

BROKEN WALLS

The Messages of the Minor Prophets



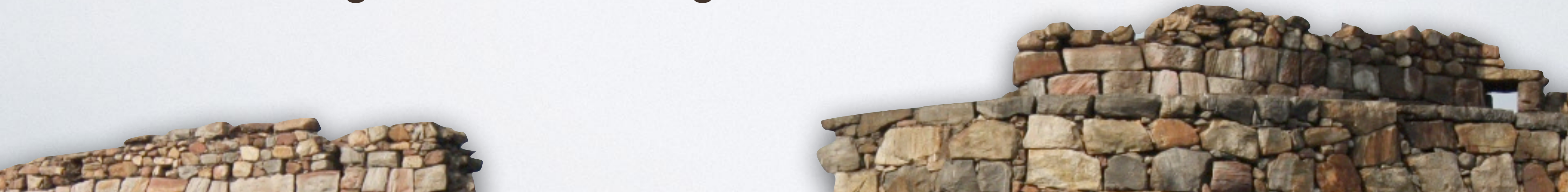
THE MINOR PROPHETS

➔ Which books are the “minor prophets”?

- ⦿ Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi
- ⦿ “Book of the 12”

➔ Why are they called “minor”?

- ⦿ They are generally shorter than the preceding prophetic books.
- ⦿ It has nothing to do with the significance of their content.





**WHY ARE THE
MINOR PROPHETS
OFTEN NEGLECTED?**

WHY STUDY THE MINOR PROPHETS?

➔ **The New Testament authors frequently reference them.**

◎ Habakkuk 2.4 — Romans 1; Galatians 3; Hebrews 10

◎ Malachi 3.1 — Matthew 11; Mark 1; Luke 7

➔ **They were written for our instruction, to give us hope.**

◎ Romans 15.4

➔ **There are examples in them, intended to enlighten us.**

◎ 1 Corinthians 10.11



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How do we know human life is valuable?

Genesis 1.26-27



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How do we know learn the importance of holiness?

Leviticus 11.44-45



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How do we know learn to value like God?

1 Samuel 16.7



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How do we know what God considers as naked?

Isaiah 47.2-3



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How do we know that we ought to avoid divorce?

