Job

- Offering of sacrifice by the head of the family
- Uses of the names for God.
 - o Elohim 17 times
 - o Shaddai 31 times
 - YHWH 32 times
- After Adam, but before the Law?

Ruth

- Historical setting was during the time of the Judges
 - David began to reign in 1010.
 - He was 30 years old
 - Born in 1040.
 - Assuming 25 years for birth of each
 - Jesse 1065
 - Obed 1090
 - Birth of Obed to Birth of David: 50 years
 - Date of end of Samson, beginning of Eli, birth of Samuel?
 - Eli judged Israel 40 years
- Date of writing was most likely after the birth of David but before Solomon

Obadiah

- 2 Kings 8:16-25; 2 Chronicles 21:1-20
 - Similarity of 1-9 to Jeremiah 49:7-22
- Final destruction of Jerusalem in 586 B.C.

Joel

- Good Question!!!
- No mention of a king
- No mention of the Northern Kingdom (Samaria)
- Mentions the walls of Jerusalem.
- Joel 3:18 and Amos 9:13 are similar. Earlier than Amos (755 B.C.)
- Some think during reign of Joash (2 Kings 11) when Jehoiada exercised strong control.

Amos

- Reign of Uzziah and Jeroboam
- Earthquake
 - o Zechariah 14:5
 - \circ $\;$ Exact time of the earthquake cannot be established.
- 2 Kings 15; 2 Chronicles 26

Jonah

- 2 Kings 14:25
- Amaziah, King of Judah
- Jehoash and Jeroboam II, kings of Israel

Hosea

- 2 Kings 15-20
- Jeroboam began his reign in the 15th year of Uzziah
- 2 Chronicles 26 32

Isaiah

- Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah
- Uzziah through Hezekiah 105 years
- Isaiah : 740 680 B.C.

Micah

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Nahum

- Referred to the fall of Thebes: 661 B.C.
- Fall in Nineveh is future: before 612 B.C.
- During reigns of Manasseh (696 642) and Josiah (641 609).

Zephaniah

- Early part of Josiah's reign (641-609)
- Before reform of 621 B.C.

Habakkuk

- Probably during the reign of Jehoiakim (610 599)
- Babylonians are well-know and formidable
- Probably after the fall of Nineveh (612)
- After death of Josiah (605)
- Maybe after battle of Carchemish (605)
- First Babylonian invasion (605)
- Second Babylonian invasion (597)\
- Maybe 608/607 B.C.

Jeremiah

- 13th year of Josiah until fall of Jerusalem
- 626 586 B.C.

Lamentations

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Ezekiel

- 5th year of the captivity of Jehoiachin (592 B.C.)
- Last dated discourse was 27th year of Jehoiachin's captivity 570 B.C. (Ezekiel 29:17-21)
- Nebuchadnezzar's second invasion: 597 B.C.

Daniel

- 3rd year of Jehoiakim (605 B.C.) Daniel 1
- 3rd year of Cyrus (536 B.C.) Daniel 10
- Span of 69 years

Haggai

- 2nd year of King Darius on the first day of the 6th month
- Darius : 521 486 B.C.
- 519 B.C.

Zechariah

- 2nd year of King Darius in the 8th month
- Darius : 521 486 B.C.
- 519 B.C.

Esther

• Xerxes (486-465 B.C.)

Malachi

- The temple had already been rebuilt and sacrifice reinstituted. (1:7, 10; 3:1)
- Persian governor was in authority at that time.
- Could not have been during either of Nehemiah's governorships (445 and 433)
- The sins which Malachi denounces are the same of those Nehemiah had to correct during his second term.
- Probably around 425 420.