



## War in the Heavens: Battle for the 1st Heaven part III O'Malley Family Bible Study – Jan 19, 2013

If only the 3 count knock down that satan thought he did on God's people was the final nail in the coffin to release the death sentence hanging over his head. That was not so for Satan. God has always been many steps ahead of all satan's plans. In the last study the 10 northern tribes were divorced from God, the temple, city and city walls were destroyed. All of the King Zedekiah's (the reigning Israelite king) sons were killed and the King was taken into custody and was never reported to have any additional sons.

King David's line wasn't knocked off because of 3 reasons:

- 1) The law of Redemption of kin.  
*(dead family's name can be revived from sole female survivor)*
- 2) The previous Davidic King was taken into Babylon in the 1<sup>st</sup> Babylonian exile.  
*(2Kg24:12-15 first Babylonian exile with Israelite king and queen carried off. King of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar, sets up new king, Zedekiah, in Jerusalem 2Kg24:17 – see appendix)*
- 3) King David had at least 20 children from which the Messiah could come from  
*(1Chron3:1-9 Hebron Children: Amnon, Daniel, Absalon, Adonijah, Shephatiah, Ithream Jerusalem children: Shime-a, Shobab, Nathan [Lk3:31], Solomon[Mt1:6], Ibhar, Elishama, Eliphelet, Nogah, Nepheg, Japhia, Elishama, Eliada, Eliphelet, Tamar + unknown children from Concubines).*

### **The law of Redemption of kin.**

Two of the King's daughters were still alive. Jeremiah followed thru with God's plan and married them into the Judah branch. There is no record of Jeremiah going back to Jerusalem or to the captives in Babylon. Jeremiah was successful in replanting them elsewhere.

The last know bible sighting of Jeremiah and the King's 2 daughters was in Egypt. Jeremiah warned the people who remained in the land around Jerusalem after the King of Babylon carried away all the captives to Babylon that they should not leave Jerusalem area and go to Egypt. The leader ignored Jeremiah's words and dragged all the people into Egypt - including Jeremiah and the 2 daughters of the King. Jeremiah warned that the King of Babylon would come and kill those people remaining in Egypt - but Jeremiah didn't remain in Egypt and was long gone before the King of Babylon arrived. Where did Jeremiah take them and marry them? The bible doesn't say (other extra-biblical documents trace their path). That's another study for another time.

Jeremiah followed the law of redemption of kinsmen found in Num27:8, Ruth4:5, Num36:6-10. The last known sighting of Jeremiah and King's daughters was in Egypt (Jer41:10, 43:5-8).

RSV Numbers 27:8 And you shall say to the people of Israel, 'If a man dies, and has no son, then you shall cause his inheritance to pass to his daughter.'

RSV Ruth 4:5 Then Boaz said, "The day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you are also buying Ruth the Moabitess, the widow of the dead, in order to restore the name of the dead to his inheritance."

RSV Numbers 36:6-10

6 This is what the Lord commands concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, 'Let them marry whom they think best; only, they shall marry within the family of the tribe of their father.'

7 The inheritance of the people of Israel shall not be transferred from one tribe to another; for every one of the people of Israel shall cleave to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

8 And every daughter who possesses an inheritance in any tribe of the people of Israel shall be wife to one of the family of the tribe of her father, so that every one of the people of Israel may possess the inheritance of his fathers.

9 So no inheritance shall be transferred from one tribe to another; for each of the tribes of the people of Israel shall cleave to its own inheritance."

10 The daughters of Zelophehad did as the Lord commanded Moses;



**Target:** Captive Southern House in Babylon **Method:** King's proclamation

Once Satan had its grip on God's people he raises up rulers to destroy them. Once a person is on the ground you might as well give him some kicks to finish him off. The Southern tribes were under the control of the Babylonians and then the Medes and Persians.

It's at this point Satan tries to whack all the Israelites again - similar to Egypt. God had preposition Ester, an Israelite, to be selected as the Queen and thru her salvation came to the Israelites Ester 2:5, 7,8,17.

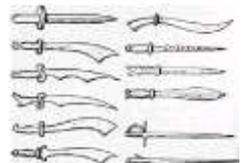
The King's right hand man, Haman, attempts to kill off all the Israelites but his plan backfires and the King kills him instead. Had Haman been successful in his plan then he could have wiped out the Jesus' genealogy as stated in Mt1:12 and Lk3:31 Nowadays we don't call it a king's edict/proclamation, its Presidential executive order.

