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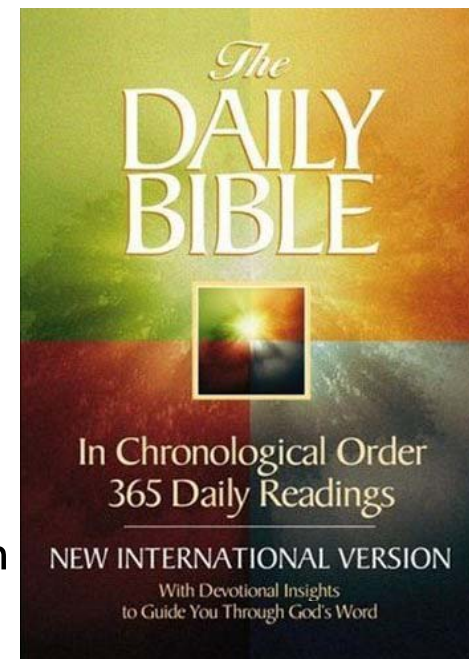
Prophets and Kings

June 13, 2010

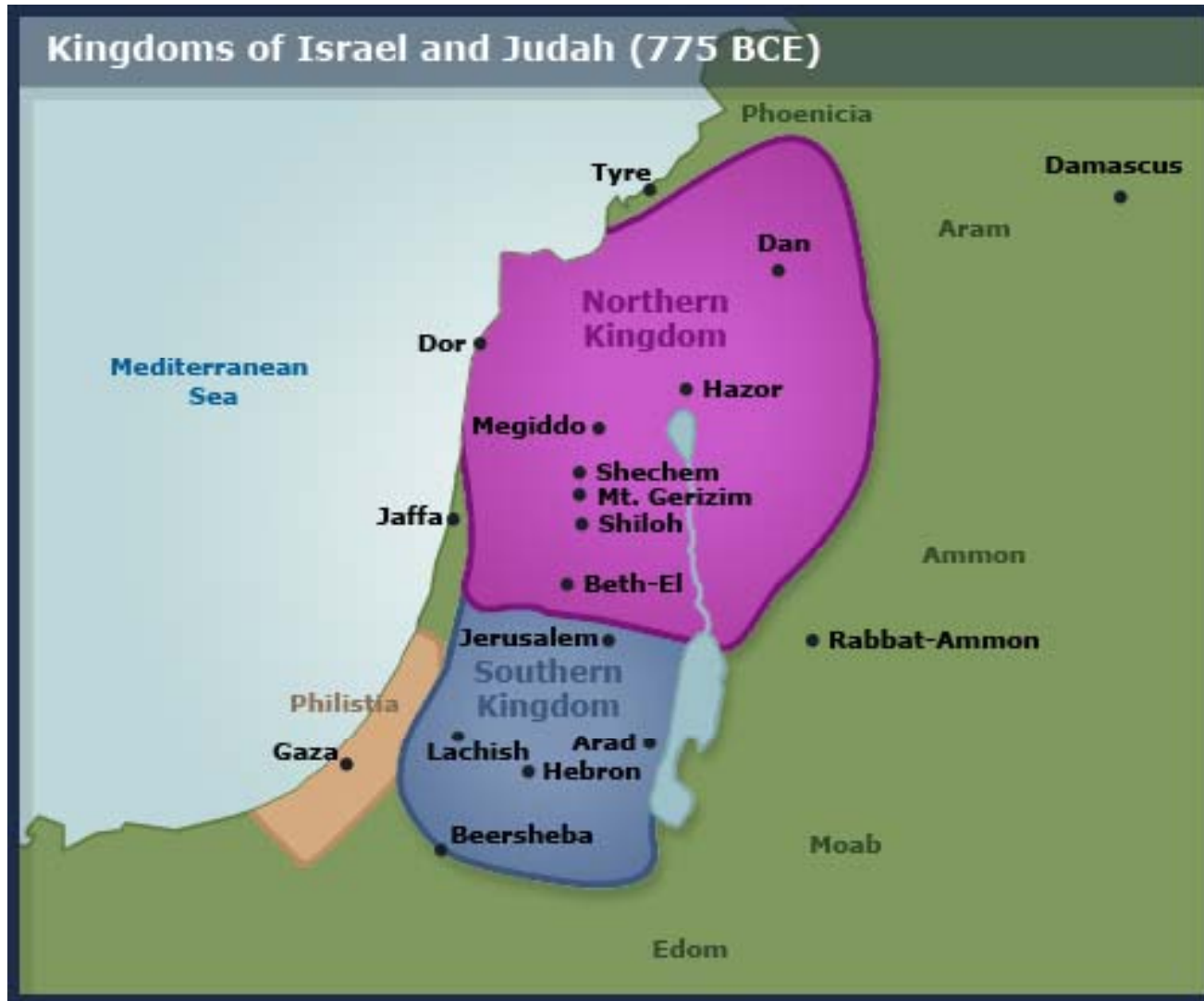
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This Week

