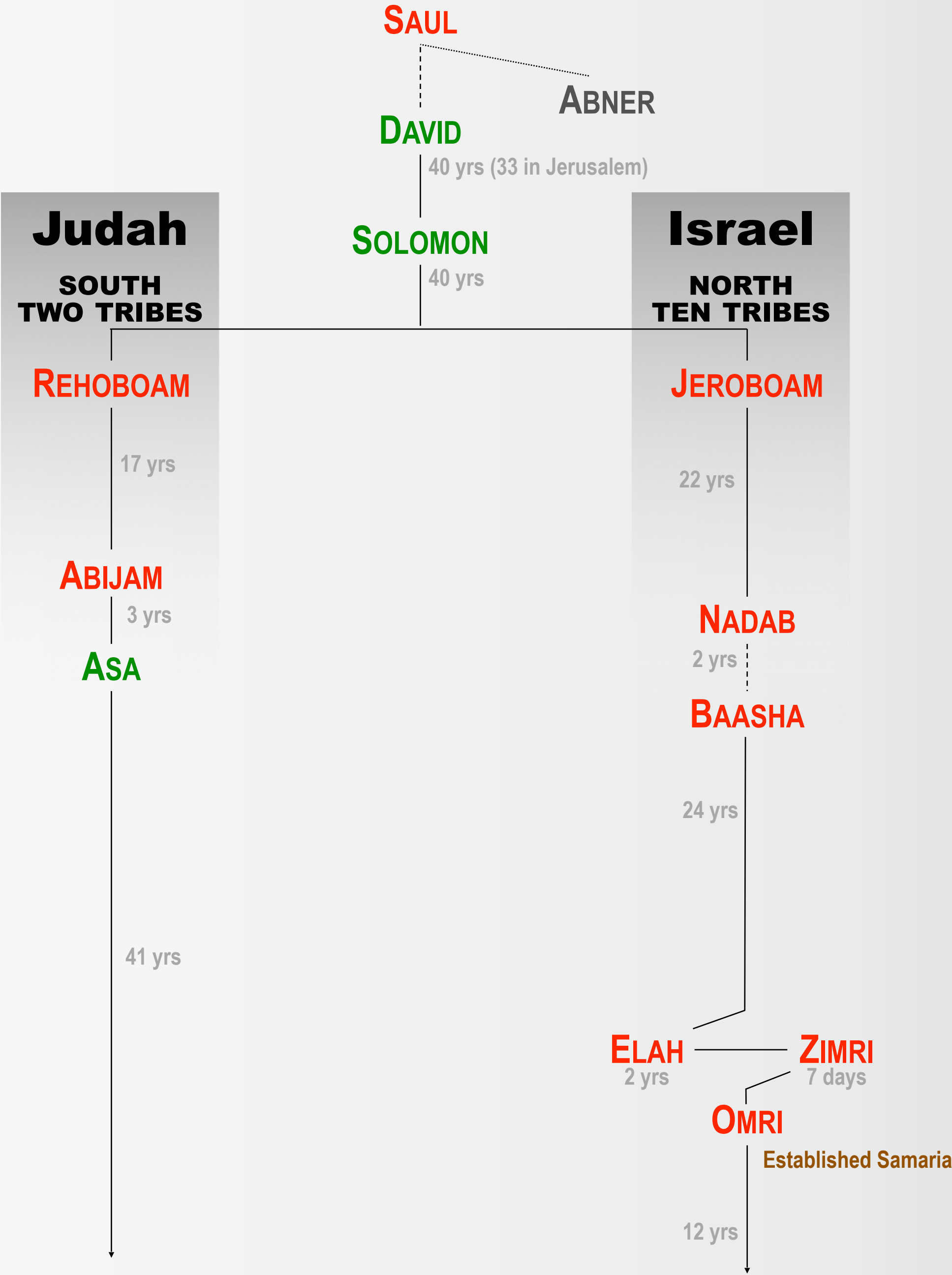


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**SAMUEL  
PROPHESIED**

**Hadadezer**  
► Only in Bible  
► Fought David (2 Sam 10)

**Rezon**  
► Only in Bible  
► Fought Solomon (1 Kg 11:23-25)

