



# ***UNDERSTANDING BIBLICAL CHRONOLOGY***

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## The Godhead

The *FATHER*, The *SON*, The *HOLY SPRIT* are co-equal and co-eternal. The Father is the planner, the Son is the doer, the Holy Sprit reveals God's Plan. Prior to any created thing, there was the God-head. Eternity applied to God means He has always existed and always will exist with no beginning and no end, Jn.1:1-5.

God has always existed apart from time, which is His invention. God is not subject to time. He is the cause of time, Deut.32:40, Psm.90:2, 102:27, 1Cor.2:7, Eph.1:4, 1Tim.1:17. Both time and space, though, without substance, were created by God.

God is not time, but time is in God. God transcends all His creations including time. Time, which is finite, has both succession and duration. Eternity, which is infinite, has duration only. Just as God is not subject to time, He is not subject to space. God is the cause of space, Rom.8:20.

All three personalities of the Godhead share the same essence. One simple analogy of this relationship is water. It can be a liquid, a solid or a gas but it always maintains the chemical properties of water, H<sub>2</sub>O. What makes it water does not change.

**THE ESSENCE OF GOD**  
*Sovereignty, Righteousness,  
Justice, Love, Eternal Life,  
Omniscience (all knowing),  
Omnipresence (all present),  
Omnipotence (all powerful),  
Immutability, Veracity*

## The Creation of the Angels

God created heaven then He created the Angels in eternity past to serve Him. Angels were created as eternal beings not subject to death or age. The angels were all created perfect and sinless as the case with Lucifer makes apparent, Ezek.28:15.

The angels served God in heaven for an unspecified period of time prior to the beginning of the angelic conflict. To this point, the angels had never witnessed God create anything. Heaven was created by God prior to the creation of the angels and all the angels were created at one time, Col.1:16,17; Neh.9:6; Psm.148:2,5.

Now Lucifer, the most beautiful and powerful of all the angels, was assigned to serve God in His Throne Room in heaven. He observed God's glory in ways other angels could not see. Lucifer, who later became known as Satan, became enamored with himself and his position. Ezek.28:17 He committed the sin of pride because he thought he could be like the Most High God, Isa.14:12-14.

Once Satan made his choice to go negative towards God and His plan, he opened the potential for all angels to do the same. So, God demonstrated His creative power to the angels by creating the universe in their presence, Job 38:4-7. But, Satan was still able to influence a third angels to become likeminded with him and revolt against God.

God, in His permissive will, allowed this Angelic Revolt to continue for an unspecified period of time, Ezek.28:15-17; Rev.12:4. Then God's overruling will stepped in. God had given the angels enough time and opportunity to witness His essence and to choose for or against Him. Because of their negative volition and evil, God pronounced judgment on Satan and the fallen angels, Isa.14:15. God sentenced all the fallen angels to the Lake of Fire for all eternity.

However, prior to carrying out this sentence, God provided a demonstration for all of the angels to show He was just in His sentence. God restored the earth and created mankind. God gives mankind, a much lessor creation to the angels, the ability to choose for or against Him. If mankind can choose to follow God and His plan, the fallen angels have no excuse and their sentence is therefore just. The earth now becomes the center stage for the resolution of the Angelic Conflict.

## The Creation of the Universe

The angels witnesses to the creation of the universe.  
Job.38:4-7

*"In the beginning, God created heaven and earth."* Gen.1:1

*For thus says the Lord, who created the heavens (He is the God who formed the earth and made it, He established it and did not create it a waste place, but formed it to be inhabited). I am the Lord, and there is none else."* Isa.45:18

*"The earth was (became) formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters."* Gen.1:2

God is perfect and His creations are perfect. God created the universe perfect ready to be inhabited and not a waste place. The universe we see today is nothing like the universe that God originally created.

Therefore, there is a gap of time between Gen.1:1 and Gen.1:2 in which God in His permissive will allowed the fallen angels to take their negative volition towards Him to its ultimate climax. This gap of time contains certain events that took place in the Angelic Conflict that we are not privy to. These events that occurred during this gap resulted in the earth as well as the entire universe being placed in judgment by God. Job 26:11-13 God created the darkness that now envelopes the universe. God, in effect, turned out the lights and cast the entire universe into judgment.

After God judged the fallen angels, He restored the earth from it's dismal state to be inhabited by mankind. The earth is now the focal point in the resolution of the Angelic Conflict.

## The Restoration of the Earth

**DAY 1** Gen.1:3-5, “Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. God saw that the light was good: and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.”

**DAY 2** Gen.1:6-8, “Then God said, ‘Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters’. God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.”

**DAY 3** Gen.1:9-13, “Then God said, ‘Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear’; and it was so. God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and God saw it was good. Then God said “Let the earth sprout vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind with seed in them’; and it was so. There was evening and there was morning, a third day.”