- ▶ We'll cover readings for June 6-12
- ▶ Portions of 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Obadiah
 - ▶ **Elisha the Prophet**
 - ▶ Elijah taken up; Elisha receives spirit
 - ▶ Elisha purifies water; takes care of jeering youths; heals the Shunammite's son
 - ▶ **Miracles and Massacres**
 - ▶ North and South (Joram and Jehoshaphat) join forces to defeat Moabites
 - ▶ Letter from Elijah; Syrians see the light; Naaman healed of leprosy; Gehazi's sin
 - ▶ Second siege of Samaria and the fortunate lepers
 - ▶ Reign of Jehu in Israel
 - ▶ Joash crowned in Judah
 - ▶ **Obadiah's Prophecy Against Edom**
 - ▶ In this book of uncertain date, the prophet Obadiah predicts the demise of Edom



The Divided Kingdom

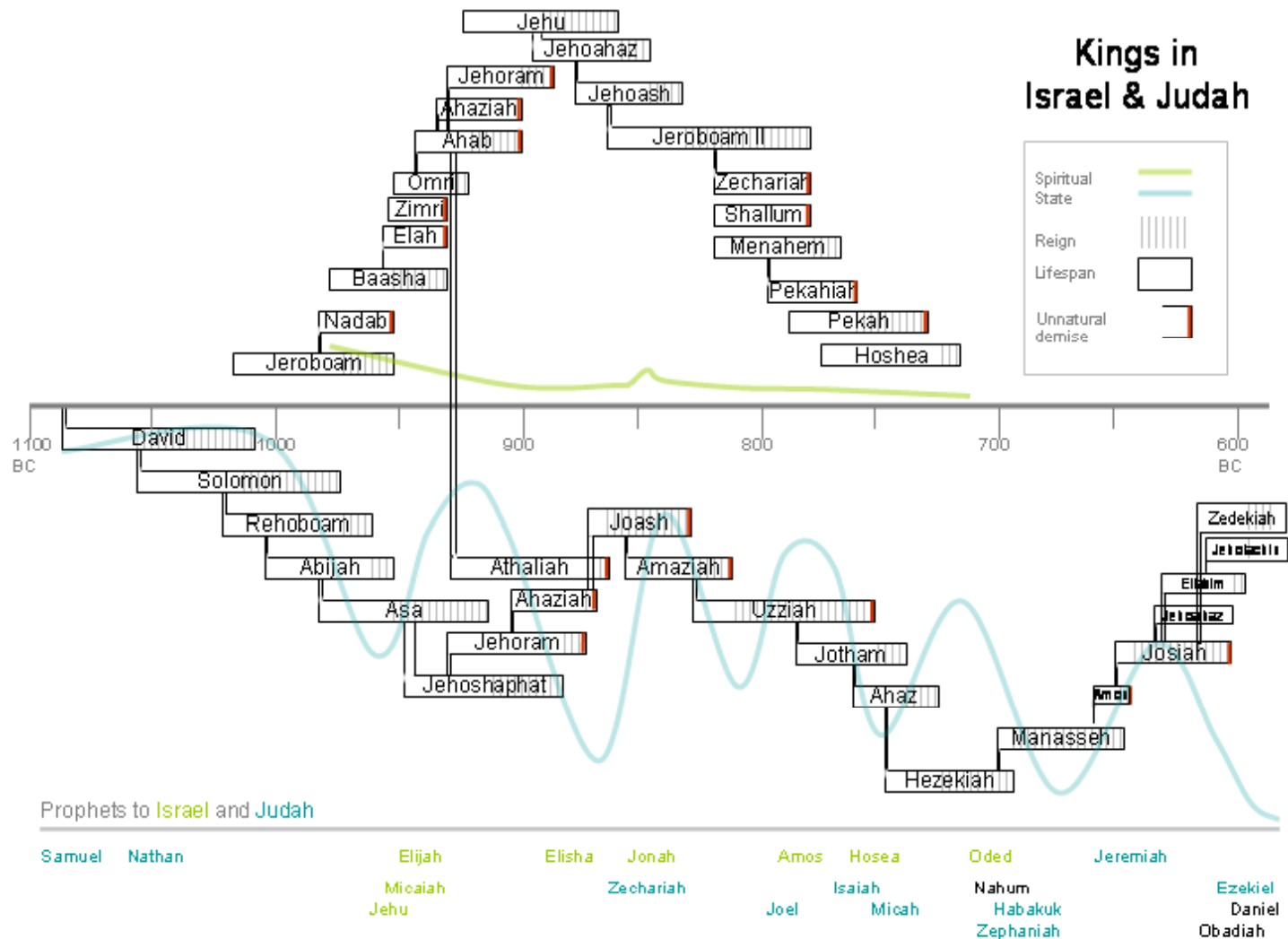


Kings of the Divided Kingdom

Judah	
931-914	Rehoboam
914-912	Abijah
911-871	Asa
871-848	Jehoshaphat
848-841	Jehoram
841	Ahaziah
840-835	Athaliah (queen)
835-796	Joash
796-767	Amaziah
767-739	Uzziah
739-734	Jotham
734-728	Ahaz
728-699	Hezekiah
699-643	Manasseh
642-640	Amon
640-609	Josiah
609	Jehoahaz
609-598	Jehoiakim
597	Jehoiachin
597-587	Zedekiah

Israel	
931-910	Jeroboam
909	Nadab
909-886	Baasah
885	Elah
885	Zimri
885-874	Omri
873-853	Ahab
853-852	Ahaziah
852-841	Jehoram
842-813	Jehu
813-797	Jehoahaz
797-782	Jehoash
782-747	Jeoboam II
747	Zechariah
747	Shallum
747-742	Menahem
742-740	Pekahiah
740-731	Pekah
731-722	Hoshea

A Graphical View



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We Begin with Elijah

