

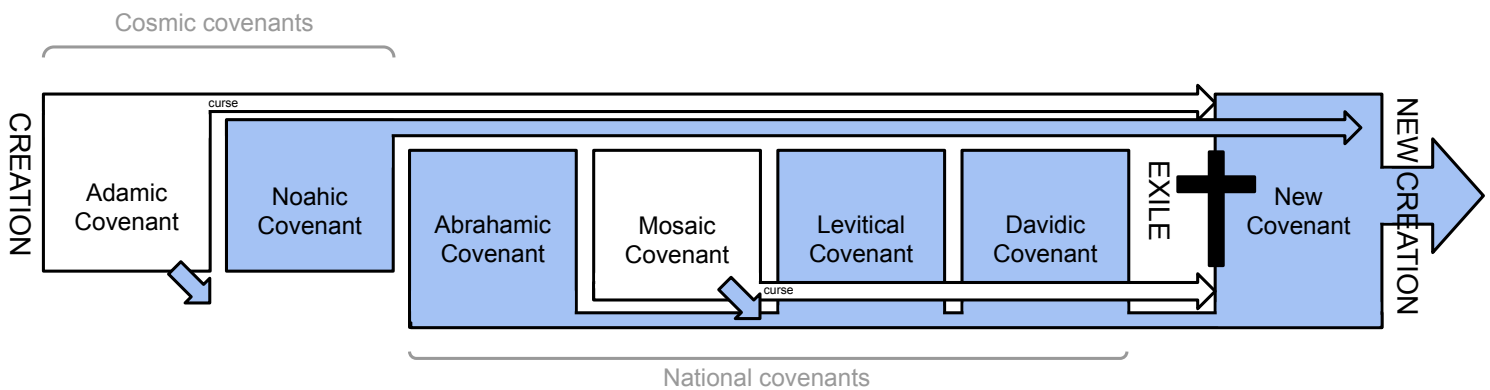
# HIS STORY

## The New Covenant (Pre-Exile)

### 1) Life in the united kingdom

- Kings were under the Davidic covenant *(Psalm 89)*

- Kings were under the Mosaic covenant *(Deut 17:14-20)*



- 'Suzerain-vassal' type covenants
- 'Royal grant' type covenants
- Foreshadows of salvation

| God's People | God's Place | God's Presence |
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- Obedient king = blessed people *(1 Kings 4, 8, 10)*

