

# CHRONOLOGY OF THE HEBREW KINGS

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BIBLICAL SEQUENCE	JUDAH AND ISRAEL	COREGENT (commencement)	KING (start of sole reign)	DIED (or last year)
1 Kgs 1:1-2:11	<b>DAVID</b>		<b>APR 1010</b>	<b>APR 971 – APR 970</b>
1 Kgs 2:11-11:43.	<b>SOLOMON</b>		<b>APR 970</b>	<b>APR 931 – SEPT 931</b>
1 Kgs 12:1—14:20	<i>Jeroboam</i>		<i>Sept 931 – Apr 930</i>	<i>Sept 910 – Apr 909</i>
1 Kgs 14:21-31.	<b>REHOBAM</b>		<b>APR 931 – SEPT 931</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 914</b>
1 Kgs 15:1-8	<b>ABIJAM</b>		<b>APR – SEPT 914</b>	<b>SEPT 912 – APR 911</b>
1 Kgs 15:9-24	<b>ASA</b>		<b>SEPT 912 – APR 911</b>	<b>SEPT 871 – APR 870</b>
1 Kgs 15:25-32	<i>Nadab</i>		<i>Sept 910 – Apr 909</i>	<i>Sept 909 – Apr 908</i>
1 Kgs 15:33—16:7	<i>Baasha</i>		<i>Sept 909 – Apr 908</i>	<i>Sept 886 – Apr 885</i>
1 Kgs 16:8-14	<i>Elah</i>		<i>Sept 886 – Apr 885</i>	<i>Sept 885 – Apr 884</i>
1 Kgs 16:15-20	<i>Zimri</i>		<i>Sept 885 – Apr 884</i>	<i>Sept 885 – Apr 884</i>
1 Kgs 16:21-22	<i>Tibni</i>	<i>Sept 885 – Apr 884</i>		<i>Apr 880 – Sept 880</i>
1 Kgs 16:23-28	<i>Omri</i>	<i>Sept 885 – Apr 884</i>	<i>Apr 880 – Sept 880</i>	<i>Sept 874 – Apr 873</i>
1 Kgs 16:29—22:40	<i>Ahab</i>		<i>Sept 874 – Apr 873</i>	<i>Apr – Sept 853</i>
1 Kgs 22:41-51	<b>JEHOSHAPHAT</b>	<b>SEPT 873 –</b>	<b>SEPT 871 – APR 870</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 848</b>
1 Kg 22:52- 2 K 2:25.	<i>Ahaziah</i>		<i>Apr – Sept 853</i>	<i>Apr – Sept 852</i>
2 Kgs 3:1—8:15	<i>Joram</i>		<i>Apr – Sept 852</i>	<i>Apr – Sept 841</i>
2 Kgs 8:16-24	<b>JEHORAM</b>	<b>SEPT 854 –</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 848</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 841</b>
2 Kgs 8:25—9:29	<b>AHAZIAH</b>	<b>SEPT 842 –</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 841</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 841</b>
2 Kgs 9:30—10:36.	<i>Jehu</i>		<i>Apr – Sept 841</i>	<i>Sept 814 – Apr 813</i>
2 Kgs 11:1-21.	<b>ATHALIAH</b>		<b>APR – SEPT 841</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 835</b>
2 Kgs 12:1-21.	<b>JOASH</b>		<b>APR – SEPT 835</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 796</b>
2 Kgs 13:1-10	<i>Jehoahaz</i>		<i>Sept 814 – Apr 813</i>	<i>Sept 798 – Apr 797</i>
2 Kgs 13:11-25	<i>Jehoash</i>	<i>Apr 799 –</i>	<i>Sept 798 – Apr 797</i>	<i>Sept 782 – Apr 781</i>
2 Kgs 14:1-22	<b>AMAZIAH</b>		<b>APR – SEPT 796</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 767</b>
2 Kgs 14:23-29.	<i>Jeroboam II</i>	<i>Apr 793 –</i>	<i>Sept 782 – Apr 781</i>	<i>Aug/Sept 753</i>
2 Kgs 15:1-7	<b>AZARIAH</b>	<b>SEPT 791 –</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 767</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 739</b>
2 Kgs 15:8-12	<i>Zechariah</i>		<i>Aug/Sept 753</i>	<i>March 752</i>
2 Kgs 15:13-15	<i>Shallum</i>		<i>March 752</i>	<i>late Apr 752</i>
2 Kgs 15:16-22	<i>Menahem</i>	<i>late Apr 752 –</i>	<i>(split with Pekah)</i>	<i>Sept 742 – Apr 741</i>
2 Kgs 15:23-26	<i>Pekahiah</i>		<i>Sept 742 – Apr 741</i>	<i>Sept 740 – Apr 739</i>
2 Kgs 15:27-31	<i>Pekah</i>	<i>late Apr 752 –</i>	<i>Sept 740 – Apr 739</i>	<i>Sept 732 – Apr 731</i>
2 Kgs 15:32-38.	<b>JOTHAM</b>	<b>APR- SEPT 750 –</b>	<b>APR – SEPT 739 TO</b>	<b>SEPT 732 – SEPT 731</b>
	<b>JOTHAM</b>	<b>SEPT 735 – SEPT 731</b>	<b>SEPT 735</b>	
2 Kgs 16:1-20.	<b>AHAZ</b>	<b>SEPT 735 –</b>	<b>SEPT 732 – SEPT 731</b>	<b>c. MARCH 715</b>
2 Kgs 17:1-41.	<i>Hoshea</i>		<i>Sept 732 – Apr 731</i>	<i>Apr – Sept 723</i>
2 Kgs 18:1—20:21	<b>HEZEKIAH</b>	<b>SEPT 729 –</b>	<b>c. MARCH 715</b>	<b>SEPT 687 – SEPT 686</b>
2 Kgs 21:1-18	<b>MANASSEH</b>	<b>SEPT 697 –</b>	<b>SEPT 697 – SEPT 686</b>	<b>SEPT 643 – SEPT 642</b>
2 Kgs 21:19-26.	<b>AMON</b>		<b>SEPT 643 – SEPT 642</b>	<b>SEPT 641 – SEPT 640</b>
2 Kgs 22:1—23:30	<b>JOSIAH</b>		<b>SEPT 641 – SEPT 640</b>	<b>c. JULY 609</b>
2 Kgs 23:31-35	<b>JEHOAHAZ</b>		<b>JULY 609</b>	<b>c. OCT 609</b>
2 Kgs 23:36—24:7	<b>JEHOIAKIM</b>		<b>OCT 609</b>	<b>9 DEC 598</b>
2 Kgs 24:8-17	<b>JEHOIACHIN</b>	<b>SEPT 608 –</b>	<b>DEC 598 – APR 597</b>	<b>AFTER APR 561</b>
2 Kgs 24:18—25:7	<b>ZEDEKIAH</b>		<b>APR 597 – AUG 586</b>	<b>c. AUG 586</b>

The kings of Judah are in bold capital letters, and the kings of Israel are in italic letters.

The suggestion that Solomon died between Nisan (April) and Elul (August) 931 B.C. was first put forward by Rodger Young, "When Did Solomon Die?" *JETS* 46 (2003) 589-603. Consequently, the first four Judean kings (from Rehoboam to Jehoshaphat) have been moved back one year. The implication of this minor, but very important, shift does away with Theile's suggestion that Judah's system was imposed on Israel's for these four kings by the biblical scribes.