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f. The Second Intermediate Period

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- iv. Sixteenth Dynasty 2-14
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- i. Eighteenth Dynasty 2-15
 - 1. *Ahmose I* 2-15

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- 2. Amenhotep I 2-16
- 3. *Thutmose I* 2-16

(Marriage into the royal line, recovery of Moses by Hatshepsut from the river)

4. Thutmose II 2-17

(Co-regency with Hatshepsut, designation of Thutmose III as successor)

5. Thutmose III 2-18

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6. Hatshepsut 2-18

(Claim to the throne, building projects, propaganda campaign, preparation of Moses, threat from Thutmose, Moses's murder and escape to Midian, death of Hatshepsut)

7. Thutmose III 2-20

(War with the Mitanni and campaigns into Syria)

8. Amenhotep II 2-21

(Athleticism and personality, the call of Moses, the plagues on Egypt and Exodus, possible route of the Exodus, remainder of Amenhotep's reign)

9. Thutmose IV 2-24

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- 10. Amenhotep III 2-25
- 11. *Akhenaten* 2-26

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- 12. Smenkhkare 2-27
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(Expansion of Hittite kingdom, invasion of Cilicia, pressure on Aleppo, challenges with the Arzawa)

- 3. Mursilis 3-8
 - (Alliance with the Kassites, defeat of Amorites at Aleppo, sudden attack on Babylon and fall of Babylon in 1595)
- 4. Telepinus 3-10
- iii. The Hittite Empire 3-10
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(War on Aleppo and Mitanni, campaigns against the Ahhiyawa, invasion by the Arzawa)

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(Construction of the tabernacle, the rebellion and years of wandering, the conquest of Canaan under Joshua, the death of Joshua)

- 3. Suppiluliumas 3-15
 - (Expansion and control, pressure on Phoenicia by Hittites and Apiru, growth of Assyrian power, problems with the Arzawa)
- 4. Mursilis II 3-16

(Defeat of the Arzawa and domination of Troy, era of Hittite dominance, growth of Egyptian power)

- 5. Muwatallis 3-17
 - (Preparation for conflict with Egypt, the Battle of Kadesh with Ramses II)
- 6. Mursilis III 3-18
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(Growth of Assyrian threat; alliance with Ramses II)

- 8. *Tudhaliyas IV* 3-20 (Conflict over trade challenges and loss of copper mines to the Assyrians)
- 9. *The End of the Hittite Empire* 3-20 (Multiple threats and the invasion of the Sea People)
- 10. The Period of the Judges 3-22

c. The Mycenaeans 2-23

(The earlier Minoan civilization, discovery by Arthur Evans, the Minotaur myth, the Mycenaean invasion, the myth of Jason and the Argonauts, Mycenaean sea power, the myth of Theseus, the heroic period)

d. The Phoenicians 2-29

(Geography, innovations, religion, ties to Egypt, evidence of Amarna letters, references to Apiru and Hittite threats, effect of the Battle of Kadesh)

e. Babylon and Egypt to 1200 B.C.

- i. Babylon under the Kassites 3-33 (Relative obscurity of the period, Kassite kings Agum Kakrime, Ulamburiash, and Burnaburiash, Kassite fall to the Elamites)
- ii. Egypt 3-34 (The 19th Dynasty and Ramses II, the Battle of Kadesh, the family and other accomplishments of Ramses II, the invasion of the Sea People, the Israel Stele, the 20th Dynasty)

f. The Trojan War 3-37

(Chronological considerations, issues leading to the conflict, Homer's account, escape of Aeneas)

g. The Invasion of the Peoples of the Sea

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h. The Dorian Invasion 3-43

(Origins, route of invasion, effect on Mycenaeans)

i. The Etruscans

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4. Assyria

a. Proto-Assyria 4-1

(Independence after the fall of Third Dynasty of Ur, migration of Amorites, situation of Assur, early Assyrian power, the account of Chedolaomer, threats from Hurrians, Hammurabi, and Hittites)

