MAPS and CHARTS

to accompany

BIBLE BACKGROUND

GEOGRAPHY, HISTORY, AND DAILY LIFE OF BIBLE TIMES


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City at Solomon’s Time
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c. Pool of Siloam
d. Hezekiah’s Tunnel

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(or Ophel)

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<td>2125-1675</td>
<td>Middle Kingdom</td>
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<td>1675-1575</td>
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<td>1075-700</td>
<td>3rd Intermediate Period</td>
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<td>700-330</td>
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<table>
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<th>Jacob’s 12 Sons (Genesis 46)</th>
<th>12 Tribes Receiving Land (Joshua 13-21)</th>
<th>Area Each Received</th>
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<td>1. Reuben</td>
<td>Reuben</td>
<td>East Bank from the top of the Dead Sea to the Arnon</td>
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<td>2. Simeon</td>
<td>Simeon</td>
<td>Negev west of the watershed</td>
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<td>3. Levi</td>
<td>Manasseh</td>
<td>Gilead (northern Bashan) and northern Samaria</td>
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<td>4. Judah</td>
<td>Judah</td>
<td>Judea (West Bank west of the Dead Sea)</td>
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<td>5. Issachar</td>
<td>Issachar</td>
<td>Jezreel Valley east of the watershed</td>
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<td>Zebulun</td>
<td>Jezreel Valley west of the watershed</td>
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<td>7. Gad</td>
<td>Gad</td>
<td>East Bank on both sides of the Jabbok</td>
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<td>8. Asher</td>
<td>Asher</td>
<td>Plain of Acco and Highlands of Galilee west of the watershed</td>
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<td>9. Joseph</td>
<td>Ephraim</td>
<td>southern Samaria just north of the corridor</td>
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<td>10. Benjamin</td>
<td>Benjamin</td>
<td>the eastern corridor</td>
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<td>11. Dan</td>
<td>Dan</td>
<td>the western corridor</td>
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<td>12. Naphtali</td>
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<td>Highlands of Galilee east of the watershed</td>
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<td>September</td>
<td>1st: Feast of Trumpets</td>
<td>end of the olive &amp; grape</td>
<td>Transition from warmer to</td>
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<td>10th: Day of Atonement</td>
<td>harvests</td>
<td>cooler season</td>
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<td>15th-21st: Feast of Tabernacles</td>
<td>Plowing &amp; planting of wheat &amp; barley</td>
<td>early rains</td>
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<td>October</td>
<td></td>
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<td>RAINY SEASON</td>
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<tr>
<td>November</td>
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<td>pruning of grape vines</td>
<td>coldest month</td>
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<td>December</td>
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<td>January</td>
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<td>February</td>
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<td>March</td>
<td>1st: Passover</td>
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<td>15th-21st: Unleavened Bread</td>
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<td></td>
<td>21st: First fruits (of gain harvest)</td>
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<td>April</td>
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<td>Barley Harvest</td>
<td>Transition from cooler to</td>
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<td>warmer season</td>
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<td>May</td>
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<td>Wheat Harvest</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>grape vines in blossom</td>
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<tr>
<td>June</td>
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<td>July</td>
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<td>tending of vines</td>
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<td>August</td>
<td></td>
<td>Threshing of grain</td>
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<td>September</td>
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<td>olive &amp; grape harvest begins</td>
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<td>THE BRONZE AGE</td>
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<td>THE IRON AGE</td>
<td>1200 – 539</td>
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<td>THE PERSIAN PERIOD</td>
<td>539 – 333</td>
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<td>THE HELLENISTIC PERIOD</td>