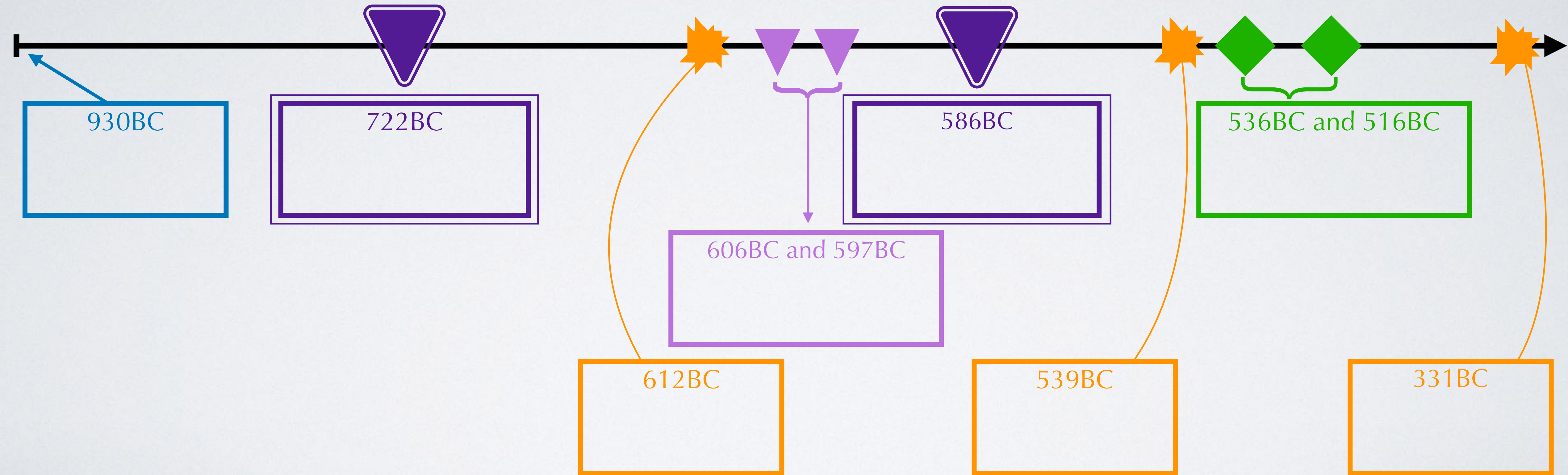
Malachi 2.16





**WHAT SEGMENT OF
BIBLE HISTORY DO THE
MINOR PROPHETS COVER?**

Minor Prophets Timeline





FOR SEPTEMBER 20:

READ ACTS 13.16-42

FALL 2023 QUARTER:

~~September 13 — OT Importance and Overview~~

September 20 — Timeline of the OT, focusing on the Divided Kingdom

September 27 — GOSPEL MEETING

October 4 — SINGING NIGHT

October 11 — Amos (Israel)

