

UNDERSTANDING YOUR BIBLE

The Kingdom Era

The Kingdom Era – A four-hundred-year period during which Israel is a full-fledged nation ruled by a _____.

Central figure: _____ Main location: _____

Storyline Summary

David, the _____ king in the new monarchy, is followed by a succession of mostly _____ kings, and God eventually judges Israel for her sin, sending her into _____.

Four Main Periods in the Kingdom Era

1. _____: Samuel, the last judge, anoints Saul to be the first king of Israel. David and then his son Solomon succeed Saul as king over all the 12 tribes.
2. _____: As a result of Solomon's disobedience, after his death a civil war breaks out, dividing the kingdom. Ten tribes make up the Northern Kingdom, and two of the tribes become the Southern Kingdom.
3. _____: This kingdom retains the name *Israel*. Led by 19 unrighteous kings, God raises up the Assyrian Empire to conquer and scatter the Northern Kingdom.
4. _____: This kingdom adopts the name *Judah* and is ruled by descendants of David. Led by 20 kings, some good, some bad, God raises up the Babylonian Empire to conquer and take into captivity the Southern Kingdom.

A Classic Passage

1 Samuel 17: _____ Takes on _____

- The Philistine giant challenges the Israelite army to a _____.
- The young shepherd _____ that he will fight Goliath.
- David approaches the giant with five stones, a sling, and _____ in the LORD.
- David _____ Goliath and the Philistine army _____.

A Step to Grow

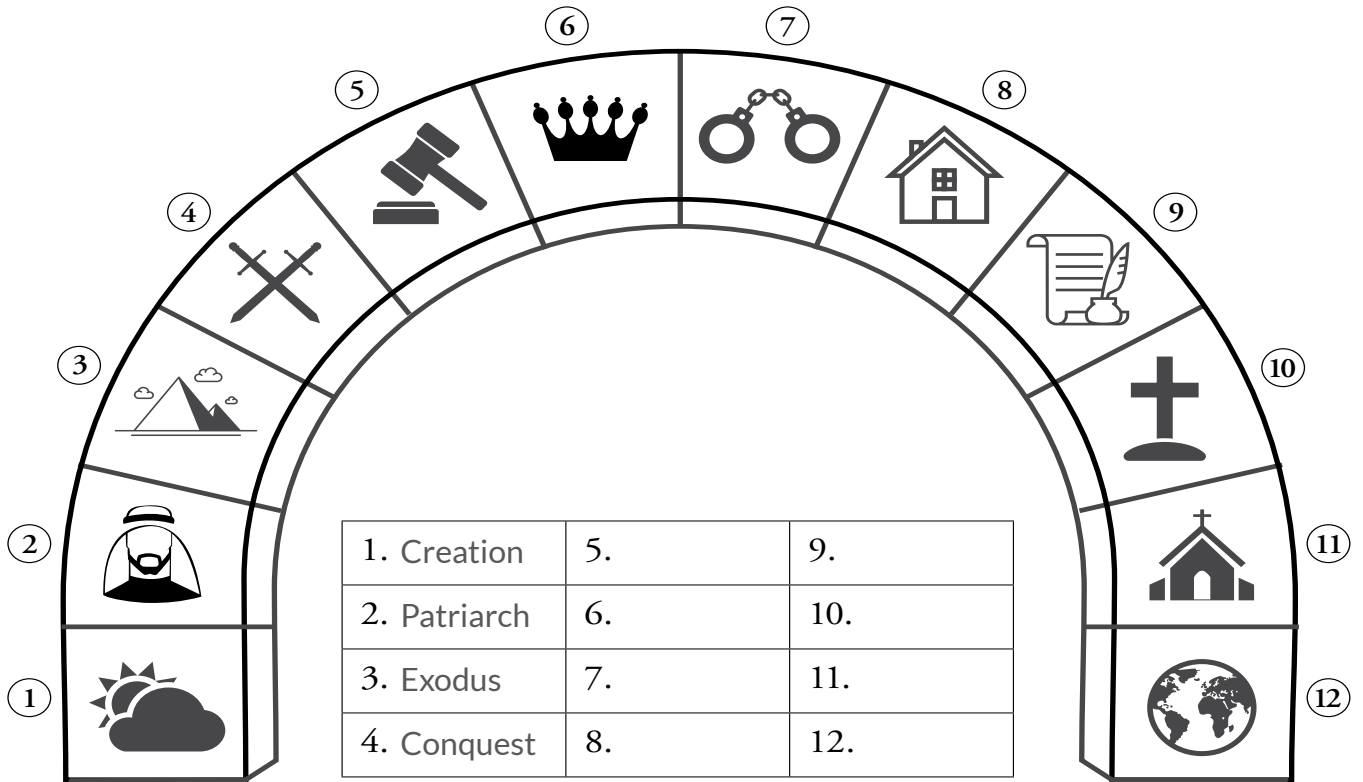
- This week I will repeat David's declaration of faith, _____!

Looking Ahead

- Next week we will study the _____ Era and take a closer look at Daniel's _____ in Daniel 6.



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The Geography of the Kingdom Era

