

Jewish History Timeline

1813 BC	Abraham born
ca. 1850/1750/1700 BC	Abraham & Sarah , Isaac & Ishmael, famine forces Israelites to migrate to Egypt
1800 BC	First Jerusalem city wall built
ca. 1792-1750 BC	Hammurabi
ca. 1750-1200 BC	Hittite empire
1765 BC	The Tower of Babel
1743 BC	Origin of traditions of the "Abrahamic covenant"
1713 BC	Isaac born; Abraham circumcises himself; Sodom & Gomorrah destroyed
ca. 1700-1550 BC	Hyksos in Egypt
1677 BC	Isaac prepared as sacrifice; Sarah dies
1653 BC	Jacob born
1638 BC	Abraham dies
1590 BC	Isaac blesses Jacob instead of Esau.
ca. 1570-1085 BC	New Kingdom period (Egypt)
1569 BC	Jacob marries Leah
1565 BC	Levi born
1562 BC	Joseph born
1546 BC	Joseph sold into slavery
1533 BC	Isaac dies

1532 BC	Joseph becomes viceroy of Egypt
1523 BC	Jacob and his family join Joseph in Egypt
1452 BC	Joseph dies
1429 BC	Egyptian enslavement of the Hebrews begins
ca. 1400-900 BC	Middle Assyrian period
ca. 1400-1300 BC	Amarna period (Egypt)
1393 BC	Moses born.
1355 BC	Joshua born.
1314 BC	Moses sees the burning bush.
ca. 1300-1200 BC	Mosaic period (Israel)
1280 BC	Exodus from Egypt , Sinai Torah, Canaan Entry
1240 BC	After setting up the Ark at Shiloh near Shechem (Nablus), Joshua launches foray into Jerusalem (Joshua 10:23 , 15:63)
ca. 1200-1050/1000 BC	Period of the Judges (Israel)
ca. 1200-1000 BC	Jerusalem is a Canaanite city
ca. 1150-900 BC	Middle Babylonian period:
ca. 1106 BC	Deborah judges Israel.
ca. 1100 BC	The Philistines take over Gaza. They called it Philistia (from which the modern name Palestine is derived), and made it one of their civilization's most important cities.
ca. 1050-450 BC	Hebrew prophets (Samuel-Malachi)
ca. 1000-587 BC	Monarchical period in Israel

ca. 1030-1010 BC	Saul (transitional king)
ca. 1010-970 BC	David conquers the Jebusites and makes Jerusalem his capital
ca. 970-931 BC	Solomon builds the First Temple on Mount Moriah
ca. 931 BC	Secession of Northern Kingdom (Israel) from Southern Kingdom (Judah)
931-913 BC	Rehoboam rules Judah
931-910 BC	Jeroboam I rules Israel, choses Shechem as his first capital, later moves it to Tirzah
913-911 BC	Abijah rules Judah
911-870 BC	Asa rules Juda
910-909 BC	Nadab (son of Jeroboam) rules Israel
909-886 BC	Baasha kills Nadab and rules Israel
886-885 BC	Elah, son of Baasha, rules Israel
885 BC	Zimri kills Elah, but reigns just seven days before committing suicide, Omri chosen as King of Israel
885-880(?)BC	War between Omri and Tibni
885-874 BC	Omri kills Tibni, rules Israel
879 BC	Omri moves capital of Israel from Tirzah to Samaria
874-853 BC	Ahab, Omri's son, is killed in battle, Jezebel reigns as Queen. Athaliah, Ahab and Jezebel's daughter, marries Jehoram, crown prince of Judah
870-848 BC	Jehoshapha rules Judah
853-851 BC	Ahaziah, son of Ahab, rules Israel, dies in accident
750-725 BC	Israelite Prophets Amos, Hosea, Isaiah

722/721 BC	Northern Kingdom (Israel) destroyed by Assyrians; 10 tribes exiled (10 lost tribes)
720 BC	Ahaz, King of Judah dismantles Solomon's bronze vessels and places a private Syrian altar in the Temple
716 BC	Hezekiah, King of Jerusalem, with help of God and the prophet Isaiah resists Assyrian attempt to capture Jerusalem (2 Chronicles 32). Wells and springs leading to the city are stopped
701 BC	Assyrian ruler Sennacherib besieges Jerusalem
612-538 BC	Neo-Babylonian (“Chaldean”) period
620 BC	Josiah (Judean King) and “Deuteronomic Reforms”
ca. 600-580 BC	Judean Prophets Jeremiah and Ezekiel
587/586 BC	Southern Kingdom (Judah) and First Temple destroyed-Babylonian exile
ca. 550 BC	Judean Prophet “Second Isaiah”
541 BC	First Jews return from Babylon in small numbers to rebuild the city and its walls. Seventy years of exile terminated. (Daniel 9, Haggai 2:18-19)
538 BC	Persian ruler Cyrus the Great conquers Babylonian Empire and allows Jews to Return to Jerusalem and Judea
167 BC	Maccabee revolt against the Hellenistic Seleucid Empire
6 BC -66 AD	Rome Annexes Judea

66-73 AD	Jewish Revolt Against Rome
70 AD	Jerusalem Destroyed by the Romans and Roman Diaspora Begins
132-135 AD	Second Jewish Revolt
300 -500 AD	The Old Testament - the central text of Judaism is completed and put into writing