

OUTLINE OF BIBLICAL HISTORY

The Bible is one story with one plot or theme. However, there are many sub-plots or stories that make-up the overall story. We have been looking at each of the sub-plots of the biblical story and today, we will move on to more of these. But first, let's review where we have been, and then talk about where the story will go from here.

1) What is the biblical story about? What is the story's theme?

2) Who is the main character in this story?

3) When did the story begin?

4) Who was chosen by God to receive the promise of many descendants, a new land, and that, through them, all the peoples of the earth would be blessed?

5) Who was the son of Abraham and Sarah, and who was his wife?

6) Which of Isaac's sons inherited the promises that were first given to Abraham?

7) Which of Jacob's sons became a leader in Egypt?

8) How many brothers did he have?

9) In Egypt, the twelve sons had families, and their families had families, and, over time, the twelve sons turned into twelve _____.

10) After the twelve tribes became very numerous, the Pharaoh of Egypt became nervous and decided to turn them into _____.

11) Who did God send to lead the people out of Egypt?

12) The name of the people was based on the new name that God gave Jacob when he became a person of faith. What was that name? _____

13) Who freed the people from Egyptian slavery?

14) What was the name of the area the freed slaves had to pass over in order to get to the land promised to Abraham?

15) What three things did they need to successfully make the journey?

16) Who led them into the Promised Land?

17) For a time, the twelve tribes did not have a government. What was the name given to the people who helped them defeat their enemies during this time?

18) Samuel was the first prophet to appear after they settled in the Promised Land.

a) What is a prophet? _____

b) What did the people ask Samuel to give them? _____

19) Who was the first king of Israel?

20) Why did he fail as the King?

21) Who was the next King?

22) Why was he considered to be the greatest king of Israel?

23) What was the covenant that God made with King David?

24) Who was the third King?

5) Why was this king considered great, and what was he known to have?

6) Who were the workers that built Solomon's Temple and palaces?

7) Why did the Kingdom of Israel split into two separate kingdoms after the death of Solomon?

8) What were the names of the two kingdoms?

9) Which kingdom was destroyed first, and by whom was it destroyed in the year 721 b.c.e.

10) Which kingdom was destroyed in 587 b.c.e. and by whom was it destroyed?

11) According to the prophets, why did God allow the kingdoms to fall?

12) Where did the people go for a fifty year period after they were defeated?

13) Did the people lose their faith and trust in God after being exiled to another land? _____
