

Review of Judah's Last Kings (see 2 Kings 23-24)

☐ Josiah (640-609 BC)

- Last good king of Judah – temple and worship reforms.
- Babylon conquering Assyrian cities, Egypt moves to help Assyria.
- Josiah goes out to stop Pharaoh Neco at Megiddo and gets killed.

☐ Jehoahaz (609 BC - three months)

- **Shallum** (son of Josiah) made king by the people, named **Jehoahaz**.
- Removed by Pharaoh Neco, taken captive to Egypt.

☐ Jehoiakim (609-598 BC)

- **Eliakim** (son of Josiah) instated by Pharaoh Neco, named **Jehoiakim**.
- Nebuchadnezzar comes to power in Babylon, Jehoiakim submits.
- *First wave of captives taken to Babylon in 605 BC (Daniel & Co.)*
- Jehoiakim rebels against Babylon, apparently dies of natural causes.

☐ Jehoiachin (597 BC - three months)

- **Jeconiah** (son of Jehoiakim) becomes king and named **Jehoiachin**.
- Nebuchadnezzar besieges Jerusalem, Jehoiachin taken to Babylon.
- *Second wave of captives taken to Babylon in 597 BC (Ezekiel)*

☐ Zedekiah (597-586 BC)

- Nebuchadnezzar makes **Mattaniah** (son of Josiah) king, named **Zedekiah**.
- Submits for a time, but also rebels against Babylon.
- *Third wave of captives—and destruction of Jerusalem—in 586 BC*