October 18 — Amos (Israel)

October 25 — Amos/Nahum (Gentiles)

November 1 — SINGING NIGHT

November 8 — TYLER IN MT. PLEASANT

November 15 — Nahum/Obadiah (Gentiles)

November 22 — Joel (Judah)

November 29 — Joel (Judah)



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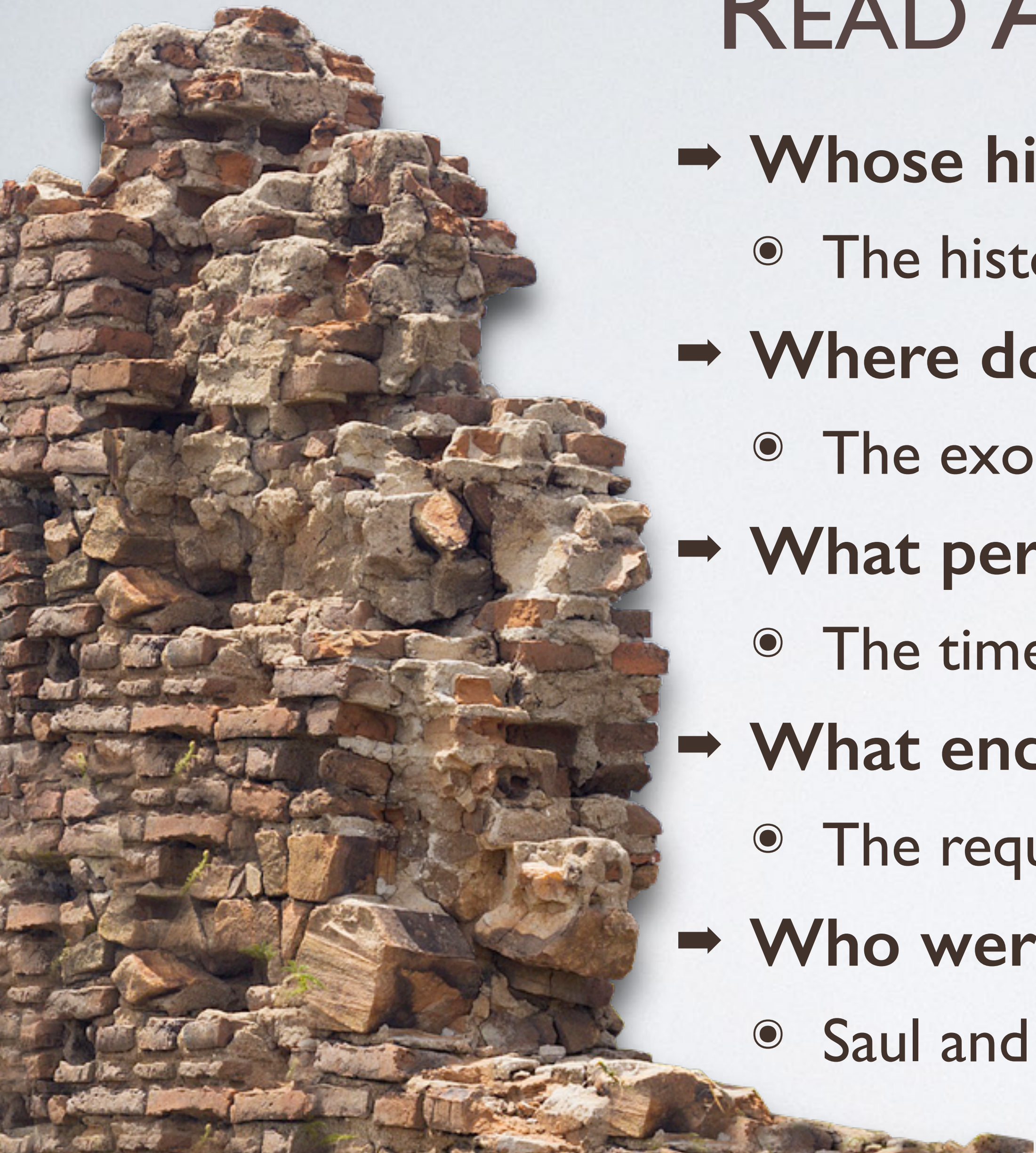
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Old Testament Timeline