b. Early Assyria

- i. Ashur-uballit I 4-5
 (Defeat of the Mitanni, rise of Old Assyrian Empire)
- ii. Enlil-nirari 4-6
- iii. Adad-nirari I 4-6 (Rise to power after the Battle of Kadesh)
- iv. Shalmaneser I 4-7 (Expansion of territory, and seizure of Hittite copper mines)
- v. Tukulti-ninurta 4-8

c. Decline

i. Introduction 4-8

(Dark age of Near Eastern History, fall of the Kassites, loss of Assyria's western holdings)

ii. Tiglath-Pileser I 4-9

(Recovery of some Assyrian power and prestige, conflicts with the Aramaeans, conflicts in Babylon)

iii. Post Tiglath-Pileser 4-10

(Fragmentary records and beginnings of Assyrian recovery)

iv. The United Monarchy in Israel 4-11

(The reigns of Saul, David, and Solomon, the building of the Jerusalem Temple, the revolt of Jeroboam and reigns of Rehoboam, Abijam, and Asa)

d. Recovery

i. Adad-nirari II 4-13

(Attacks on Aramaeans and Babylonians)

ii. Tukulti-Ninurta 4-14

(Consolidation of power, events in Israel and Judah)

iii. Ashur-nasir-pal 4-14

(New standard for conquest, battles for trade, a new philosophy of war, surrender of the Phoenicians, vicious attacks on others, Ahab and Elijah, Israel's battles with Syria, death of Ahab and Jezebel, the reign of Jehoshaphat in Judah)

iv. Shalmaneser 4-17

(Military campaigns in the east, in Phoenicia, in Syria, Jehu and the Black Obelisk, in Anatolia and Babylon, final years of civil war, contemporary events in Israel and Judah, Jehu's purge, rule of Athaliah and coup by Joash)

- v. Shamshi-adad 4-21
- vi. Adad-nirari 4-22

(Regency of Semiramis, campaign in Syria, succession of Amaziah in the south and Jeroboam II in the north)

vii. Shalmaneser 4-23

(Probable effect of preaching of Jonah)

- viii. Ashur-dayan 4-23
- ix. Ashur-nirari 4-24

e. The Assyrian Empire

i. Tiglath-Pileser III 4-24

(Succession to the throne, renewal of Assyrian power, attack on Rezin II of Syria and Menahem and Pekahiah of Israel, rule of Uzziah and Jotham in Judah, campaigns in Anatolia, commissioning of Isaiah, Ahaz's agreements with Tiglath-Pileser, a "sign" for Ahaz, other prophecies by Isaiah, Ahaz's altar)

ii. Shalmaneser V 4-30

(Siege of Samaria)

iii. Sargon II 4-30

(Succession to the throne, deportation of Samaria, conflicts in Elam and Mesopotamia, Merodach-Baladan, conflicts in Judah and Egypt, the reforms of Hezekiah, Egypt's intermediate period, the founding of the

Twenty-fifth Dynasty, Shabaka's appeal to Hezekiah, the fall of Ashdod, Hezekiah's preparations for siege)

iv. Sennacherib 4-37

(Expansive rule, oppressive policies, further conflict with Merodach-Baladan, Hezekiah's revolt and illness, Isaiah's prophecy, gifts from Merodach-Baladan, campaign in Phoenicia, Judah and Egypt, fall of Lachish, Isaiah's encouragement, the threats of the Rabshakah, Hezekiah's prayer, plague on Sennacherib's army, the death of Sennacherib, Isaiah's further prophecies)

v. Esarhaddon 4-46

(Esarhaddon's exile and recovery of throne, reconciliation with Babylon, problems with Cimmerians and Scythians, rising power in Media, campaign into Syria and Egypt)

vi. Ashurbanipal 4-50

(Discovery of library by Austen Henry Layard, conflicts with Taharqa and Tantamani of Egypt, fall of Thebes, appointment of Psammetichus and founding of Twenty-sixth Dynasty, siege of Tyre, alliance with Cilicia, defeat of Elam, revolt of Egypt, Babylon, and Media, war in Syria and capture of Manasseh, repentance and reinstatement of Manasseh, war with Phraortes, Scythian invasion, Ashurbanipal's last days, rule of Amon and Josiah)

f. The Fall of Assyria

(War with Babylon and Media, fall of Nineveh)