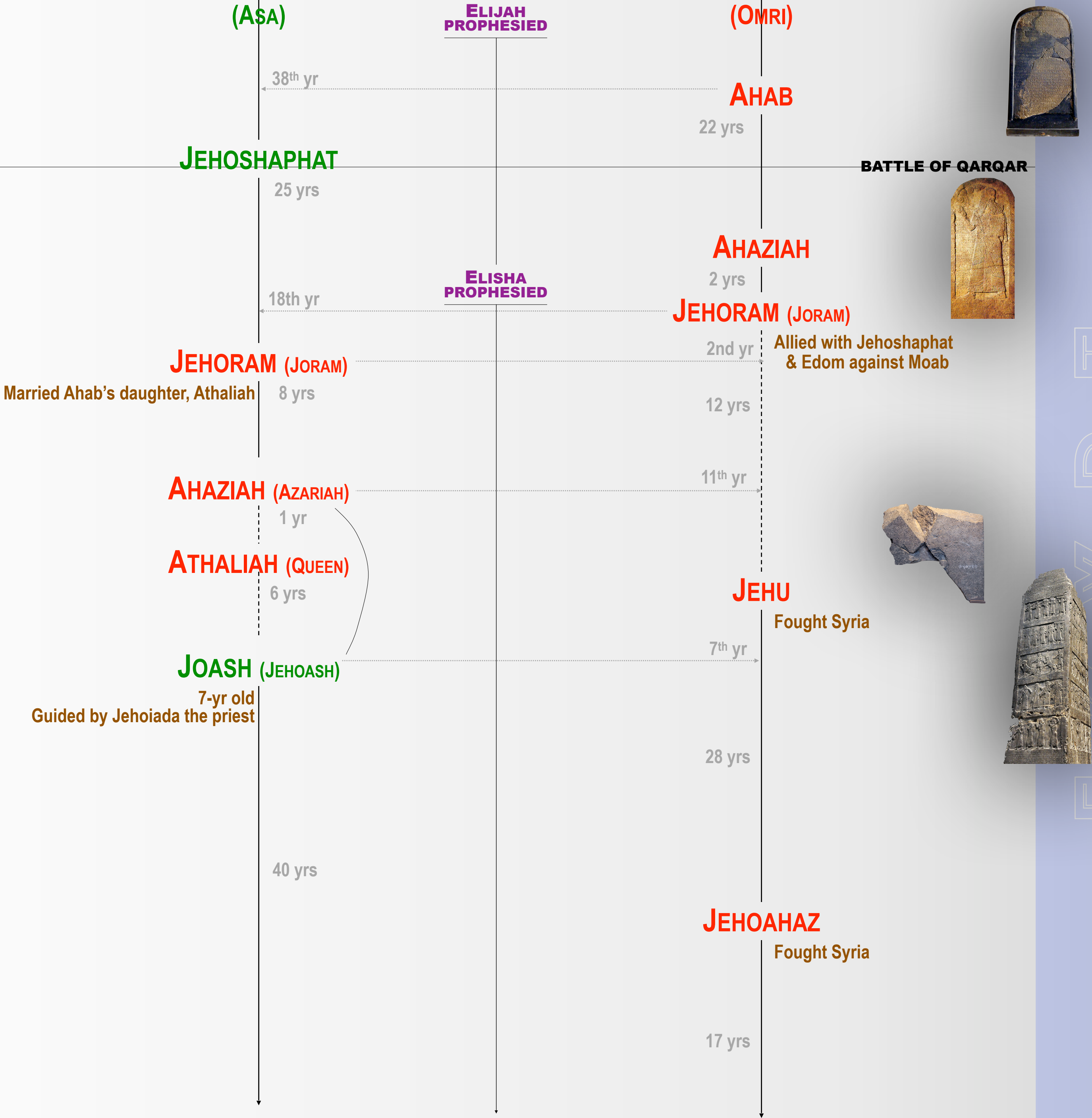
**Ben-Hadad I**  
900-860?

**Shishak**  
(or Sheshonk)  
**945-924**  
► Harbored Jeroboam  
► Fought against Rehoboam (1 K 14:25) 925

► Megiddo stele fragment

► Helped Baasha against Asa

► Asa paid tribute to fight Baasha (1 K 15:18-19)