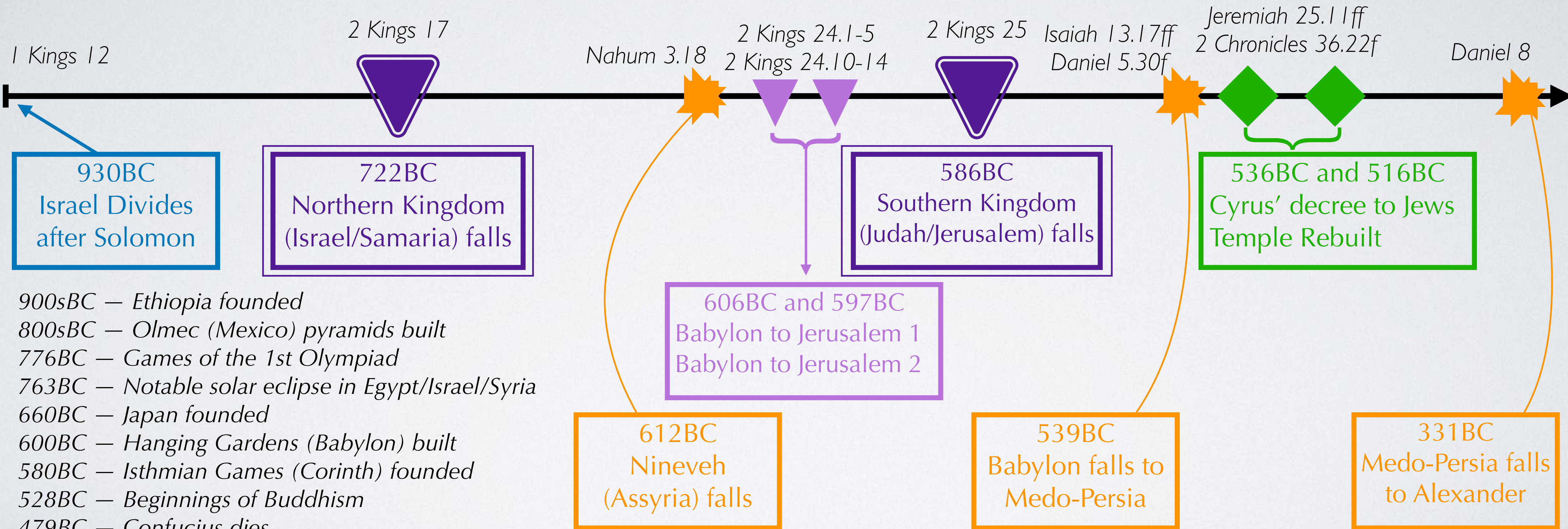
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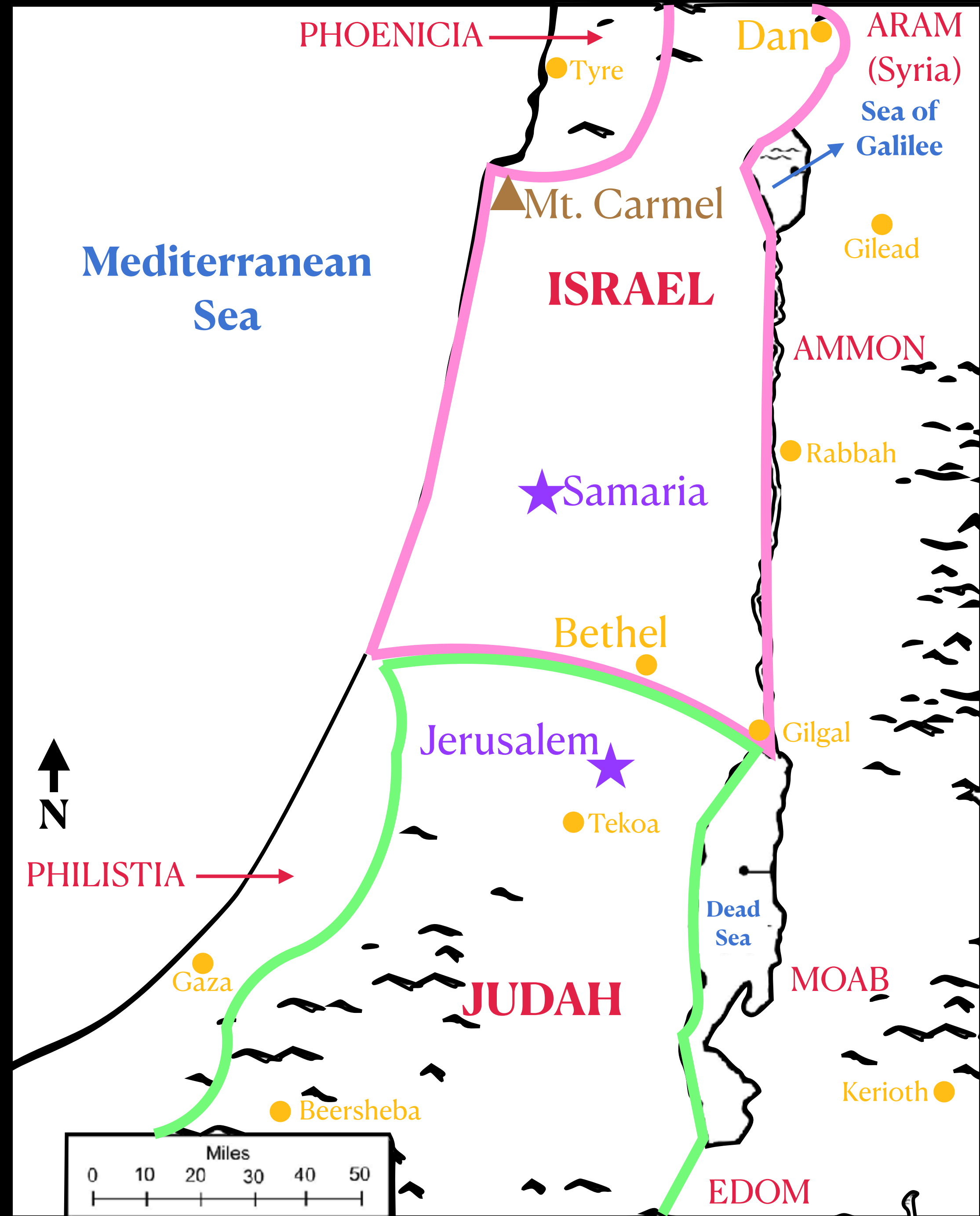
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- ➔ **Whose history is being recounted in Acts 13?**
 - ⦿ The history of the Jews
 - ➔ **Where does Paul begin their story?**
 - ⦿ The exodus from Egypt
 - ➔ **What period followed the reception of Canaan?**
 - ⦿ The time of the Judges
 - ➔ **What ended the period of the Judges?**
 - ⦿ The request for a king
 - ➔ **Who were the first two earthly kings of Israel?**
 - ⦿ Saul and David

