Questions, week 2

1. What is Finkelstein’s point in this book?
2. What kind of evidence does he use to prove this point?
3. What kind of evidence is opposed to his conclusions?
4. Why does it matter which version is “true”?
5. What are the arguments for and against the Exodus in 1440 BCE?
6. Did Joshua conquer the Land of Israel?
7. Who were the ancient Israelites; how do we identify them?
8. Was there a golden age under Kings David and Solomon?
9. What is the importance of the stables at Meggido?
10. How can we decide between the “short” and “long” histories of the Jews?