

Timeline and Organization of the Old Testament

All that passing laws against sin did was produce more lawbreakers... (Rom 5:20)

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4,000 B.C.	2,400 B.C.	2,000 B.C.	1,500 B.C.	1,000 B.C.	500 B.C.
<i>Creation of the World & Man</i>	<i>Flood</i>	<i>Establishment of a Family</i>	<i>Establishment of a Nation</i>	<i>Establishment of a Kingdom</i>	<i>Return from Exile</i>
Adam	Noah	Abraham	Moses	David	Ezra

Establishment of a Family

2,100 B.C.	2,000 B.C.	1,950 B.C.	1,900 B.C.
<i>Abram/Abraham</i>	<i>Isaac</i>	<i>Jacob/Israel</i>	<i>Israel's 12 Sons by 4 Wives</i>
Gen. 11-25	Gen. 21-26	Gen. 27-36	<u>Leah</u> : Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar & Zebulun. <u>Bilhah</u> : Dan & Naphtali. <u>Zilpah</u> : Gad & Asher. <u>Rachel</u> : Joseph & Benjamin. Gen. 29-50

Establishment of a Nation

1,450 B.C.	1,450 – 1,410 B.C.	1,410 – 1,400 B.C.	1,400 – 1,050 B.C.
<i>Exodus from Egypt & Slavery</i>	<i>Wandering 40 years in the Wilderness</i>	<i>Conquest of The Promised Land</i>	<i>Governed by a series of Judges</i>
Moses	Moses	Joshua	Othniel, Ehud, Shamgar, Deborah & Barak, Gideon, Abimelech, Tola, Jair, Jephthah, Ibzan, Elon, Abdon, Samson and Samuel.

Establishment of a Kingdom

1,050 B.C.	1,010 B.C.	970 B.C.	930 – 586 B.C.	538 - 425 B.C.
<i>Saul – 1st King of Israel</i>	<i>King David</i>	<i>King Solomon</i>	<i>Divided Kingdom</i>	<i>Return to Jerusalem from Exile</i>
			<p><u>Northern Kingdom</u> – Israel (10 Tribes). Taken into captivity by Assyria in 722 B.C.</p> <p><u>Southern Kingdom</u> – Judah (2 Tribes). Taken into captivity by Babylonia in 586 B.C.</p>	Led by Zerubbabel, Ezra & Nehemiah.