

JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE
INTRODUCTION TO 1 CHRONICLES
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1 CHRONICLES

INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE OF WRITING:

THE BOOK OF 1 CHRONICLES WAS WRITTEN AFTER THE EXILE TO HELP THOSE RETURNING TO ISRAEL UNDERSTAND HOW TO WORSHIP GOD.

AUTHOR OF THE BOOK : IS THOUGHT TO BE EZRA.

DATE OF WRITING: THE BOOK OF 1 CHRONICLES WAS LIKELY WRITTEN BETWEEN 450 AND 425 B.C.

KEY VERSES: 1 CHRONICLES 11:1-2; 21:13; 29:11

THE PERIOD OF THE BOOK:

FOR YOU WHEN YOU SPEAK OF EZRA YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT AFTER THE EXILE. ACTUALLY, 1-2 CHRONICLES COVERS THE LONGEST PERIOD OF ANY OF THE BOOKS OF THE

BIBLE, BEGINNING WITH ADAM AND ENDING WITH THE DECREE OF CYRUS, KING OF PERSIA, IN 536 B.C.

AUTHORIZING THE JEWS TO GO BACK TO JERUSALEM TO

THE PEOPLE OF THE BOOK:

EZRA AND ZERUBBABEL, DAVID, CYRUS (6:15 9:1)

BRIEF SUMMARY: CHAPTERS 1:1-9:23 SELECTIVE
GENEALOGIES;

CHAPTERS 9:24-12:40 DAVID'S ASCENT;

CHAPTERS 13:1-20:30 -DAVID'S REIGN.

FORESHADOWINGS:

IN DAVID'S SONG OF THANKSGIVING TO GOD IN [1 CHRONICLES 16:33](#), HE REFERS TO THE TIME WHEN GOD WILL COME "TO JUDGE THE EARTH." THIS FORESHADOWS [MATTHEW 25](#), IN WHICH JESUS DESCRIBES THE TIME WHEN HE WILL COME TO JUDGE THE EARTH.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THE BOOK:
GENEALOGIES SUCH AS THE ONES IN 1 CHRONICLES
MAY SEEM DRY TO US, BUT THEY REMIND US THAT
GOD KNOWS EACH OF HIS CHILDREN PERSONALLY,
EVEN DOWN TO THE NUMBER OF HAIRS ON OUR
HEADS ([MATTHEW 10:30](#)).

I. THEIR IMPRESSIVE ANCESTRY (CH'S 1-9)

A. A CERTAIN PEOPLE :

IN THE HEBREW BIBLE THE BOOK OF CHRONICLES IS NOT FOUND IN THE HISTORICAL SECTION. IT DOES NOT FOLLOW IN SEQUENCE AFTER THE BOOK OF KINGS. RATHER IT CONCLUDES THE OLD TESTAMENT.

THE GENEALOGIES IN CHRONICLES LEAD UP TO THE GENEALOGY IN MATTHEW (CH 1) WHICH OPENS THE NEW TESTAMENT.

B. A CERTAIN PRAYER:

YOU SEE, THERE ARE SOME MARVELOUS “ GEMS AMONG THE GENEALOGIES,” THAT YOU HAVE TO LOOK FOR WHEN READING THROUGH THEM. ONE IS FOUND IN CHAPTER (4:9-10

II. THEIR IDEAL KING (CHAPTER 10-29)

A. DAVID THE SOVEREIGN (CHAP. 21)

B.DAVID THE SOLDIER (1 CHP. 12:8)

C.DAVID THE SERVANT (13:6)

D.DAVID THE SCRIBE (1 CHP.16:1)

E.DAVID THE STEWARD (1 CH.17:1)

F.DAVID THE STATISTICIAN (1 CHP. 21)

G.DAVID THE SPONSOR (1 CHP. 29:3)

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