

HANDOUT – BABYLONIAN KINGS

Neo-Babylonian Empire		
626 BC – 605 BC	Nabopolassar	First king of new empire
605 BC – 562 BC	Nebuchadnezzar	Son of Nabopolassar. Per Jer 27:7 "All the nations shall serve him and his son and his grandson until the time of his own land comes ; then many nations and great kings will make him their servant."
562 BC – 560 BC	Evil-Merodach	Son of Nebuchadnezzar. Was killed in a rebellion – probably by his brother-in-law who took his throne. Mentioned in 2 Kings 25:27 and Jer 52:31.
560 BC – 556 BC	Neriglissar	Son-in-law of Nebuchadnezzar. He was a commoner who married the daughter of Nebuchadnezzar. Believed to be the same person referred to in Jer 39 as Nergal-Sharezer, then serving as a high official to Nebuchadnezzar.
556 BC	Labashi-Marduk	Young grandson of Nebuchadnezzar. Killed only a few months after succeeding his father to the throne.
556 BC – 539 BC	Nabonidus	A royal official and diplomat who served under Nebuchadnezzar. He was in his 60's when he came to the throne. It was under his rule that Babylon fell to Cyrus. He was absent from Babylon for most of his reign. During his absence, he left his son, Belshazzar, ruler over Babylon and commander of the main part of his army.