

not just a select beliefs, a history of people (often called Hebrews)
Israelites

Both religion and history based on

Hebrew Scriptures:

Christians "old testaments"

Jews "The Bible"

many books different genres

mystic stories, historic accounts, songs

First 5 Books:

The testimonial- the law Exodus, Genesis determines how the
Jews became chosen people

The patriarch Period- 2000 - 1250 B.C.E.

Monotheism- one god Jaweh

Male dominate- God the father, king and goddess. male priests,
more than one wife polygamy, cities are dangerous county = good

Idea of Covenant:

Noah- Noah's ark

Abraham- became the father of the Jews *kill your son for me*

Sons of Jacob- 12 sons; 12 tribes of Israel

Moses grew up as an Egyptian and wanted to return to Palestine

Passover: Hebrew people were able to get out of Egypt
because God sent the angel of Death who passed over all the
Hebrews houses and killed everyone else

Period of Exodus and Sinai

closes the patriarchal period

been in Egypt as slaves

clear collection of laws

Where god gave Moses the ten commandments

Jews wouldn't eat pork because it made them different from
everyone

Period of Judge

establishes what you are supposed to do and not do during this
period

transforms into the period of monarchy

Period of Monarchy

Saul- first monarchy king

David- leaders also famous for killing a giant
Solomon- leader and was a king for Jerusalem
Jerusalem is the only city not on water and the center of the religion.
they have THE temple

Age of Prophets

same as the exile

explains why they were so bad, why god was mad at them
Isaiah- gets hope that a Messiah will come and bring glory
Jeremiah- theistic philosophy of history

Exile

Babylonian Captivity- how to have Judaism and exile
had local synagogues and local rabbis who could help keep the religion in the city

Cyrus the Great of Persia conquers Babylonians
allowed the Jews to go home to Jerusalem
made two temples

Alexander shows up and conquers Palestine

Hellenistic Period

becomes part of one of the successor empires for Rome
ideas from Judaism became broader ideas in Hellenistic Period
sprouts out other religions
translated their bible to Greek
Greek version took on a life of its own
Christianity took over the Greek version of the bible not the Hebrew version