

Jehoiachin

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He spent 37 years in prison in Babylon until promoted.
He is important in the New Testament as Jechonias.

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Short Timeline of Josiah

	<u>Age</u>	<u>Reign</u>
Began to Reign	8	0th
Began to Seek Lord	16	8th
Began Destroying	20	12th
Jeremiah Ordained	21	13th
Greatest Passover	26	18th
Died Fighting Necho	39	31st

Josiah ... an Island of Godliness

Grandfather

Manasseh (55) ... Worst!

Father

Amon (2) ... Bad like Dad!

He stood up for God against family both before and after.

Son

Jehoahaz (0) ... Bad like Dads!

Son

Jehoiakim (11) ...Bad like Dads!

Son

Jehoiachin (0) ... Bad like Dad!

Son

Zedekiah (11) ... Like Jehoiakim!

We Enjoyed Studies of Josiah

A prophet told Jeroboam of Israel that a man named Josiah would desecrate his pagan altar, which was fulfilled 361 years later by our Josiah!

<https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2024/a-secret-prophecy-about-josiah/>
<https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2024/josiah-the-king/>

Tonight We Study Jehoiachin

He only reigned three months and ten days, but he is mentioned several ways in the Bible, which mentions distinguish him from other late kings.

Let's Start with His Name

Jehoiachin (9)	...	Jehovah Establishes
Jeconiah (7)	...	Jehovah will Establish
Coniah (3)	...	Jehovah will Establish
Jechonias (2)	...	Jehovah will Establish

Multiple Names Are Common

Peter
Simon
Cephas
Simeon

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	<u>Age</u>
Began Reign after Father Jehoiakim	18
Surrendered to Nebuchadnezzar	18
Uncle Zedekiah Made King	18
Imprisoned in Babylon 37 Years	18
Freed to a Throne by Evilmerodach	55

Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he began to reign,
and he reigned in Jerusalem three months.

II Kings 24:8

Jehoiachin was eight years old when he began to reign,
and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem:
and he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD.

II Chronicles 36:9

Does the Bible Have an Error?

Never!

But sometimes it will date a man from
an epoch event important to that
period of history.

Ahaziah Taught Us this Clearly

He was 22 when he began to reign, but God dated him 42 years from Omri of Israel and deleted 3 kings for it from Jesus' lineage.

<https://letgodbettrue.com/bible-topics/index/scripture/ahaziah-contradiction/>

By What Event Is Jehoiachin Dated?

And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his officers: and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign.

II Kings 24:12

The word that came to Jeremiah
concerning all the people of Judah in the
fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah,
that was the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon;

Jeremiah 25:1

Is there more dating like this from
an event other than birth or reign?

Yes!

But we must stay focused on Jehoiachin, who was how old when he became king, 8 or 18?

The third example of this type is Baasha.

(Compare I Kings 16:6-8 and II Chron 16:1).

Now ...

Let us look at another apparent contradiction in the Bible about this man, Jehoiachin, or Coniah.

As I live, saith the LORD, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah
were the signet upon my right hand,
yet would I pluck thee thence;

And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life,
and into the hand of them whose face thou fearest,
even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon,
and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee,
into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.

But to the land whereunto they desire to return,
thither shall they not return.

Jeremiah 22:24-27

Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol?
is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out,
he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless,
a man that shall not prosper in his days:
for no man of his seed shall prosper,
sitting upon the throne of David,
and ruling any more in Judah.

Jeremiah 22:28-30

Summary of the Curse on Coniah

God would pluck him from Judah to Babylon
God would give him over to his feared enemy
This enemy was the Chaldean Nebuchadnezzar
God would cast him and his mother to Babylon
They would never return to their homes in Judah
Write Coniah childless without heir to the throne
He would have no son on David's throne in Judah

This curse on Jehoiachin is not nearly as bad as what happened to Josiah's three sons – this is basically a prophecy of David's line losing royal rule and carried to Babylon.

At that time the servants of Nebuchadnezzar
king of Babylon came up against Jerusalem,
and the city was besieged.

And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city,
and his servants did besiege it.

And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon,
he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his officers:
and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign....
And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon, and the king's mother,
and the king's wives, and his officers, and the mighty of the land,
those carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

II Kings 24:10-15

Jehoiachin, unlike Josiah's sons, surrendered to Nebuchadnezzar, when he himself came to Jerusalem. We do not know if he did this due to Jeremiah's preaching and/or his own fear.

Though he and his mother were carried away to Babylon with the great men of Judah, he survived and later lived comfortably for surrendering.