RSV Esther 3:8-10

8 Then Haman said to King Ahasu-erus, "There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the peoples in all the provinces of your kingdom; their laws are different from those of every other people, and they do not keep the king's laws, so that it is not for the king's profit to tolerate them.

9 If it please the king, let it be decreed that they be destroyed, and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver into the hands of those who have charge of the king's business, that they may put it into the king's treasuries."

10 So the king took his signet ring from his hand and gave it to Haman the Agagite, the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews.



RSV Esther 3:13 Letters were sent by couriers to all the king's provinces, to destroy, to slay, and to annihilate all Jews, young and old, women and children, in one day, the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month of Adar, and to plunder their goods.

RSV Esther 7:3-6

3 Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have found favor in your sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request.

4 For we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; for our affliction is not to be compared with the loss to the king."

5 Then King Ahasu-erus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, that would presume to do this?"

6 And Esther said, "A foe and enemy! This wicked Haman!" Then Haman was in terror before the king and the queen.



The king then ordered Haman to be hanged by the gallows that Haman intended to use on Mordecai (Esther was the daughter of Mordecai's uncle -Esther2:7. Mordecai teed off Haman by refusing to bow to him.)

RSV Esther 8:11-13

11 By these the king allowed the Jews who were in every city to gather and defend their lives, to destroy, to slay, and to annihilate any armed force of any people or province that might attack them, with their children and women, and to plunder their goods,

12 upon one day throughout all the provinces of King Ahasu-erus, on the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month of Adar.

13 A copy of what was written was to be issued as a decree in every province, and by proclamation to all peoples, and the Jews were to be ready on that day to avenge themselves upon their enemies.



Jeremiah gave a prophecy that the Israelites would stay in Babylon for 70 years (Jer25:1-12) then they would be going back to Jerusalem. Once in Jerusalem, the Israelites would eventually begin to rebuild the city.

Another prophecy dealing with this time was called the 70 week prophecy (1 day = 1 year so 70 \* 7 days = 490 years). The most troubling aspect of this prophecy(for Satan and crew) is that the Righteous Ruler would be arriving on the 69th week (483rd year) after the city of Jerusalem begins to be rebuilt (ie: the Israelites had to return from Babylon to rebuild the alter, temple, city walls then the city).

RSV Daniel 9:25 Know therefore and understand that from the going forth of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time.

After 70 years of exile in Babylon some of the Israelites returned back to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple by the decree of Cyrus the Great (Ezra1:1-2). Their first job was to build and anoint the alter then rebuild the house of God, then rebuild the wall and finally to rebuild the city.

RSV Ezra 3:2 Then arose Jeshua the son of Jozadak, with his fellow priests, and Zerubbabel the son of She-alti-el with his kinsmen, and they built the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings upon it, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God.



**Target:** Israelite Temple rebuilders **Method:** zoning boards, corrupt legal, Mafia  
 The locals tried to get into the work crew (Ezra4:2) to cause confusion on the work site, and failing to do so, they frustrated the workers on the job site (Ezra4:4-5). Who were the "locals"? Ez7:24 states that they were the "worst of the nations" and Ezra9:1 tells who the worst of the nations are.

RSV Ezra 4:2 they approached Zerubbabel and the heads of fathers' houses and said to them, "Let us build with you; for we worship your God as you do, and we have been sacrificing to him ever since the days of Esar-haddon king of Assyria who brought us here."

RSV Ezra 4:4-5

4 Then the people of the land discouraged the people of Judah, and made them afraid to build,

5 and hired counselors against them to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia.



RSV Ezekiel 7:24 I will bring the worst of the nations to take possession of their houses; I will put an end to their proud might, and their holy places shall be profaned.

RSV Ezra 9:1 AFTER THESE things had been done, the officials approached me and said, "The people of Israel and the priests and the Levites have not separated themselves from the peoples of the lands with their abominations, from the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.

The people in the land were able to use government red tape to put a halt in the temple building.

RSV Ezra 4:23-24

23 Then when the copy of King Ar-ta-xerxes' letter was read before Rehum and Shimshai the scribe and their associates, they went in haste to the Jews at Jerusalem and by force and power made them cease.

24 Then the work on the house of God which is in Jerusalem stopped; and it ceased until the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia.



