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BC 10,000	EGYPT	PALESTINE	SYRIA	MESOPOTAMIA	BC 10,000
	Predynastic cultures	Neolithic Pre-pottery, Pottery (Jericho), & Chalcolithic cultures	Neolithic and Chalcolithic cultures	Jarmo, Hassuna, etc., Halaf, Ubaid, Uruk cultures	
3200				First writing	3200
3rd millennium	ARCHAIC PERIOD (Dy়ns. 1,2)	EARLY BRONZE AGE	EARLY BRONZE AGE	EARLY DYNASTIC	3rd millennium
	OLD KINGDOM, or Pyramid Age (Dy়ns. 3-6)	Local city-states		Sumerian city-states Gilgamesh, Enmebaragisi	
2500			Early-Syrian Dynasty, Ebla (c. 2400-2300)	Empire of Akkad Sargon (2350) Naram-Sin (2300) Ur-III Empire (c. 2113-2006)	2500
	1st intermediate Period	Intermediate			
2000	MIDDLE KINGDOM (Dy়ns. 11-12)	E.-Br.-Mid.-Br.			
2nd millennium	Dyn.12:1991-1786	MIDDLE BRONZE AGE (‘Patriarchal age)	MIDDLE BRONZE AGE Ibbit-Lim, Ebla	OLD-BABYLONIAN PERIOD Mari archives, Amorite dynasties, Hammurabi of Babylon (1792-1750)	2nd millennium
	2nd Intermediate Period (1786-1552), incl. Hyksos kings	Invention of alphabet	Dynasties in Ugarit and Byblos		
1500	NEW KINGDOM, or ‘Empire’ Dyn.18: Tuthmosis III, Amenophis III, Akhenaten, Tutankhamun	LATE BRONZE AGE Egyptian rule	LATE BRONZE AGE Egyptian & Hittite rule	Kassite Dyn. in Babylon	1500
		El-Amarna tablets	Hittite power		

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(BC)	(Egypt)	(Palestine)	(Syria)	(Mesopotamia)	(BC)
1300	Dyn.19: Sethos I, Ramesses II, Merenptah	Hebrews, exodus & into Canaan	Ugarit, state archives	Middle-Assyrian kings (Shalmaneser I) (Tukulti-Ninurta I)	1300
1200	Dyn.20: (1190-1069) Ramesses III, End of Empire. LATE PERIOD	Judges Saul	'Sea Peoples'		1200
1000: 1st millennium	Dyn.21: Siamun	David & Solomon	'Neo-Hittite' &		1000: 1st millennium
925	Dyn.22: Shoshenq I (Shishak), 945-924	JUDAH & ISRAEL Rehoboam	Aramean states DAMASCUS: Ben-Hadad I, Ben-Hadad II	Assyria: Shalmaneser III (859-824)	925
	Osorkon I, 924-889	Jehoshaphat	Ahab		
	Osorkon II, 874-850		Jehu		
			Jehoash	Adad-nirari III (811-783)	800
800	Shoshenq III (Dyn.23: breaks away)	Uzziah Jotham	Jeroboam II Menahem	Ben-Hadad III Fall of Damascus (734)	750
750	Osorkon IV ("So")	Ahaz	Pekah	Shalmaneser V (727-722)	
	Dyn.25:716-664		Hoshea	Sargon II (722-705)	
	Shabako			
700	Shebitku	Hezekiah	Assyrian	Sennacherib (705-681)	700
	Tirhakah (690-664)	Manasseh	Rule	Esarhaddon (681-669)	
	Dyn.26:664-525		Battle of Carchemish,	Assurbanipal (669-626)	
	Psammetichus I (664-610)		605	Fall of Assyria, 609	
	Necho II (610-595)	Josiah			
	Psam.II (595-589)	Jehoiakim			
600	Hophra (589-570)	Jehoiachin		Neo-Babylonian Empire:	600
	Amasis (570-526)	Zedekiah		Nebuchadrezzar II (605-562)	

(BC)	(Egypt)	(Palestine)	(Syria)	(Mesopotamia)	(BC)
		Fall of Jerusalem, 587/6 Psam.III (526/5)		'Evil-Merodach' (562-560)	
		Exile in Babylon		Nabonidus (556-539) Fall of Babylon Cyrus (539-530)	

THE PERSIAN EMPIRE

Cambyses (525-521)	The Province	Darius I (522-486)	500
Darius I (521-486)	"Beyond the River"	Xerxes I (486-465)	
	Zerubbabel, 536		
	Temple finished, 516		
Xerxes I	Ezra visits	Artaxerxes I (464-424)	
Artaxerxes I	Jerusalem, 458	Darius II (424-404)	
	Nehemiah there,	Darius III (335-331)	
Dyns.28-30 (400-341)	445-433		
2nd Pers. Rule: (341-332)			

ALEXANDER THE GREAT (331-323)

300	The Ptolemies	(Ptolemaic rule to 198) Seleucids, 198ff. Maccabees, 165ff., Rome rule, 30	The Seleucids Antiochus IV Roman rule	Seleucids Arsacids, 129ff. (Parthia)	300
0	AD to 100	NT Period			