

# Micah 5

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William Curtis, Exalting Jesus in Micah

When they named the major cities of Israel in the Old Testament, Bethlehem didn't make the list. Yet out of this insignificant place would come the most significant person ever born on earth, the Messiah of Israel!

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## Matthew 2

NLT

**1** Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking,

**2** “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him.”

**3** King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem.

**4** He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, “Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?”

**5** “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they said, “for this is what the prophet wrote:

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## John 7

NLT

**40** When the crowds heard him say this, some of them declared, “Surely this man is the Prophet we’ve been expecting.”

**41** Others said, “He is the Messiah.” Still others said, “But he can’t be! Will the Messiah come from Galilee?”

**42** For the Scriptures clearly state that the Messiah will be born of the royal line of David, in Bethlehem, the village where King David was born.”

**43** So the crowd was divided about him.

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Nazareth to  
Bethlehem:

68 miles

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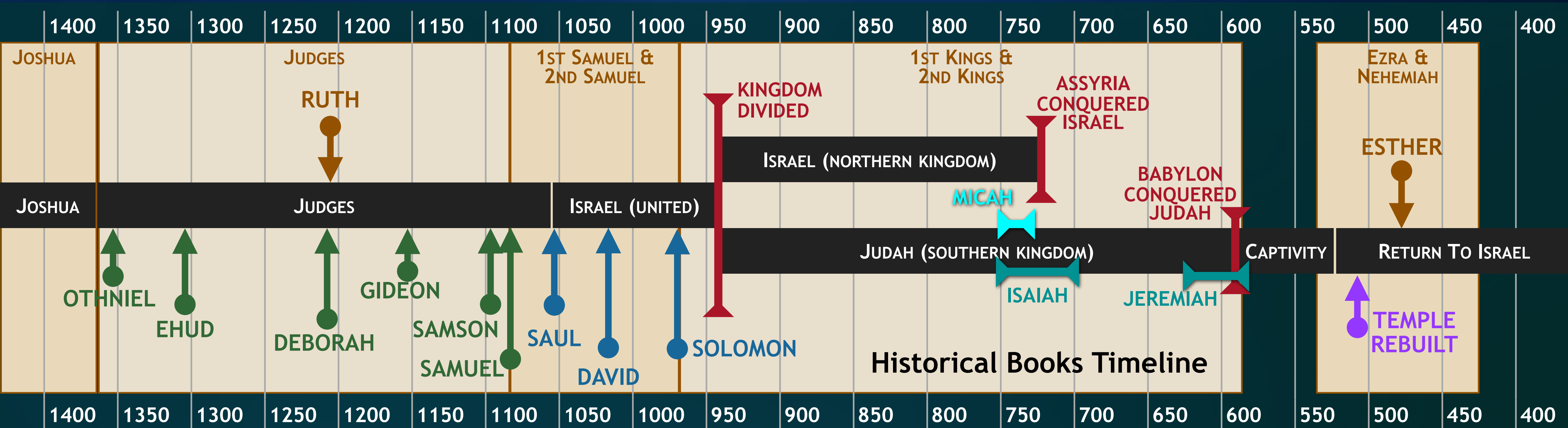
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## 2. My Ruler Existed Before Everything (v2)



A. R. Fausset, Commentary On The Old Testament

The terms convey the strongest assertion of infinite duration of which the Hebrew language is capable.

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## Micah 5:2

**NKJV** “...One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting.”

**ESV** “...one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.”

**NIV** “...one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.”

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## Colossians 1

NLT

**15** Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation,

**16** for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see— such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him.

**17** He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together.

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## John 8

NLT

**56** Your father Abraham rejoiced as he looked forward to my coming. He saw it and was glad.”

**57** The people said, “You aren’t even fifty years old. How can you say you have seen Abraham?”

**58** Jesus answered, “I tell you the truth, before Abraham was even born, I Am!”

**59** At that point they picked up stones to throw at him. But Jesus was hidden from them and left the Temple.

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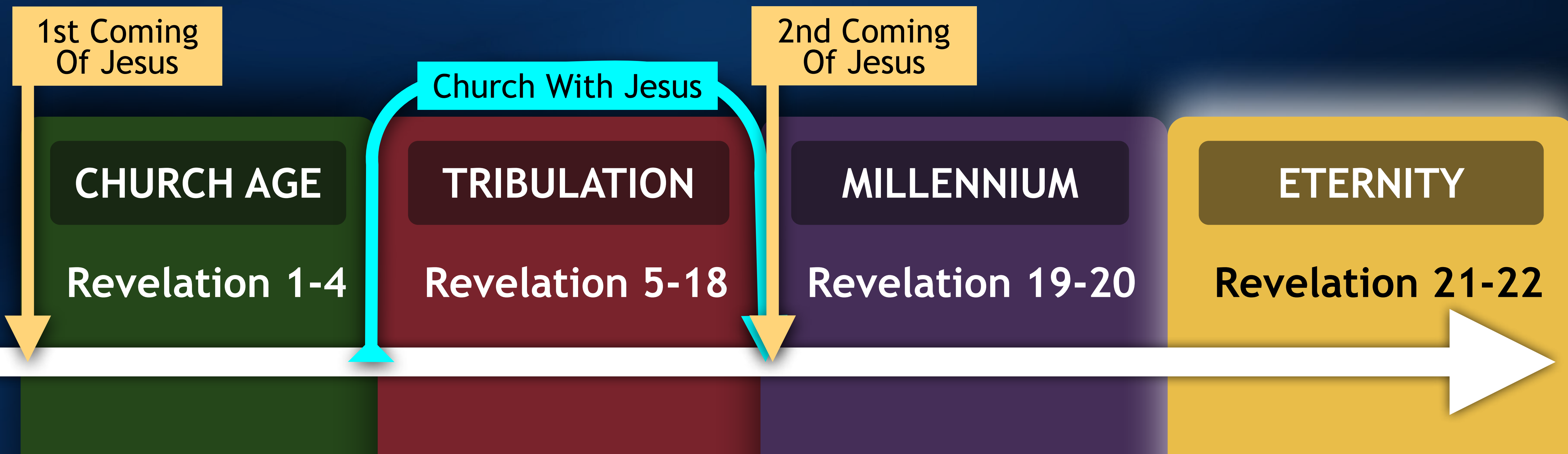
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William Curtis, Exalting Jesus in Micah

When the prophets saw events in the future, they had no way of knowing the time gaps between them. And in the case of the Messiah, God shielded from the prophets the knowledge that He was going to send the Messiah not once, but twice, and there would be a lengthy period of time between the two.

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## Revelation 11

NLT

**15** Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices shouting in heaven: “The world has now become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign forever and ever.”

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## Isaiah 9

NLT

**6** For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**7** His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with fairness and justice from the throne of his ancestor David for all eternity. The passionate commitment of the Lord of Heaven's Armies will make this happen!

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## John 14

NLT

**27** “I am leaving you with a gift—  
peace of mind and heart. And the  
peace I give is a gift the world  
cannot give. So don’t be troubled or  
afraid.

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## John 16

NLT

**29** Then his disciples said, “At last you are speaking plainly and not figuratively.

**30** Now we understand that you know everything, and there’s no need to question you. From this we believe that you came from God.”

**31** Jesus asked, “Do you finally believe?

**32** But the time is coming—indeed it’s here now—when you will be scattered, each one going his own way, leaving me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me.

**33** I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.”

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Whenever a prophet foretold the future, it was to awaken the people to their responsibilities in the present. Bible prophecy isn't entertainment for the curious; it's encouragement for the serious.

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