**Ben-Hadad II**  
**860-843?**

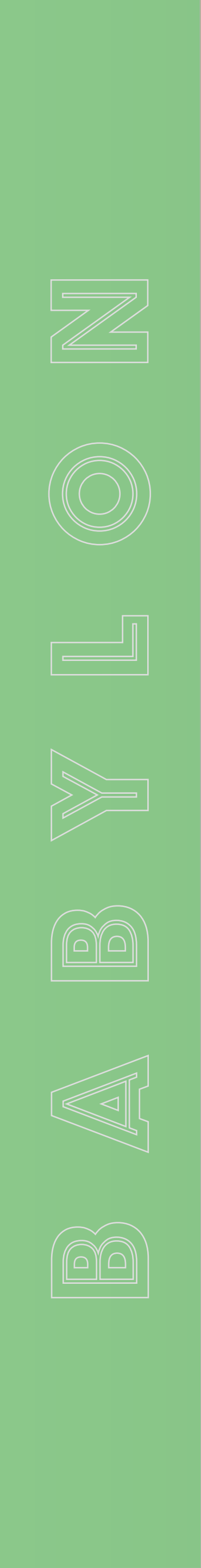
- ▶ Battles Ahab twice (1 K 20:1-43)
- ▶ Led coalition in Battle of Qarqar against →
- ▶ Ahab & Jehoshaphat fought to regain Ramoth-Gilead (1 K 22:1-38)
- ▶ Probably Namaan's king (2 K 5:1-19)
- ▶ Besieged Samaria until cannibalism in the city (2 K 6:24-7:20)
- ▶ Inquires for his own illness later w/ Elisha (2 K 8:7-10)

**Hazael**  
**843-800**

- ▶ Elijah told by God he would anoint him king (1 K 19:15)
- ▶ Credited with Tel Dan Stele boasting victories over Israel

**Shalmaneser III**  
**858-824**

- ▶ Battle of Qarqar; Monolith Inscription
- ▶ Tribute from Jehu; Black Obelisk 841





800

732

722

(JOASH)

ELISHA  
PROPHESIED

(JEHOAHAZ)

JEHOASH (JOASH)

Took back cities after  
Hazeal's death

**Hazeal**  
843-800

► Sacked Temple in  
Jerusalem (2 K  
12:17-18)

JONAH  
PROPHESIED

AMAZIAH

29 yrs

2<sup>nd</sup> yr

16 yrs

JEROBOAM II

Israel flourished  
(2 K14)

AMOS/HOSEA  
PROPHESIED

41 yrs

AZARIAH (UZZIAH)

Leper

52 yrs

ZECHARIAH

6 months

SHALLUM

1 month

MENAHM

10 yrs

PEKAHIAH

2 yrs

PEKAH

2<sup>nd</sup> yr

20 yrs

JOTHAM

16 yrs

AHAZ

16 yrs

“Immanuel” prophecy (Is 7), end of  
Rezin/Syria, rise of Assyria (Is 8)  
Alliance w/ Assyria

HEZEKIAH

29 yrs

2K 15:30 - yr20 of Jotham  
2K 17:1 - yr12 of Ahaz

HOSHEA

3<sup>rd</sup> yr

9 yrs

END OF SYRIA

ASSYRIAN CAPTIVITY

**Ben-Hadad III**  
800-?

► Defeated by Israel,  
both Joash and  
Jeroboam II (2 K 13,  
14)

► Eventually lost the  
empire to Assyria

**Rezin**  
750s-732

► Tributary King to  
Tiglath-Pileser III

► Allied with Pekah and  
besieged Jerusalem/  
Ahaz (1 Chr 28:5-21)

► Killed by TPIII while  
sacking Damascus;  
instigated by Ahaz

**Tiglath-Pileser III**  
744-727

► Referred to as “Pul” in  
Babylonian circles (and  
scripture)

► Menahem paid tribute  
so they “turned back” (2  
Kg 15)

► Defeated Syria (2 K  
16:9) & much of  
northern Israel (2 K  
15:29)

