

Saul's Reign

Year	AC	BC	Event	Kings	References	Ages				
				Judah; Israel		Samuel	Saul	Jonathan	Ishbosheth	David
2934	1092		Samuel is urged to set a king over them	Samuel	1 Sam 8	76	40	18	0	
"	"		Saul looks for his father's donkeys	Samuel	1 Sam 9:1-4 (cf. 9:20)	"	"	"	"	
"	"		Lord tells Samuel about Saul	Samuel	1 Sam 9:15-16	"	"	"	"	
"	"		Saul seeks and finds Samuel	Samuel	1 Sam 9:5-14, 17-25	"	"	"	"	
"	"		Saul returns home, prophesying on the way	Samuel	1 Sam 9:26—10:16	"	"	"	"	
"	"		Samuel announces Saul at Mizpah	Samuel	1 Sam 10:17-27					
"	"		Ammonites threaten Jabesh-Gilead; Saul delivers them; Saul's coronation in Gilgal	Saul	1 Sam 11	"	"	"	"	
"	"		Samuel addresses the people	Saul	1 Sam 12	"	"	"	"	
2936	1090		Hard Philistine oppression; Saul foolishly offers a sacrifice; Saul and Jonathan defeat Philistines	Saul	1 Sam 13:1—14:46	78	42	20	2	
~	~		Saul's campaigns	Saul	1 Sam 14:47-52; 1 Chron 5:10, 18-24	~	~	~	~	
2944	1082		David is born	Saul	cf. 2 Sam 5:4	86	50	28	10	0
~	~		Saul's campaigns	Saul	1 Sam 14:47-52	~	~	~	~	~
2959	1067		Saul defeats the Amalekites	Saul	1 Sam 15	101	65	43	25	15
"	"		Samuel anoints David; David joins Saul's court as armorbearer and musician	Saul	1 Sam 16:1-13; <i>Psa</i> 39; 1 Sam 16:14-23; <i>Psa</i> 19; 8	"	"	"	"	"
2964	1062		David kills Goliath	Saul	1 Sam 17	106	70	48	30	20
"	"		Jonathan and David become friends; David praised by women; Saul tries to kill David with a spear	Saul	1 Sam 18:1-4; <i>Psa</i> 23; 1 Sam 18:5-11; <i>Psa</i> 5	"	"	"	"	"
"	"		Saul makes David captain over 1000	Saul	1 Sam 18:12-16	"	"	"	"	"
~	~		Deeds of David's mighty men *	Saul	2 Sam 23:8-12; 1 Chron 11:10-14	~	~	~	~	~
~	~		David marries Michal	Saul	1 Sam 18:17-30; <i>Psa</i> 12	~	~	~	~	~
~	~		More deeds of David's mighty men **	Saul	2 Sam 23:18-39; 1 Chron 11:20-47 **	~	~	~	~	~
~	~		Saul conspires to kill David; David flees	Saul	1 Sam 19:1-17; <i>Psa</i> 59; 11	~	~	~	~	~
~	~		To Naioth with Samuel near Ramah	Saul	1 Sam 19:18-24; <i>Psa</i> 25	~	~	~	~	~
~	~		To Jonathan to see if Saul still wants to kill David; he does (1 st & 2 nd of the month)	Saul	1 Sam 20	~	~	~	~	~
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>2964	>1062	To Nob with Ahimelech the priest	Saul	1 Sam 21:1-9	>106	>70	>48	>30	>20	
~	~	To Achish king of Gath; feigned madness	Saul	1 Sam 21:10-15; Psa 56; 34	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	To cave of Adullam; ~400 men join him including family	Saul	1 Sam 22:1-2	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	Mighty men also join David	Saul	2 Sam 23:13; 1 Chron 11:15; Psa 141	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	To Mizpah of Moab to keep parents safe	Saul	1 Sam 22:3-4; Psa 64	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	David's men fetch water from well in Bethlehem	Saul	2 Sam 23:14-17; 1 Chron 11:16-19	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	To the forest of Hereth	Saul	1 Sam 22:5	