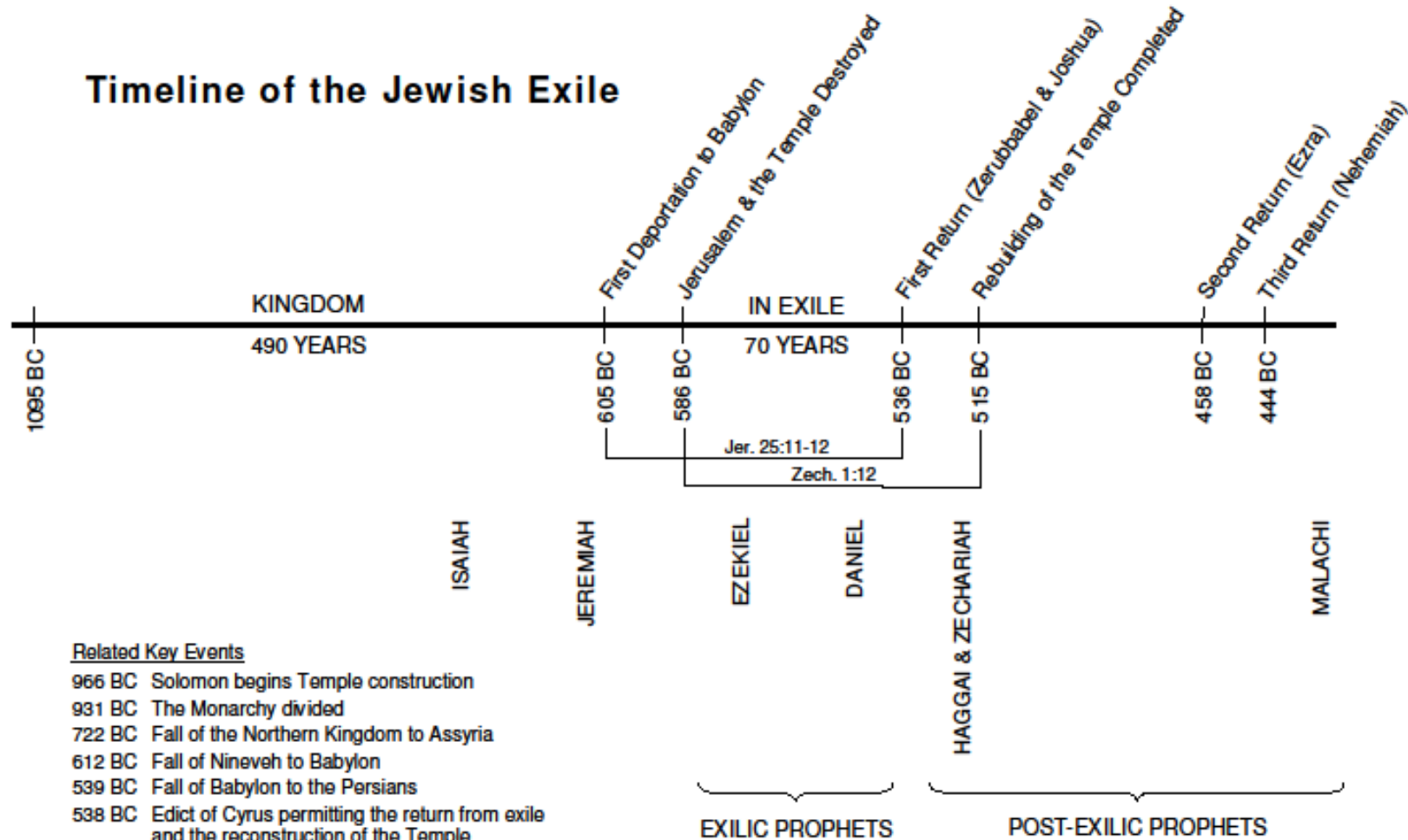


Timeline of the Jewish Exile



Related Key Events

- 966 BC Solomon begins Temple construction
- 931 BC The Monarchy divided
- 722 BC Fall of the Northern Kingdom to Assyria
- 612 BC Fall of Nineveh to Babylon
- 539 BC Fall of Babylon to the Persians
- 538 BC Edict of Cyrus permitting the return from exile and the reconstruction of the Temple

***The Young Men Shouted
While the Old Men Wept***

Ezra 3:8-13

- 1. Don't allow the memory of past glories to undermine present opportunities.**
- 2. Don't let your motivation rest on the appeal of what's exciting and new.**
- 3. Learn from the past, and be optimistic for the future, but live in the present.**

- A. Yield your memories and your dreams to the Lord.**
- B. Accept your present situation as from the Lord.**
- C. Resolve to obey the Lord right where you are.**
- D. Praise God for His goodness whatever your circumstances.**