5. Babylon

a. Nabopolassar 5-2

i. Introduction

(Rise to power, war with Assyria, threat of Media)

ii. Josiah and Jeremiah 5-3

(Josiah jolted by Zephaniah, discovery of a "book" in the temple, reforms, the call of Jeremiah and his early message)

iii. The Return of the Medes

(Joint attack on Assyria by Cyaxeres and Nabopolassar, retreat to Nineveh, alliance between Babylon and Media based on marriage of Amytis to Nebuchadnezzar, the fall of Nineveh and division of Assyrian domains, Assyrian escape to Carchemish, death of Josiah, Egyptians battle at Carchemish, installation of Jehoiakim in Judah, Habakkuk and his message, the Battle of Carchemish, death of Nabopolassar)

b. Nebuchadnezzar

i. Overview of reign 5-10

(Restoration of Jehoiakim, the education of Daniel and friends, Jeremiah's message and imprisonment, Jehoiakim burns Jeremiah's scroll, Nebuchadnezzar's dream and Daniel's interpretation, the fiery furnace, battle with Necho of Egypt, death of Jehoiakim, installation of Zedekiah, Jeremiah constructs a yoke)

ii. Ezekiel 5-16

(Commission, object lessons for exiles, the glory withdraws, Ezekiel's parables)

iii. The Fall of Jerusalem 5-18

(Agreement between Zedekiah and Apries to revolt, Nebuchadnezzar's attack and siege of Jerusalem, Ezekiel's prophecy of the "cooking pot," Jeremiah in the cistern and rescue, the fall of Jerusalem and punishment of Zedekiah, Jeremiah's lament, assassination of Gedeliah, escape to Egypt, Ezekiel's prophecy of the "dry bones," siege of Tyre, Nebuchadnezzar's dream of a tree and insanity, Ezekiel's prophecy of the ideal temple, death of Nebuchadnezzar)

c. Evil-Merodach 5-25

(Kindness to Jehoiachin)

- d. Neriglissar 5-25
- e. Labashi-Marduk 5-25
- f. Nabonidus 5-25

(Claim to the throne, alliance with Cyrus the Persian, recovery of Haran, move to Tema, regency of Belshazzar, Daniel's dream of the four beasts, alliance with Croesus, Daniel's vision of the goat and ram, Belshazzar's feast and the fall of Babylon to Cyrus)

6. Persia

a. The Medes

i. Deioces 6-2

(Early Median history, conflicts with the Assyrians)

ii. Phraortes 6-3

(Attack on the Assyrians and death of Phraortes)

iii. Scythians Interregnum 6-3

(Effect on Media and the Near East)

iv. Cyazeres 6-4

(Revolt against Scythians, consolidation of power, attack on Assyria, alliance with Nabopolassar, conquest of Nineveh, division of Assyrian territories, Battle of the Eclipse)

v. Astyages 6-6

(Astyages's dream, birth of Cyrus, discovery of Cyrus's identity)

b. Persia

i. Cyrus 6-8

(Old Testament references to Cyrus, the threat of Croesus, Cyrus's westward campaign, the ambiguous oracle to Croesus, battle with Croesus, fall of Sardis, sparing the life of Croesus, attack on Babylon, Belshazzar's feast and Daniel's prophecy, Daniel in the lion's den, Daniel's prayer and the vision of 70 "weeks," command to rebuild Jerusalem, the beginning and suspension of reconstruction, Daniel's grief and vision, Cyrus's attack on the Messagetae and death)

ii. Cambyses 6-18

(Ascension and murder of Smerdis, attack on Egypt, further unsuccessful campaigns, killing the Apis bull, death)

