

The Big Story of the Old Testament

Core Reading Plan

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<u>Week 1</u>	<u>~4000 BC – 2500 BC</u>
Genesis 1-3	Creation and Fall
Genesis 6-9	The Flood (~2500 BC)
<u>Week 2</u>	<u>~Pre-2100 BC – 2067 BC</u>
Genesis 11-12	Tower of Babel (pre-2100 BC)/Call of Abram (~2091 BC)
Genesis 15-17	Abrahamic Covenant (~2081-2067 BC)
Genesis 18-19	Sodom and Gomorrah (~2067 BC)
<u>Week 3</u>	<u>~2066 BC – 1921 BC</u>
Genesis 21-22	Birth of Isaac (~2066 BC)/Abraham Tested (2054 BC)
Genesis 24-25	Rebekah/Jacob & Esau (~2026-2006 BC)
Genesis 27-29	Jacob's Deception/Life with Laban (~1928-1921BC)
<u>Week 4</u>	<u>~1921-1887 BC</u>
Genesis 30-33	Jacob's Prosperity/Return to Canaan/Wrestling with God (~1921 BC-1906 BC)
Genesis 37, 39-40	Joseph, Slavery, Prison (~1898 BC-1887 BC)
<u>Week 5</u>	<u>~1886-1875</u>
Genesis 41-47	Joseph and the Great Famine
<u>Week 6</u>	<u>~1859 BC – 1446 BC</u>
Genesis 50	Deaths of Jacob and Joseph (~1859 BC – 1806 BC)
Exodus 1-6	Call of Moses/Slavery and Showdown (~1446 BC)
<u>Week 7</u>	<u>~1446 BC</u>
Exodus 7-14	THE EXODUS (~1446 BC) Plagues and Red Sea
<u>Week 8</u>	<u>~1446 BC</u>
Exodus 16-17	Manna, Quail and Water from Rock
Exodus 19-20	Mount Sinai and the Ten Commandments
Exodus 32-34	Rebellion and the Radiant Face
<u>Week 9</u>	<u>~1445 BC</u>
Leviticus 9-10	Priesthood established and its first challenge
Leviticus 16	Day of Atonement
Leviticus 19-20	Commands for holy living and punishment
Leviticus 22-23	Clean & Unclean/The Feasts of God

<u>Week 10</u>	<u>~1445 BC</u>
Numbers 9-14	Journey from Mount Sinai to Kadesh Barnea
Numbers 16-17	Korah's Rebellion/God's Answer
<u>Week 11</u>	<u>~1445 BC – 1407 BC</u>
Numbers 20-25	The Wilderness Wanderings/Balaam's Donkey
Numbers 32	Reuben and Gad's Request to Settle Across the Jordan
<u>Week 12</u>	<u>~1407 BC</u>
Deuteronomy 1-3	Giant victories
Deuteronomy 4-6	Love the LORD
<u>Week 13</u>	<u>~1406 BC</u>
Deuteronomy 27-28	Blessings and Consequences
Deuteronomy 31	Joshua to Succeed Moses
Deuteronomy 34	Death of Moses
Joshua 1-4	ENTERING INTO THE PROMISED LAND (1406 BC)
<u>Week 14</u>	<u>~1406 BC – 1374 BC</u>
Joshua 5-6	Battle of Jericho
Joshua 10	Sun stands still
Joshua 22, 24	Eastern Tribes return/Covenant renewed
Judges 1-2	The End of a Godly Era
<u>Week 15</u>	<u>~1235 BC – 1140 BC</u>
Judges 4, 6-8	Deborah/Gideon ~1235 BC/1169 BC
Ruth 1-4	Ruth & Boaz (~1140 BC)
<u>Week 16</u>	<u>~1100 BC – 1070 BC</u>
1 Samuel 1-7	Calling of Samuel/Philistines
<u>Week 17</u>	<u>~1090 BC – 1055 BC</u>
Judges 13-16	Samson (~1090 BC – 1075 BC)
Judges 19-21	The depth of the decay (~1075 BC – 1055 BC)
<u>Week 18</u>	<u>1050 BC – 1028 BC</u>
1 Samuel 8-10	Israel Asks for a King/King Saul (1050 BC)
	UNITED KINGDOM BEGINS 1050 BC
1 Samuel 13-15	The Decline and Rejection of King Saul (1028 BC)
<u>Week 19</u>	<u>1024 BC – 1010 BC</u>
1 Samuel 16-20	David's Anointing and Rise/Conflict (1024 BC)
1 Samuel 31	Death of Saul (1010 BC)

