



# Rebuild



## KEY WORDS—

Return  
Restore  
Revive  
Renew

Signet Ring  
Royal Decree  
Archives  
Chronicles



## KEY VERSE—

16 Then the children of Israel, the priests and the Levites and the rest of the descendants of the captivity, celebrated the dedication of this house of God with joy.

Ezra 6:16

10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel.

Ezra 7:10

# REBUILD—Essential Knowledge and Skills



## TELL THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ZERUBBABEL IN THE LINEAGE OF CHRIST:

Explain the “Signet Ring” analogy from Haggai 2. Tell how Zerubbabel seals the lineage of both Mary and Joseph. Back to David. Explain that Zerubbabel is like Christ in many ways.

## IDENTIFY THESE REBUILD PEOPLE:

King Cyrus, Zerubbabel, Ezra, Esther, Nehemiah, Mordecai, Haman, King Ahasueras, King Artaxerxes

## DEFINE THESE WORDS:

Renew, Revive, Restore, Signet Ring, Archives, Chronicles

# Timeline Talk-Rebuild



**R**ebuilding the Temple

**E**zra and Esther

**B**uilding the Wall

**U**nder Persian Rule

**I**dol Worship Overcome

**L**ed by Nehemiah

**D**evoted to God

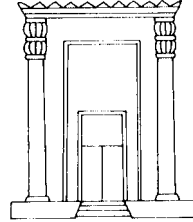


# EVENTS FROM REBUILD

The Persian King Cyrus wrote a decree that allowed some of God's people to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple. The people were led by Zerubbabel.



*KING CYRUS*

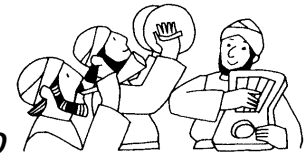


*THE NEW TEMPLE*

Ezra, the scribe led a second group of God's people back to Jerusalem to restore the worship of the temple.

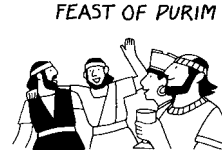
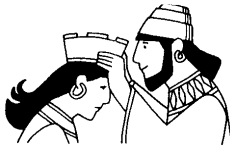


*EZRA, THE SCRIBE*



*WORSHIP RESTORED*

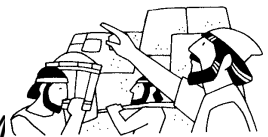
Esther, a young Jewish girl, became the wife of the King of Persia and saved her people from destruction.



*SCENES FROM THE STORY OF ESTHER*

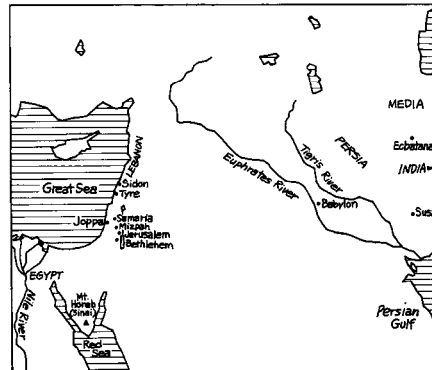
*FEAST OF PURIM*

Nehemiah led a third group of God's people back to Jerusalem to rebuild the torn down walls of the city.



