

2000 BC

Sometime around here God tells Abraham to go to the Promised Land and start a new nation even though he has zero children; Isaac is born 25 years later



after that stubborn Israel lives in slavery in Egypt, but manages to multiply and become a mighty nation anyway



~1400 or 1200 stubborn Israel argues with God; God puts them in time out in the wilderness for 40 years

~1400 or 1200 stubborn Pharaoh wants to keep his Israelite slaves; God nukes Egypt

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after that God lets Israel nuke the Canaanite; Israel is finally a nation



during this part stubborn Israel likes worshipping idols AND God at the same time; God sends prophets to tell them to knock it off before he has to put them in time out again



586 stubborn Israel keeps worshipping idols; God lets the Babylonians nuke the temple and puts Israel in time out in Babylon for 70 years



~164-67 stubborn Israelites who have returned to Israel nuke the Greeks and have their own independent nation again... until the Romans nuke everybody



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## A Brief and Incomplete History of the Jews and their never-ending stubbornness

1 AD

~30 stubborn Israel crucifies the Messiah



~70 stubborn Israel takes on the Romans; Rome nukes the rebuilt temple



200-500 stubborn Israel is determined to get it right this time; rabbis compile the Talmud, which explains *exactly* what the OT laws mean in a series of documents 6 times the length of the whole OT



700-1000 stubborn Israel still survives as its own group and is accepted and allowed to live by its laws and traditions, particularly in Spain

1000 AD

1000-1200 8 Crusades set out to retake the land of Jesus; as the killers of Jesus, Jews are considered enemies; many are slaughtered or forcibly converted



after 1200 stubborn Israel refuses to convert and becomes educated and rich (the discipline and structure of Judaism can be very healthy), which leads to intermittent persecution



1897 stubborn Israel starts discussing how to get their country back



2000 AD



1948 stubborn Israel fights against overwhelming odds and reestablishes the nation of Israel  
1940's 6 million Jews killed during the Holocaust