iii. Pseudo-Smerdis 6-20

(Deception as to identity, restoration of Median religion, conspiracy against Gaumata)

iv. Darius I 6-22

(Ascension, reinstatement of Zoroastrian religion, putting down revolt in

Babylon, organization and infrastructure, command to complete the Jerusalem temple, the prophets Haggai and Zechariah, the "eight night visions" of Zechariah, completion of the temple, campaigns against the Scythians, Ionian revolt, sack of Sardis, retaliation by Persia, First Persian War and Battle of Marathon)

v. Xerxes I 6-34

(Identification with biblical Ahasuerus, the story of Esther, the Second Persian War, the Battles at Thermopylae and Artemisium, Battle of Salamis, Battle of Platea)

vi. Artaxerxes I 6-43

(Ascension, Peace of Callais, commission of Ezra and Nehemiah)

- vii. Xerxes II 6-44
- viii. Sogdianus 6-44
- ix. Darius II 6-44
- x. Artaxerxes II 6-45 (Rebellion of Cyrus, the Corinthian war)
- xi. Artaxerxes III 6-45
- xii. Artaxerxes IV 6-46
- xiii. Darius III 6-46

(Invasion of Alexander the Great, Battle of Issus, Battle of Arbela, end of Persian dominance)

7. Greece

a. The Dorian Invasion and the end of the Heroic Age 7-1

(Dorian migration, subjugation of Mycenaeans, the "heroic age," Dorian and Mycenaean culture)

b. The Dawning of a New Age of Greece 7-2

i. Greek Poets 7-3

(Hesiod, Homer, the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*)

ii. Greek Games 7-4

(beginning of Olympiad, cultural effects)

iii. Trade and Colonization 7-4

(Greek trade expansion, settlement of other cities as trading partners, Syracuse, use of hoplite soldiers)

- iv. The City-State 7-6
 - 1. *Sparta* 7-7

(Distinctive government, Lycurgus as law-giver, military style of culture, other classes, long-term effects on life)

2. Athens 7-8

(Differences from Sparta, the end of monarchy, aristocracy, tyranny, the rule of law, Draco, Solon, divisions of Athenian society)

v. Athens Moves Toward Democracy 7-11

(Peisistratus, Hipparchus, Hippias flees to Sardis, Miltiades, internal conflict in Athens, Cleisthenes and his reforms)

c. Greece as Military Power

i. The First Persian War 7-12

(Polarization in Greece, revolt on Naxos, revolt of Aristagoras, appeal for help on mainland, sack of Sardis, Persian reprisal, Themistocles,

revolt at Aegina, Persian attack on Greek mainland, the Battle at Marathon, death of Miltiades, instability in Athens, Aristodes exiled, Persian preparation for a second war)

ii. The Second Persian War 7-20

(The first "panhellenic" conference, the ambiguous oracle from Delphi, a coalition to defend Greece, Persian invasion of Thessaly, the Battle at Thermopylae and Artemisium, destruction of Athens, Themistocles and the Battle of Salamis, Pausanias and the Battle of Platea)

iii. The Delian League 7-24

(Conflict between Athens and Sparta, the Delian League, leadership of Cimon)

iv. The Age of Pericles 7-27

(Family and early career, the civics of democracy, building projects, the Acropolis, literary figures and thinkers in Athens, Socrates, Sophists, the Athenian "empire," the Peace of Callais, the Parthanon, revolts)

v. The Peloponnesian Wars 7-31

(Thucydides as historian, transition toward Hellenism, beginning of conflict, death of Pericles, Cleon, Alcibiades, campaign to Sicily, arrest and defection of Alcibiades, Battle at Syracuse, Gylippus of Sparta, defeat at Syracuse, Alcibiades at Sardis and Samos, Lysander and the defeat of Athens)

vi. The Death of Socrates 7-38

(Oligarchy in Athens, recovery of democracy, charges against Socrates, Socrates's Apology)

