THESE 4 BOOKS WERE AT ONE TIME 1 LARGE BOOK



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1st Samuel	2nd Samuel
Samuel & Saul	Saul & David

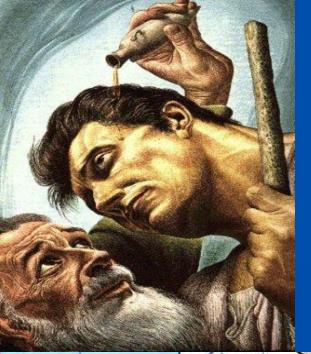
1 Kings	2 Kings	
Solomon & Divided	Fall of the Divided	
Kingdom	Kingdoms	

30,000 Ft. VIEW: ISRAEL AS THE KINGDOM OF GOD

- Biblical Israel was a theocracy
- Theocracy = a nation ruled by a god and his laws
- Israel's history as a theocracy is in 3 eras:
- > 1) Prophets
- > 2) Kings
- > 3) High Priests
- Yeshua will administer FOREVER as all 3







SAMUEL WAS A TRANSITIONAL FIGURE

Samuel the last prophet-Judge

He ushers in the 1st king by anointing Saul

Born about 1070 B.C

Eli is the High Priest, his sons are law-breakers

Samuel operates in south-central Israel near Philistines



Philistines Pentapolis - Ashkelon, Ashdod, Ekron, Gath, and Gaza

ISRAEL DEMANDS A KING!

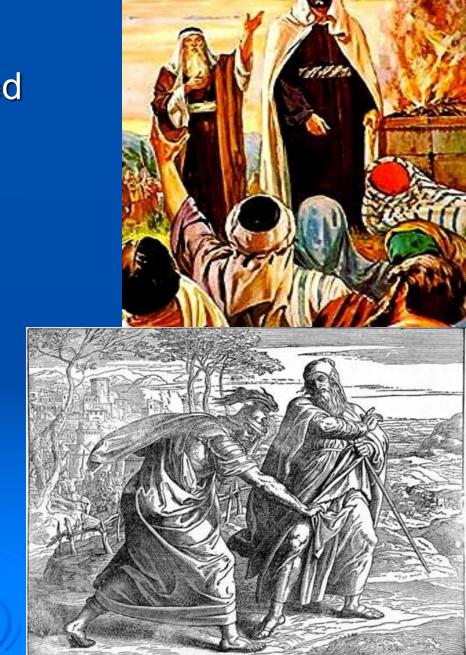
- > Ark is captured by Philistines
- Eli's sons are killed and Eli also dies
- Ark of the Covenant topples the idol of Dagon, causes disease and death, and so returned to Israel in an oxcart
- At Beit Shemesh many Hebrews are killed for looking upon the Ark
- Israel demands that Samuel appoint a king over them

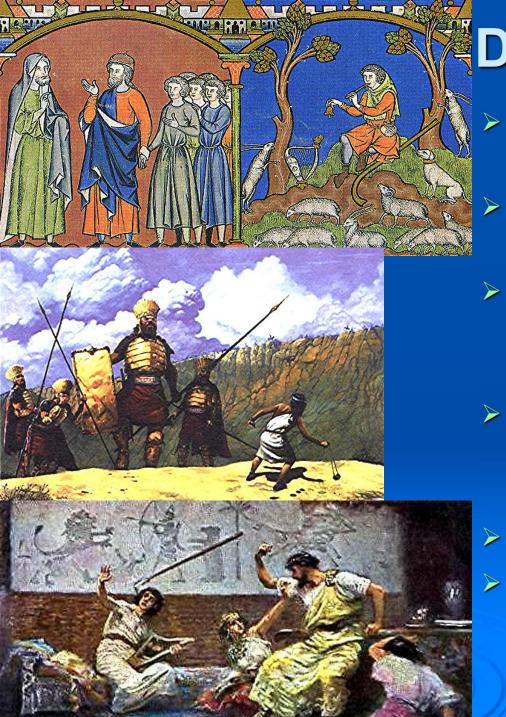




SHA'UL THE 1ST KING OF ISRAEL

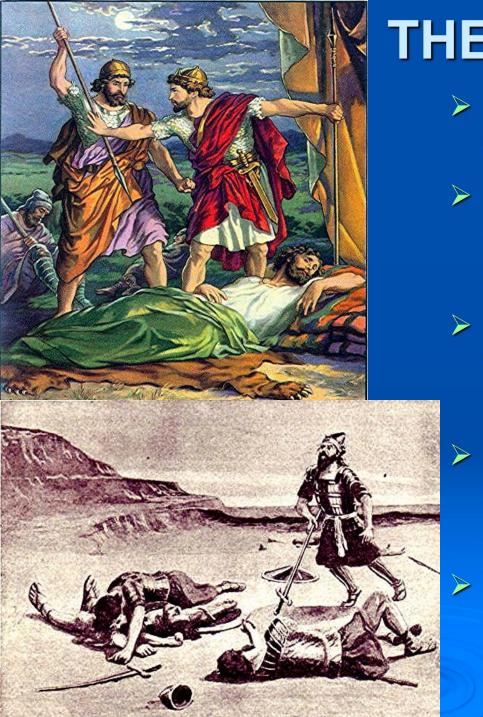
- Scriptures show us the need for a king
- > 2 viewpoints of a king:
- > 1) Man's view
- > 2) God's view
- Process of redemption is called "history"
- Sha'ul is visually pleasing and so the people like the choice
- Saul quickly disobeys and pulls away from God, so God abandons Saul