*REBUILDING THE WALLS OF JERUSALEM*

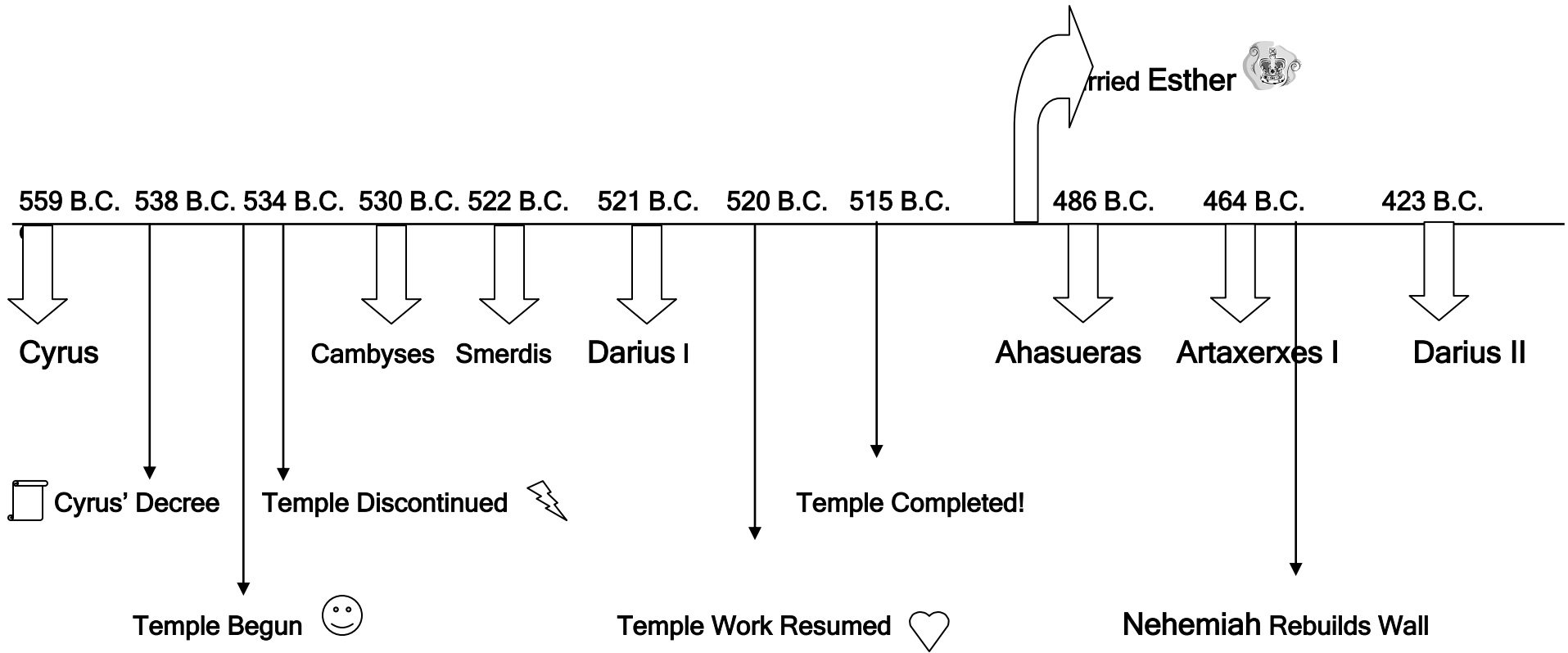
WHERE IT ALL HAPPENED (Ezra; also Esther)



*PERSIA AND JUDAH*



# Rebuild History Timeline



# The First Return

## (Zerubbabel)

Jeremiah 29:10. How many years in exile? \_\_\_\_\_

Isaiah 44:28. "Cyrus, My \_\_\_\_\_"

Isaiah 45:1. "Cyrus, My \_\_\_\_\_"

Cyrus \_\_\_ P \_\_\_\_\_

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A Persian king's **signet ring** meant \_\_\_\_\_

It Was Time for God's People to Rebuild...



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- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

