## **God's Revival Promised**

## **Ezekiel 37:1-14**



Jeremiah prophesies judgment on Judah and a new covenant (Jeremiah 1-38)

Daniel prophesies in Babylon (Daniel 1-12)

Babylon besieges and conquers
Judah, deporting the people
(2 Kings 25; 2 Chron 36)

Ezekiel is deported in a first wave of exiles and prophesies against Judah (2 Kings 24; Ezekiel 1-33)

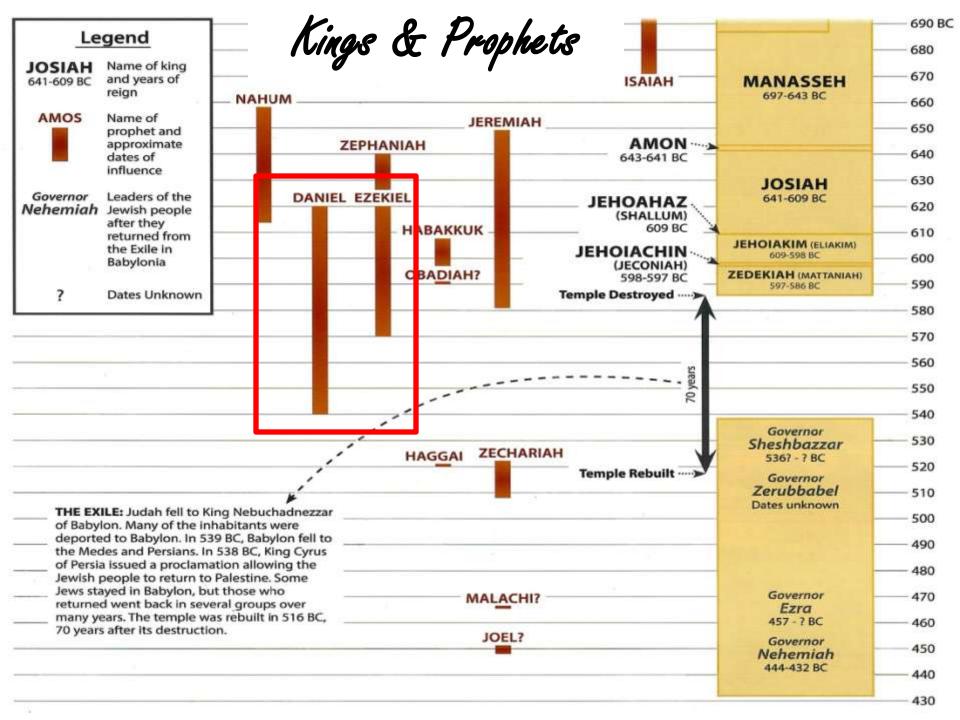
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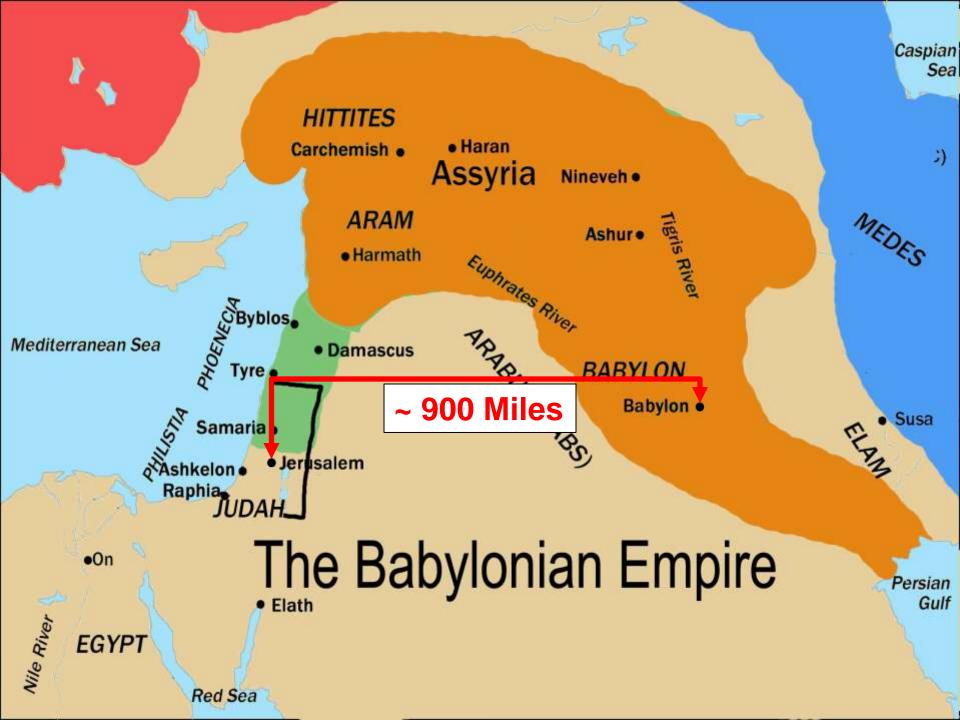
Ezekiel prophesies hope and restoration for the exiles