**Shalmaneser V**  
727-723

► Hoshea paid tribute; 3 yr siege of  
Samaria (2 K 17:5, 18:9-10) 725-23

**Sargon II**  
722-705

► Claimed destruction of  
Samaria

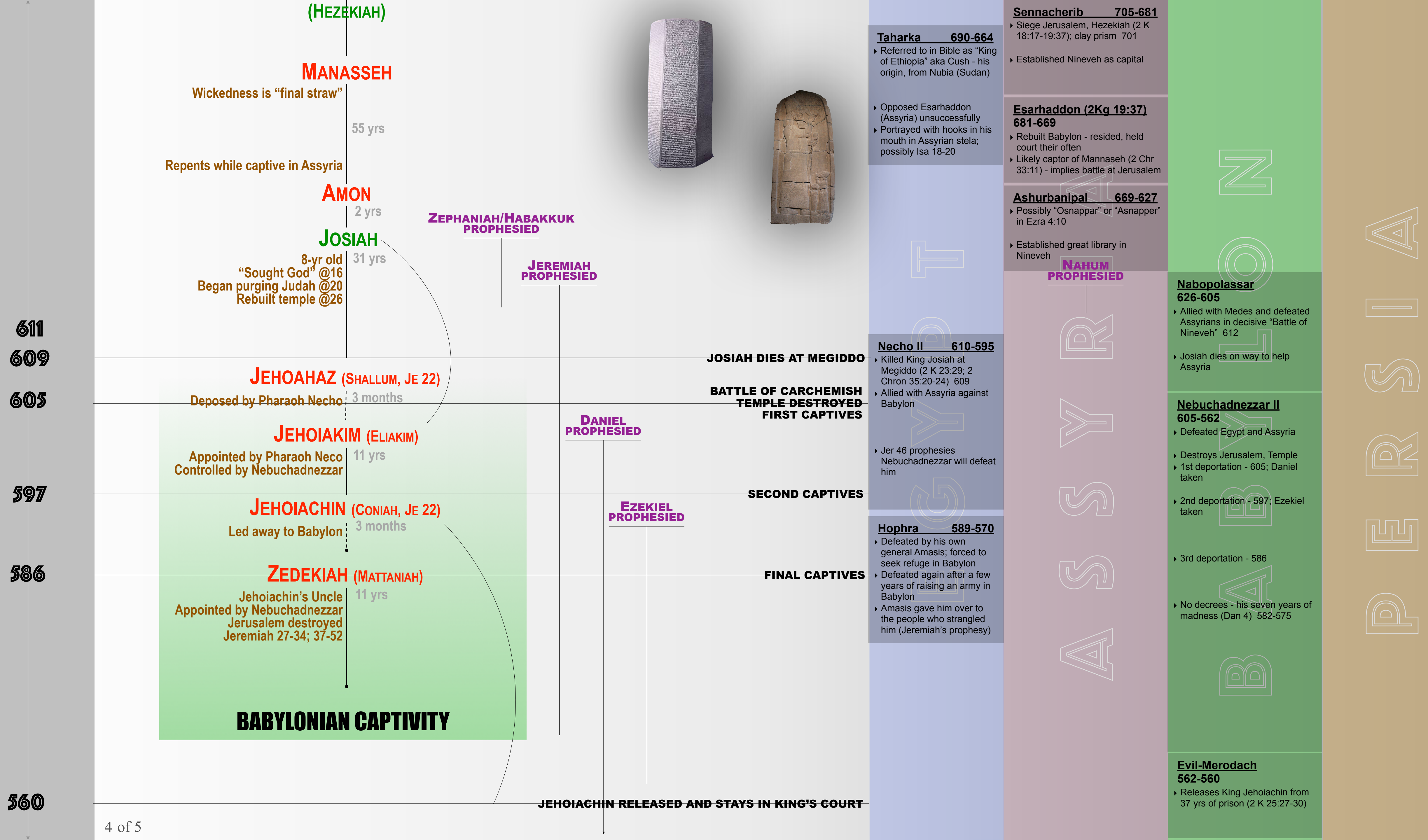
► Ashdod campaign  
712/11 (Isa 20)

**Merodach-Baladan 722-710; 704**

► Persisted against Sargon until driven out 710  
► Returned and reigned 9 months until  
Sennacherib drove him out again 704  
► Sent letters to King Hezekiah and an envoy to  
witness Judah's wealth (Is 39:1)

**So (?) 700s**

► Sought by Hosea to  
help against  
Shalmaneser



611

609

605

597

586

560

(HEZEKIAH)

MANASSEH

Wickedness is “final straw”

55 yrs

Repents while captive in Assyria

AMON

2 yrs

JOSIAH

31 yrs

8-yr old  
“Sought God” @16  
Began purging Judah @20  
Rebuilt temple @26

ZEPHANIAH/HABAKKUK  
PROPHESIED

JEREMIAH  
PROPHESIED

JEHOAHAZ (SHALLUM, JE 22)

Deposed by Pharaoh Necho

3 months

JEHOIAKIM (ELIAKIM)

Appointed by Pharaoh Neco  
Controlled by Nebuchadnezzar

11 yrs

JEHOIACHIN (CONIAH, JE 22)

Led away to Babylon

3 months

ZEDEKIAH (MATTANIAH)

Jehoiachin’s Uncle  
Appointed by Nebuchadnezzar  
Jerusalem destroyed  
Jeremiah 27-34; 37-52