▶ 2 Kings 1:6-8 (DB page 718)

- ▶ ⁶“A man came to meet us,” they replied. “And he said to us, ‘Go back to the king who sent you and tell him, “This is what the LORD says: Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are sending men to consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron? Therefore you will not leave the bed you are lying on. You will certainly die!’”” ⁷The king asked them, “What kind of man was it who came to meet you and told you this?” ⁸They replied, “He was a man with a garment of hair and with a leather belt around his waist.” The king said, “That was Elijah the Tishbite.”



Elijah (cont.)

- ▶ 2 Kings 1:8-10 (DB page 719)
 - ▶ ⁹Then he sent to Elijah a captain with his company of fifty men. The captain went up to Elijah, who was sitting on the top of a hill, and said to him, “Man of God, the king says, ‘Come down!’” ¹⁰Elijah answered the captain, “If I am a man of God, may fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men!” Then fire fell from heaven and consumed the captain and his men.



Elijah to Be Taken Away

- ▶ 2 Kings 2:9-10 (DB page 720)
 - ▶ ⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?”
“Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,” Elisha replied. ¹⁰“You have asked a difficult thing,” Elijah said, “yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise not.”
- ▶ Why would Elisha ask for a “double portion” of Elijah’s spirit
 - ▶ Was this a selfish request?
- ▶ Why would Elijah say that this is a “difficult thing”?



