

## JERUSALEM OF DAVID DISCOVERED IN THE HOLY CITY'S STRATIGRAPHY

**BIBLICAL STORIES WITHOUT ARCHAEOLOGICAL STRATA** COMPARED TO **STRATA WITHOUT BIBLICAL STORIES** IN **JERUSALEM**.

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**LEFT:** Biblical periods of some 890 years without strata in **JERUSALEM** during the 1060 years from 1200 to 140 BC. **RIGHT:** Jerusalem's strata that fit the Biblical stories without strata [Biberstein/Blödhorn 1994 (BH); Finkelstein/Silberman 2002; 2006; Heinsohn 1991; 1996; 2009; Martin 2017; Mazar 2017; Rohl 1995; 2002]

[IV] HELLENISM 140 to 330	„Archaeological finds [...] are extremely scarce“ (BH). <b>190 years without residential quarters</b> Under Antiochos Epiphanes (175-164) <b>RAID</b> and paganization of <b>Jerusalem's Temple</b> (167 BCE).	(4) HELLENISM 70 AD to 142 BC	<b>Hasmonaean palace, Hellenistic fortress Baris (later Antonia?), new Temple (19 BCE or later), water channel, pilgrim road. DESTRUCTION of Temple in 70 CE.</b>
[III] PERSIAN PERIOD 330 to 550	“Almost total lack of finds“ (BH). <b>220 years without residential quarters</b>	(3) HIGH URBAN 550 to 720	<b>Building explosion</b> to c. 12.000 inhabitants though Biblical records are extremely scarce. The stratum is dated after Senacherib (704-681) who besieged Hiskia (727-698). <b>Temple destructions are dated to 700 and 585 BC</b> . The new walls continue the 1200 BCE walls with nothing for the half millenium in between.
[II] JUDGES AND KINGS 720 to 1200	<b>HIATUS FROM SAUL VIA DAVID TO AHAS.</b> „Building information [Bible] not covered by the finds“ (BH). Nothing for <b>HEBREWS</b> under Yishai and <b>DAVID</b> fighting for <b>JEBU-JERUSALEM</b> in the time of Tyre's <b>ABIMELECH</b> . No trace of the <b>temples built in 957 and 835 BC</b> . “There are no historical sources from Egypt, Asia Minor and Mesopotamia for the years from 1200 to 900“ (Martin 2017). <b>Proto-Aeolic capitals</b> (Mazar 2017) assigned to the year 1000 BCE of King <b>DAVID</b> resemble capitals from the period of the <b>MEDES</b> (Indo-Aryan horse-breeders from 600 BCE brought down by <b>AZIRU</b> the Amorite). <b>480 years without residential quarters</b>	(2) EARLY URBAN 1300/1200 to 1700/1600	<b>CITY with WALLS, FORTRESS, and TEMPLE in the time of DADUA and CHEBA during the MITANNI period.</b>  Letters were written to Amarna about attacks by dangerous <b>HABIRU</b> under Yishua and <b>DADUA</b> fighting <b>CHEBA-URUSALIM</b> in the time of Tyre's <b>ABIMILKI</b> . The Habiru belong to the astronomically dated period of the <b>MITANNI</b> (Indo-Aryan horse-breeders from the 14 <sup>th</sup> c. {brought down by <b>CYRUS THE AMARDIAN</b> } that were unknown to historians up to the late 19 <sup>th</sup> century AD).  <b>CHEBA-URUSALIM of DADUA's MITANNI period is JEBU-JERUSALEM taken by DAVID in the 7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> c. of the MEDES.</b>  <div style="text-align: right;">Gunnar Heinsohn, 09-2021</div>
[I] EXODUS 13th c. to 15th c.	<b>Nothing whatsoever for Exodus period.</b> <b>Joshua evacuates Egypt</b> but Jericho was "small and poor, almost insignificant, and unfortified [and] [t]here was also no sign of a destruction" (Finkelstein/Silberman 2002, 77 ff.).	(1) Old-AKKADIANS /HYKSOS 1700/1600 to 2300	<b>No residential quarters datable to this period. Expulsion of Hyksos from Egypt</b> is time of Jericho's shattered walls. They use Old-Akkadian (Abraham-dated to 2300s) cuneiform, swords etc. (Heinsohn 1991). Seals in <b>graves from Bayit Vagan</b> belong to the time of Naram Sin (Abraham-dated 2254-2218).

