

POST-EXILE HISTORY

536BC
Began to rebuild the Temple
(Ez.3:1-4:5)



HAGGAI
520 520

ZECHARIAH
520 515

515BC
Temple completed
(Ez.6:15)

MALACHI
433 424

Nehemiah returned to Persia (433BC), then returned to Israel (424BC).

NEHEMIAH
445 415

BABYLONIAN KINGDOM	PERSIAN KINGDOM				
	Cyrus 559-530BC	Cambyses II 530-522BC	Darius 522-486BC	Xerxes I 486-465BC	Artaxerxes I 465-424BC
70-Year Exile in Babylon (Je.25:11-12; 29:11)	 537BC DECREE Cyrus permits Israel to return to homeland (Ez.1:1-4) 537BC		 520BC DECREE EZRA 1-6 521 515	ESTHER 483 473	 457BC DECREE EZRA 7-10 458 440
606-536BC					

Cyrus the Persian conquers Babylon
539BC

FIRST RETURN
Under Zerubbabel to build Temple
(49,897 exiles)
536BC

WORK ABANDONED
Opposition from neighbors and indifference by the Jews caused the work to be abandoned
(Ez.4:1-24)
530BC 520BC

SECOND RETURN
Under Ezra (5,000 exiles)
458BC

THIRD RETURN
Under Nehemiah to build Walls (42,000 exiles)
444BC