

**INTRODUCTION**

**THE ASSYRIAN EPONYM LISTS**

Date	NAME	Position	Event
_____ BC	Sidki-lu	(gov.) of Tushhan	In the land
_____ BC	Bur-Sagale	(gov.) of Guzana	Revolt in Ashur. Solar eclipse in <i>Simânu</i> [mid-May–Mid-June]
_____ BC	Tâbêl	(gov.) of Amedi	Revolt in Ashur.

**THE BLACK OBELISK AND THE BIBLE**

In 853 BC Shalmaneser III defeated a Syria/Israel alliance at Qarqar

1 Kings 22:1 is pertinent. The battle was in Ahab's first year as king.



In 841 BC Shalmaneser III defeated another Syria/Israel alliance at Damascus

2 Kings 3:1. The battle was in Jehu's first year as king.

**WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED SO FAR?**

Ahab's reign in Israel ended in 853/852 BC

He reigned 22 years (1 Kings 16:29). He became king in 874 BC (852+22)

Jehu's reign in Israel started in 841 BC

**WHAT'S NEXT?**

## ISRAEL'S TIMELINE PRIOR TO AHAB (WHO DIED IN 874 BC)

A	Omri	(Ahab's father) reigned 12 years	(1 Kings 16:23)	-874 12
B	Elah	(Omri's predecessor*) reigned 2 years	(1 Kings 16:8)	-886 ≈2
C	Baasha	(Elah's dad) reigned 24 yrs + 3 yr co-regent	(1 Kings 15:33)	-887 24
D	Nadab	(Baasha's predecessor*) reigned 2 years	(1 Kings 15:25)	-910 2
E	Jereboam	(Nadab's father) reigned 22 years	(1 Kings 14:20)	-912 ≈22
F1	Solomon	(Jereboam's predecessor*) reigned 40 years	(1 Kings 11:42)	-931 40
F2	Solomon	began building the temple in 4th yr as king	(1 Kings 6:1)	-971 -4
G	The Exodus	was 480 years before temple building began	(1 Kings 6:1)	-967 480
H	Israel was in Egypt	for 430 years	(Exodus 12:40)	-1446 430
I	Jacob	met Pharaoh (upon arrival) at age 130	(Genesis 47:9)	-1876 130
J	Isaac	was 60 years old when Jacob was born	(Genesis 25:26)	-2006 60
K1	Abraham	was 100 years old when Isaac was born	(Genesis 21:5)	-2066 100
K2	Abraham	was born in the year 2166 BC	↑	-2166

\*the predecessor was of a different dynasty.

## THE ROLE OF JEHU, WHO KILLED THE KING OF ISRAEL & OF JUDAH IN 841 BC

L1	Jehu	killed J[eh]oram, king of Israel (Samaria); then	(2 Kings 9:24)	-841 0
L2	Jehu	killed Ahaziah, king of Judah, the same day, so	(2 Kings 9:27)	-841 0
L3	Jehu	reigned as Israel's king for 28 years	(2 Kings 10:36)	-841 ≈28
L4	Jehu	died and was buried in the city of Samaria.	↑	-814

## THE TIMELINE OF JUDAH AFTER JEHU KILLED KING AHAZIAH IN 841 BC

M	Ahaziah	was assassinated by Jehu in 841 BC	(2 Kings 11:3-21)	-841 6
N1	Queen Athaliah	the mother of Ahaziah reigned for 6 years	(2 Kings 11:3)	-835 ≈40
N2	Joash	Ahaziah's son, was spared from Athaliah. He became king at her death, reigning 40 years.	(2 Kings 12:1)	↑ -796

## CONCLUSION

