

The **Captivity** and **Return** of the Jews

Three Trips from Jerusalem to Babylon - The **Captivity**

| Date | Captives | Prophets | Foreign Kings |
|------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 606 | Daniel | Daniel (In Babylon) | Nebuchadnezzar |
| 597 | Ezekiel | Ezekiel (In Babylon) | Belshazzar |
| 586 | Zedekiah | Jeremiah (In Jerusalem) | King Cyrus and his General Darius |

“When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.” ([Ps 126:1](#))

Three Trips from Babylon to Jerusalem - The **Return**

| Date | Leaders | Foreign King | Prophets |
|------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 536 | Zerubbabel and Joshua | Cyrus the Great Cambyses Smerdis Darius the Great | Haggai Zechariah |
| 455 | Ezra | Artaxerxes | Ezra |
| 445 | Nehemiah | Artaxerxes | Nehemiah |

The **Return** Stage

Books of The Bible

[Ezra](#) - The Scribe

[Nehemiah](#) - The Builder and Reformer

[Zechariah](#) - The Prophet

[Esther](#) - Queen

[Haggai](#) - The Prophet

[Malachi](#) - The Prophet