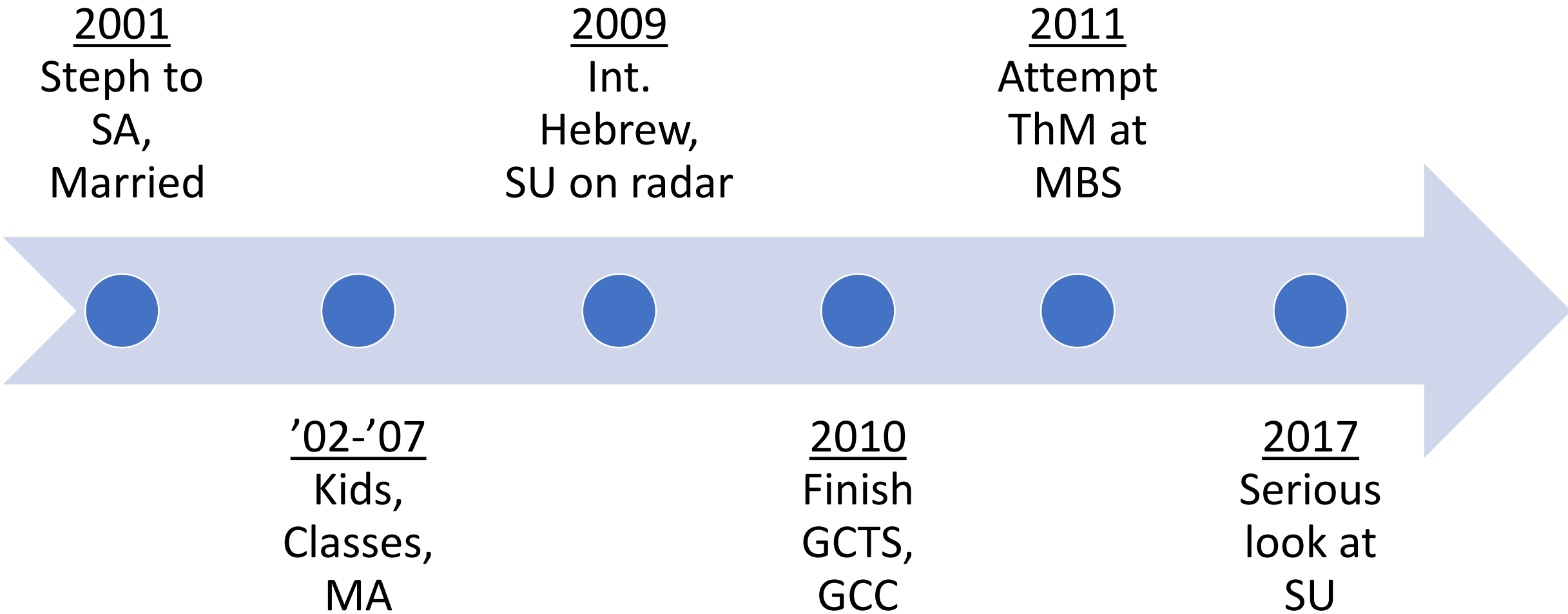


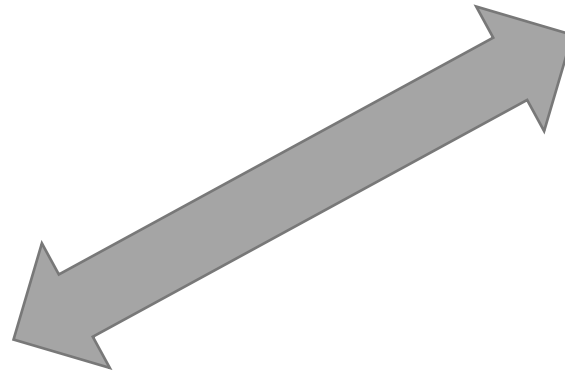
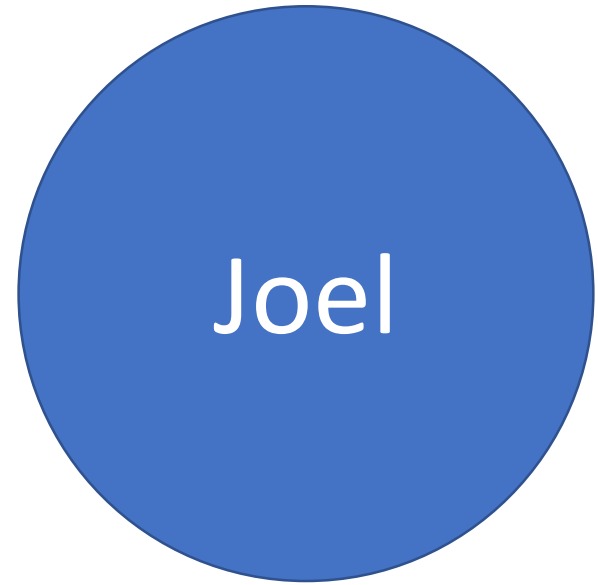
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Deuteronomy 17