DAVID IS CHOSEN

- Youngest son of Jesse is chosen as the next king
- Saul becomes mentally ill via an "evil spirit"
- David, shepherd boy, fights and kills the Philistine giant Goliath
- Saul becomes paranoid when his son Jonathan and David become close friends
- Saul determines to kill David
- David marries Saul's daughter Michal

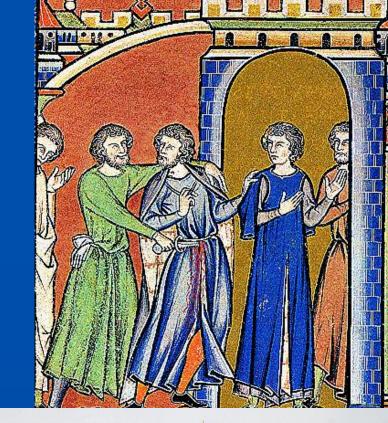


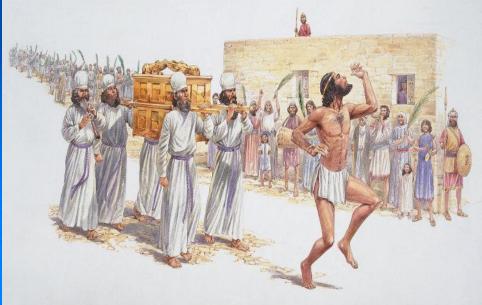
THE DEATH OF SAUL

- David flees Saul, builds an army, and Saul pursues him
- David has multiple opportunities to kill Saul but does not
- David creates an alliance with the Philistines and lives there
- King Sha'ul leads Israel in a losing battle against the Philistines, and dies
- The way is now clear for David to become king

DAVID BECOMES KING OVER JUDAH

- Saul's commander Abner appoints Saul's son Ishbosheth as Saul's successor
- Abner defects to David, and convinces the northern tribes to recognize David as king
- Joab kills his rival Abner
- David captures Jebusite stronghold for his capital
- He brings the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem, dancing in a procession

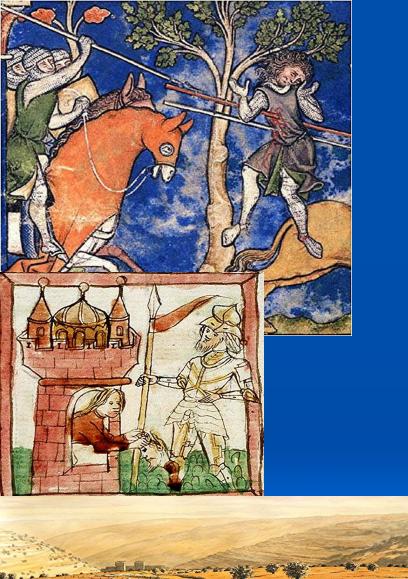






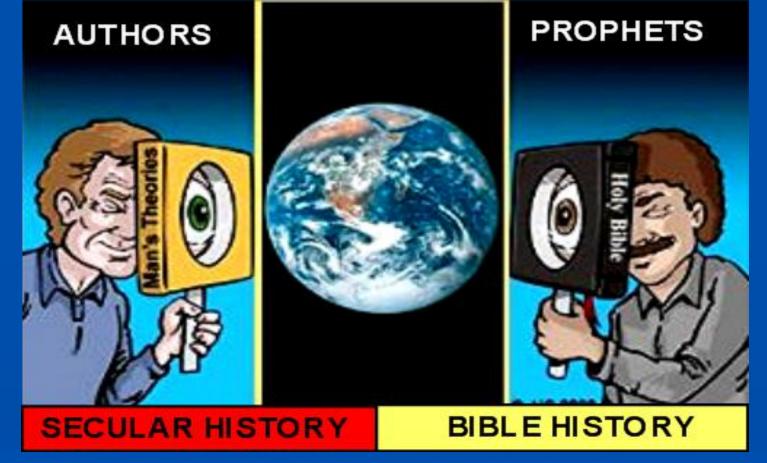
THE BATHSHEBA AFFAIR

- David has sex with Bathsheba and murders her husband, *Uriyah*
- Prophet Nathan brings Yehoveh's oracle of calamity upon David's household for his sins
- Amon rapes his half-sister
 Tamar
- Tamar's brother Avishalom kills Amnon in retribution
- Absalom leads a rebellion and David flees Jerusalem



DAVID IS FLAWED, BUT TRUSTS GOD

- Absalom enters Jerusalem and has sex with David's concubines
- David battles Absalom's forces and Avishalom is killed by Joab's men
- Sheva leads another rebellion but is killed
- David is now an elderly, frail, used-up and bitter man
- God will not allow David to build a Temple, but He does permit David to buy land for it



- > As 1st Kings begins, David is nearing his death
- Uncertainty surrounding the throne
- > 1st and 2nd Kings 1015 B.C. to 560 B.C.
- History of Israel written according to prophetic 2Sam7:12 16
- George Winer: "...OT not regarded as an aggregate of facts"
- Before the Enlightenment, Bible was Scripture NOT literature

Chapter # 5		United	
1st Kings	1 Reign of Solomon	Kingdom	
	12 Jeroboam	Divided	
	17 Elijah & Ahab	Kingdom	
2nd Kings	1 Elijah & Ahaziah	haziah	
	2 Elisha		
	17 Fall of Samaria		
11	18 Hezekiah	Judah Alone	
	25 Babylonian Captivity	Exile	
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- Hebrew Talmud says Jeremiah was the writer of Kings
- > 3 works used to compile major portions of Kings
- > 1) The Annals of Solomon
- > 2) The Annals of the Kings of Judah
- > 3) The Annals of the Kings of Israel
- NT Gospels and much of Revelation written the same way
- Book of Kings takes us from Solomon to the Babylon