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# The Old Testament in a Nutshell

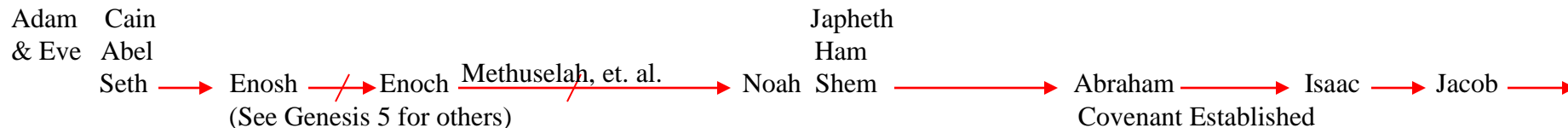
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## Creation

## Flood

## Patriarchs



Genesis →

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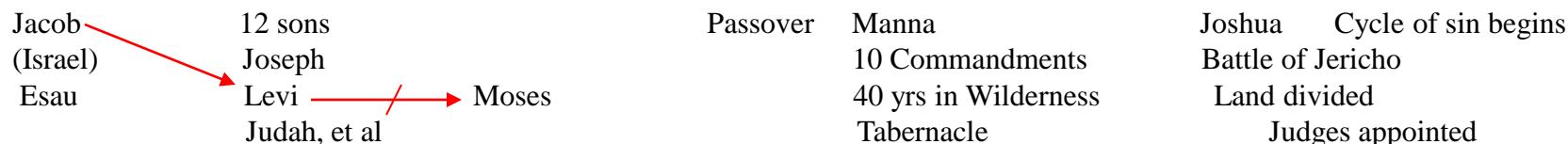
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## Egypt

## Exodus

## The Promised Land



Genesis → Exodus → Leviticus → Numbers → Deuteronomy → Joshua → Judges → Ruth

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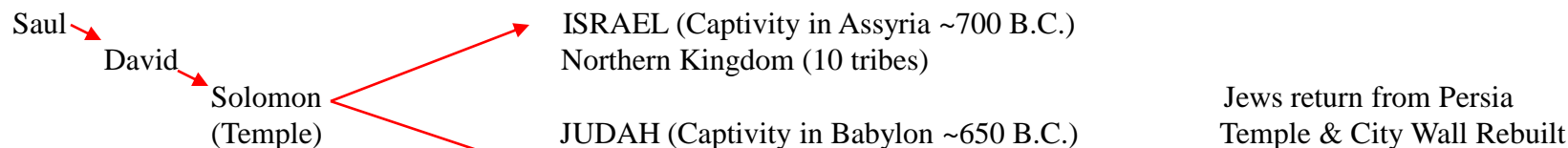
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## Monarchy

## This week's reading

## The Return



PROPHETS

I/II Samuel  
I Chronicles I Kings  
II Chronicles II Kings  
Job Psalms Proverbs  
Ecclesiastes Song of Solomon

### Books of Prophecy

Isaiah Jeremiah Lamentations Ezekiel Daniel Hosea, Joel, Amos  
Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai,  
Zechariah, Malachi

Ezra Nehemiah



# Old Testament Lessons Learned/Takeaways

- 1. A sovereign God created us, loves us and wants to have a relationship with us. (Genesis 1)**
- 2. Man sinned and was separated from God. (Gen 3)**
- 3. God established an agreement, a covenant, with man to restore the relationship with man. (Gen 15)**
- 4. God uses imperfect men to accomplish His will in O.T. times and He does the same thing today**
- 5. The importance of family. Compare to today**
- 6. Trust God, just trust God**

# What Happened In This Week's Reading

- a. Passover and Exodus
- Instructions about Passover
  - Feast of Unleavened Bread
  - Cloud and fire lead
  - Pass through the sea

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# What Happened In This Week's Reading

## b. Journey top Sinai

- Community grumbled against Moses & Aaron
- Quail and Manna
- Sabbath rest
- Water from rock

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# What Happened In This Week's Reading

c. The Israelites Covenant with God

d. Instructions for the Tabernacle

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# What does it mean?

- a. God uses secular/pagan rulers to accomplish His good and perfect will. (Ex. 1:8-10, 11:9 and Romans 9:17-18)

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# What does it mean?

- Complaining - Ex. 15:27-16:3 What are some of the things Christians complain about? The cure?
  - 1) Remind ourselves how blessed we are
  - 2) Be content Heb 13:5; 1 Tim 6:5-11; Phil 4:11-13
  - 3) Admit most of complaining is about personal preference
  - 4) Pray
  - 5) Trust God; take a long view

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# The Passover

- 1) Commemorates the final plague or “passing over” of the Lord when all the firstborn of the Egyptian died. The Israelites were spared if they had smeared blood over their door posts.
- 2) The lamb to be slain was selected on the 10th day of the month and slaughtered on the 14th day and then eaten.
- 3) Also called the “Feast of Unleavened Bread”

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# The Passover

- 4) In the New Testament, Christ celebrates the Passover on the eve of his death. 1 Cor. 11:23-26; Matt 26:17ff
- 5) The ritual of communion becomes the Christian's Passover, with the bread representing Christ's body and Christ's blood that protects us from the death of sin.

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# The Passover

- 6) Christ was crucified on the Passover at precisely the same time that the **Paschal Lambs** were being slaughtered in preparation for the Passover.
- 7) According to the Scriptures, Christ is the **the Lamb** (John 1:29) and the “Bread of Life” John 6:30-42
- 8) Remember that the Paschal lamb was brought into the home 4 days before slaughter to ensure that it was without defect (like the Son of God) and to allow the family to grow fond of the lamb so the sacrifice would, indeed, be a sacrifice.

# The Passover

Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem took place, many authorities believe 4 days before his being sacrificed on a cross.



**Mediterranean Sea**

**EGYPT**

Rameses

Great Bitter Lake

Succoth

**SINAI**

Mt. Sinai

**MIDIAN**

**Red Sea**

Beersheba

Kadesh Barnea

Ezion Geber

Hazereth

Jericho

Mt. Nebo

Jerusalem

# Going Deeper

- a. Moses emerges as a leader
- b. The Lord was with Joseph and he prospered. p. 78 The prosperity Gospel
- c. Moses opposes Pharaoh. How do we confront a government with whom we disagree? p. 104, 105

How will you use what you have learned this week?

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