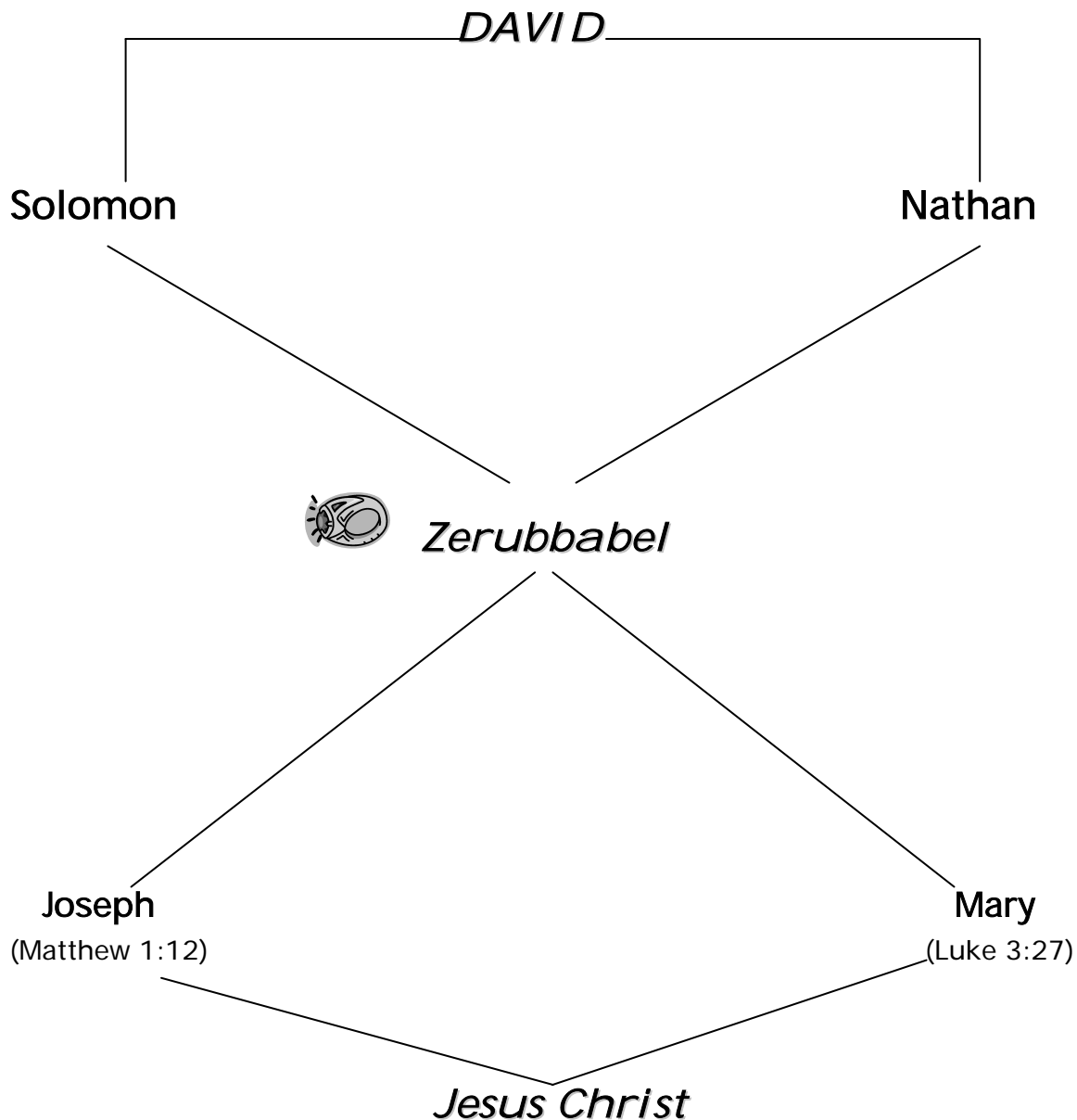
How old did you have to be to work on the temple?

(Ezra 3:8 - 11) \_\_\_\_\_

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All the people cried tears of joy as they looked upon the foundation of the new temple. \_\_\_\_\_

" 'In that day,' says the LORD of hosts, 'I will take you, *Zerubbabel My servant*, the son of Shealtiel,' says the LORD, 'and will make you like a *signet ring*, for I have chosen you,' says the LORD of hosts." Haggai 2:23



**SIGNET RING**--An instrument belonging to a king, used to impress a seal of his ownership and authority. The promises made to **Zerubbabel** by God seem to foreshadow David's greater Son, Jesus Christ.



**ZERUBBABEL** is a direct descendant of both sons of David, Nathan and Solomon. **Mary** is a direct descendant of Nathan (Luke 3) and **Joseph** is a direct descendant of Solomon. Jesus, therefore, has a **legal claim** (through Joseph), **physical claim** (through Mary) and **righteous claim** (He was sinless) to the throne of Israel!