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	Saul has Doeg the Edomite kill the priests in Nob; only Abiathar escapes to David	Saul	1 Sam 22:6-23; Psa 52; 35	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	David rescues Keilah from Philistines; Saul begins to go to Keilah to get David; David now has ~600 men	Saul	1 Sam 23:1-5; Psa 140; 31; 1 Sam 23:6-13	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	To the mountains in the Wilderness of Ziph; Jonathan visits David	Saul	1 Sam 23:14; Psa 13; 1 Sam 23:15-18; Psa 17	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	Some Gadites and sons of Benjamin and Judah join David	Saul	1 Chron 12:8-18	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	Ziphites betray David †	Saul	1 Sam 23:19-23 †	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	To Wilderness of Maon; Saul follows, but is called away to battle Philistines	Saul	1 Sam 23:24-28	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	To En Gedi; David does not kill Saul in cave; Saul ceases to pursue David	Saul	1 Sam 23:29; Psa 63; 16; 109; 1 Sam 24:1-22; Psa 57; 142	~	~	~	~	~	
~	~	Samuel dies	Saul	1 Sam 25:1	x	~	~	~	~	
2969	1057	Mephibosheth is born	Saul	cf. 2 Sam 4:4		75	53	35	25	0
~	~	Incident with Nabal; David marries Abigail and Ahinoam; Michal given to Palti	Saul	1 Sam 25:2-44		~	~	~	~	~
?	?	Saul kills Gibeonites	Saul	cf. 2 Sam 21:1		?	?	?	?	?
?	?	Nahash king of Ammon shows kindness to David	Saul	cf. 2 Sam 10:2		?	?	?	?	?
~	~	Saul pursues David once more in the hill of Hachilah, opposite Jeshimon †	Saul	1 Sam 26; Psa 54 †		~	~	~	~	~
2973	1053	David "defects" to Achish king of Gath for 1 year 4 months; based in Ziklag	Saul	1 Sam 27:1-7		79	57	39	29	4
"	"	Men join David in Ziklag **	Saul	1 Chron 12:1-7 **		"	"	"	"	"
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2973	1053	David's campaigns aligned with Achish	Saul	1 Sam 27:8-12	79	57	39	29	4
2974	1052	Philistines go up against Israel; Saul consults a medium; David joins Philistines	Saul	1 Sam 28:1—29:2	80	58	40	30	5
"	"	Some Manassites defect to David	Saul	1 Chron 12:19-20	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	David sent back to Ziklag	Saul	1 Sam 29:3-11	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	Philistines defeat Israelites; Saul and his sons die.	Saul	1 Sam 31:1-7; 1 Chron 10:1-7 (cf. 1 Sam 28:19)	x	x	"	"	"
"	"	Saul's body found and desecrated	--	1 Sam 31:8-10; 1 Chron 10:8-10			"	"	"
"	"	David discovers Ziklag burned by Amalekites; defeats Amalekites and recovers spoils	--	1 Sam 30 (vs. 1); 1 Chron 12:21-22			"	"	"
"	"	Saul's body recovered and burned by those from Jabesh Gilead	--	1 Sam 31:11-13; 1 Chron 10:11-14			"	"	"
"	"	Mephibosheth made lame	--	2 Sam 4:4			"	"	"
"	"	David hears about Israelite defeat; writes Song of the Bow	--	2 Sam 1			"	"	"
"	"	David goes up to Hebron, becomes king of Judah; Abner crowns Ishbosheth king of Israel	David; Ishbosheth	2 Sam 2:1-11			"	"	"