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And changed his prison garments:
and he did eat bread continually before him all the days of his life.
And his allowance was a continual allowance given him of the king,
a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.

II Kings 25:29-30

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And the sons of Jeconiah;

Assir,

Salathiel his son,

Malchiram also,

and Pedaiah,

and Shenazar,

Jecamiah,

Hoshama,

and Nedabiah.

I Chronicles 3:17-18

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about the time they were carried away to Babylon:

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Matthew 1:11-12

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Matthew 1:11-12

So all the generations
from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and
from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations;
and from carrying away into Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations.

Matthew 1:17

Jehoiachin did have children, with eight being listed, but none of them ever sat on a real throne with regal authority and especially not in the land of Judah.

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I Chronicles 3:15

So Jehoiakim slept with his fathers:
and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

II Kings 24:6

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How Did Josiah Beget Jechonias?

Jehoahaz/Shallum ... ruled 3 months; died in Egypt.

Jehoiakim ... was a rebel vassal with cursed death.

Zedekiah ... a rebel, all sons killed, died in prison.

Jechonias ... lineal from Josiah, surrendered, like 6.

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Therefore thus saith the LORD
concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah;
They shall not lament for him, saying, Ah my brother! or, Ah sister!
they shall not lament for him, saying, Ah lord! or, Ah his glory!
He shall be buried with the burial of an ass,
drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

Jeremiah 22:18-19

Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah;
He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David:
and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat,
and in the night to the frost.

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I Chronicles 3:15

And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah
his father's brother king in his stead,
and changed his name to Zedekiah.

II Kings 24:17

And when the year was expired,
king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon,
with the goodly vessels of the house of the LORD,
and made Zedekiah his brother
king over Judah and Jerusalem.

II Chronicles 36:10

Due to God's plans for Jehoiachin to be the direct successor of Josiah by the rejection of his three sons, he is elevated in name to a brother of his three uncles, thus called brethren.

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And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes,
and put out the eyes of Zedekiah,
and bound him with fetters of brass,
and carried him to Babylon.

II Kings 25:7

Then he put out the eyes of Zedekiah;
and the king of Babylon bound him in chains,
and carried him to Babylon, and put him in prison
till the day of his death.

Jeremiah 52:11

Josiah

Son Jehoahaz

Youngest was made king by people but deposed in 3 months by Pharaohnecho and died in prison in Egypt. God ignored in both testaments. Also named Shallum.

Son Jehoiakim

Put on throne by Pharaohnecho. He taxed Judah 100% of tribute to Egypt. Nebuchadnezzar defeated Egypt to rule region, but this son rebelled and was killed and body left in open by the curse of Jehovah.

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How Does Jeremiah End?

Which Is Also How II Kings Ends?

And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year
of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah,
in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth day of the month,
that Evilmerodach king of Babylon in the first year of his reign
lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah,
and brought him forth out of prison,

Jeremiah 52:31-34

And spake kindly unto him,
and set his throne above the throne of the kings
that were with him in Babylon,
And changed his prison garments:
and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.
And for his diet, there was a continual diet given him
of the king of Babylon, every day a portion until
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Why Special Treatment of Jehoiachin?

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Why?

Exalted out of prison?
Kindly treated by King?
Throne above peer kings?
Clothing greatly improved?
King's diet each day til death?
Very different from Josiah's sons?

Why?

Because of the lineage of Jesus Christ, which is the main reason for the genealogies in the Bible!

The book of the generation
of Jesus Christ,
the son of David,
the son of Abraham.
Matthew 1:1

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Why?

Line of David!
For Jesus Christ!
For the anointing!
To fulfill John 5:39!
Josiah's sons denied!
Transition to Babylon!
Matthew 1:11-12 truth!
6000-year Divine Drama!

We Learned this Before!

When studying Isaiah in 2019, we learned that
God killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers
to protect King Hezekiah
for the anointing.

And it shall come to pass in that day,
that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder,
and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed
because of the anointing.

Isaiah 10:27

What Anointing?

The anointing of David leading by genealogy to the anointing of Jesus Christ of Nazareth as the Son of David and Son of God and final King of God's kingdom.

What Do Modern Versions Do?

Pastor, you have been excited since 2019 about the anointing, and now Jehoiachin as well, but what do modern Bible versions do with the anointing in Isaiah 10:27?

KING JAMES VERSION

And it shall come to pass in that day,
that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder,
and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed
because of the anointing.

Isaiah 10:27

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

And in that day
his burden will depart from your shoulder,
and his yoke from your neck; and the yoke will be broken
because of the fat.“

Isaiah 10:27

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

In that day,
their burden will be lifted from your shoulders,
their yoke from your neck; the yoke will be broken
because you have grown so fat.

