

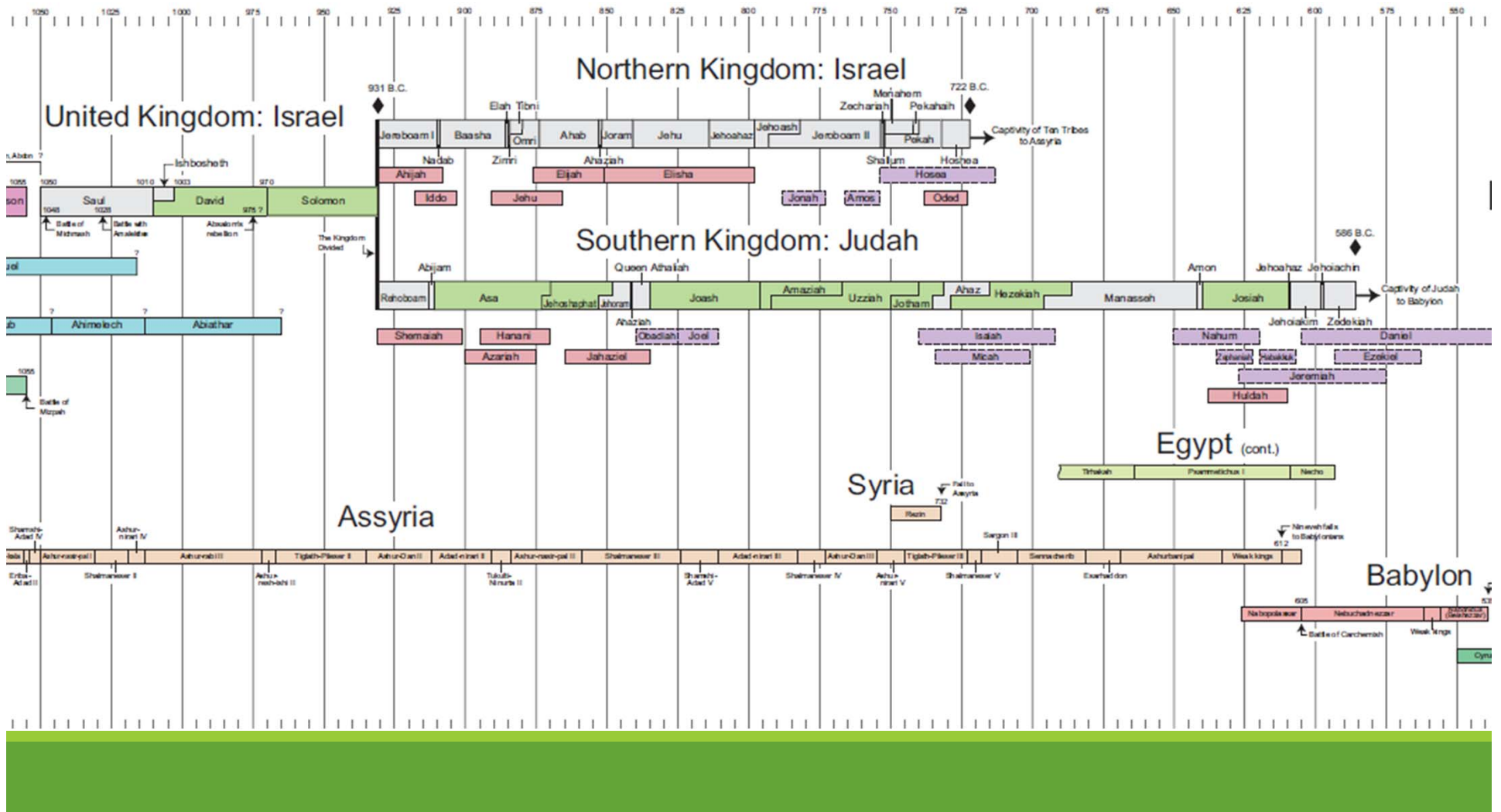
Lesson 10: A Turn of Affairs from God