vii. The March of the 10,000 and the "Third" Persian War 7-40 (Cyrus the Younger and his Greek mercenary army, battle with Artaxerxes, Persian retaliation, Battle at Cnidus)

d. A Time of Change

i. Plato 7-42

(Founding the Academy, Plato's philosophy, his importance)

ii. The Boeotian League 7-43

(The second "Delian League," the Boeotian League, Epaminondas, Battle of Leuctra, Battle against Sparta, influence on Philip of Macedon, instability in Greece)

iii. The Rise of Macedonian Power 7-46

(Ascension, campaign against Illyria, Demosthenes, marriages of Philip, debate in Athens over Philip, Aristotle, Alexander defeats Demosthenes at Chaeronea, the League of Corinth, Philip's designs on Persia, assassination)

e. Alexander the Great

(Claim to the throne, control of Macedon and Greece, Battle at Granicus, cutting the Gordian Knot, the Battle of Issus, Phoenicia, Syria and Egypt, Battle of Arbela, capture of Babylon, campaign into India, return to Babylon and death)

8. The Western Mediterranean

a. Rome

 i. Roman Beginnings 8-2 (Virgil's account of Aeneas, Dido, chronological difficulties, the Etruscans, the descendents of Aeneas, Romulus and Remus, death of Remus and founding of Rome)

ii. The Period of Roman Kings

1. *Romulus* 8-6

(Appointment of offices, the "rape of the Sabine women," migration of Greeks, Romulus "ascends" to heaven)

2. *Numa Pompilius* 8-7 (Reforms and law)

3. Tullus Hostilius 8-8

(Conflict with Alba, battle between the Horatii and the Curiatii, execution of Mettius)

4. *Ancus Marcius* 8-9 (Battles, arrival of Tarquinii)

5. Lucius Tarquinius Pricus 8-10

(Appointment of Senators, portent of Servius Tullius, assassination)

6. Servius Tullius 8-11

(Organization of Roman society, conspiracy of Lucius and Tullia, coup)

7. Tarquin the Proud 8-12

(Temple for Zeus, Oracle of Delphi, battle with Ardea, the death of Lucretia, the revolt of Brutus)

iii. The Founding of the Roman Republic 8-14

(The rule of law and the republican offices, Brutus as consul and the execution of Brutus's sons)

b. Greeks and Phoenicians 8-16

(Syracuse and Carthage, competition between Greeks and Phoenicians, attack on Sicily, battle at Corsica and Sardinia, alliance between Carthage and the Etruscans)

c. Collision of Western Powers

Early Growth of the Republic 8-18
 (Alliance between Rome and Carthage, internal conflict in Rome, strike by the common people, the office of Tribune of the Plebs, Roman civil law)

ii. The Battle over Sicily 8-19

(Hippocrates and the attack on Syracuse, conflict with Carthaginians, battle at Himera, Heiro I)

iii. The Rise of the "Empire of Syracuse 8-21

(Experiment with republican governance, attack on Syracuse by the Carthaginians, the rise of Dionysius and settlement with Carthage, growth of Syracusan power, Archytas and Plato, Dionysius as playwright, Dionysius II and Dion, Timoleon)

d. Rome Begins to Grow 8-28

(Siege and defeat of Veii, battles with Brennus, further development of governmental infrastructure)

9. The Hellenistic World

a. Introduction 9-1

(Importance for understanding the New Testament, division of Alexander's

domains, spread of Greek culture and politics, relationships between Greek rulers and native populations, art, science, religion)

b. The East

- i. Macedonia and Greece
 - 1. Antipater 9-4

(Appointment as regent, conflict with Athens and Demosthenes, appointment of successor)

2. Cassander 9-5

(Attack on Olympias, conflicts with Antigonus, assassination of Cleopatra, conflicts with Ptolemy, campaigns in Ionia)

3. Antipater 9-7

(Coup against Thassalonike, conflicts with Alexander)

4. Demetrius 9-7

(Ionian campaign, imprisonment and death)