Some of the prophets of God, Haggai and Zechariah, ignored the government law of no practicing of their religion (temple building - listening to the directives of God) on government controlled land. They ignored the government bureaucrats notice of not to build and completed the temple.

RSV Ezra 5:1-2

1 NOW THE prophets, Haggai and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied to the Jews who were in Judah and Jerusalem, in the name of the God of Israel who was over them.

2 Then Zerubbabel the son of She-alti-el and Jeshua the son of Jozadak arose and began to rebuild the house of God which is in Jerusalem; and with them were the prophets of God, helping them.





RSV Ezra 6:14-15

14 And the elders of the Jews built and prospered, through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. They finished their building by command of the God of Israel and by decree of Cyrus and Darius and Ar-ta-xerxes king of Persia;  
15 and this **house was finished** on the third day of the month of Adar, in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king.

Ezra notices that the Israelites have married into the cursed seed line and orders divorce from the foreign wife and children and to send them away. The local people were still following Balaam's advice on how to destroy God's people by intermarriage then corruption of values. Ezra didn't construct a tent revival to convert these spouses and children - he told the people that God wanted them to divorce them and send both the spouse and the children far, far way from them.

RSV Ezra 9:1-3

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2 For they have taken some of their daughters to be wives for themselves and for their sons; so that the holy race has mixed itself with the peoples of the lands. And in this **faithlessness** the hand of the officials and chief men has been foremost."  
3 When I heard this, **I rent my garments and my mantle, and pulled hair from my head and beard,** and sat appalled.

\*Note: ripping one's hair and beard out shows extreme distress and how extreme his pain was. Show me any pastor/preacher/teacher/elder/priest on any pulpit today that would be as extreme as Ezra was in pulling out his hair and beard over the sins of the people. Ezra knew that if God's chosen people would marry into the wicked/cursed seed line then the children would be wicked and the nation would eventually be wicked.

RSV Ezra 9:13-14

13 And after all that has come upon us for our evil deeds and for our great guilt, seeing that thou, our God, hast punished us less than our iniquities deserved and hast given us such a remnant as this,

14 **shall we break thy commandments again and intermarry with the peoples who practice these abominations?** Wouldst thou not be angry with us till thou wouldst consume us, so that there should be no remnant, nor any to escape?



RSV Ezra 10:3 Therefore **let us make a covenant with our God to put away all these wives and their children,** according to the counsel of my lord and of those who tremble at the commandment of our God; and let it be done according to the law.

Nehemiah comes to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem (Neh2:5,8) and the local pagan people were upset that someone would come to help the Israelites (Neh2:10).

RSV Nehemiah 2:5 And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may rebuild it."

RSV Nehemiah 2:8 and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the fortress of the temple, and for the wall of the city, and for the house which I shall occupy." And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me.

RSV Nehemiah 2:10

10 But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard this, it displeased them greatly that some one had come to seek the welfare of the children of Israel.



**Target:** Israelites rebuilding wall **Method:** Deception, conspiracy, murder plot

The local pagans ramp up the efforts to stop the rebuilding of the wall by deception. They tried to sneak into the build site and slaughter the wall builders (Neh4:7-8, 11-14). Nehemiah organized an armed militia (Neh4:21) to stop any attacks from occurring (the “bad guys” knew that the “good guy” had weapons to protect themselves and feared for their lives).

One wonders what would happen if the local pagans instituted a no sword/spear zone – would the Israelites have followed the law? Jesus tells His people to be armed (Lk22:36) but many rebellious religious leaders have urged their congregation to turn in their weapons. Had the Israelites turned in their spears/swords then they would have been cut down by the pagans who wouldn't have turned in their weapons. Expect the same to happen to the USA when the concerned politicians push their plan to outlaw the ability of one to defend themselves from those who are bent to deprive one of God, life, liberty, happiness, property and family.

The locals then try to kill Nehemiah by coaxing him to the enemy's camp and slay him (Neh6:1-2, 9) but Nehemiah saw thru the plot and finished building the wall (Neh6:13-16).

RSV Nehemiah 4:7-8

7 But when Sanballat and Tobiah and the Arabs and the Ammonites and the Ashdodites heard that the repairing of the walls of Jerusalem was going forward and that the breaches were beginning to be closed, they were very angry;  
8 and they all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and to cause confusion in it.