*(Psalm 72)*

- Disobedient king = cursed people

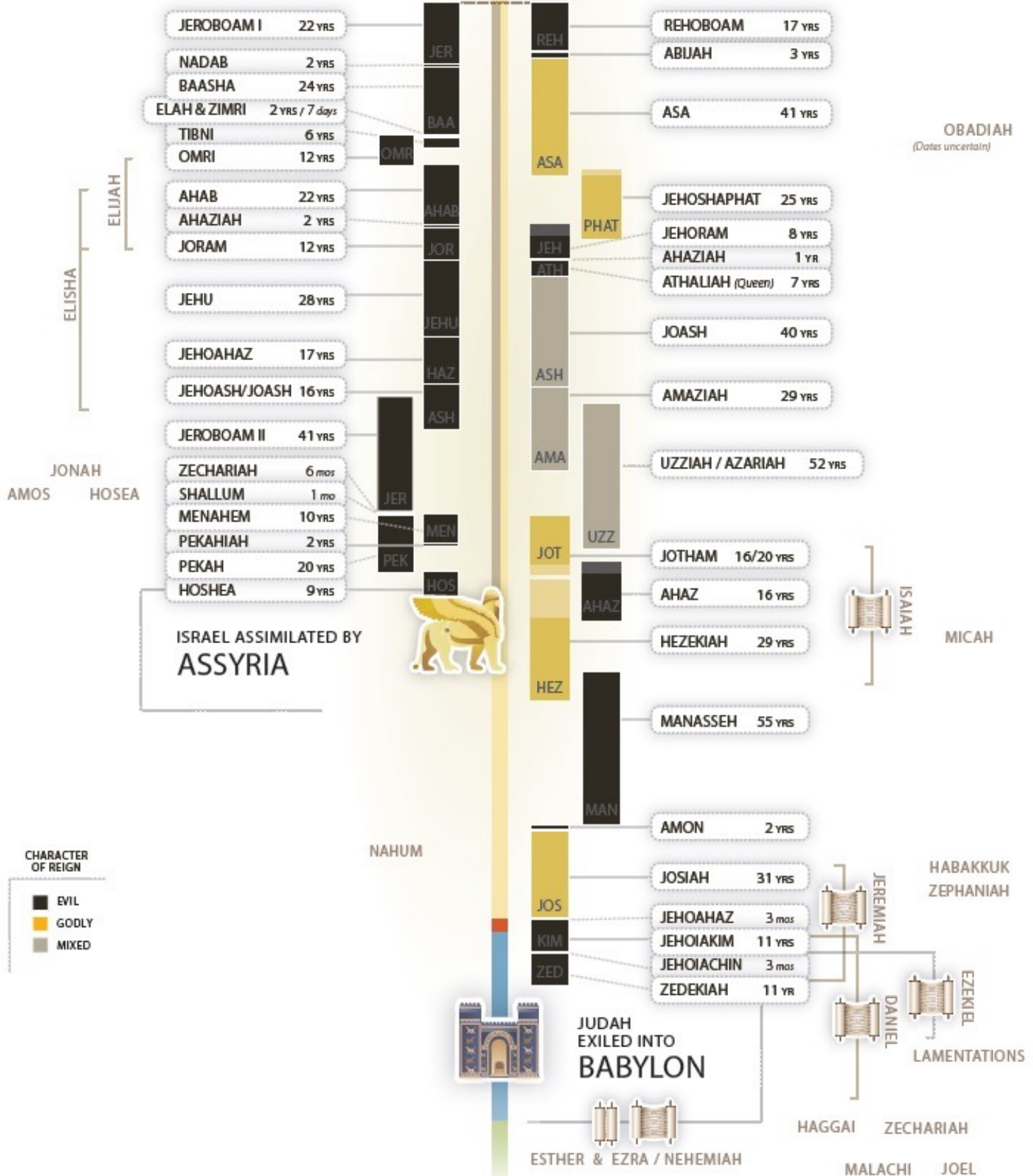
*(1 Kings 10:14-11:13)*



# THE KINGS & PROPHETS

## THE NORTHERN KINGDOM OF ISRAEL

## THE SOUTHERN KINGDOM OF JUDAH



## 2) Life in the northern kingdom of Israel

- Kings of Israel led the people in evil (1-2 Kings)

- ▶ Idolatry
  - ▶ Injustice
  - ▶ Presumption
- } God keeps warning  
} God keeps a remnant

- Prophets of Israel acted as enforcers (Hosea, Amos, Jonah)

- ▶ Threatened covenant curses and destruction
- ▶ Called for repentance and justice
- ▶ Gave glimpses of cosmic restoration

- Israel ultimately assimilated by Assyria (2 Kings 17)

- Assyria itself falls under God's judgment (Nahum)

## 3) Life in the southern kingdom of Judah

- Kings of Judah led the people variously (2 Kings 16, 18)

- ▶ Idolatry & fidelity
- ▶ Injustice & justice
- ▶ Presumption & humility

- Earlier prophets acted as enforcers (Micah, Isaiah)

- ▶ Threatened covenant curses and exile
- ▶ Called for repentance and justice
- ▶ Explicit cosmic hope in a Davidic King

- Later prophets called for faith (Habakkuk)

(Zephaniah)

#### 4) Death in exile

- Judah ultimately exiled to Babylon (2 Kings 25)

(Jeremiah)

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- Future confidence placed in a New Covenant (Isaiah 42, 54-55, 59)

(Jeremiah 31-33)

