

David is promised that his house will occupy the throne forever

David's descendants (some): Solomon, to Rehoboam to Abijah to Asa to Jehoshaphat to Jehoram to Ahaziah

Ahaziah marries Athaliah, daughter of Ahab, king of Israel (Northern Kingdom)

Youngest of Ahaziah's sons is Joash

Joash is king. Jehoiada is high priest

Jehoiada presents Joash as king. Athaliah is executed

Jehoiada, the high priest, hides Joash, the rightful heir to the throne and a descendent of David, until he is 7

After murdering all other relatives to Ahaziah, except Joash, Athaliah becomes queen of Judah

Ahaziah is assassinated