

Israel – God Ruled

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Genesis 32:28. "A Prince of God." Margin.

The word Israel has been defined as "Governed by God," or as "God ruled." A prince is controlled by his king, so Israel will be governed by the Lord. We have seen this illustrated in the experience of the Duke of Windsor. As a prince he could not do just what he wanted. He could not marry whom he wanted - that is - and remain a prince. So Israel must be surrendered to God's will or cease to be Israel (God-ruled). When Israel rebelled against God, served other gods and was governed by pagans and false gods, the Lord did not recognize them as Israel. Yet when they came back to God, they were recognized as Israel again. This reveals again the amazing accuracy of the Bible. By subtracting the 114 years of servitude and usurpation from the 594 years as shown on this chart, the 480 years of 1 Kings 6:1 is obtained when they were recognized as Israel, as belonging to Him.

CHRONOLOGY

COMPARISONS

Comparisons of

300 years of Judges 11:26,

450 years of Acts 13:20,

480 years of 1 Kings 6:1.

Judges 11:26. "While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns, and in Aroer and her towns, and in all the cities that be along by the coasts of Arnon, three hundred years?" Why therefore did you not recover them within that time?"

Acts 13:20. "And after that he gave unto them judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until (up to and including) Samuel the prophet."

1 Kings 6:1. "And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of the Lord."

ISRAEL'S CHRONOLOGY

Epoch	300	450	480	Servitude	Total
1. Wilderness Period (Exodus-Kadesh, 1 year. Numbers 10:11, 12; 13:26; Kadesh-Zered, 38 years. Deuteronomy 2:14: Zered-Entry, 1 year. Deuteronomy 2.	1		40		40
2. Conquest of Canaan	6		6		6
3. From the division of land to Sushan servitude.	14		14		14
4. First servitude under Cushan (Judges 3:8)	8	8		8	8
5. Rest under Othniel (Judges 3:11)	40	40	40		40
6. Second servitude under Eglon (Judges 3:14)	18	18		18	18
7. Rest under Ehud (Judges 3:30)	80	80	80		80
8. Third servitude under Jabin (Judgeship of Shamgar, Judges 3:31, included in this servitude)	20	20		20	20
9. Rest under Barak (Judges 5:31)	40	40	40		40
10. Fourth servitude under Midian (Judges 6: 1)	7	7		7	7
11. Rest under Gideon (Judges 8:28)	40	40	40		40
12. Usurpation by Abimelech (Judges 9:22)	3	3		3	3
13. Judgeship of Tola (Judges 10:2)	23	23	23		23
14. The three hundred years from conquest of Heshbon to its reconquest (Judges 11:20)	300				
15. Judgeship of Jair (Judges 10:3. In that year (Jair's first year, Judges 10: 8) Ammon reconquered Heshbon.			22	222	22
16. Fifth servitude under Ammon (Judges 10:8) (Israel not in possession of Heshbon and her cities)		18		18	18
17. Judgeship of Jephthah (Judges 12:7)		6	6		6
18. Judgeship of Ibzan (Judges 12:9)		7	7		7
19. Judgeship of Eton (Judges 12: 11)		10	10		10
20. Judgeship of Abdon (Judges 12:14)		8	8		8
21. Sixth servitude under Philistines (Judges 13:1) Samson's 20 years. (Judges 15:20; 16:31) included.		40		40	40
22. Portion of Eli's judgeship, sojourn of ark at Kirjathjearim, and Samuel Is judgeship.		60	60		60
23. Years of servitude and usurpation.				114	
24. The four hundred and fifty years of Acts 13:20.		450			
25. Reign of Saul (Acts 13:21)		40			40
26. Reign of David (2 Samuel 5:4,5)		40			40
27. Reign of Solomon – from his accession to commence of temple in his fourth year. (1Kings 6:1)		4			4
28. The four hundred and eighty years of 1 Kings 6:1 - When God looked on the people as Israel.		480			
29. Total years from Exodus to the 4th yr. of Solomon.					594