

God Restores His Rule Despite Opposition (Nehemiah 1-7)

God's Rule Restored (Nehemiah 1-2) but *Nehemiah 2:19-20*

God's Rule Restores the People and Place of God (Nehemiah 3-7) but *Nehemiah 7:4*

God Restores His Covenant Despite Opposition (Nehemiah 8-10) but *Nehemiah 10:28-39*

God Restores His People Despite Opposition (Nehemiah 11-13)

The Restored People (Nehemiah 11-12)

But The Flawed People (Nehemiah 13)

Restoration – but diminished, and problems remain (Nehemiah 13)

8.4 Haggai

Four Oracles in prose form

Haggai 1:1-11 Call to rebuild the temple > enthusiastic response 1:12-15

Haggai 2:1-9 Have confidence in future glory in the day of small things

Haggai 2:10-19 The continuing danger of uncleanness – seek the Lord's blessing

Haggai 2:20-23 Zerubbabel the signet ring

For us:

A day is coming... Malachi 2:6, 2:21

8.5 Zechariah

Zechariah 1:1-6 **Call to turn to God**

Zechariah 1:7-6:8 **Eight Visions**

Zechariah 1:7-17	First Vision: Riders amongst the myrtle trees
Zechariah 1:18-21	Second Vision: Horns and Craftsmen
Zechariah 2	Third Vision: Man with a measuring line
Zechariah 3	Fourth Vision: Joshua the High Priest
Zechariah 4	Fifth Vision: Golden Lampstand
Zechariah 5:1-4	Sixth Vision: Flying scroll
Zechariah 5:5-11	Seventh Vision: Basket that goes forth
Zechariah 6:1-8	Eighth Vision: Four Chariots

Zechariah 6:9-15 **The Branch: Priest and King**

Zechariah 7-8 **A question about fasting leads to a promise about feasting**

Zechariah 9-11 **First Oracle: The Coming King and Good Shepherd**

Zechariah 12-14 **Second Oracle: Salvation is Coming**

For us:

Zechariah 9:9-10

Zechariah 11:12

Zechariah 12:8-10

Zechariah 13:7-9

Zechariah 14:3-9

8.6 Malachi

Malachi 1:1	Superscription
Malachi 1:2-5	First Disputation: The Lord's love for Israel
Malachi 1:6-2:9	Second Disputation: The Problem of the Priest and Their offerings
Malachi 2:10-16	Third Disputation: Covenant unfaithfulness
Malachi 2:17-3:5	Fourth Disputation: The Lord will display his justice
Malachi 3:6-12	Fifth Disputation: A call to return to the God who does not change
Malachi 3:13-4:3	Sixth Disputation: Covenant renewal for the faithful
Malachi 4:4-6	Conclusion: remember, a promise and a warning

For us:

Malachi 3:1

Malachi 4:5-6

8.7 Prophet, Priest and King

Priest:

Zechariah 6:12

Zechariah 3, 6:9-15

Malachi 1:6-2:9

King:

Nehemiah 13:31

Haggai 2:20-23;

Zechariah 6:11-12, 9:9

Prophet:

Malachi 4:1-6

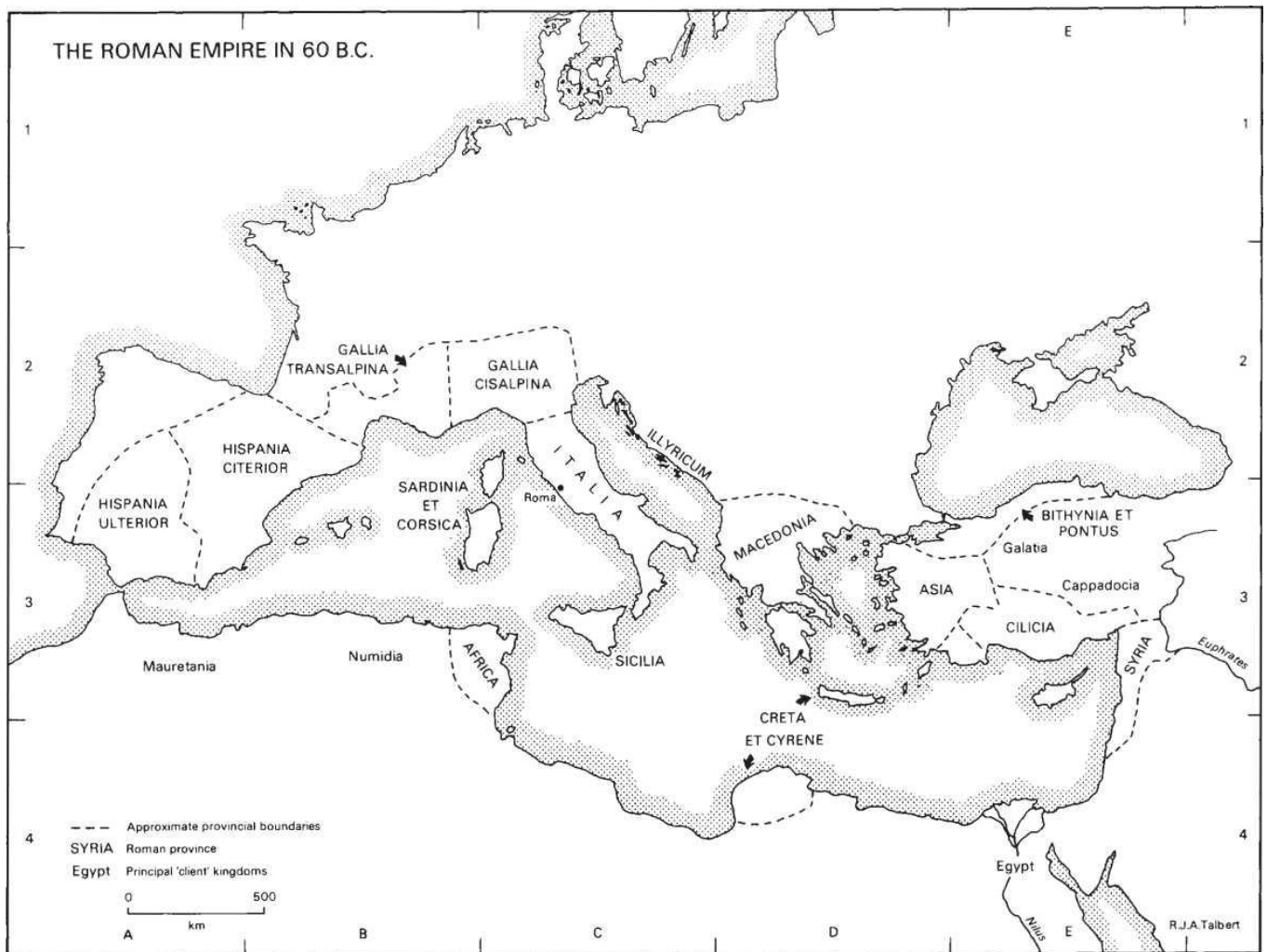
8.8 The Intertestamental Period

Dates:

- c.360 Greek Hellenistic culture spreading to near East including Palestine
- c.333 Judah and Samaria amongst Alexander the Great's conquests. Beginning of **Greek Period**
- 301 Ptolemy I takes Palestine
- 200 Antiochus III (Seleucid) captures Palestine
- 175 Antiochus IV Epiphanes becomes Seleucid King in Antioch
- 167 Erection of desolating sacrifice on altar of burnt offering in temple leads to beginnings of **Maccabean Revolt**
- 135 John Hyrcanus leads **Hasmonean State**
- 63 Pompey sieges and takes Jerusalem after appeal from rival claimants to the throne. **Roman Period** begins
- 37 Herod becomes king – preferable to direct Roman rule. Work begins on new temple.
- AD 6 Judea becomes Roman Province (Agrippa King again 41-54 AD)

Maps:





Also look at http://www.preceptaustin.org/bible_maps 'The Hellenistic Period' onwards

8.9 Context – putting it all together

Look at historical, literary, biblical and immediate context of the following passages:
Genesis 46:1-7

Judges 14

2 Kings 8:16-24

Isaiah 20:1-6

Ezekiel 12:1-28

Amos 5:18-27

