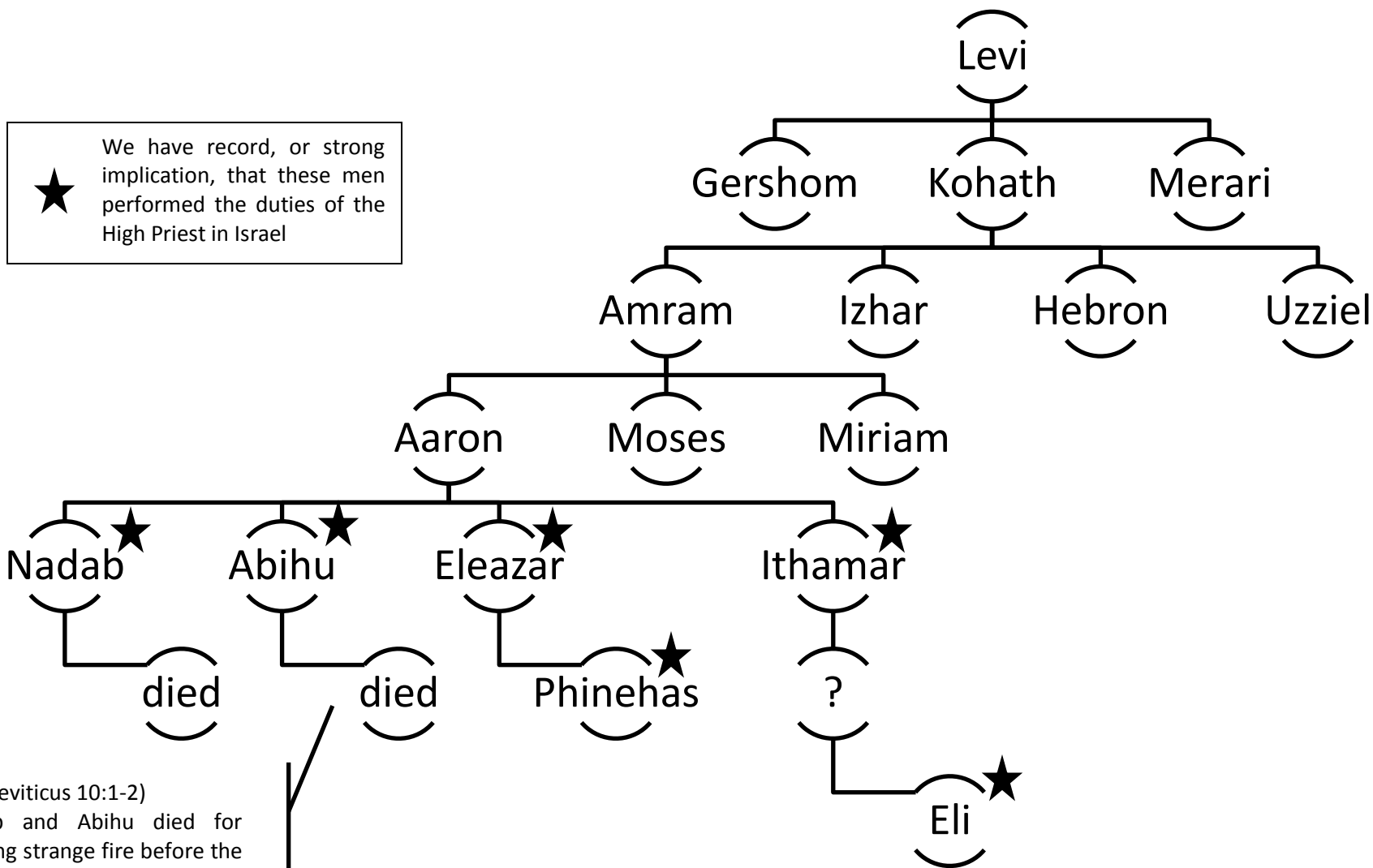


History of the High Priesthood, God's promises, and their fulfillment



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(See Leviticus 10:1-2)
 Nadab and Abihu died for offering strange fire before the LORD; a stirring picture of God's expectation of **proper** worship, not any worship. It appears alcohol induced their sin (Leviticus 10:9-10)

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Nadab

Abihu

Eleazar

Ithamar

(See Numbers 25:11)

Perpetual priesthood first promised to Phinehas for his zeal against sin. Was the priest when Israel entered the promised land (Joshua 22)

Phinehas

Abishua

Bukki

Uzzi

Zerahaiah

Meraioth

Amariah

Ahitub

Zadok

Ministry Continues



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(See 1 Kings 1:8; 2:35)

High Priest during the reign of David with Abiathar. Was faithful to King Solomon when conflict arose with Absalom. For his faithfulness to God's anointed, God promised Zadok a perpetual priesthood before the LORD in every generation, including in the Millennial Kingdom (see Ezekiel 44:15)

Eli was God's High Priest at the end of the judges. Due to Eli and his sons' rebellion, God promised that (1) there would never be an old man in Eli's household and (2) The family would be removed from the Priesthood (1 Samuel 2:31-35)

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Eli

Hophni

Phinehas

Ichabod

Ahitub

Ahiah

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Ahimelech

Abiathar

Ahimelech

End of ministry

1 Samuel 14:3 records the lineage of Phinehas

Killed by Doeg the Edomite at the command of Saul, because he helped David flee (1 Samuel 21-22)

(See 1 Samuel 22:20; 1 Kings 1:7; 2:26-27)
High Priest during the reign of David with Zadok. Fled to David after the death of his father Ahimelech. Followed after Adonijah in his rebellion against David's son Solomon. Was cast out of the priesthood by Solomon for his unfaithfulness, in accordance with God's promise to Eli the priest in 1 Samuel 2:31

(See 2 Samuel 8:17)
Ahimelech is said to be a "son of Ithamar" in 1 Chronicles 24:3, revealing the whole family to be of Ithamar's lineage, something we find nowhere else about Eli's family