RSV Nehemiah 4:11-14

11 And our enemies said, "They will not know or see till we come into the midst of them and kill them and stop the work."  
12 When the Jews who lived by them came they said to us ten times, "From all the places where they live they will come up against us."  
13 So in the lowest parts of the space behind the wall, in open places, I stationed the people according to their families, with their swords, their spears, and their bows.

14 And I looked, and arose, and said to the nobles and to the officials and to the rest of the people, "Do not be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and terrible, and fight for your brethren, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your homes."

RSV Nehemiah 4:21 So **we labored at the work, and half of them held the spears** from the break of dawn till the stars came out.

RSV Nehemiah 6:1-2

1 NOW WHEN it was reported to Sanballat and Tobiah and to Geshem the Arab and to the rest of our enemies that **I had built the wall and that there was no breach left in it** (although up to that time I had not set up the doors in the gates),

2 Sanballat and Geshem sent to me, saying, "**Come and let us meet together in one of the villages in the plain of Ono.**" But they intended to do me harm.

RSV Nehemiah 6:9 **For they all wanted to frighten us,** thinking, "Their hands will drop from the work, and it will not be done." But now, O God, strengthen thou my hands.

RSV Nehemiah 6:13-16

13 For this purpose he was hired, that I should be afraid and act in this way and sin, and so they could give me an evil name, in order to taunt me.

14 Remember Tobiah and Sanballat, O my God, according to these things that they did, and also the prophetess No-adiah and the rest of the prophets who wanted to make me afraid.

15 So **the wall was finished** on the twenty-fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty-two days.

16 And **when all our enemies heard of it, all the nations round about us were afraid and fell greatly in their own esteem; for they perceived that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God.**

The Alter was erected, the Temple was built and the walls and the gates finished. The next is to rebuild the city in peace, safe from attack (Neh7:4, 11:1-2).

RSV Nehemiah 7:4 **The city was wide and large,** but the people within it were few and **no houses had been built.**

RSV Nehemiah 11:1-2

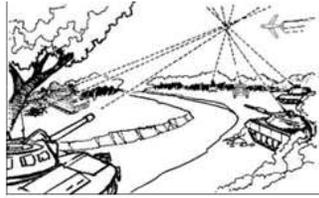
1 NOW **THE** leaders of the people lived in Jerusalem; and the rest of the people cast lots to bring one out of ten to live in Jerusalem the holy city, while nine tenths remained in the other towns.

2 And the people blessed all the men who willingly offered to live in Jerusalem.



This begins the countdown to Jesus' arrival. Satan will have one chance left to save his hide. The countdown to Jesus arrival has just begun the moment the first stone is placed on top of another for the first building to be constructed in the city of Jerusalem. Daniels 70 week prophecy (70 weeks or 490 days = 1 day is 1 year so the 70 week prophecy is a 490 year prophecy) shows that Jesus would come on the 69th week.

The likelihood of satan not being able to stop the construction of the city of Jerusalem then satan would have to move to plan B. What's plan B?



## Final protective Fire.

Final protective fire is used on the battle field when the enemy has broken thru the last barrier and the commanding officer orders everyone to fire everything that they have at the enemy to push them back. How's this related to satan? Since satan has been defeated in the first and second heaven then this is his final stand and this is his final opportunity. If he fails here then there is no other opportunity. A wise military commander would move all his assets to the enemy breach. Satan knows where the king will be born from so one can only imagine how demon filled Jerusalem and the entire region became as satan pooled all his military to a single point on earth - Hell on earth and Jesus was going to be born right smack in the middle.

If God be for us, who can be against us? This whole series is based on this. If we follow Jesus and his commands then He will defend us, heal us, protect us.

Judith 5:17-21

17 And whilst they sinned not before their God, they prospered, because the God that hateth iniquity was with them.

18 But when they departed from the way which he appointed them, they were destroyed in many battles very sore, and were led captives into a land that was not theirs, and the temple of their god was cast to the ground, and was cast to the ground, and their cities were taken by the enemies.

19 But now are they returned to their God, and are come up from the places where they were scattered, and have possessed Jerusalem, where their sanctuary is, and are seated in the hill country; for it was desolate.

20 Now therefore, my lord and governor, if there be any error in this people, and they sin against their God, let us consider that this shall be their ruin, and let us go up, and we shall overcome them.

21. But if there be no iniquity in their nation, let my lord now pass by, lest their Lord defends them, and their God be for them, and we become a reproach before all the world.

