

# ASSYRIAN KINGS AND THE SOUTHERN KINGDOM

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## Assyrian King                      Clashes with the Southern Kingdom

Tiglath-pileser III (745-727)	<b>Ahaz</b> refused to join any alliance against him and paid him a large sum of money in order to obtain protection.
Sargon II (722-705)	Mentioned in Isa. 20:1 with reference to his conquest of Ashdod (Philistia). <b>Hezekiah</b> , in spite of his anti-Assyrian stance, managed to keep out of Sargon's cross-hairs.
Sennacherib (705-681)	His 701 BC invasion of Judah crippled it significantly and only God's supernatural intervention spared Jerusalem (and <b>Hezekiah</b> ) from destruction.
Ashurbanipal (668-627)	Imprisoned <b>Manasseh</b> in Babylon (and then returned him to his throne). During his reign, Assyria conquered Thebes, an event to which Nahum refers (Nah. 3:8).
Ashur-uballit II (612-609)	The Assyrian king that Pharaoh Necho II was on his way to help when <b>Josiah</b> unwisely intervened and was killed.