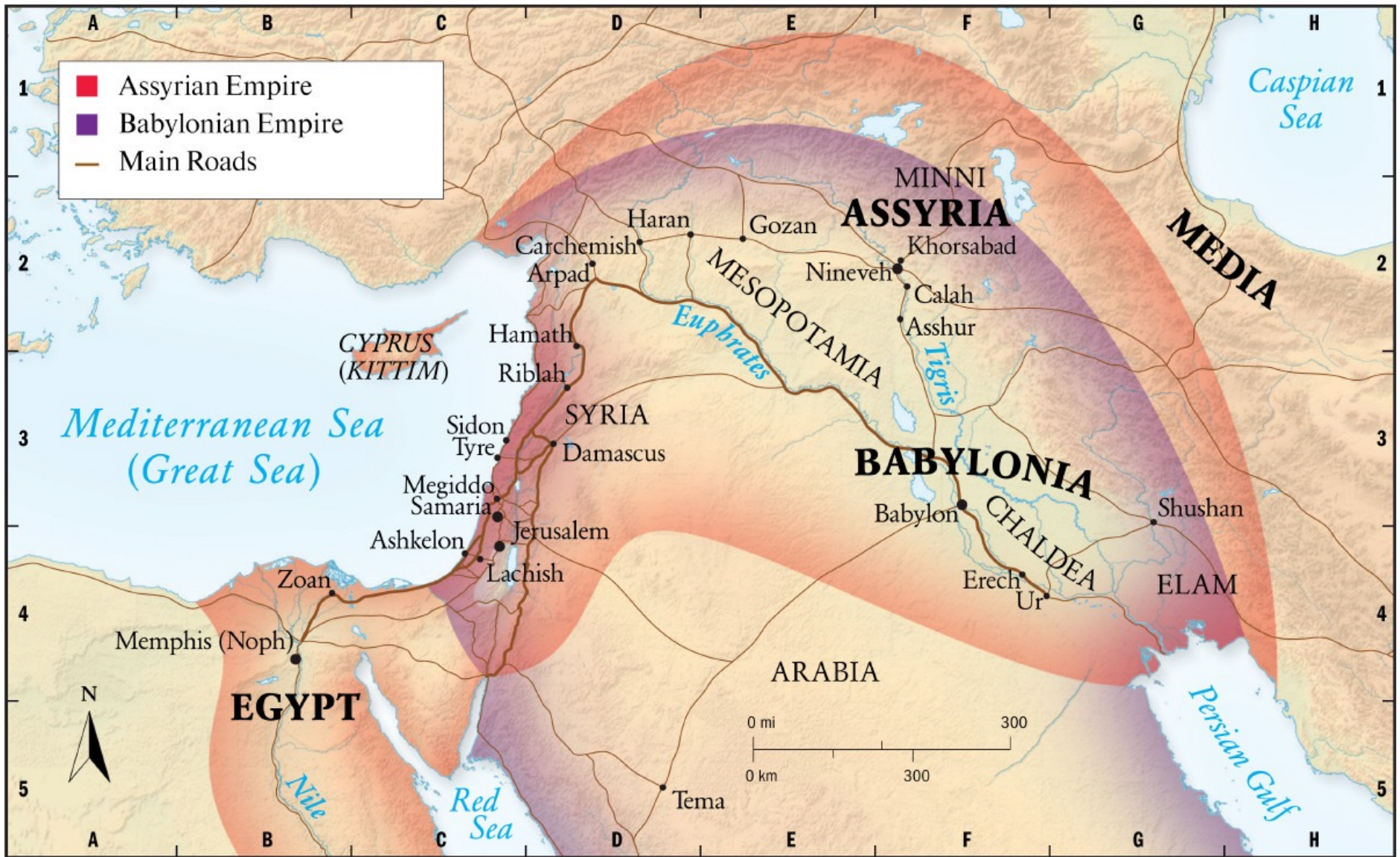
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| 1095 B.C. - Start of the United Kingdom | 596 B.C. - Second deportation of Judean captives |
| 975 B.C. - Division of the kingdom | 586 B.C. - Third deportation with destruction of the temple |
| 722 B.C. - Assyrian captivity of Northern Kingdom | 536 B.C. - First return campaign led by Zerubbabel |
| 612 B.C. - Babylonia invade Assyrians | 520 B.C. - Completion of the temple rebuilding |
| 606 B.C. - First deportation of Judean captives into Babylonian captivity | 458 B.C. - Second return led by Ezra |
| | 445 B.C. - Third return led by Nehemiah |

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722 The Assyrian captivity of the northern
606 The Babylonian captivity of the southern two tribes



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PARTICULARS:

The "Pessimistic Prophet" (Zephaniah = hidden in Yahweh)
Great-great grandson of Hezekiah, King of Judah
Prophesied during reign of Josiah to Exile; along w/ Jeremiah

Judgment Against Judah	Judgment Against Nations	Salvation of Remnant
Day of Wrath	Desolation	Deliverance
Chapter 1	Chapter 2	Chapter 3

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- The "Lion"
- Pure Language

KEY PASSAGES:

- 1:2,7
- 2:3
- 3:9

KEY PHRASES:

Consume (5x) Cut (5x)

The Day of the Lord is near (1:14)

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GREAT LESSONS:

God hates idolatry! (1:4-6)

The Day of the Lord is a terrible day (1:14-16)

Silver and gold cannot deliver one from judgement (1:18)

Those who seek the Lord will be protected (2:3)

God is in control of all nations (2:4-15)

God brings justice to light (3:5)

Singing is an expression of joy for God's people (3:14)



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PRACTICAL APPLICATION (HOW DOES THIS BOOK APPLY TO ME?)

MY FAITH:

- God's purpose for judgment is so that one will consider the consequences/rewards for their actions and bring conversion
- God desires that none should perish, that all would repent

MY ACTIONS:

- Don't just remove idols from around you, remove from heart
- Love not the world; love God!