How can we as a nation, state, county, city, church, family or individual prosper if there is iniquity smeared across our land? If we desire "Change we can believe in" we must change all aspects of society to align with Jesus' plan and desires.

Regards,  
David O'Malley

Mt22:14+Rm10:14+Lk11:28+Jn3:16+Mk6:12+Rm10:9+Acts2:38+Heb10:26=1Pt3:21->Mt28:19-20

### 2012 Completed Bible studies

- 1/13/13 - War in the Heavens: Battle for the 1st Heaven II
- 1/20/13 - War in the Heavens: Battle for the 1st Heaven III

### Future O'Malley Family Bible studies

- 1/26/13 War in the Heavens: Heaven's anguish, Hell's 3 day party
- War in the Heavens: In search for a Power source
- Battle for the land
- Excuse me sirs, she just lied to you
- wait, what happens if you don't wait

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RSV Jeremiah 43:5-7

5 But Johanan the son of Kareah and all the commanders of the forces took all the remnant of Judah who had returned to live in the land of Judah from all the nations to which they had been driven--

6 the men, the women, the children, the princesses, and every person whom Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, son of Shaphan; also **Jeremiah the prophet and Baruch the son of Neriah.**

7 And **they came into the land of Egypt,** for they did not obey the voice of the Lord. And they arrived at Tahpanhes.

RSV Esther 2:5-8

5 Now there was a Jew in Susa the capital whose name was Mordecai, the son of Jair, the son of Shime-i, son of Kish, a Benjaminite,

6 who had been carried away from Jerusalem among the captives carried away with Jeconiah king of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had carried away.

7 He had brought up Hadassah, that is Esther, the daughter of his uncle, for she had neither father nor mother; the maiden was beautiful and lovely, and when her father and her mother died, Mordecai adopted her as his own daughter.

8 So when the king's order and his edict were proclaimed, and when many maidens were gathered in Susa the capital in custody of Hegai, Esther also was taken into the king's palace and put in custody of Hegai who had charge of the women.

RSV Esther 2:17 the king loved Esther more than all the women, and she found grace and favor in his sight more than all the virgins, so that he set the royal crown on her head and made her queen instead of Vashti.

RSV Ezra 1:1-2

1 IN THE first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and also put it in writing:

2 "**Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah.**"

First wave of Babylonia exit (the best of the Israelites)

RSV 2 Kings 24:11-18

11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to the city, while his servants were besieging it;  
12 and Jehoiachin the king of Judah gave himself up to the king of Babylon, himself, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his palace officials. The king of Babylon took him prisoner in the eighth year of his reign,

13 and carried off all the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the king's house, and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold in the temple of the Lord, which Solomon king of Israel had made, as the Lord had foretold.

14 He carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of valor, ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and the smiths; none remained, except the poorest people of the land.

15 And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon; the king's mother, the king's wives, his officials, and the chief men of the land, he took into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

16 And the king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon all the men of valor, seven thousand, and the craftsmen and the smiths, one thousand, all of them strong and fit for war.

17 And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah, Jehoiachin's uncle, king in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah.