5. Lysimachus 9-8

(Death at Koroupedion)

6. Ptolemy Keraunos 9-8

(Surrender to, and assassination of, Seleucus)

7. Antigonus II 9-8

(Conflict with Pyrrhos, the Chremonidean War, rebellion in the Peloponnese, formation of the Achaean League)

- 8. Demetrius II 9-9
- 9. Antigonus III Doson 9-9

(Defense against invasions, alliance with Achaean League, defeat of Sparta)

10. Philip V 9-10

(The Social Wars, alliance with Hannibal, the First Macedonian War)

- ii. Egypt and Syria
 - 1. *Ptolemy I* 9-13

(Installation as satrap, defeat of Cleomenes and Perdikkas)

2. *Seleucus I* 9-14

(Installation as satrap, attack by Antigonus, reinstatement with help of Ptolemy, the "four-way" division of Alexander's empire, references in the prophecy of Daniel)

3. Ptolemy II Philadelphos 9-16

(Ascension and marriages, the First Syrian War, involvement in the Chremonidean war)

- 4. Antiochus I Soter 9-17
- 5. Antiochus II Theos 9-17

(The Second Syrian war, marriage of Ptolemy's sister Berenice to Antiochus)

6. Ptolemy III Euergetes 9-18

(Pressure on Antiochus)

7. Seleucus II Calinicus 9-18

(The Third Syrian war, death of Berenice, civil war in Syria, expansion of Egyptian holdings)

- 8. Seleucus III Ceraunus 9-19
- 9. Antiochus III the Great 9-19

10. *Ptolemy IV Philopater* 9-20 (Invasion of Egypt by Antiochus III, Battle of Raphia and Fourth Syrian War, Ptolemy in Jerusalem, his unpopularity in Egypt)

11. Ptolemy V Epiphanes 9-21
(Riots in Alexandria, northern and eastern campaigns of Antiochus III, agreements of Antiochus with Philip V for joint attack on Egypt, the Fifth Syrian War)

c. The Western Mediterranean

i. Agathocles 9-22

(Coup against the 600 oligarchs of Syracuse, invasion of Sicily by Hamilcar, Agathocles's attack on Carthage, desperation in Carthage, return to Syracuse)

ii. The Pyrrhic Wars 9-24

(Roman victory in Samnite wars and attack on Taras, the Greek appeal to Pyrrhus, the "Pyrrhic" victories over Rome, Carthaginian overtures to Rome, Phrrhic attack on Sicily and defeat at Roman hands)

iii. The First Punic War 9-26

(Mamertines sieze Messana, attack on Messana by Hiero, appeal to Rome and Carthage, humiliation of Carthage, attacks on Roman seaports, the Romans produce a navy, the "raven," defeat of Carthage at Mylae, the Battle of Ecnomus, defeat of the Roman general Regulus, battles in western Sicily, defeat of Carthage)

iv. Roman Expansion and the Illyrian Wars 9-31
 (Roman seizure of Corsica and Sardinia, establishment of provinces, building the Flaminian Way, conflicts in Illyria, the First and Second Illyrian Wars)

v. The Second Punic War 9-32

(Political division in Carthage, Hamilcar and his sons, Carthaginian presence in Spain, Roman delegation to Hasdrubal, Hannibal's defeat of Saguntum, the Roman protest to Carthage, Hannibal's invasion across the Alps, Battles at Ticinus River, Trebia River, and at Lake Trasimenus, invasion of Italian peninsula, Hannibal's victory at Cannae, Philip V's treaty with Hannibal, Rome's attack on Syracuse and Archimedes's defensive technology, defeat of Carthaginians in Spain, Rome's attack on North Africa, the Battle of Zama)

10. The Rise of Imperial Rome

a. Expansion of Roman Power

- The Second Macedonian War 10-1 (Philip's agreement with Antiochus III, the Fifth Syrian War, Rome's attack on Macedon)
- ii. The Fifth Syrian War 10-2 (Antiochus's capture of Jerusalem, kindness to the Jews, treaty with Egypt, the Rosetta Stone)
- iii. The End of the Second Macedonian War 10-5
 (Antiochus's campaign into Asia Minor, Philip's defeat at Cynoscephalae, the Treaty of Freedom, Roman "liberation" of Macedon and Greece)

