

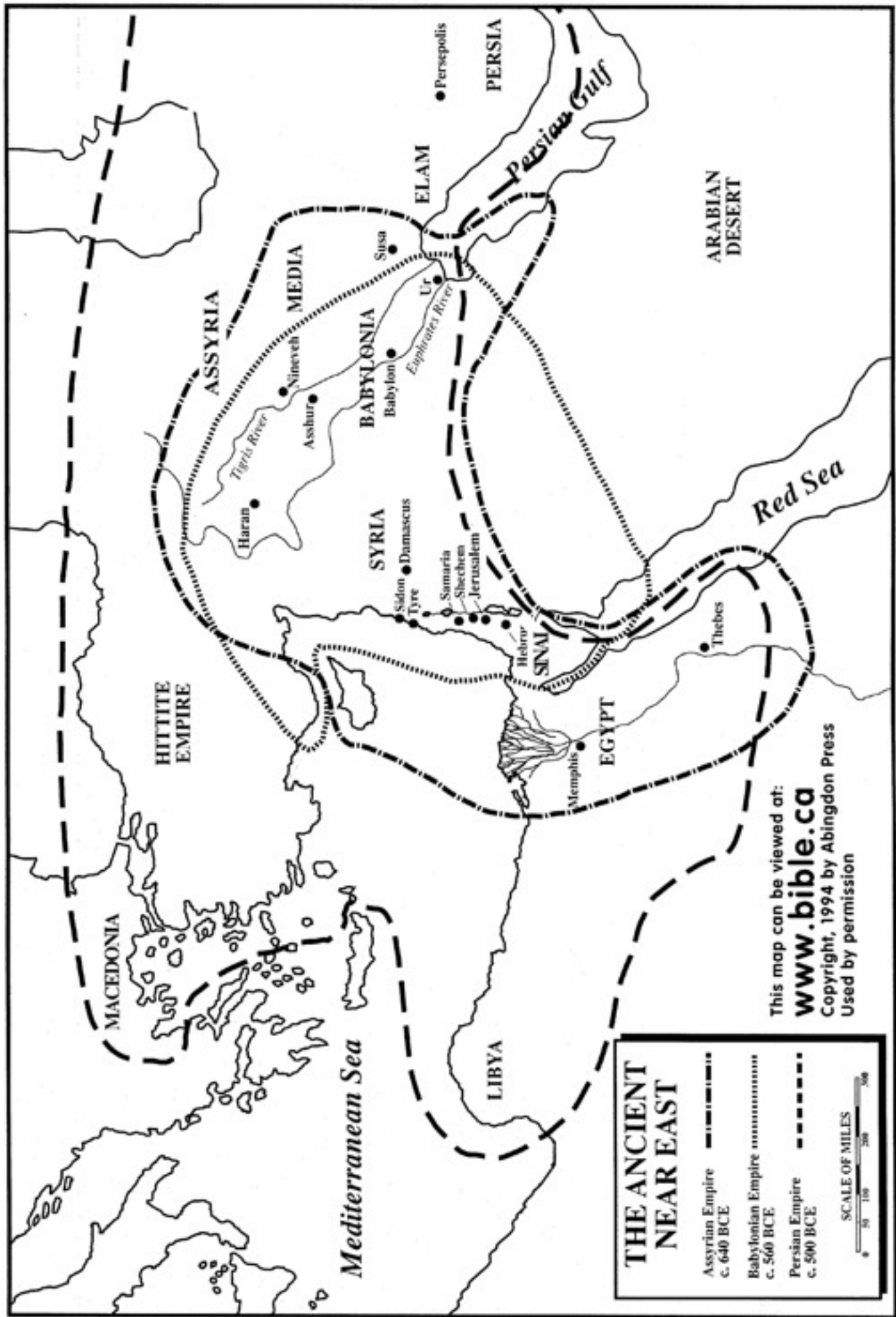
## Old Testament History Outline

### Getting the Big Picture: Creation, Fall, Redemption, Restoration God Saves Sinners

1. Creation to the Patriarchs (Genesis 1–11)
2. The Patriarchs: Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Genesis 12–36)
3. The Joseph Stories: Setting the Stage for the Exodus (Genesis 37–50)
4. The Oppression
  - a. Israel in Bondage (Exodus 1:8–14)
  - b. Moses the Human Deliverer (Exodus 2–4)
  - c. Yahweh the Divine Deliverer (Exodus 3:13–15; 6:2–8)
5. The Exodus and Attending Events (Exodus 5–15)
6. Wilderness Wanderings
  - a. The Lord's Revelation in Covenant at Sinai (Exodus 19:1–24:18)
  - b. The Tabernacle Traditions (Exodus 25–40)
7. Early Stages of Land Fulfillment (Numbers 13, 14, 21, 32, 33; Deuteronomy 1–3)
8. Conquest and Settlement: Process, Not Event (Joshua 1–11, 22–24; Judges 1)
9. The Judges: Charismatic Military Deliverers (Judges 2–21)
10. Transition to Monarchy: The Life of Samuel (1 Samuel 1–7)
11. United Monarchy: Saul, David, and Solomon  
(1 Samuel 8–31; 2 Samuel 1–24; 1 Kings 1–11)
12. Northern Kingdom to the Destruction of Samaria by the Assyrians in 722 B.C.  
(1 Kings 12 – 2 Kings 17)
13. Southern Kingdom to the Destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians in 586 B.C.  
(2 Kings 18–25)
14. Exile and Restoration (Ezra – Nehemiah)