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¹⁷ He shall not multiply wives for himself, or else his heart will turn away; nor shall he greatly increase silver and gold for himself.

1 Chronicles 1

¹ Adam, Seth, Enosh,

² Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared,

³ Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech,

⁴ Noah, Shem, Ham and Japheth.

2 Chronicles 36

²² Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia-- in order to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah-- the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he sent a proclamation throughout his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying,

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Exodus

^{1:14} and they made their lives bitter with hard labor in mortar and bricks and at all kinds of labor in the field, all their labors which they rigorously imposed on them.

^{2:23} During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God.

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^{5:9-11} Let the labor be heavier on the men, and let them work at it so that they will pay no attention to false words."

So the taskmasters of the people and their foremen went out and spoke to the people, saying, "Thus says Pharaoh, 'I am not going to give you any straw.

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^{6:6} Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from their bondage. I will also redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments.

^{6:9} So Moses spoke thus to the sons of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses on account of their despondency and cruel bondage.

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Exodus

7:4 When Pharaoh does not listen to you...

7:13 Still Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

7:16 "You shall say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, sent me to you, saying, "Let My people go, that they may serve Me in the wilderness. But behold, you have not listened until now."

7:22 But the magicians of Egypt did the same by their secret arts. So Pharaoh's heart remained hardened, and he would not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

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Exodus

8:15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was relief, he hardened his heart and did not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

8:19 Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, "This is the finger of God." But Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he did not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

9:12 And the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not listen to them, just as the LORD had spoken to Moses.

11:9 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Pharaoh will not listen to you, so that My wonders will be multiplied in the land of Egypt."

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Exodus 5

³⁻⁸ Then they said, "The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Please, let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God, otherwise He will fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword."

So the same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters over the people and their foremen, saying, "You are no longer to give the people straw to make brick as previously; let them go and gather straw for themselves.

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Judges 9

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1 Chronicles 12

³⁸ All these, being men of war who could draw up in battle formation, came to Hebron with a perfect heart to make David king over all Israel; and all the rest also of Israel were of one mind to make David king.

³⁹ They were there with David three days, eating and drinking, for their kinsmen had prepared for them.

⁴⁰ ... **There was joy indeed in Israel.**

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2 Chronicles 13

⁶ "Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, rose up and rebelled against his master,

⁷ and worthless men gathered about him, scoundrels, who proved too strong for Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, when he was young and timid and could not hold his own against them.

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1 Chronicles 12

¹⁸ Then the Spirit came upon Amasai, who was the chief of the thirty, and he said, "We are yours, O David, And with you, O son of Jesse! Peace, peace to you, And peace to him who helps you; Indeed, your God helps you!" Then David received them and made them captains of the band.

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2 Samuel 20

¹ Now a worthless fellow happened to be there whose name was Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjamite; and he blew the trumpet and said, "We have no portion in David, Nor do we have inheritance in the son of Jesse; Every man to his tents, O Israel!"

² So all the men of Israel withdrew from following David and followed Sheba the son of Bichri; but the men of Judah remained steadfast to their king, from the Jordan even to Jerusalem.

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- Philippians 2:8

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But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption...

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For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

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Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

- Matthew 11:28-30