Isaiah 10:27

YOUNG'S LITERAL TRANSLATION

And it hath come to pass, in that day,
Turned is his burden from off thy shoulder,
And his yoke from off thy neck, And destroyed hath been the yoke,
because of prosperity.

Isaiah 10:27

DOUAY-RHEIMS CATHOLIC BIBLE

And it shall come to pass in that day,
that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder,
and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall
putrefy at the presence of the oil.

Isaiah 10:27

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

And in that day
his burden will depart from your shoulder,
and his yoke will be destroyed from your neck.“

He has gone up from Rimmon,

Isaiah 10:27

COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE

On that day,
God will remove the burden from your shoulder
and destroy the yoke on your neck.

He has gone up from Samaria,

Isaiah 10:27

THE MESSAGE BIBLE

On that day,
Assyria will be pulled off your back,
and the yoke of slavery lifted from your neck."
Assyria's on the move: up from Rimmon,
Isaiah 10:27

NEW LIVING TRANSLATION

In that day
the LORD will end the bondage of his people.
He will break the yoke of slavery and lift it from their shoulders.

Isaiah 10:27

KING JAMES VERSION

And it shall come to pass in that day,
that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder,
and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed
because of the anointing.

Isaiah 10:27

For the Father loveth the Son,
and sheweth him all things that himself doeth:
and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel....
That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He
that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.

John 5:20-23

Search the scriptures;
for in them ye think ye have eternal life:
and they are they which testify of me.

John 5:39

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman,
and between thy seed and her seed;
it shall bruise thy head,
and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Genesis 3:15

I Jesus have sent mine angel
to testify unto you these things in the churches.

I am the root and the offspring of David,
and the bright and morning star.

Revelation 22:16

I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever:
with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever:
thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

I have made a covenant with my chosen,
I have sworn unto David my servant,
Thy seed will I establish for ever,
and build up thy throne to all generations.

Selah.

Psalm 89:1-4

My mercy will I keep for him for evermore,
and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.

His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.

It shall be established for ever as the moon,
and as a faithful witness in heaven.

Selah.

Psalm 89:28-37

For Further Study

- **Ahaziah Difficulty** ... (ask for Word document) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/bible-topics/index/scripture/ahaziah-contradiction/>
- **Author of Confusion** ... (sermons; 2002) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2002/is-god-the-author-of-confusion/>
- **Proverbs Babel** ... (PPT sermon; 2015) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2015/proverbs-babel/>
- **Bible Babel** ... (PPT sermon of I Samuel 13:1) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/bible-topics/index/scripture/the-bible-babel/>
- **Josiah the King** ... (PPT sermon of character; 2024) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2024/josiah-the-king/>
- **Josiah Secret Prophecy** ... (PPT sermon; 2024) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2024/a-secret-prophecy-about-josiah/>
- **Forty Years of Absalom** ... (PPT sermon; 2017) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2017/40-years-of-absalom/>
- **Proving the King James Version** ... (PPT sermon; 2010) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2010/proving-the-kjv/>
- **Why I Believe the Bible** ... (sermons; 2001) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2001/why-i-believe-the-bible/>

Further Questions and Answers Pertaining to Jehoiachin (no order)

- Pedaiah begat Zerubbabel, not Salathiel (I Chron 3:17-19) ... Adoption, Jewish Levirate Law, or other option.
- How do the Salathiel and Zorobabel of Luke 3:27 relate to the Salathiel and Zorobabel of Matthew 1:12?
- Jehoiachin is in third group of kings (Matt 1:11-12) ... David used twice; Josiah last legitimate king of Judah.
- Josiah's four successors were vassal kings crowned by a foreigner without anointing (?) and names changed.
- Is Coniah a derogatory form by removing Jehovah (Jer 22:24,28; 37:1)? Strong's appears to deny this claim.
- Zedekiah of I Chr 3:16 is Josiah's biological son (I Chr 3:15), but Jehoiakim's legal?, or another explanation?
- Numbers 27:8-10 is a law for property inheritance, but by principle allows reversion to previous generations.
- Is the singular "thee" in Jeremiah 22:24-27 the Jews, distinguished from Coniah in 22:24, or Coniah?
- Carrying to Babylon of Matthew 1:11-12 is the second captivity, Jehoiakim's the first, Zedekiah's the third.
- In Matthew 1 genealogy, Jehoram's three generations (Ahaziah) are gone and three of short reign (Jones).
- Order of the sons in I Chronicles 3:15 is not according to the ages given elsewhere (II Kings 23:31; 24:18)?