

II. Old Testament Historical Books July 2009

Outline of Bible course:

The Bible (66 books)

Old Testament (39 books)

New Testament (27 books)

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- A. Joshua
Theme: Israel under Joshua conquers the Promised Land and divides it according to the 12 Tribes.
- B. Judges
Theme: “Everyone did what was right in their own eyes.” God raises us Judges to deliver Israel.
- C. Ruth
Theme: Ruth is an ancestor of Christ. Boaz, husband of Ruth, signifies the redemption of Christ
- D. 1 Samuel
Theme: Samuel, the last Judge anoints Saul, Saul falls and King David rules over Israel
- E. 2 Samuel
Theme: King David’s rise, fall and repentance – God’s covenant with David signifies Christ
- F. 1 Kings
Theme: Reign of David, Solomon, Rehoboam, Jeroboam, division of the Kingdoms (Judah/Israel)
- G. 2 Kings
Theme: Reigns of different kings, ministries of Elijah and Elisha, the exile of Israel and Judah
- H. 1 Chronicles
Theme: The genealogies from Adam to Saul, David and his reign
- I. 2 Chronicles
Theme: Solomon’s reign and history of Judah from division to restoration after Babylonian exile
- J. Ezra
Theme: Return of exiles from Babylon (under Persian king Cyrus), temple rebuilt, reforms
- K. Nehemiah
Theme: Persian king Artaxerxes sends Nehemiah to rebuild Jerusalem’s walls, Ezra reads Law
- L. Esther
Theme: God, through Queen Esther in Persia, saves the Jewish people and proves His sovereignty