" Same year/age

~ Possible later year or older age

? Complete guess

x Time of death

* Deeds of David's mighty men likely surround marrying of Michal – exact order impossible to determine

** Benaiah son of Jehoiada slaying the Egyptian (2 Sam 23:21; 1 Chron 11:23) could be around time of marrying Michal, or when David was in Ziklag (1 Sam 27:8); it specifically mentions going "as far as the land of Egypt."

† Ziphites betray David twice; Psalm 54 seems to go with latter betrayal since it is while there had been a truce between Saul & David

Samuel's age – discussion in period of judges

Saul's age – various translations of 1 Sam 13:1, particularly the ASV; also Jonathan's age taken into account

Jonathan's age – 20 based on his first military engagement in 1 Sam 13:3

Ishbosheth's age – 2 Sam 2:10

David's age – 2 Sam 5:4; 15 y.o. guess, late teens assumed; 20 y.o. guess, when Saul makes him a captain

Mephibosheth's age – 2 Sam 4:4

Psa 39 Scholarly placement of Psalm (*Reese Chronological Bible*)

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				Judah; Israel		Ishbosheth	David	Mephibosheth	Amnon	Absalom	Adonijah	Solomon
2974		1052	David goes up to Hebron, becomes king of Judah; Abner crowns Ishbosheth king of Israel	David; Ishbosheth	2 Sam 2:1-11	40	30	5				
"		"	Fights over the crown; Abner kills Asahel	David; Ishbosheth	2 Sam 2:12-32	"	"	"				
~		~	Civil war; Abner gains strength in Saul's house	David; Ishbosheth	2 Sam 3:1, 6	~	~	~				
2976		1050	Abner defects to David's faction; Michal returns to David; Joab kills Abner; David mourns	David; Ishbosheth	2 Sam 3:7-39	42	32	7				
"		"	Ishbosheth assassinated; assassins executed	David; Ishbosheth	2 Sam 4:1-3, 5-12	x	"	"				
2977		1049	Amnon is born	David	2 Sam 3:2				0			
2979		1047	Absalom is born	David	2 Sam 3:3				2	0		
2980		1046	Adonijah is born	David	2 Sam 3:4-5				3	1	0	
~		~	Warriors of Israel join David	David	1 Chron 12:23-40		~	~	~	~	~	~
2982		1044	David made king of all Israel	David	2 Sam 5:1-5; 1 Chron 11:1-3; <i>Psa 58; 95</i>		38	13	5	3	2	
"		"	David conquers Jerusalem	David	2 Sam 5:6-10; 1 Chron 11:4-9		"	"	"	"	"	"
"		"	David retrieves ark from Baale Judah, leaves it in Perez Uzzah in house of Obed-Edom (3 mos.)	David	2 Sam 6:1-11; 1 Chron 13; <i>Psa 68</i>		"	"	"	"	"	"
"		"	David builds a house	David	2 Sam 5:11-16; 1 Chron 14:1-7; <i>Psa 30; 101</i>		"	"	"	"	"	"
"		"	David defeats Philistines twice	David	2 Sam 5:17-25; 1 Chron 14:8-17; <i>Psa 124; 139</i>		"	"	"	"	"	"
"		"	David prepares for the ark's arrival	David	1 Chron 15:1-16; 6:31-48; 15:17-24		"	"	"	"	"	"
"		"	Ark is brought to Jerusalem; David dances; Michal displeased	David	2 Sam 6:12-16; 1 Chron 15:25-29; <i>Psa 24</i>		"	"	"	"	"	"

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	“	“	Ark is settled in Jerusalem; duties assigned to Levites	David	2 Sam 6:17-19a; 1 Chron 16	“	“	“	“	“	
	“	“	Michal complains and is punished	David	2 Sam 6:19b-23; <i>Psa 15; 21; 26</i>	“	“	“	“	“	
	“	“	Psalms of the Musicians	David	Psa 96; 105; 106; 50; 73—83; 88	“	“	“	“	“	
	“	“	David resolves to build temple—not allowed, but dynasty promised	David	2 Sam 7; 1 Chron 17; <i>Psa 2; 110</i>	“	“	“	“	“	
	~	~	David's military commanders, officers, and officials established	David	2 Sam 8:15-18; 1 Chron 18:14-17; 27:1-22, 25-33	~	~	~	~	~	
	~	~	David's campaigns and expansion	David	2 Sam 8:1-14; 1 Chron 18:1-13; <i>Psa 60; 9; 108</i>	~	~	~	~	~	
	~	~	David shows Mephibosheth kindness	David	2 Sam 9	~	~	~	~	~	
	~	~	David's servants sent to Ammon humiliated; Ammonite/Syrian alliance defeated by Israel	David	2 Sam 10; 1 Chron 19; <i>Psa 20</i>	~	~	~	~	~	
2992	1034		Joab besieges Rabbah of Ammon; David stays in Jerusalem	David	2 Sam 11:1; 1 Chron 20:1a	48	23	15	13	12	
	“	“	David commits adultery with Bathsheba; Uriah killed; Nathan confronts him	David	2 Sam 11:2—12:15a; <i>Psa 51; 38</i>	“	“	“	“	“	
2993	1033		David's son with Bathsheba ill and dies	David	2 Sam 12:15b-17; <i>Psa 6; 2 Sam 12:18-23; Psa 32; 103</i>	49	24	16	14	13	
2994	1032		Solomon born	David	2 Sam 12:24-25	50	25	17	15	14	0
	“	“	David comes to Rabbah and defeats them	David	2 Sam 12:26-31; 1 Chron 20:1b-3	“	“	“	“	“	“
2996	1030		Absalom kills Amnon	David	2 Sam 13:1-22	“	“	“	“	“	“
	~	~	Absalom flees to Geshur	David	2 Sam 13:23-36	52	27	19x	17	16	2
	~	~	Absalom flees to Geshur	David	2 Sam 13:37-39	~	~		~	~	~
2999	1027		Joab convinces David to bring Absalom back to Jerusalem	David	2 Sam 14:1-27	55	30		20	19	5
	~	~	Absalom stays in Jerusalem for 2 years before an audience with the king	David	2 Sam 14:28-33	~	~		~	~	~
3001	1025		Absalom curries favor with the people	David	2 Sam 15:1-6; <i>Psa 62</i>	57	32		22	21	7

