

13a. Josiah ("May Yahweh give")	13b. Constans II (also called Constantine III)
13.1a. Reigned 31 years (2K 22:1-2). Starting with him, hard times in God-praising kingdom invaded by Pharaoh Necho, king Nebuchadnezzar, and ended in wars and slavery	13.1b. Ruled for 26 years in 642-668 A.D. From Constans II, hard times in Byzantine Empire, until crisis at end of 7th c. A.D. when Arabic hordes invaded. "The 7th c. A.D. in the history of Byzantine is one of the gloomiest periods ..." ([70], pp. 46-47)
13.2a. Pharaoh Necho came with war, and killed Josiah (2K 23:29). Bible spoke of God's banishing Israel (2K 23:26-27) attacked by two enemies, Pharaoh Necho and Nebuchadnezzar	13.2b. Byzantine armies were defeated by Arabs c. 641 A.D. ([121], p. 367). Empire lost provinces after it was attacked by two enemies, Arabs and Bulgars, who eventually established themselves on Balkans in 679 A.D. ([121], p. 368; [124])
14a. Jehoahaz ("grasped by God")	14b. Constantine II
14.1a. Reigned less than 1 year (2K 23:31). Little known. Made war with Pharaoh, was deposed, and died in prison (2K 23)	14.1b. Ruled for less than 1 year in 641-642 A.D. [70]. Little known. Made war with Arabs without success. Circumstances of his overthrow and death are unknown
15a. Jehoiakim ("may God rise up")	15b. Constantine IV
15.1a. Reigned 11 years (2K 23:36). All his rule was spent in wars with Nebuchadnezzar and Necho (2K 24)	15.1b. Ruled for 17 years in 668-685 A.D. (<i>ibid.</i>). According to another version, ruled until 679 A.D., which makes 11 years. Name: "standing firm". All his rule was spent in wars with Arabs and Bulgars ([121], pp. 372-373)
15.2a. Fall of Jerusalem was described, as well as defeat of God-praising armies and crushing "temple", capturing all Jerusalem's citizens (2K)	15.2b. "The long 7th-c. wars led to the formerly multi-national Eastern Roman Empire ceasing to exist" ([121], p. 373)
16a. Jehoiachin ("may God establish")	16b. Heracleon
16.1a. Reigned less than 1 year (2K 24:8-9). Little known. His "biography" is practically identical with that of Jehoahaz (see above)	16.1b. Ruled for less than 1 year in 641-642 A.D. His rule practically unknown. Co-ruled with Constantine II (= Jehoahaz), which possibly accounts for similarity of biographies (see left column)