2 CHRONICLES 10-12

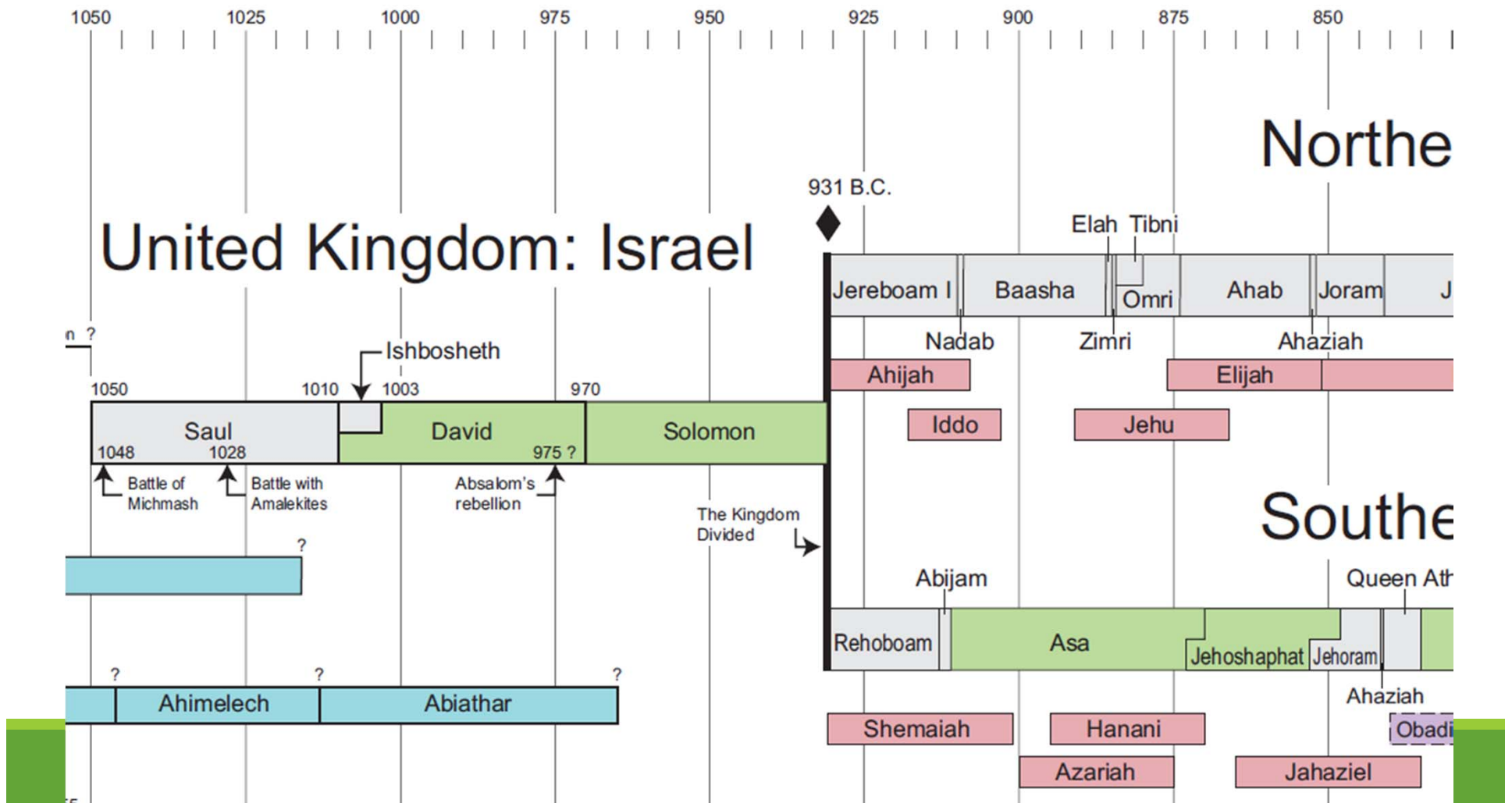
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