

CHRONOLOGY of prophets and kings

It may help at this point to show how the four great prophets fit in to the reigns of contemporary kings:

KING OF JUDAH	PROPHET IN JUDAH	CONQUERING KING	PROPHET IN BABYLON		DATE B.C.
UZZIAH	ISAIAH				742
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JOTHAM	*				
	*				
AHAZ	*				
	*				
HEZEKIAH	*	SENNACHERIB			705
	*				
MANASSEH					
JOSIAH	JEREMIAH				640
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	*				
JEHOIAKIM	*	NEBUCHADNEZZAR			604
	*		DANIEL		
	*		*		
	*		*		
JEHOAHAZ			*		
JEHOIACHIN			*		597
ZEDEKIAH			*		
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			*		586
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			*	EZEKIEL	
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		BELSHAZZAR	*	*	
		DARIUS/CYRUS		*	
				*	538

THE SHORTER PROPHETS

The last part of the Old Testament comprises 12 short books written by prophets, spaced out over many centuries. Confusingly, they are not in chronological order, so we will try to relate each one to the books of Kings and Chronicles, so that we can see how their message was appropriate to the period.