11 yrs

BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY

JOSIAH DIES AT MEGIDDO

BATTLE OF CARCHEMISH  
TEMPLE DESTROYED  
FIRST CAPTIVES

DANIEL  
PROPHESIED

SECOND CAPTIVES

FINAL CAPTIVES

JEHOIACHIN RELEASED AND STAYS IN KING’S COURT

Taharka 690-664

Referred to in Bible as “King of Ethiopia” aka Cush - his origin, from Nubia (Sudan)

Opposed Esarhaddon (Assyria) unsuccessfully  
Portrayed with hooks in his mouth in Assyrian stela; possibly Isa 18-20

Necho II 610-595

Killed King Josiah at Megiddo (2 K 23:29; 2 Chron 35:20-24) 609  
Allied with Assyria against Babylon

Jer 46 prophesies Nebuchadnezzar will defeat him

Hophra 589-570

Defeated by his own general Amasis; forced to seek refuge in Babylon  
Defeated again after a few years of raising an army in Babylon  
Amasis gave him over to the people who strangled him (Jeremiah’s prophesy)

Sennacherib 705-681

Siege Jerusalem, Hezekiah (2 K 18:17-19:37); clay prism 701

Established Nineveh as capital

Esarhaddon (2Kg 19:37) 681-669

Rebuilt Babylon - resided, held court their often  
Likely captor of Mannaseh (2 Chr 33:11) - implies battle at Jerusalem

Ashurbanipal 669-627

Possibly “Osnappar” or “Asnapper” in Ezra 4:10

Established great library in Nineveh

NAHUM  
PROPHESIED

Nabopolassar 626-605

Allied with Medes and defeated Assyrians in decisive “Battle of Nineveh” 612

Josiah dies on way to help Assyria

Nebuchadnezzar II 605-562

Defeated Egypt and Assyria

Destroys Jerusalem, Temple  
1st deportation - 605; Daniel taken

2nd deportation - 597; Ezekiel taken

3rd deportation - 586

No decrees - his seven years of madness (Dan 4) 582-575

Evil-Merodach 562-560

Releases King Jehoiachin from 37 yrs of prison (2 K 25:27-30)



559

539

515

490

480

458

444

433

404

359

332

DANIEL  
PROPHESED



**Nergalsharezer** Jer 39:3  
**559-556**

**Nabonidas**  
**556-539**

- Dead Sea Scroll – ‘Prayer of Nabonidas’; an exile called an exorcist
- Belshazzar, his son, was co-ruler

**Cyrus the Great, II** Daniel 6, 9-11, Ezra 1-4 **559-530**

- Defeated Medes, Babylonians
- Darius the Mede (Daniel 5:31, 6, 9, 11)
  - Another name for Cyrus (11:1 in Septuagint reads Cyrus), or
  - A governor of Cyrus, also named Gobryus

- Decree allowing Zerubbabel to return (1st exiles); Cyrus Cylinder

**Cambyses III** (elder son) Ezra 4:6? **530-522**

- Some believe Ahasuerus in Ez 4:6 when work on the Temple stopped

**Bardiya** (younger son) Ezra 4:7? **522**

- Some believe the Artaxerxes in Ez 4:7

**Darius I (the Great)** Ezra 5-6, Hagqai, Zech. **521-486**

- Temple completed after 14 year hiatus

**Xerxes** Esther **486-465**

- Possibly the Ahasuerus in Ez 4:6 (if 4:6-23 citing future events)
- Defeated by Greeks@Salamis (Themistocles, great politician/ general)
- Marries Esther - year after 479

**Artaxerxes I** Ezra 7-10, Nehemiah **464-424**

- Possibly the Artaxerxes in Ez 4:7 (if 4:6-23 are citing future events)

- Decree allowing Ezra to return (2nd exiles) Ez 7

- Letters allowing Nehemiah to return to rebuild the wall (3rd exiles)

- Nehemiah returns to Jerusalem a second time (Neh 13:6) 433

**Darius II** **423-404**

- Possibly ‘Darius the Persian’ in Nehemiah 12:22

**Artaxerxes II** **404-359**

**Phillip II** **359-336**

**Alexander the Great**  
**336-323**

1ST EXILES RETURN

TEMPLE COMPLETED

BATTLE OF MARATHON (ATHENS AND SPARTA)

BATTLE OF THERMOPYLAE (300 SPARTANS)

2ND EXILES RETURN

3RD EXILES RETURN

NEHEMIAH’S 2ND RETURN

SIEGE OF TYRE