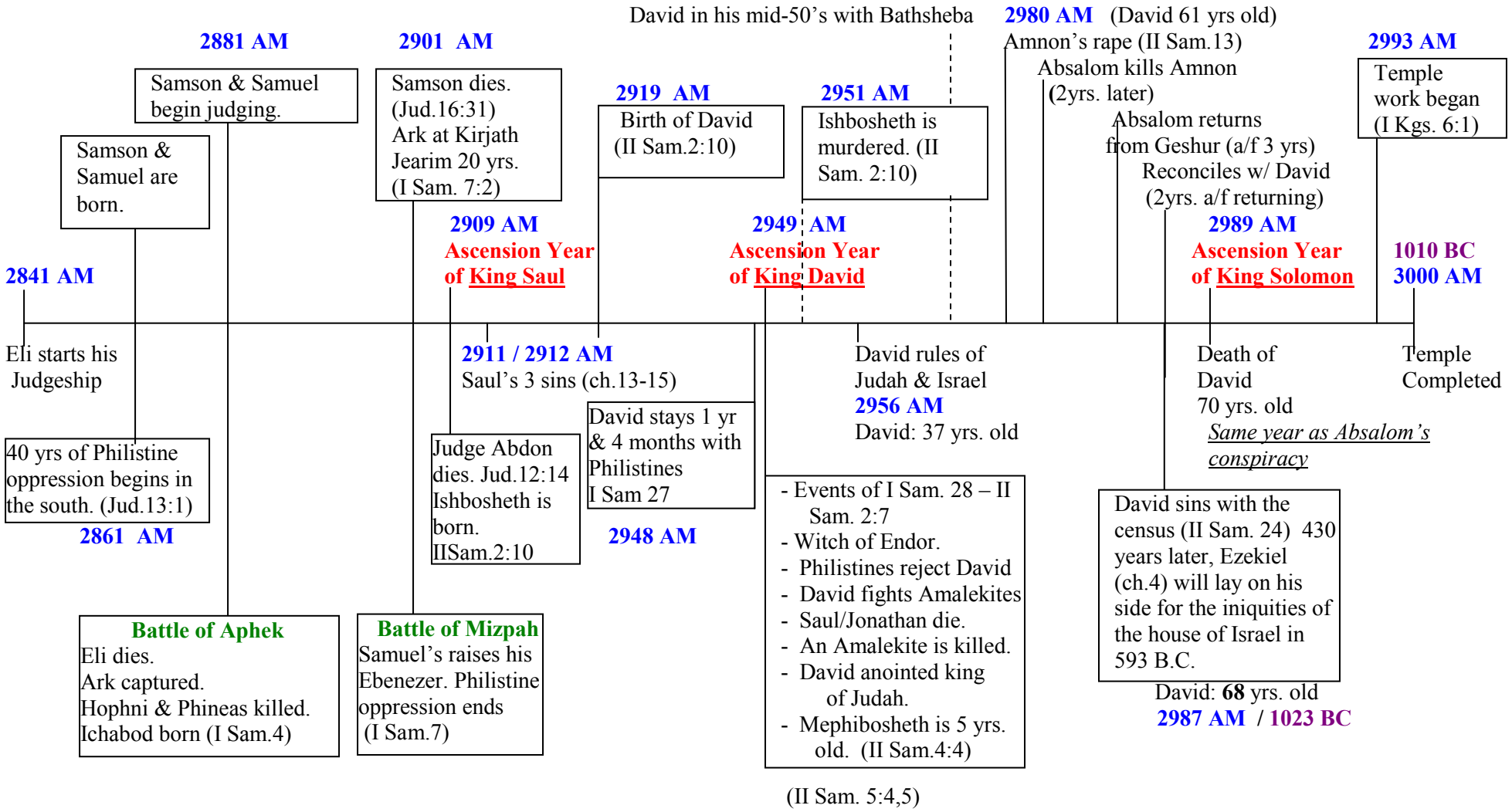
From Judge Eli (in the South) to the Completion of the Solomon's Temple



(II Sam. 5:4,5)

Observations:

1. Including the year of Eli's death, it was 120 years from the capture of the Ark to the completion of the temple. (compare with Gen.6:3)
2. I Sam.13:1 literally says: "A son of one year was Saul when he became king, and two years he reigned over Israel." Spiritually speaking his was adopted by Samuel, and his spiritual significance was destroy after 2 years of rule – during those year he committed the 3 sins in the area of worship, work, and witness (ch.13-15)
2. David was in his 50's when he committed adultery with Bathsheba. The forty years in II Sam. 15:7 is most likely the 40th year of David's reign, and also Absalom's age when he conspired against David. Assuming that Absalom conspired against David for 2 years, this means David was reconciliation with him at the age of 68. Before that reconciliation Absalom was in Jerusalem for 2 years (II Sam.14:28). The previous 3 years, Absalom was in Geshur after killing Amnon (13:38). 2 years before that, Amnon raped Tamar, provoking Absalom's wrath, when David was 61 years old. (This assumes 2 years for Absalom conspiring.) Considering that David sinned a few years earlier with Bathsheba he would have been in his mid-50's.