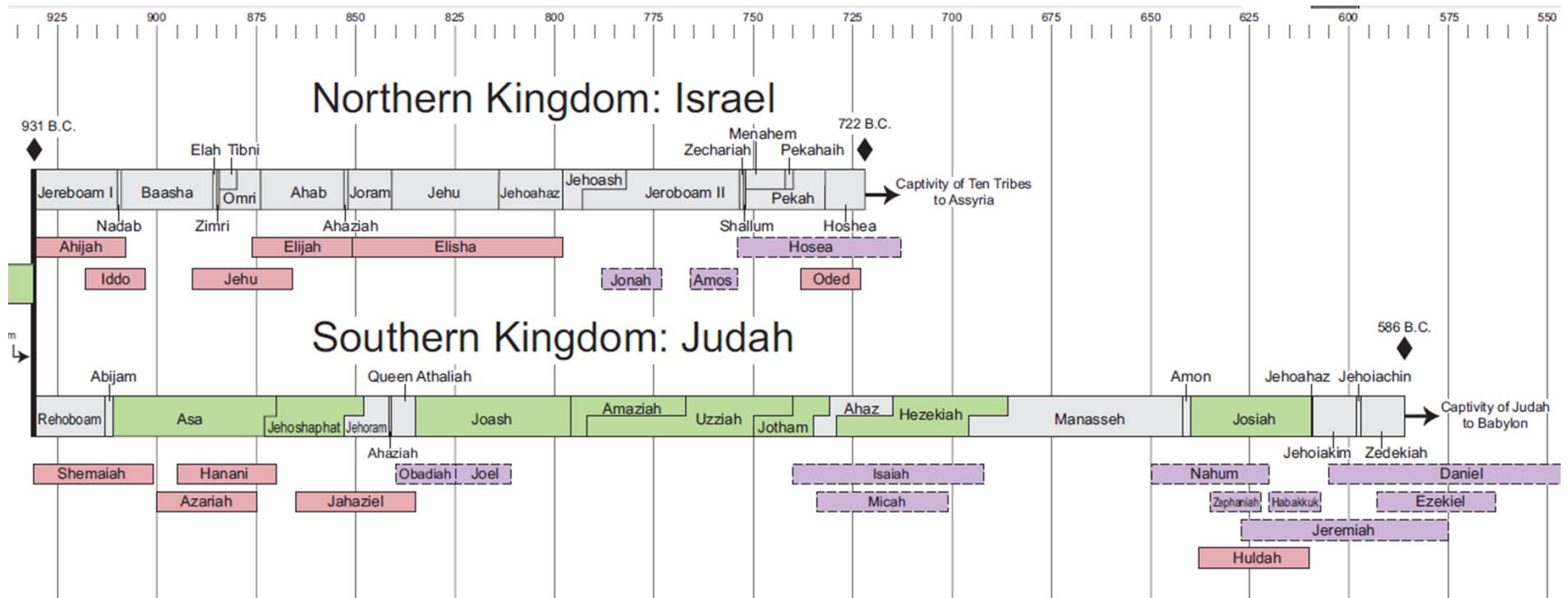
The History of the Kings