## JERUSALEM OF DAVID AND THE CONTROVERSY OF TWO FINE ISRAELI SCHOLARS.

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He believes in the Biblical <b>date</b> of around 1000 BCE for <b>DAVID</b> .	She believes in the <b>existence</b> of <b>DAVID</b> around 1000 BCE.	There are <b>no urban strata in/around Jerusalem datable to 1000 BCE of our textbooks and the Bible</b> .
He believes in the <b>Amarna-letter HABIRU under Yishua and DADUA (time of Tyre's ABIMILKI)</b> , i.e. in the 14 <sup>th</sup> century of the pseudo-astronomically dated period of Amarna and the <b>MITANNI</b> (horse-breeding Indo-Aryans [with <b>SHAUSHATRA</b> , despoiler of Ashur] that are later challenged by <b>AZIRU</b> of Amurru/Martu). <b>URUSALIM does have 14<sup>th</sup> c. urban strata in the time of DADUA + CHEBA.</b>	She believes in the <b>HABIRU under Yishua and DADUA (time of ABIMILKI)</b> during the 14 <sup>th</sup> century of the pseudo-astronomically dated period of Amarna and the <b>MITANNI</b> (horse-breeding Indo-Aryans). To her, <b>DADUA</b> and the <b>CHEBA</b> people of the 14 <sup>th</sup> c. were no less real than <b>DAVID</b> of the 11 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> century <b>JEBU</b> -people. <b>URUSALIM does have 14<sup>th</sup> c. urban strata in the time of DADUA threatening CHEBA.</b>	A stratigraphy based chronology discards pseudo-astronomical dating. It identifies the <b>MITANNI</b> (horse-breeding Indo-Aryans) with the supposedly untraceable <b>7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> c. BCE MEDES</b> (horse-breeding Indo-Aryans [with <b>CYAXARES</b> { <b>real world model for Salomo sagas</b> , despoiler of Ashur] and later challenged by <b>CYRUS</b> the Amorite/Mardian as known from Herodotus's chronology).
<b>JERUSALEM does not have 11<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> c. urban strata in the time of DAVID, JEBU and Tyre's ABIMELECH.</b>	<b>JERUSALEM does have an 11<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> c. palace in time of DAVID, JEBU + Tyre's ABIMELECH.</b> Mazar does not claim that <b>URUSALIM's 14<sup>th</sup> c. strata of DADUA'S</b> time must be given to <b>DAVID's JERUSALEM.</b>	Stratigraphically, the <b>HABIRU under Yishua and DADUA (time of Tyre's ABIMILKI)</b> are identical with <b>HEBREWS under Yishai and DAVID (time of Tyre's ABIMELECH)</b> . They belong to the time of the <b>MEDES. CHEBA equals JEBU!</b>
He sees the similarity of Mazar's " <b>proto</b> "-Aeolian capital with <b>genuine</b> Aeolian capitals of the <b>7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> c. BCE</b> , i.e. in Herodotus's chronology of the <b>MEDES</b> .	King <b>DAVID's</b> palace is identified by a " <b>proto</b> "-Aeolian capital that is very similar to <b>genuine</b> Aeolian capitals of the <b>7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> c. BCE</b> time of the <b>MEDES</b> .	Aeolian columns are unknown before the <b>7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> c.</b> of <b>MEDES</b> and Akhaemenids. Therefore, Mazar must label <b>DAVID's</b> Aeolian capitals " <b>proto</b> "-Aeolian to match the 11 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> c. Bible date she accepts fundamentalistically.
He is dogmatic regarding textbook chronology but serious about stratigraphy: absent strata must be acknowledged. No way out of <b>DADUA/DAVID</b> paradox.	She is dogmatic regarding textbook chronology and unconcerned about stratigraphy. Yet, she is serious about King <b>DAVID</b> . No way out of " <b>proto</b> "-Aeolian problem.	Do not automatically delete text sources because they do not fit our textbook chronology! Finkelstein wants to abolish <b>DAVID</b> in Jerusalem, for whom – something like this is rare – there are three types of sources (Hebrew, cuneiform, archaeological), because the gifted Israeli puts their textbook dates above their evidence.
FINKELSTEIN'S THESIS	MAZAR'S ANTI-THESIS	<b>STRATIGRAPHY'S SYNTHESIS</b>
There was <b>no DAVID</b> with a palace in the <b>JEBU-JERUSALEM</b> of <b>1000 BCE</b> . Mazar is wrong. Yet, Mazar is correct with <b>DADUA</b> of the 14 <sup>th</sup> c. <b>CHEBA-URUSALIM.</b>	There was at least a <b>DAVID</b> palace in <b>JEBU-JERUSALEM</b> of <b>1000 BCE</b> . Finkelstein is wrong. Yet, she shares Finkelstein's belief in <b>DADUA</b> of the 14 <sup>th</sup> c. <b>CHEBA-URUSALIM.</b>	>Question Biblical numerology-dates as well as pseudo-astronomical Sothic retro-calculations! >FINKELSTEIN is right with the <b>MEDISH 7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> century</b> for the Aeolian capitals but wrong to discard <b>DAVID</b> . >MAZAR is wrong with 1000 BCE and " <b>proto</b> "-Aeolian but right with <b>DAVID</b> . >Both must forego a 14 <sup>th</sup> century <b>DADUA</b> and some <b>700 years</b> of Jerusalem's chronology.
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