

# The People of the Bible

## David

### 20 min Lesson

I Samuel 16 – David anointed, filled with the Spirit  
ch 17 – David & Goliath 9' after a bear & lion  
ch 18-29 Saul chases David,  
ch 31 Saul killed by Philistines  
II Samuel 2 – David rules Judah  
ch 5 David rules Israel  
ch 6 Returns the ark  
ch 7:4 David covenant  
ch 8-10 Conquers land  
ch 11-24 David falls away from God >> house into turmoil

## Solomon

- 1 Kings 1 Solomon becomes King
- ch 3:6-10 Solomon's prayer for wisdom
- Solomon's wisdom
- ch 4:20 Solomon's wealth
- Solomon's Temple
- Ark & Glory of God
- Solomon's kingdom
- ch 4:32 Solomon's authorship
  - Psalms 1,005
  - Proverbs 3,000
  - Song of Solomon
- Solomon's failure – wicked sons, destruction of kingdom follows

## Elijah

1 Kings 16:29-33 Sins of King Ahab

- Marries Jezebel
- Alters to Baal and Asherah

Ch 17:1 Elijah declares no rain (for 3 years)

Ch 17:4 Lives by a brook and ravens bring food

Ch 17:8 Widow's meal & oil

Ch 17:17 Raises Widow's son

Ch 18:20 Contest with the priests of Baal (850)

2 Kings 1:1 Death of Ahab, illness of Ahaziah

- Sends to Baal – Elijah interrupts with prophecy of death
- 2 Captains of 50 consumed by fire, 3<sup>rd</sup> spared

2 Kings 2:1-14 Chariot of Fire takes Elijah

## Jonah

Book of Jonah – before Israel into captivity – before King Josiah

- to the (gentile) Assyrians
- tried to run from God
- prays for release
- prophecy and repentance **READ** 3:3-10
- grumbles God > 120,000 people

## 20 min Activity

## Josiah

**(After Israel has gone into Assyrian captivity)**

2 Kings 22:1 Josiah King at age 8

ch 22:2 Righteous before God

Age 16 Began to seek after God of David (2 Chronicles: 34)

Age 20 Begins tearing down temples of Baal

ch 22:3 Age 26 restored temple, finds the Law & repents

ch 22:12 Prophecy of Huldah

ch 23:1-3 Josiah's covenant

ch 23:4-20 Destruction of Baal and Molech worship

ch 23:21 Reinstates Passover

ch 23:25, 26 God >> Righteousness of Josiah, Doom of Judah

## Daniel

### (In Babylonian captivity)

Godly living in captivity  
Fiery furnace  
Rose to top like Joseph  
Conversion of Nebnez  
Interpreter of Dreams  
Prophecy  
Lion's Den

## Ezra

### Ezra and the Return of Judah

Ezra before God  
Ezra and the King  
Ezra and the people  
Ezra and the Temple (& Zerubbabel)  
Ezra and Nehemiah

## Nehemiah

Book of Nehemiah by Nehemiah (and/or Ezra)  
Nehemiah as before the king  
Nehemiah leads 3<sup>rd</sup> return (last)  
Opposition led by Tobiah and Sanballat

1. Mocking and ridicule – verbal antagonism ch 4:1
2. Threats ch 4:7-9 **READ**
3. Discouraged by fear ch 4:10-23
  - Never went without a weapon
  - Half worked, half stood guard
  - Trumpets issued
    - Wall finished in 52 days! ch 6:15-16 **READ**
    - Reorganizes the city
    - Cleanses the Temple and Priesthood
    - Rededication of Jews to God under Ezra's reading of Scripture.

## John the Baptist

John – the Marker for the Messiah **READ** Malachi 3:1, John1:6-8,19-23, 28-30

- Filled with the Holy Spirit since before he was born
- priest father Zacharias **READ** Luke 1:12-17 Relative of Jesus (cousin?)
- wore camel's hair & leather and ate locusts and wild honey
- Baptism of Christ
- Jesus said of John – “no one greater than John the Baptist”
- Jesus baptized like John (3:22-24)
- Captured & beheaded by Herod (Herodias' daughter)