

COMING OF THE KING

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Naomi and Ruth

Obviously written after the fact, the Book of Ruth connects the time of the Judges, foreigners and women to the Covenant of the King. Ruth is the maternal ancestor of David, and David's Greater Son: Jesus.

Theocracy Gone Wrong Tribes and Judges Amuck

The Book of Judges

Bad Beginning	OK Judges	Bad Judges	Worse End
A. Holy War Against Canaanites (1:1-2:5)	1. Othniel (3:7-11)	7. Samson (13:1-16:31)	A' Unholy Civil War Against Benjamin (19:1-21:25)
B. Idolatrous Decline (2:6-3:6)	2. Ehud (3:12-30)	6. Jephthah (10:6-12:7)	B' Idolatrous Revolt (17:1-18:31)
	3. Deborah/ Barak (4:1-5:3)	5. Abimelech (8:33-9:57)	
	4. Gideon (6:1-8:32)		

Female Perspective on Covenant

Ruth	
A. Devastation (1:1-5)	A' Restoration (4:13-22)
B. Two Relatives Debate Support (1:6-19a)	B' Two Relatives Debate Support (4:1-12)
C. Empty and Hopeless (1:19b-22)	C' Full and Hopeful (3:1-18)
D. Ruth Meets Boaz (2:1-23)	

The Davidic Covenant Kings and Temples (and Prophets)

1 Samuel 1:1 - 2 Kings 25:30

Inauguration of Kings	
A. Samuel Succeeds Eli (1 Samuel 1-7)	A' Solomon Succeeds David (2 Samuel 21 - 1 Kings 2)
B. Saul's Failure (1 Samuel 8-15)	B' David's Failure (2 Samuel 9-20)
C. David's Rise in Popularity (1 Samuel 16-20)	C' David's Rise in Power (2 Samuel 1-8)
D. David's Life as a Political Fugitive (1 Samuel 21-31)	

"... The LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son."

2 Samuel 7:11d-14a

As soon as Solomon finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple. And the priests could not enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD filled the LORD's house.

2 Chronicles 7:1-2

Inauguration of the Temple	
A. Temple Dedication (1 Kings 3-11)	A' Temple Destruction (2 Kings 18-25)
B. Rise of Israel (1 Kings 12-16)	B' Fall of Israel (2 Kings 14-17)
C. Elijah and Kings (1 Kings 17 - 2 Kings 1)	C' Elisha and Kings (2 Kings 8:7-13:25)
D. Elisha's Double Portion (2 Kings 2:1-8:6)	

David and Solomon

To use the analogy of marriage: Abraham was the engagement, Moses was the Wedding and David was the beginning of married life. God fulfilled His promises but Israel proved unfaithful.