2 Samuel 1	David Laments for Saul (1010 BC)
<u>Week 20</u>	<u>1010 BC – 993 BC</u>
2 Samuel 2-3	DAVID BECOMES KING (1010 BC)
2 Samuel 5-7	Jerusalem becomes capitol/Davidic Covenant (1003 BC- 1000BC)
2 Samuel 11-12	David and Bathsheba (993 BC)
<u>Week 21</u>	<u>970 BC – 931 BC</u>
1 Kings 1, 3	Solomon Becomes King (970 BC – 967 BC)
1 Kings 6, 8-9	SOLOMON BUILDS THE TEMPLE (966 BC)
1 Kings 10-11	Summary of Solomon’s Reign (946-931 BC)
<u>Week 22</u>	<u>SAMPLE OF PSALMS & PROVERBS</u>
Psalms 2, 22, 110	David: Prophet and Poet (Messianic Psalms)
Proverbs 1-5, 8-9	Sampling of Solomon’s Wisdom
<u>Week 23</u>	<u>931 BC – 858 BC</u>
1 Kings 12	THE KINGDOM DIVIDED (931 BC): Judah=Southern Kingdom; Israel=Northern Kingdom
1 Kings 13-14	Jeroboam, King of Israel/Rehoboam, King of Judah (931-925 BC)
1 Kings 16:29-19:21	Israel’s King Ahab (bad) (909 – 858 BC) Elijah’s ministry in Northern Kingdom
<u>Week 24</u>	<u>857 BC – 848 BC</u>
1 Kings 20-22	Ahab’s Reign (857 – 853 BC)
2 Kings 1-2	Elijah’s ministry and the Chariot of Fire (852 – 851 BC)
2 Kings 4-7	Elisha’s ministry (849 – 848 BC)
<u>Week 25</u>	<u>841 BC – 790 BC</u>
2 Kings 9-11	Israel’s King Jehu (841 BC)
2 Chronicles 22-24	Judah’s Kings Ahaziah and Josiah (841- 835)
2 Chronicles 26; Isaiah 6	Judah’s King Uzziah (790); Isaiah’s Call (739 BC)
<u>Week 26</u>	<u>766 BC – 790 BC</u>
Amos 1:1; 3-5	God’s Warning to Northern Kingdom (766 BC)
Hosea 1-3; 13-14	More Warnings to Northern Kingdom (753 BC)
<u>Week 27</u>	<u>722 BC – 608 BC</u>
2 Kings 17	FALL OF THE NORTHERN KINGDOM (722 BC)
2 Kings 18-20	Judah’s King Hezekiah (716 - 701 BC)
2 Kings 21	Judah’s King Manasseh (687 – 642 BC)
2 Kings 22-23	Judah’s King Josiah’s Reforms (640 – 608 BC)

<u>Week 28</u>	<u>625 BC – 586 BC</u>
Habakkuk 1-3	Warning to Southern Kingdom—God is raising up Babylon 625 BC
Jeremiah 3-4, 6-7, 9-11	Warnings to Southern Kingdom (627 – 586 BC)
<u>Week 29</u>	<u>597 BC – 588 BC</u>
2 Kings 24	FALL OF JERUSALEM (1st captives taken) (597 BC)
Ezekiel 4-6	Ezekiel (in Babylon) Dramatizes Prophecy (593 BC)
Ezekiel 9-11	The Reluctant Wrath of God (592 BC) (Foresees Spirit's departure from the Temple)
Jeremiah 37-38	Final Days of Jerusalem (588 BC)
<u>Week 30</u>	<u>586 BC</u>
2 Kings 25	DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM (586 BC) 70 YEAR BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY BEGINS
Lamentations 1-2	Jeremiah's Lament over God's Judgment
Lamentations 3	Hope Through God's Mercy
Lamentations 4	A graphic glimpse at God's Judgment
Lamentations 5	Prayer for Restoration
Jeremiah 42-44	Jeremiah taken to Egypt
<u>Week 31</u>	<u>588 BC – 539 BC</u>
Jer 29-31	Get comfy in Babylon for 70 years, but there is hope (588 BC)
Daniel 1-6	Daniel in Babylonian Captivity (605 – 539 BC)
<u>Week 32</u>	<u>585 BC – 472 BC</u>
Ezekiel 36-37	Promise of Return; Valley of Dry Bones, (585 BC)
Jeremiah 50	Babylon will be conquered (Babylon captured 539 BC)
Esther 1-10	God preserves his people (483 – 472 BC)
<u>Week 33</u>	<u>537 BC – 445 BC</u>
Ezra 1, 3, 4,	The Exiles begin to return; begin rebuilding Temple (537 BC)
Haggai 1-2	Haggai Spurs on the Temple rebuild (520 BC)
Ezra 6:13-22	TEMPLE REBUILT (COMPLETED 516 BC 70 Years after Fall)
Nehemiah 1-4	Nehemiah leads rebuilding of Jerusalem wall (445 BC)
Neh. 6:15-7:3	Wall Completed (445 BC)
<u>Week 34</u>	<u>445 BC – 430 BC</u>
Neh. 8-9	Reading of the Word; Covenant Renewal (445 BC)
Malachi 1-4	The Final Prophet (~430 BC)
<u>Week 35</u>	<u>Selected Messianic Prophecies</u>
Isaiah 42:1–4; 49:1–6	Suffering Servant Songs of Isaiah (written ~700 BC)
Isaiah 50:4–11; 52:13–53:12	Suffering Servant Songs of Isaiah
Daniel 7-12	A Glimpse at how it will all end (written ~539 BC)