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3005	1021	Absalom orchestrates a coup	David	2 Sam 15:7-15	61	36	26	25	11
"	"	David flees; many still loyal to David (Ittai, priests, Hushai); Ahithophel sides with Absalom	David	2 Sam 15:16-23; Psa 3; 2 Sam 15:24-30; Psa 61; 89; 2 Sam 15:21-37; Psa 22; 14; 53	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	Ziba lies about Mephibosheth; Shimei curses David	David	2 Sam 16:1-4; Psa 41; 2 Sam 16:5-14; Psa 7	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	Hushai "joins" Absalom; Ahithophel gives advice	David	2 Sam 16:15-23	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	Ahithophel and Hushai give conflicting advice; Absalom takes Hushai's advice; David made aware of Absalom's plans and goes to Mahanaim; Ahithophel kills himself; Absalom follows David; David receives aid from Shobi, Machir, and Barzillai	David	2 Sam 17:1-22; Psa 4; 2 Sam 17:23-29; Psa 55; 71; 28; 143; 40; 70; 27; 69	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	David organizes his men and is told to remain in Manahaim; Joab, Abishai, and Ittai defeat Absalom's army; Joab kills Absalom and throws him into a pit	David	2 Sam 18:1-18	"	"	x	"	"
"	"	Messengers send word to David on Absalom's death; David mourns; Joab snaps him out of it	David	2 Sam 18:19-33; Psa 10; 2 Sam 19:1-8	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	David returns to Jerusalem; escorted by Judahites and those loyal to him; Shimei pardoned; Israelites join them	David	2 Sam 19:9-43; Psa 122	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	Sheba son of Bichri rebels; Joab kills Amasa; Joab pursues Sheba; Sheba killed by wise woman	David	2 Sam 20:1-22	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	David reestablishes his officers	David	2 Sam 20:23-26; 1 Chron 27:34	"	"	"	"	"
3008	1018	Three-year famine. David makes reparations for Gibeonites by handing over several of Saul's descendants to be killed; David retrieves the bones of Saul and Jonathan	David	2 Sam 21:1-14; Psa 29; 65	64	39		28	14
~	~	David too faint to go out to battle any longer	David	2 Sam 21:15-17	~	~		~	~
~	~	Philistine giants defeated and killed	David	2 Sam 21:18-22; 1 Chron 20:4-8; Psa 36	~	~		~	~
~	~	David's song when his enemies were defeated	David	2 Sam 22; Psa 18; 144	~	~		~	~

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?	?	Ark moved to Gibeon	David	cf. 2 Sam 15:29; 1 Chron 21:29	?	?	?	?
~	~	David's ill-advised census (9 mo. 20 da.)	David	2 Sam 24:1-9; 1 Chron 21:1-8; 27:23-24	~	~	~	~
~	~	God's ultimatum; plague; sacrifice at Araunah's/Ornah's threshing floor	David	2 Sam 24:10-25; 1 Chron 21:9-30	~	~	~	~
~	~	David prepares for the building of the temple	David	1 Chron 22; <i>Psa 131</i>	~	~	~	~
3014	1012	David is old, names Solomon his successor; he prepares the priests, Levites, musicians, gatekeepers, and treasurers for the temple	David	1 Chron 23—26	70	45	34	20
"	"	Psalms of the Sons of Korah, gatekeepers	David	<i>Psa 42—49; 84; 85; 87</i>	"	"	"	"
"	"	David's Songs of Ascents	David	<i>Psa 122; 124; 131; 133</i>				
"	"	Abishag comes to warm David; Adonijah tries to become king; Joab and Abiathar side with Adonijah; Nathan, Zadok, and Benaiah side with Solomon; Solomon anointed king	David	1 Kgs 1	"	"	"	"
"	"	David's address to the people; gives Solomon plans for temple; offerings given for the temple; David prays	David	1 Chron 28:1-10; <i>Psa 145</i> ; 1 Chron 28:11-19; <i>Psa 86</i> ; 1 Chron 28:20—29:20; <i>Psa 72</i>	"	"	"	"
"	"	David's final words	David	2 Sam 23:1-7; <i>Psa 37; 138</i>	"	"	"	"
"	"	David's final wishes to Solomon (re: Joab, Barzillai, Shimei)	David	1 Kgs 2:1-9	"	"	"	"
"	"	Sacrifices made; Solomon anointed a second time	David; Solomon	1 Chron 29:21-25	"	"	"	"
"	"	Royal/Enthronement Psalms	David; Solomon	Psa 93—95; 97—99				
"	"	David dies	David; Solomon	1 Kgs 2:10-12; 1 Chron 29:26-30	x	"	"	"
"	"	Adonijah seeks Abishag's hand; Solomon carries out David's final wishes (re: Adonijah, Abiathar, Joab, Shimei)	Solomon	1 Kgs 2:13-38		"	x	"