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Hosea?

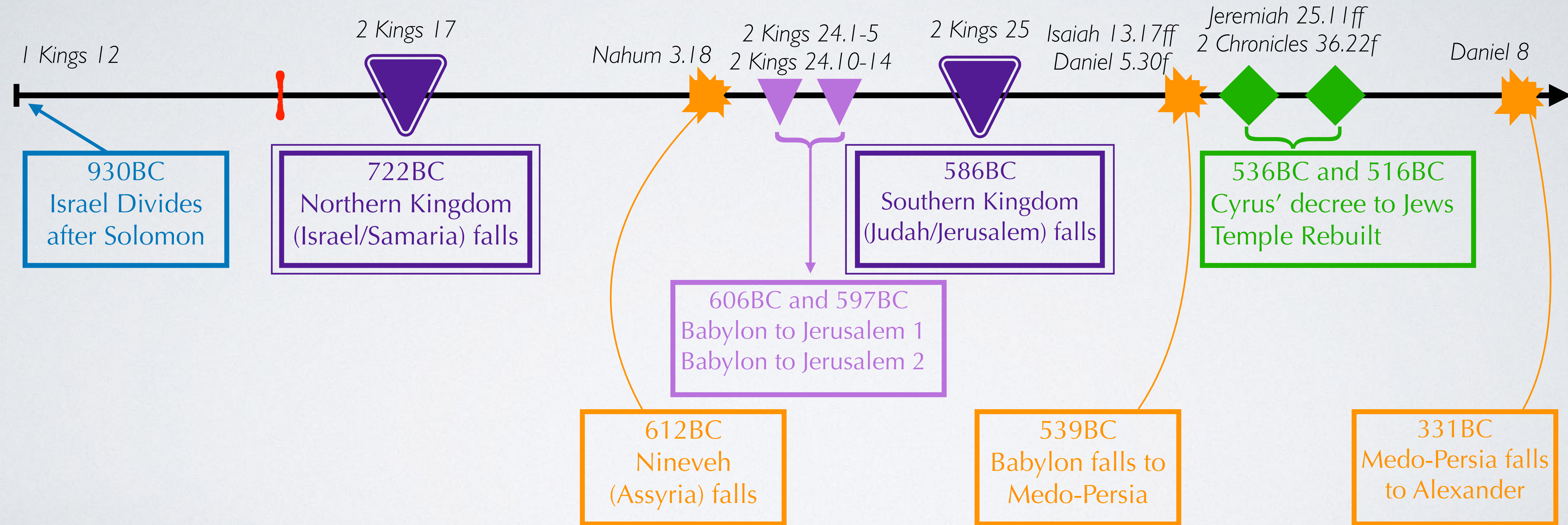


- 900sBC — Ethiopia founded
- 800sBC — Olmec (Mexico) pyramids built
- 776BC — Games of the 1st Olympiad
- 763BC — Notable solar eclipse in Egypt/Israel/Syria
- 660BC — Japan founded
- 600BC — Hanging Gardens (Babylon) built
- 580BC — Isthmian Games (Corinth) founded
- 528BC — Beginnings of Buddhism
- 479BC — Confucius dies
- 460BC — Hippocrates born
- 428BC — Plato born
- 400sBC — Origins of London (UK)



Minor Prophets Timeline

Hosea





FOR OCTOBER 11: READ AMOS

What is the timeframe?

¿Cuál es el calendario?

Who is the original audience?

¿Quién es el público original?

How would you divide the book?

¿Cómo dividiría el libro?

Para el 11 de Octubre:

Leer Amos