

2 Chronicles 22 - 24

When my father and my mother forsake me, the LORD will take me up. Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path.

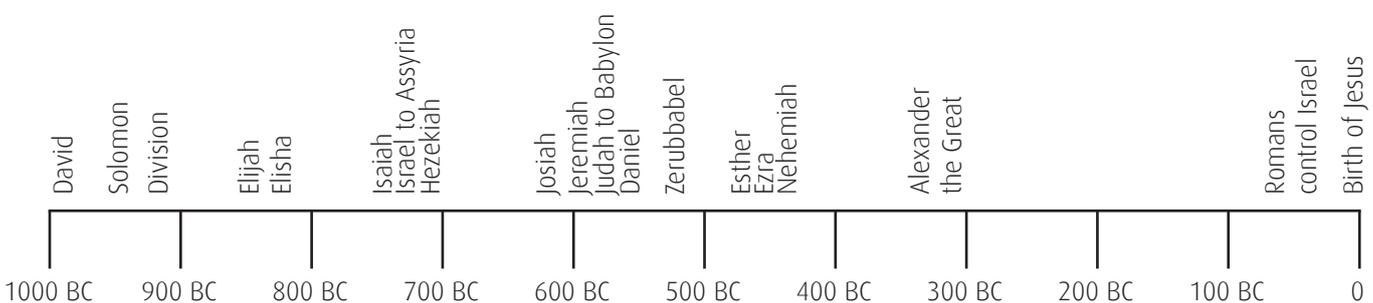
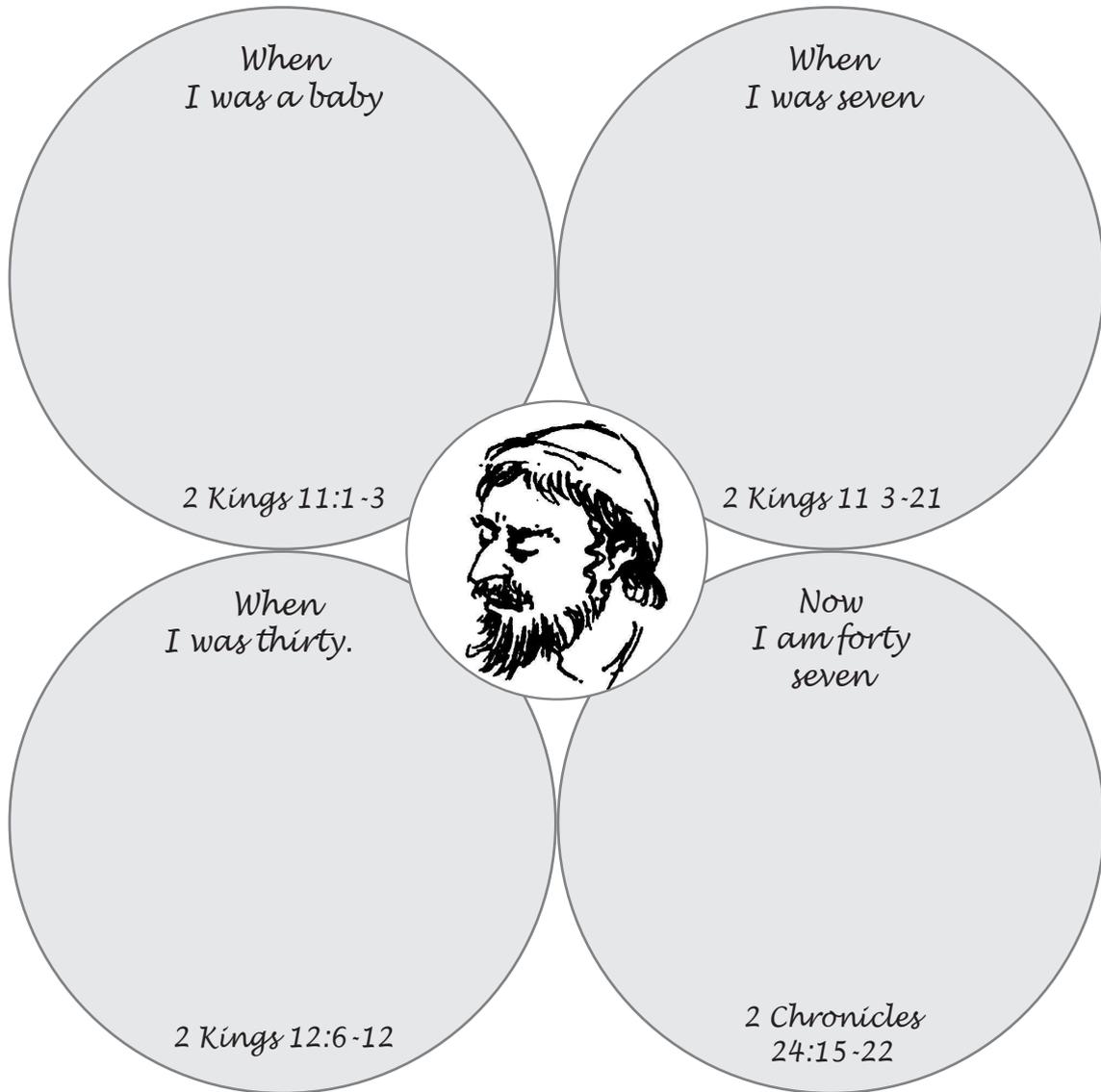
Psalms 27:10,11

Readings this week:

- S 2 Kings 11:1-12
- M 2 Kings 11:13-21
- T 2 Kings 12:1-8
- W 2 Kings 12:9-21
- Th 2 Chronicles 24:15-22
- F Psalm 27
- S 1 John 2:15-17

One of the highlights of Joash's reign was his restoration of the temple, which had become vandalised when Athaliah allowed it to be used for idol worship. Restoring the temple was an important symbol to the people because it showed them that Joash wanted them to restore their relationship with God again and to worship him properly.

Use this page to summarise the life of Joash. Record the people who had influence over his life, and what he did in his life as a result of their influence.



What were the good and bad influences in Joash's life?

What are the things which have influenced you in your life?

How can you change the way you are influenced by things?

Whose responsibility is it to make the decisions in your life?

Make a list together of 5 questions you can ask yourself each time you make a decision, to check that it is the right one.

Make your list into a poem or song and try to remember it.

If your song is good enough the rest of the Sunday school could sing it at the beginning or end of Sunday school.

Think about your friends at school. What are the influences in their lives? Try to decide whether those people and things are strong or weak influences, and whether they are good or bad influences.

	Strong	Weak	Good	Bad
Parents	▬	▬	▬	▬
School teachers	▬	▬	▬	▬
The internet	▬	▬	▬	▬
TV programmes	▬	▬	▬	▬
Footballers	▬	▬	▬	▬
Film stars	▬	▬	▬	▬
Singers	▬	▬	▬	▬
Other friends	▬	▬	▬	▬

Digging Deeper

Two other young kings

Two other kings of Judah were young when they began to reign. Who were they and how old were they when they began their reign? Look at 2 Kings 21:1 and 2 Kings 22:1. You may learn more about them next year.

All three of these kings did wrong things. Some more than others.

Find out about what influenced Jesus as he grew up in Luke 2:48-52: Luke 4:4, 8 and 12.

