

## Biblical Model of History

### Egyptian Captivity: (13<sup>th</sup> Century BCE?)

Moses Leads the Children of Israel out of Egypt into the Desert for 40 Years

Establishment of Theocracy Run by Order of Priests (Tribe of Levi)

Joshua Leads the Children of Israel into the Promised Land, Partitioning of Palestine

[Books of *Exodus*, *Numbers*, *Deuteronomy*, *Judges*]

“Let my people go, that they may serve me.” [*Exodus* 8.1]

### Rule of Judges:

Othniel, Ehud, Shamgar, Deborah, Gideon, Abimelech, Tola, Jair, Jephthah, Ibzan, Elon, Abdon, Samson, Eli, Samuel [Book of *Judges*, 1 *Samuel*]

“And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel. And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim. ... And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he delivered them into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and he sold them into the hands of their enemies round about, so that they could not any longer stand before their enemies. ... Nevertheless, the LORD raised up judges, which delivered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them. ... And when the LORD raised them up judges, then the LORD was with the judge, and delivered them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge: for it repented the LORD because of their groanings by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them. And it came to pass, when the judge was dead, that they returned, and corrupted themselves more than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them and bow down unto them; they ceased not from their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.” [*Judges*, 2.10-19]

“In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes.” [*Judges*, 21.25]

### Establishment of Monarchy, Anointed by Priests:

Saul

Davidic Line

[1000? – 933 BCE]

Divided Monarchy (Israel and Judah)

[933 – 587 BCE]

[1 and 2 *Samuel*, 1 and 2 *Kings*, *Chronicles*]

“And his [Samuel’s] sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment. Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah, And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations. But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD. And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.” [1 *Samuel*, 8.3-7]

Babylonian Captivity

[587 – 538 BCE]

Persian Captivity (Cyrus the Great)

[538 – 332 BCE]

Greek Captivity (Alexander the Great)

[332 – 69 BCE]

Roman Captivity (Pompey the Great)

[beginning 69 BCE]

Destruction of the Second Temple

[70 CE]

[Prophets]