Elijah Is Taken Away

- ▶ 2 Kings 2:11-14 (DB page 720-721)
 - ▶ ¹¹As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹²Elisha saw this and cried out, “My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!” And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them apart.



The Spirit Rests on Elisha

▶ 2 Kings 2:13-14 (DB page 721)

- ▶ ¹³He picked up the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴Then he took the cloak that had fallen from him and struck the water with it. “Where now is the LORD, the God of Elijah?” he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left, and he crossed over.



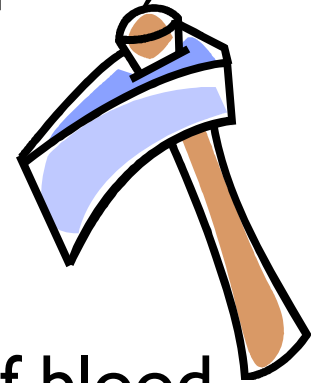
Miracles of Elisha

- ▶ Parting of the Jordan (2Ki 2:14)
- ▶ Healing of the bad spring (2Ki 2:21)
- ▶ Curse of the bears (2Ki 2:24 p721)
 - ▶ What's the lesson here?
- ▶ Miracle of the jars of oil (2Ki 4:4)
 - ▶ What's the purpose here?
- ▶ Prophecy that the Shunammite woman would have a son (2Ki 4:16 p722)
- ▶ Purification of the stew (2Ki 4:41 p722)
 - ▶ What's the lesson here?



Miracles of Elisha (cont.)

- ▶ Miraculous feeding of the hundred (2Ki 4:43 p722)
 - ▶ What does this bring to mind?
- ▶ Raising of the Shunammite's son (2Ki 4:34 p722)
- ▶ Prophecy of the seven-year famine (2Ki 8:1 p723)
- ▶ Floating of the axe head (2Ki 6:6 p724)
- ▶ Filling of the valley with water (2Ki 3:17)
 - ▶ What's the lesson here?
- ▶ Deception of the Moabites with the valley of blood (2Ki 3:22 p725)
- ▶ Prophecy of the Syrian battle plans (2Ki 6:9 p729)



Miracles of Elisha (cont.)

- ▶ Vision of the chariots (2Ki 6:17 p730)
- ▶ Syrian army struck with blindness (2Ki 6:18 p730)
- ▶ Restoring the sight of the Syrian army (2Ki 6:20 p730)
- ▶ Healing of Naaman's leprosy (2Ki 5:14 p731)
 - ▶ What can we learn from this story?
- ▶ Perception of Gehazi's sin (2Ki 5:26 p732)
- ▶ Cursing Gehazi with leprosy (2Ki 5:27)
 - ▶ What can we learn from this story?



Miracles of Elisha (cont.)

- ▶ Prophecy of the end of the siege-induced famine (2Ki 7:1 p733)
 - ▶ What do we learn from the story of the trampled officer?
- ▶ Deception of the Syrians with the sound of chariots (2Ki 7:6 p733)
- ▶ Prophecy of Ben-Hadad's untimely death (2Ki 8:10 p735)
 - ▶ How do you explain Elisha's involvement with Syria?
- ▶ Prophecy of Hazael's cruelty to Israel (2Ki 8:12 p735)



Miracles of Elisha (cont.)

- ▶ Prophecy that Jehu would destroy the house of Ahab (2Ki 9:7 p736)
 - ▶ Explain God's use of a murderous madman to accomplish His purposes
- ▶ Next Week
 - ▶ Prophecy that Joash would destroy the Syrians at Aphek (2Ki 13:17)
 - ▶ Prophecy that Joash would defeat Syria three times but not destroy it (2Ki 13:19)
 - ▶ Resurrection of the man touched by his bones (2Ki 13:21)



Your Turn ...

- ▶ What insights have you gained from this week's study?
- ▶ What did you find in these passages that you have never seen before?
- ▶ How did the Lord speak to your heart through the Word this week?
- ▶ How will your walk with Him be different as a result?



Next Week

- ▶ Readings for June 13-19
 - ▶ Joel, Jonah and Hosea

Questions?