### **The Nature of Prophecy** (*How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth*, Fee & Stuart)

- The Meaning of Prophecy
- The Prophets as Spokespersons
- The Problem of History
- The Function of Prophecy in Israel – Covenant Enforcement Mediators



MACEDONIA

HITTITE EMPIRE

ASSYRIA

MEDIA

BABYLONIA

ELAM

PERSIA

SYRIA

SINAI

EGYPT

LIBYA

Mediterranean Sea

Persian Gulf

Red Sea

ARABIAN DESERT

Tigris River

Euphrates River

Haran

Asshur

Nineveh

Babylon

Ur

Susa

Perspolis

Sidon

Tyre

Samaria

Shechem

Jerusalem

Hebron

Memphis

Thebes

## Orienting Data for Isaiah (*How to Read the Bible Book By Book, Fee & Stuart*)

**Content:** Yahweh's sovereign majesty and redemptive love, revealed in his dealings with his chosen people the Israelites, who are destined for both judgment and salvation, in which the nations will also be included

**Prophet:** Isaiah of Jerusalem, name means, "The Lord saves"

**Date of prophetic activity:** from about 740 to 687 B.C.

Isaiah 1:1, in the days of:

### **Judah**

Uzziah        792–740  
Jotham        740–732  
Ahaz          732–715  
Hezekiah     715–686

### **Assyria**

Tiglath-pileser II    744–727  
  
Shalmaneser V      726–722  
Sargon II            721–705  
Sennacherib        704–681  
Esarhaddon         680–669

### **Emphases:**

the holiness, majesty, and righteousness of Yahweh;  
the compassion and saving mercy of Yahweh;  
the central role of Israel in Yahweh's plans for the nations and the world;  
the central role of Zion in these plans;  
the redemptive role of God's suffering servant;  
the glorious final future God has in store for those who are his

### **Overview:**

Cited by the New Testament more than any other book except Psalms;  
Chapter 1–39 deal primarily with Jerusalem during the period of the Assyrian threat with the future threat of exile in Babylon;  
Chapters 40–66 focus on the future of Israel and Jerusalem toward the end of the Babylonian captivity and beyond

### **Theological Passions of Isaiah:**

- 1) Yahweh as the "Holy One of Israel"
- 2) Israel as Yahweh's "Holy People"
- 3) Zion (Jerusalem) as God's "holy city" and "holy mountain"
- 4) The Inclusion of the nations (Gentiles) in his people

### **Central Themes:**

Judgment and Hope, Servanthood and Kingdom, Trust and Rebellion, Arrogance and Humiliation, The Uniqueness of Yahweh, The Nations, Righteousness

## Outline of Isaiah (*Isaiah, NIVAC, Oswalt*)

- I. Introduction: God's Servants, Now and Then (1:1–5:30)
  - A. God's Denunciation, Appeal, and Promise (1:1–31)
  - B. The Problem: What Israel Is Versus What She Will Be (2:1–4:6)
  - C. Harvest of Wild Grapes (5:1–30)
- II. A Call to Servanthood (6:1–13)
- III. Lessons in Trust – the Basis of Servanthood (7:1–39:8)
  - A. God or Assyria? No Trust (7:1–12:6)
  - B. God: Master of the Nations (13:1–35:10)
    - 1. God's Judgment on the Nations (13:1–23:18)
    - 2. God's Triumph over the Nations (24:1–27:13)
    - 3. The Folly of Trusting the Nations (28:1–33:24)
    - 4. Trusting God or the Nations: Results (34:1–35:10)
  - C. God or Assyria? Trust (36:1–39:8)
- IV. The Vocation of Servanthood (40:1–55:13)
  - A. Introduction: The Servant's Lord (40:1–31)
  - B. Motive for Servanthood: Grace (41:1–48:22)
  - C. Means of Servanthood: Atonement (49:1–55:13)
- V. The Marks of Servanthood: Divine Character (56:1–66:24)
  - A. Human Inability (56:1–59:21)
  - B. The Lord Has Glorified You (60:1–62:12)
  - C. Divine Ability (63:1–66:24)

	Date	Reading
1	Feb 9, 2011	Introduction
2	Feb 16, 2011	1:1–31
3	Feb 23, 2011	2:1–4:6
4	Mar 2, 2011	5:1–30
5	Mar 9, 2011	6:1–13
6	Mar 16, 2011	7:1–12:6
7	Mar 23, 2011	13:1–23:18
8	Mar 30, 2011	24:1–27:13
9	Apr 6, 2011	28:1–33:24
10	Apr 13, 2011	34:1–35:10
11	Apr 20, 2011	36:1–39:8
12	Apr 27, 2011	40:1–31
13	May 4, 2011	41:1–48:22
14	May 11, 2011	49:1–55:13
15	May 18, 2011	56:1–59:21
16	May 25, 2011	60:1–62:12
17	Jun 1, 2011	63:1–66:24