

12 Bible Eras - Brief Overview

(Scriptures note prophesies & writings of the events that occurred in each Era)

Genesis 12:1-7 1st Era THE FAMILY The Beginning - Creation of the World, Man, & Woman. “The Adam’s Family,” (Adam & Eve) Is the beginning of all people on earth. A segment of the Adam’s family “Chosen” by God in this era starts with Abraham (First to be called a Hebrew in scripture), a man faithful to God. Abraham’s son is Isaac, and Isaac’s son Jacob is also called “Israel.” ...The End - Revelation Chs. 21 - 22	Genesis 12:1-7; Exodus 19:3-6 2nd Era THE NATION After being enslaved 400 years in Egypt, God’s chosen, “Children of Israel” reflect God’s redemption for sinful man by following “God’s Holy Laws” and offering animal sacrifices to Him. This shedding of blood was a covering for man’s sins. By following God’s Holy Laws, they become a Holy Nation. This Holy “Nation of Israel” is ruled by God, “The God of Israel.”	Genesis 12:1-7 3rd Era THE COUNTRY “The Nation of Israel” also called “The Children of Israel” is formed in 12 tribes as the 12 sons of the 1st Era Patriarch Israel. 10 tribes are named from his 12 sons. His son Joseph’s 2 sons replace Joseph & Levi (Servant to his brethren as the temple priests) God promised Canaan land to Abraham. Once acquired, the “Nation of Israel” becomes “Israel the Country.”
Exodus 19:3-6; 1st Samuel Ch 8 4th Era THE KINGDOM The chosen “Children of Israel” reject God’s leadership because they want to be like pagan Kingdoms – God allows, warning them of negative consequences. Israel the Country now becomes “The Kingdom of Israel,” a “Kingdom of Priests.” King David captured the Canaanite city Jerusalem. It becomes the Kingdom of Israel’s capital city, also called, “The City of David, Mount Zion, City of God, House of the Lord, Holy City.” Psalms 122	1st Chronicles 22:1-11 5th Era THE KINGDOM AT A SPECIAL TIME OF PEACE Since David was called to be a man of war by God, he could not also be the King who would build the Holy Temple to replace the Holy Tabernacle. The wisest man, King Solomon, a good King like his father King David, with God’s permission erects the Holy Temple to worship God. God grants the Kingdom 40 years of peace during which time King Solomon builds the Holy Temple. The temple was later destroyed by enemy nations and rebuilt less glorious, only to be torn down again shortly after the time of Christ.	2nd Chronicles 12:15 6th Era THE KINGDOM DIVIDED Northern Kingdom – Israel 1 Kings 11:29-32 (Rehoboam 1st King of North) The Northern Kingdom Ends in this era. All these kings were evil. These people, once dispersed, are called the 10 scattered (lost) tribes of Israel. Southern Kingdom – Judah Ezra 1:5 (Jeroboam 1st King of South) Judah continues. Some kings were good. The Tribes of Judah & Benjamin remain. (Levites still serve as temple priests)
Leviticus 25:1-4 7th Era 2nd Chronicles 36:16-21 Jeremiah 25:8-11 THE KINGDOM IN EXILE Psalms 137 :1-4 The term “Jew” is now used in reference to God’s “Chosen People” remaining from the Southern Kingdom of “Judah.” Due to the Southern Kingdom/Jew’s disobedience to God, and not letting their land rest every 7th year for 490 years, God sends them into exile 70 years (490 years / 7) to allow the land to rest while they are in captivity and ruled by pagan Kings.	Leviticus 26:40 – 46 8th Era Ezra 1:1-5; 3:8-11; 9:8-9 THE KINGDOM RETURNS FROM EXILE After the Jews were in exile 70 years while in exile, the land as required by God, rested its full Sabaths time. As prophesied by God through the Prophet Jeremiah, while Judah was still under rule of the Persian King Cyrus, God moved the spirit of the Persian King, to allow the Jews to return to their homeland to rebuild Jerusalem & the Holy Temple.	Daniel 2:26-45 9th Era “THE SILENT YEARS” No longer a functioning Kingdom, the Jews live under the rule of four world Kingdoms over 400 years as prophesied by God through the Prophet Daniel. The four Kingdoms were: Babylon, Persia, Greece, & Rome. When Jesus, the Son of God comes on the scene in the New Testament, the Jews under Roman rule are looking to Jesus to restore their physical kingdom. However, Jesus begins to build the church, God’s “spiritual” Kingdom. Matthew 3:1-3; Acts 1:6-7
John 1:1-14; 4:25-26 10th Era 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49 Matthew 16:16; 9:14:15 GOD WITH US, Jesus (Emmanuel) Our Saviour, Jesus the Christ (The Anointed One/Messiah), and Bridegroom of the Church, redeems us from “The Law” by grace (unmerited favor) <u>through His death</u> on the cross. This fulfills “The law” by the shedding of His blood and His resurrection from the dead demonstrated by water immersion baptism. Romans 6:3-5; Matthew 3 He was the only perfect sacrifice for the redemption of man’s sin.	John 16:7-14 11th Era Acts 1:1-14; Ch 2 GOD IN US, The Holy Spirit (The Comforter) Beginning of The Church (The spiritual Bride of Christ) All people throughout the world who in their hearts repent of their sins, confess and allow Jesus Christ their Saviour to be Lord (leader) of their life are spiritually born again (John 3:3-5), receive eternal salvation, and are spiritually adopted into “The Church.” The Prophet Joel’s “Last Days” prophesy of the Holy Spirit outpouring begins, and the baptism of Holy Fire is proof displayed by powerful gifts of The Spirit. Joel 2:28-30	Revelation 21:1-7; 22:1-14 12th Era GOD WILL TABERNACLE WITH US again in The Last Days as God once tabernacled with Adam and Eve in The Garden. After God’s final judgement and the marriage of Christ to the Church (the collective body of believing saints), as a bride, the Church will come down from heaven to the new earth to forever be with our Lord.

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