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The Divided Kingdom



THE SIN OF SOLOMON

- The anger of the Lord against Solomon
- His heart turned away from the Lord
 - The God who had appeared to him twice
 - Who commanded him concerning idolatry
 - But he did not keep what the Lord commanded
- I will surely tear the kingdom from you and will give it to your servant. Yet for the sake of David your father I will not do it in your days, but I will tear it out of the hand of your son.


1 Kings 11:9-12




2 Chronicles 10-12

- Rehoboam chosen to reign (2 Chron. 9:31)
- The reign of Rehoboam
 - Israel's kingdom divided
 - The Priests and Levites relocate to Judah
 - Rehoboam's family
 - Egypt plunders Judah and the Temple
 - Rehoboam's legacy continues

The Positive Outlook

- “So they listened to the word of the Lord...” (11:4)
 - “For they walked for three years in the way of David and Solomon” (11:17)
 - “Then the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves and said, “The Lord is righteous.”” (12:6)
 - “Good things were found in Judah” (12:12)
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Outline

- The Word of the Lord is True (Sure) – 10:1-19
 - The Word of the Lord Obeyed – 11:1-12
 - The Word of the Lord is the Way – 11:13-17
 - The Word of the Lord Abandoned – 11:18-12:5
 - The Word of the Lord Delivers – 12:6-12
 - The Word of the Lord Forgotten – 12:13-16
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2 Chronicles 10:1-19

- A weak king and kingdom
- Rehoboam's responsibility
- Wisdom in counselors (Proverbs 11:14)
 - Wisdom of God (Proverbs 2:6, 3:5, 21:30, 28:14)
- Prophecy fulfilled
 - 1 Kings 11:9-12
 - The divided kingdom – A turn of affairs from God

2 Chronicles 10:16-19

- What portion do we have in David?
 - 1 Chronicles 11:1-3 – Israel made a covenant with David
 - The Everlasting Covenant and the Lord Jesus Christ
- Rehoboam attempts force
 - Proverbs 19:21 – The purpose of the Lord will stand
- Israel in rebellion
 - Proverbs 24:21-22 – Fear the Lord and the king
 - Romans 13:1-5 – Obey the ruling authorities

2 Chronicles 11:1-12

➤ Rehoboam's pursuit

- The greatness of Solomon and the weakness of Rehoboam

➤ Rehoboam listens! (verses 1-4)

- A sign of faith or... doing what is best for Rehoboam
- Proverbs 16:9 – Plans of man overcome by word of the Lord

➤ Defense against their enemies (verses 5-12)

- Strength that comes from man
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2 Chronicles 11:13-17


- The Levites/Israelites seek the Lord
 - Why? – 1 Kings 12:26-33
- They strengthened the kingdom Judah
- Made Rehoboam secure
- The people who sought the Lord walked for 3 years in the way of David and Solomon.
 - The way of David/Solomon = By faith

2 Chronicles 11:18-22

- Rehoboam's Pedigree (2 Chron. 12:13)
 - No Ammonite or Moabite may enter the assembly of the LORD. (Deut. 23:3)
- Rehoboam's Wives
 - Mahalath and Maacah and 16 more and 60 concubines
- Rehoboam Appoints an Heir
 - Abijah, the son of the "loved" wife (Deut. 21:15-17)

2 Chronicles 11:23


➤ Rehoboam Dealt Wisely

- The wisdom of man vs. the wisdom of God
 - Proverbs 10:15 – Strength in wealth
 - Securing the land from invaders
 - Securing allies
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2 Chronicles 12:1-5

- Rehoboam's strength was also his weakness
 - To seeking the Lord
- Shishak/Egypt comes to take Judah
 - He took the fortified cities
- "You abandoned me, so I have abandoned you"
 - Psalm 127:1 – Unless the Lord builds the house

2 Chronicles 12:6-12

- God is right, they are wrong!
 - Judah is humbled
 - Some deliverance given
 - Physical treasures were taken
 - Lives were spared
 - Rehoboam's shields of bronze
 - Conditions were good in Judah
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2 Chronicles 12:13-16

➤ Rehoboam misses the point

- Yes, you're king...
- You've built fortified cities...
- Your wife and son are of deep Davidic blood...
- You're strong in Jerusalem...but

➤ “And he did evil, for he did not set his heart to seek the Lord” 2 Chronicles 12:14

Hope for the Readers of Chronicles

- Conditions were good in Judah (2 Chron 12:12)
- The Lord is in Control Amidst Chaos
 - For those who turn from God – Judgment (Romans 1)
 - For those whom the Lord loves – Discipline (Hebrews 12:5-7)
- The Line of Christ continues...Abijah
- “The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.” Proverbs 9:10