

Some key dates of Israel's history in BC

- 740 The year Isaiah started his prophesy
- 722 Assyrian captivity of the 10 northern tribes
- 701 Assyria fails to capture Jerusalem losing 185,000 men
- 680 Approximate year that Isaiah ended his prophesy
- 605 First Babylonian captivity
- 597 Second Babylonian captivity
- 586 Third Babylonian captivity
- 539 Babylonian empire overthrown by the Persian Empire
- 538 Cyrus gives an edict saying that the Jews can return and rebuild the temple Ezra 1
- 538 The first wave under Zerubbabel Ezra 1-6
- 536 Zerubbabel lays the foundation & starts the temple
- 458 The second wave under Ezra
- 445 Artaxerxes gives the order for the walls to be rebuilt
- 445 The third wave under Nehemiah