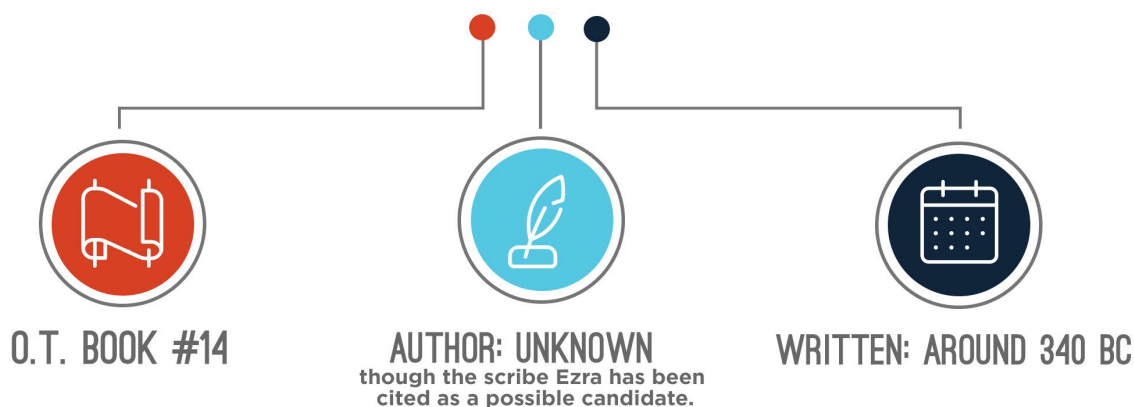


II CHRONICLES

AT-A-GLANCE



Covering the time period of 975 BC through 525 BC

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Old Testament: 39 Books

New Testament: 27 Books

BOOK HIGHLIGHTS: Completes the public records of I Chronicles

KEY STORIES:

- Solomon prays to God for wisdom instead of long life, power, or money, so he is given them all.
- The Queen of Sheba visits Solomon.
- King Cyrus of Persia rebuilds the temple after releasing Israel from exile to Babylon.

KEY VERSES:

Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that have been before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like.
II Chronicles 1:11-12

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.
II Chronicles 7:14

Important Points about the Book:

- II Chronicles covers the reigns of all the kings of Israel and Judah after the split of the united kingdom of Kings Saul, David and Solomon.
- Like the books of the Kings this book gives little snippets about each king and notes whether they did that which was right or evil in the sight of the Lord (only a handful, all from Judah, pleased the Lord).
- The closing chapter, 36, summarizes the 70 years of captivity in the Great Exile and also summarizes Cyrus, King of Persia, releasing the Jews to go home and his funding of the rebuilding of the Temple.

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II Chronicles officially records the kings and their events after David to the last king of Judah. This book is primarily limited to the royal line of David and the southern kingdom. It records Solomon's reign, the division of the kingdom, the apostasy, the captivity and the restoration by the decree of Cyrus.

The central theme reveals the benefits of humility. The humble mind believes the word by faith and prays for understanding. **II Chronicles 7:14; 12:6-7**



NUMBER OF
CHAPTERS:
36



TYPE:
HISTORY



DATE WRITTEN:
ABOUT 340 BC



PERIOD COVERED:
975-525 BC



AUTHOR:
UNKNOWN;
but Ezra is cited as a
possibility

BREAKDOWNS

II Chronicles 1	Solomon's Prayer for Wisdom
II Chronicles 2	Preparing to Build the Temple
II Chronicles 3-8	Building the Temple
II Chronicles 9:1-12	Queen of Sheba Visits Solomon
II Chronicles 9:13-31	Solomon's Wealth, Death
II Chronicles 10-11	The Rebellion Against Solomon's Son
II Chronicles 12	Jerusalem is Attacked
II Chronicles 13	King Abijah of Judah
II Chronicles 14-16	King Asa of Judah
II Chronicles 17	King Jehoshaphat of Judah
II Chronicles 18	Micaiah the Prophet & King Ahab
II Chronicles 19-20	King Jehoshaphat, continued
II Chronicles 21	King Jehoram of Judah
II Chronicles 22:1-9	King Ahaziah of Judah
II Chronicles 22:10-12	Queen Athaliah
II Chronicles 23	Queen Athaliah Overthrown by Joash
II Chronicles 24	Joash Repairs the Temple and Burns the Wicked
II Chronicles 25	King Amaziah of Judah
II Chronicles 26	King Uzziah of Judah
II Chronicles 27	King Jotham
II Chronicles 28	King Ahaz of Judah
II Chronicles 29-32	King Hezekiah
II Chronicles 33	Kings Manasseh and Amon
II Chronicles 34-35	King Josiah
II Chronicles 36	Five Troubled Kings Surround the Invasion

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT II CHRONICLES:

- Chapters: 36
- Verses: 822
- Words: 26,069
- Chapters 1-9 cover the 40 years of Solomon's reign
- Chapters 10-36 cover the 393 years following
- Almost 3/4 of chapters 10-36 deals with the 8 good kings of Judah, leaving 1/4 to cover the 12 wicked rulers
- 6 of the first 9 chapters cover the construction and dedication of the Temple

TPOLOGY:

- ⇒ **2:6**—Solomon understood the impossibility of building a house for God to dwell in and the only real purpose for a house for God was to SACRIFICE in. Today—Romans 12:2—we are the church and we are to be a continual LIVING sacrifice.
- ⇒ **2:17-18**—God used strangers to build His house (the Temple). Today, God is still using strangers to build His house (the Church) - Gentiles!