

History

1 Tool: Old Testament Timeline

Timeline

1. **Creation:** God creates the heavens, earth and people
2. **The Fall:** Adam and Eve choose to disobey God. Their sin brings death and separation from God. But God promises to send one who will strike the head of the evil one
3. **Noah's Ark:** Evil continues to grow on the earth. God decides to bring judgment, but gives people the chance to be saved by getting into the ark
4. **Tower of Babel:** People try to build their own way back to God- Instead God confuses their language
5. **Life of Job**
6. **2000 BC Abraham:** God calls Abraham from Ur
7. **Covenant:** God tells Abraham to leave his home and go to the place God shows him. God promises Abraham, land, a son and that through Abraham's descendants, all nations will be blessed
8. God miraculously allows Abraham to have a son, Issac, he will be the son of the promise
9. God changes the name of Isaac's son Jacob to **Israel**. His 12 sons will become the 12 tribes of the nation of Israel
10. One of Jacob's sons, **Joseph is sold into slavery** and taken to Egypt. Years later God uses him to help his family (Israel) during a famine by moving them to Egypt
11. After 400 years the Egyptians have forgotten Joseph and how he helped them. They make the people of Israel slaves and the people cry out to God for help
12. **Moses:** God chooses to use **Moses** and his brother Aaron to deliver His people Israel from slavery after 10 plagues- He miraculously parts the Red Sea
13. **Covenant:** God gives the law at Mt. Sinai and promises blessings if the people obey and curses if they don't
14. God allows Moses to die in the wilderness, and choses **Joshua** to lead the people into the Promise Land
15. **Period of the Judges:** The people are supposed to live with God as their king, but instead everyone does what is right in his own eyes
16. God grants Israel's request for a king, but their first **king Saul** turns away from God
17. **1000 BC God makes David king,** and gives him a new heart that loves God
18. **Covenant:** God promises David that his descendant will always be on the throne
19. David's son **Solomon** becomes king and builds God's temple
20. Solomon's son does not love & follow God. Part of the kingdom rebels and **Israel is divided** into northern kingdom (Israel) & southern kingdom (Judah)
21. God sends prophets like Isaiah to Israel and Judah telling them to repent or face judgment
22. **722 BC Capture:** Israel's kings do not follow God, He allows them to be conquered by Assyria
23. **586 BC Exile:** Judah also has not followed God faithfully, He allows them to be captured and taken to Babylonia
24. God sends the **prophet Jeremiah** to comfort Judah, after 70 years they will return to the land
25. God keeps His promise and the **people of Judah return and rebuild** but still they struggle to love and obey God fully



Jesus is the fulfillment of God's covenants:

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us... so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles,... Galatians 3:13a, 14a

So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. Galatians 3:24

"I, Jesus,...I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." Revelation 22:16

Shows the books of the Old Testament in approximate chronological order
Double lines show gaps in time

Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version® (ESV®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway, a publishing ministry of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.