<td>333 – 63</td>
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<td>THE ROMAN PERIOD</td>
<td>63 B.C. – A. D. 330</td>
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<th>JUDAH</th>
<th>YEAR BC</th>
<th>ISRAEL</th>
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<td>Rehoboam - had many wives, false worship increased, Pharaoh Shishak plundered the Temple</td>
<td>930</td>
<td>JEROBOAM - put up golden calves at Dan and Bethel. Invaded by Pharaoh Shishak.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Abijah</td>
<td>Nadab -</td>
<td>evil</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ASA - reformed Judah, burned the idols, defeated Egypt. Some false worship allowed</td>
<td>910</td>
<td>BAASHA - evil</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Elah -</td>
<td>evil</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Zimri -</td>
<td>evil</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Tibni -</td>
<td>evil; fought for kingship against</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Omri -</td>
<td>very evil; new capital at Samaria</td>
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<tr>
<td>JEHOSHAPHAH - good king as his father, but still allowed some false worship.</td>
<td>870</td>
<td>AHAB - very evil; married Phoenician Jezabel; much Baal worship; time of ELIJAH; fought Damascus &amp; Assyria</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jehoram</td>
<td>Ahaziah -</td>
<td>evil</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ahaziah - daughter of Ahab, started Baal worship, killed David's family.</td>
<td>840</td>
<td>Jehu - annointed by ELISHA, killed Ahab's family and Jezebel. Tried to wipe out Baal worship; very bloodthirsty; paid tribute to Assyria.</td>
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<td>JOASH - favored true worship, but didn't end false worship. Paid tribute to Damascus.</td>
<td>800</td>
<td>Jehoash - evil; subject to Damascus</td>
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<td>AMAZIAH - favored true worship, but allowed false; conquered Edom again; paid tribute to Assyria</td>
<td>760</td>
<td>JEHOASH - evil; captured Amaziah of Judah and plundered the Temple; paid tribute to Assyria; recovered Gilead</td>
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<td>UZZIAH - (also called Azariah) favored true worship but allowed false; rebuilt Jerusalem walls &amp; army.</td>
<td>722</td>
<td>JEROBOAM II - evil; got back Moab &amp; Ammon</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Zachariah</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jotham - favored true worship, didn't listen to ISAIAH, asked for help from Assyria</td>
<td>700</td>
<td>Shallum, Menahem, Pekahiah, and Pekah - evil</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ahaz - evil</td>
<td>HOSHEA - subject to Assyria, revolts in 724, Israel overrun by Assyria</td>
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<td>HEZEKIAH - great reform of worship; refused Assyria (Sennacherib) tribute, Jerusalem saved by Angel.</td>
<td>722</td>
<td>SAMARIA DESTROYED</td>
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<tr>
<td>MANASSEH - started Baal worship again; killed true worshippers, later in life reformed.</td>
<td>640</td>
<td>PEOPLE DEPORTED</td>
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<tr>
<td>Amon - evil</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>JOSIAH - great reform (even in north); cleansed Temple, Passover begun; discovered Law; died in fight with Pharaoh Necho at Megiddo</td>
<td>600</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jehoahaz</td>
<td>Time of JEREMIAH</td>
<td>587</td>
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<tr>
<td>Jehoiachin</td>
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<td>PEOPLE EXILED</td>
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<th>Reign</th>
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<td>CYRUS II (the Great)</td>
<td>559-530 B.C.</td>
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<td>CAMBYSES</td>
<td>530-522 B.C.</td>
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<td>DARIUS I (the Great)</td>
<td>521-486 B.C.</td>
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<td>XERXES (Ahasuerus)</td>
<td>486-465 B.C.</td>
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<td>ARTAXERXES I</td>
<td>465-424 B.C.</td>
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Chart 11. Important Members of the Herod Family

Chart 12. Old Testament Monetary Units

- 1 shekel (10 grams, 1/3 ounce)
- 1 mina (1/2 kilo, 1.1 pounds) = 50 or 60 shekels
- 1 talent (30 kilos, 66 pounds) = 60 mina = 3000 shekels
Chart 13. New Testament Monetary Units

2 leptons = 1 quadrans
16 quadrans = 1 denarius/drachma (or a day’s wages)
4 denarii = 1 stater
100 denarii = 1 mina
6 minas = 1 talent

Chart 14. The Temple of Herod

a. Highest Point of the Temple
b. Place of the Money-Changers and Sanhedrin
c. Court of the Gentiles
d. Court of the Women
e. Court of the Priests
f. Court of Israel
g. Holy Place
h. Most Holy Place
i. Solomon's Porch
j. Wall of Partition