(Ezekiel 34-48)

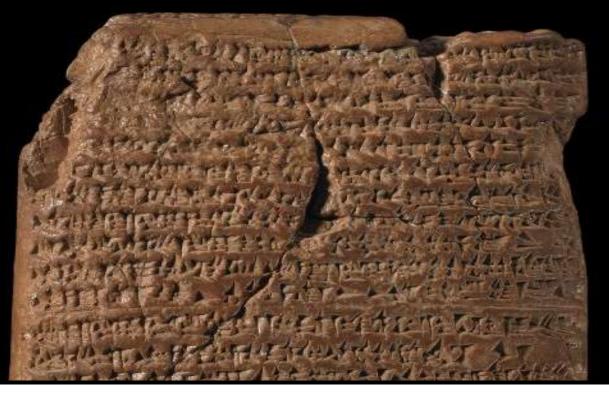
## Key Concept God revives His people when hope seems lost.

Kings of Judah	Bible	Good/Bad	Kings of Israel	Bible	All Bad
Rehoboam	1 Kings 11-14	BAD	larahaana l	1 1/: 10 1/	BAD
Abijam	1 Kings 11-14	BAD	Jeroboam I	1 Kings 12-14	BAU
Asa	1 Kings 15		Nadab	1 Kings 15	BAD
		Good	Baasha	1 Kings 15-16	BAD
			Elah	1 Kings 16	BAD
			Zimri	1 Kings 16	BAD
			Omri	1 Kings 16	BAD
			Ahab	1 Kings 16	BAD
Jehoshaphat	1 Kings 22	Good	Ahaziah	1 Kings 22	BAD
			Jehoram	2 Kings 1	BAD
Jehoram	2 Kings 8	BAD	Jehu	2 Kings 3-9	BAD
Ahaziah	2 Kings 8-9	BAD	Jehoahaz	2 Kings 9-10	BAD
Athaliah	2 Kings 11	BAD			
Joash	2 Kings 11-12	Good			
			Jehoash	2 Kings 13-14	BAD
Amaziah	2 Kings 14	Good	Jeroboam II	2 Kings 14	BAD
			Zechariah	2 Kings 14-15	BAD
Azariah	2 Kings 15	Good	Shallum	2 Kings 15	BAD
Jotham	2 Kings 15	Good	Menahem	2 Kings 15	BAD
			Pekahiah	2 Kings 15	BAD
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Ahaziah	2 Kings 16	BAD	Hoshea	2 Kings 15-17	BAD
Hezekiah	2 Kings 18-20	Good	Assyrian Captivity - No return		
Manasseh	2 Kings 21	BAD			
Amon	2 Kings 21	BAD			
Josiah	2 Kings 21-23	Good	of Se		
Johoahaz	2 Kings 23	BAD			
Jehoiakim	2 Kings 23	BAD			
Johoiachin	2 Kings 24	BAD	6		
Zedekiah	2 Kings 24-25	BAD	8 5		
Babylonian	Babylonian Captivity - 70 years				









Jehoiakim/Jehoichin Ration Tablet found near Nineveh. This tablet details the daily food rations provided to the exiled kings in Babylon

- •How long was the nation of Israel dispersed (didn't exist / Jews scattered) from temple destruction in 586 BC to when?
- ~ 2500 approx years from 1948 State of Israel nation established
- •Roughly, how large is it believed the area God promised to Abraham in Genesis 15:18?
- ~ 300,000 <sup>2</sup> miles

- •What is a good comparison of land size for the current state of Israel?
- New Jersey 8700 <sup>2</sup>miles, Israel is about 8130<sup>2</sup> miles
- •How old was Ezekiel when he begins writing about his visions from God? ~ 30
- Besides words, what method did Ezekiel use to get his message across? Examples?
  Shave off his hair and chop it up with sword.
- Built a tiny model of Jerusalem and staged an attack of it.
- •Played scapegoat, laid on his side for a year, bound up and eating food cooked over poop.

## **Check on Learning**

- •How does Ezekiel use parables and allegory to depict / describe God's judgment on Israel (Ezekiel 15-23)?
- 1) Israel is a burnt stick (Ezekiel 15)
- 2) Israel is an unfaithful wife (Ezekiel 16)
- 3) A flourishing vine plucked up from the roots and withers and dies (Ezekiel 17)
- 4) As a dangerous lion that is captured (Ezekiel 19)
- 5) Two promiscuous sisters (Ezekiel 23)

- •What is a common theme described in Ezekiel 37 and Genesis Ch 2?
- It is a reminder of how God made humans out of dirt and His divine Spirit providing the life.
- •What was the message God was sending to Ezekiel of the dry bones in the valley?
- It is a metaphor for Israel's spiritual state and metaphorical death of their covenant relationship