- iv. The Defeat of Antiochus III 10-7 (Roman support for Eumenes of Pergamum, Hannibal's arrival in the Syrian court, Antiochus's invasion of Europe, the Peace of Apameia, death of Antiochus the Great)
- v. The Third Macedonian War 10-9
 (Roman division of Asia Minor, assassination of Demetrius, ascension of Perseus, Macedonian preparation for war, Eumenes's appeal to the Senate, Roman invasion of Macedon, defeat of Perseus)

b. The Maccabean Revolt

- i. Seleucus IV Philopater 10-13
 (War debt, treaty with Prusias of Bithynia, treaty with Perseus, the Oniads and Tobiads, assassination of Seleucus)
- ii. Antiochus IV Epiphanes 10-15 (Attack on Antioch and seizure of throne, complexity)
- iii. Ptolemy VI Philometor 10-17
 (Regency under Cleopatra I, marriage of Ptolemy to Cleopatra II, appointment of Jason and Menelaus as High Priest in Jerusalem, conflict between Ptolemy and Antiochus, Syrian invasion of Egypt, appointment by Alexandria of Ptolemy VIII, Antiochus's taxing of Jerusalem and second invasion of Egypt, confrontation with Rome, sacrilege of Jerusalem)
- iv. The Revolt of the Maccabees 10-23
 (Mattathias Hasmonean and revolt in Modein, Judas Maccabeas, reprisals by Antiochus, recovery of Jerusalem and the rededication of the Temple, Hanukkah)
- v. The Era of Jewish Independence 10-26 (Civil was in Syria, Jewish treaty with Syria, recovery of Syrian throne by Demetrius I, attack on Jerusalem and death of Judas, leadership by Jonathan, Alexander Balas, death of Jonathan and ascension of Simon in Jerusalem, treaty for Jewish independence, John Hyrcanus, Aristobulos, Jannaeus, conflicts with Pharisees, fall of Jerusalem to Pompey)

c. The Era of Roman Domination

- i. Introduction 10-32 (Growth at the end of the second century b.c., forces for change in the republic, the eastern influence, *Optimates*, *Populares*, and Equestrians)
- ii. The Gracchi 10-34 (Oppression of military class, Tiberius Gracchus, assassination, Gaius Gracchus)
- iii. Gaius Marius and a New Roman Military 10-35 (Revolt of Jugurtha in North Africa, bribery and corruption, election of Marius as consul, reorganization of the military, wars with the Gauls)
- iv. L. Cornelius Sulla and the Mithridatic Wars 10-37
 (Rise to power, involvement in the "social wars," appeal by rebels to Mithridates, genocide, attack on Rome by Sulla, wars against Mithridates, vengeance on enemies in Rome)
- v. Gnaeus Cnaeus Pompeius Magnus 10-41 (Rise to power, service under Sulla, victories in Africa and Spain, defeat of Spartacus, election as consul with Crassus, campaigns against Cilician

pirates, wars with Mithridates, organization of the east and occupation of Jerusalem, conflicts with the Senate)

vi. Julius Caesar 10-47

(Early life, service under Sulla, capture by pirates, election as *Pontifex Maximus*, other offices, Gallic Wars, the first triumvirate, death of Julia and loss of Pompey's support, conflict with Caesar, defeat of Vercingetorix, crossing the Rubicon, wars with Pompey, assassination of Pompey in Egypt, Caesar and Cleopatra, conflict with the Senate, assassination)