18 Zedekiah was twenty-one years old when he became king, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

Jer41:10 & 43:6-7 have the king's daughters and Jeremiah go into Egypt

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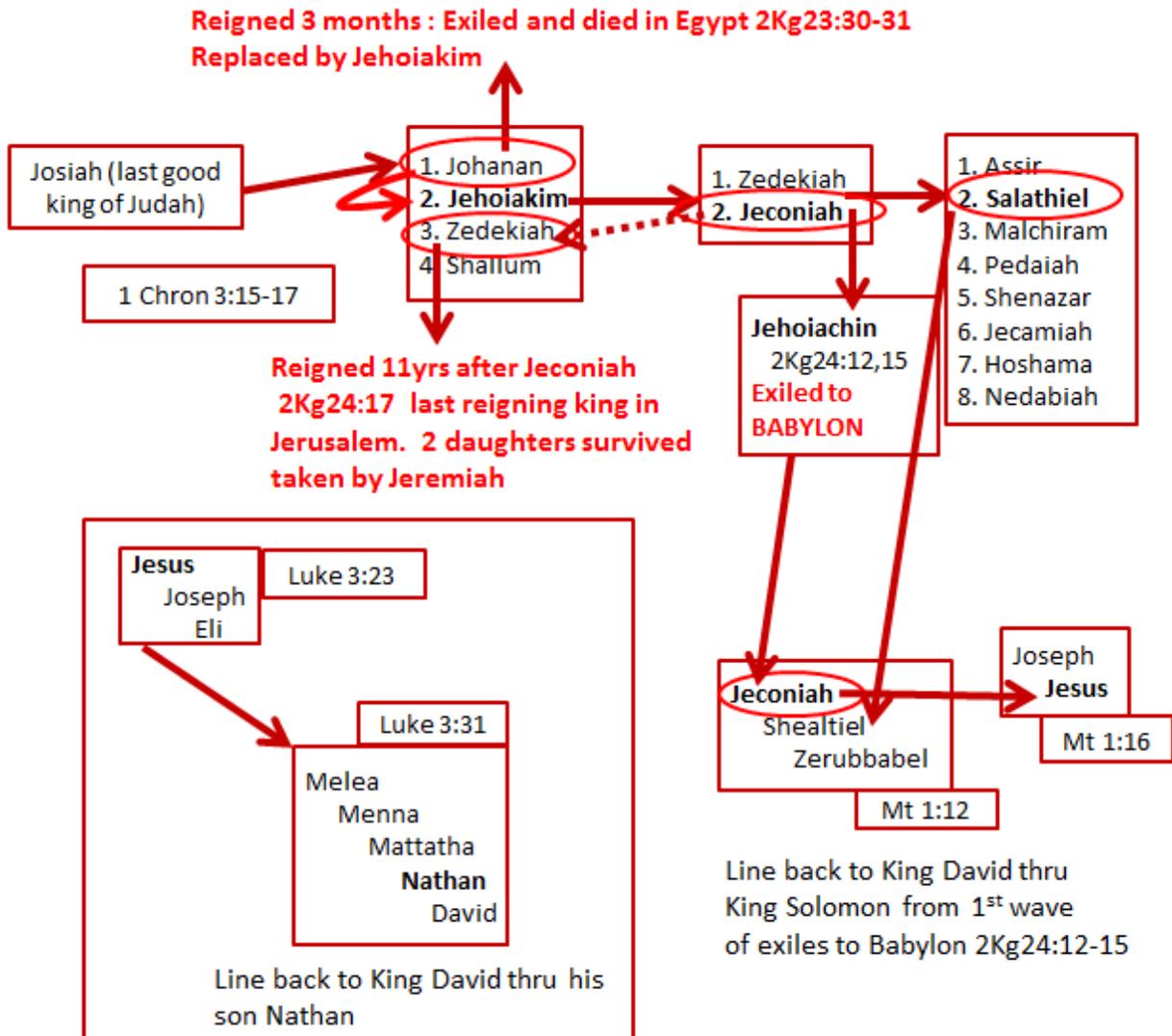
2<sup>nd</sup> wave of Jerusalem to Babylon exiles

RSV 2 Kings 25:10-11

10 And all the army of the Chaldeans, who were with the captain of the guard, broke down the walls around Jerusalem.

11 And the rest of the people who were left in the city and the deserters who had deserted to the king of Babylon, together with the rest of the multitude, Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried into exile.

Very confusing time right before the destruction of Jerusalem. Josiah was the last good King of Judah. In 2Kg23:30-31 Jehoahaz is anointed as King of Judah for 3 months before King Pharoah-Necho of Egypt dragged him to Egypt (there he died). Pharoah installed his brother, Eliakim (renamed to Jehoiakim), to replace him. Jehoiakim had a son named Jeconiah which the King of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar, drags he, his wives and nobles to Babylon and installs his uncle Zedekiah as king. Zedekiah's sons are killed, Zedekiah is hauled off to Babylon and no reports of any further offspring from him. Zedekiah's 2 daughters remain and go off with Jeremiah.



Jehoahaz (Strong's number 3059) Jehovah-seized  
 Johanan (Strong's number 3120) effervescing (ie hot and active)  
 Eliakim (Strong's number 471) God of raising  
 Jehoiakim (Strong's number 3079) Jehovah will raise

Jeconiah (Strong's number 3204) Jah will establish  
 Jehoiachin (Strong's number 3078) Jehovah will establish

God's promise to King David that his throne will be established forever

RSV 2 Samuel 7:12-13

12 When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. **(Solomon)**

13 He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. **(Jesus)**