

Series: The Story of the Old Testament
Lesson: The Story of South Judah
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The Lifespan of South Judah

South Judah begins its life as a nation in 930
South Judah comes to an end in - 587
South Judah lasts for = 343 years

Three Observations on the Story of South Judah

1. For the most part, Judah maintained political stability.
2. Several kings of Judah led remarkable reformation movements. Two examples:
 - a. Hezekiah (II Kgs 18)
 - b. Josiah (II Kgs 22-23)
3. God sent many prophets to Judah. Two examples:
 - a. Isaiah

 - b. Jeremiah

The Downfall of South Judah

1. In 605 BCE the balance of power swings to Babylon. Babylon deports many citizens of Judah, including a young man named Daniel.
2. In 598 BCE Babylon invades Judah. A second deportation of citizens occurs.
3. In 588 Babylon sets siege to Jerusalem.
 - a. In July of 587 Jerusalem falls to Babylon.
 - b. In August of 587 the Babylonians burn the temple & destroy the walls.

Babylonian Captivity Begins!