11. Jesus and His Times

a. Augustus Caesar

i. Reign 11-2

(Rise to power following death of Julius Caesar, First Triumvirate, battle at Philippi, consolidation of power, Battle of Actium, affirmation by Senate, titles, the *Pax Romana*, building projects, moral code, marriages and family, the problem of succession)

ii. Herod the Great 11-7

(Birth and family, background of Idumea, Antipater and succession of Herod, flight to Rome and assistance from Marc Antony, the Battle of Actium, accusations against Mariamne, building programs, the Temple, accusations against sons, birth of Jesus, shepherds and magi, slaughter of the innocents, descendents and death)

- iii. Daniel's Prophecy and Herod's Career 11-14
- iv. Herod's Successors 11-16 (Archelaus, Antipater, and Philip)

b. Tiberius Caesar

i. Reign 11-17

(Service under Augustus and ascension to rule, marriages, threat of Germanicus, personality, retreat to Capri, execution of Sejanus)

- ii. The Family of Herod during the reign of Tiberius 11-20 (Deposing of Archelaus, Antipas, the execution of John the Baptist, the trial of Jesus, Herod Philip, Agrippa I)
- iii. Events of the New Testament under Tiberius
 - 1. *Life of Jesus* 11-21 (John the Baptist, baptism of Jesus, ministry, miracles, triumphal entry, judgment pronouncements, Olivet Discourse, trial)
 - 2. *Pontius Pilate* 11-27 (Appointment as governor, relationship to the Jews, suppression of rebellions, legends)
 - 3. Crucifixion and Resurrection 11-29 (Appearance before Antipas, trial before Pilate, crucifixion, resurrection, ascension)
 - 4. The Beginnings of the Church 11-31 (Pentecost, healing at the temple, hearing before the Sanhedrin, communal life, further conflicts with Jewish leaders, growth of the church, martyrdom of Stephen, conversion of Saul of Tarsus, return to Tarsus)

c. Caligula

i. Reign 11-35

(Family, threats to life, service under Tiberius at Capri, mental instability, megalomania, assassination)

ii. New Testament Events during the reign of Caligula 11-38 (Agrippa I, conversion of Cornelius)

12. To the End of the Earth

a. Claudius

i. Reign 12-2

(Family and personality, appointment to office, building projects, marriages and children, death)

ii. Rule of Judea Under Claudius 12-5

(Rule of Agrippa I and his death)

- iii. Biblical History during the Reign of Claudius 12-7
 - 1. The Famine Visit
 - 2. *Paul's First Journey* 12-7 (Cyprus, Antioch of Pisidia, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe)
 - 3. The Question of Gentile Converts 12-10 (The rising problem, Paul's position and argument, confrontation with Peter, the letter to the Galatians, the Jerusalem Council)
 - Paul's Second Missionary Journey 12-13
 (The Galatian churches, Troas, the Macedonian call, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, sermon to the philosophers, Corinth, First and Second Thessalonians, Priscilla and Aquila)

b. Nero

i. Reign 12-20

(Family and background, early years of reign, beginnings of corruption, marriages, the great fire of Rome, persecution of Christians, paranoia, death)

- ii. Biblical History During Reign of Nero
 - 1. Paul's Third Missionary Journey 12-25 (Ephesus, Apollos, Artemis cult)
 - 2. First Corinthians 12-29
 - 3. Second Corinthian 12-31
 - 4. Romans 12-34
 - 5. Return to Jerusalem 12-39
 - 6. Paul on Trial 12-39

(Address to the Jerusalem crowd, before the Sanhedrin, address before Felix, address before Festus, address before Agrippa)

- 7. Paul in Rome 12-43 (Shipwreck on Malta, presentation to Jewish leaders, the prison letters)
- 8. Paul's Fourth Missionary Journey 12-45 (Evidence for journey, supposed route of journey, pastoral letters, Paul on trial in Rome)
- iii. The Jewish Wars 12-49

(Precipitating events, attack by Cestius Gallus, campaign of Vespasian)

c. The Year of Four Emperors

- i. Galba 12-51
- ii. Otho 12-52
- iii. Vitellius 12-53
- iv. Vespasian 12-54 (The siege and fall of Jerusalem under Titus)