**DAY 4** Gen.1:14-19, “Then God said, ‘Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years; and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth’”, and it was so. God made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night’; He made the stars also. God placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth; and to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good. There was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.”

**DAY 5** Gen.1:20-23, “Then God said, ‘Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens.’ God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’ There was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.”

**DAY 6** Gen.1:24-31, “The God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind; cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind’; and it was so. God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that it was good. Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’ God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God blessed them; and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’ Then God said, ‘Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food.’ and it was so. God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.”

**DAY 7** Gen.2: 1-3, “Thus the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their host. By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.”

2Pet.3:8, “But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.” Human history from Adam to the Great White Throne Judgment will last 7,000 years. Mankind, who has not been privy to witness the majestic power of God as the angels have and who is a much lessor creation compared to angels, must walk by faith whereas the angels walked by sight. By this, mankind will prove to all the angels that God’s judgment on the fallen angels was righteous and just.

## THE DIVINE INSTITUTIONS

### Divine Institution #1: Volition

Even though there are variations in the human race as to human IQ and specific abilities, all members of the human race possess free will. They are free to believe in or reject Jesus Christ as Savior. Jn.3:18,36

### Divine Institution #2: Marriage

God seeing that it was not good for man to be alone made him a help mate. Gen.2:18 The man and the woman are to become one flesh. *For this cause a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall cleave to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.* Gen.2:24

### Divine Institution #3: Family

God has ordained the protection, provision and training of children by parents in the family structure. Deut.6:6-9 Parents are responsible to teach their children about Jesus Christ. Psm.34:11; 78:5; 127:3 Children are to obey their parents. Eph.6:1

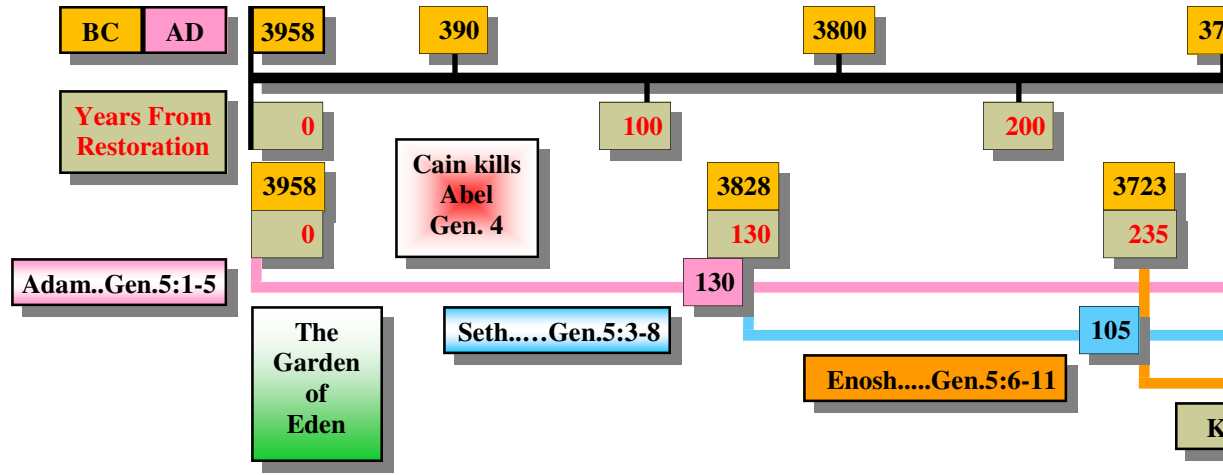
### Divine Institution #4: Nationalism

Since we are in the Devil's world, God has provided protection for mankind by dividing the world into national entities. Gen.10:5; Deut.32:8; Psm.86:9; Acts.17:26-28 When nations get into evil, God judges them. Job.12:23; Psm.135:10

## OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy	1405-1445 BC
Joshua	1405-1370 BC
Job	Date Uncertain
Judges	1050-1000 BC
Ruth	1000 BC
Psalms	Various Dates
Song of Solomon	965 BC
Proverbs	950-700 BC
Ecclesiastes	935 BC
I and II Samuel	930 BC
Obadiah	841 BC
Joel	835 BC
Jonah	760 BC
Amos	755 BC
Isaiah	740-680 BC

Hosea	710 BC
Micah	700 BC
Nahum	663-612 BC
Jeremiah	627-585 BC
Zephaniah	625 BC
Habakkuk	606-604 BC
Ezekiel	592-570 BC
Lamentations	586 BC
I and II Kings	550 BC
Daniel	537 BC
Haggai	520 BC
Zechariah	520-518 BC
Ester	465 BC
I and II Chronicles	450-425 BC
Ezra	450-444 BC
Nehemiah	450-444 BC
Malachi	450-400 BC



### Adamic Covenant

There was a curse placed on the earth. Judgment was also placed on the instrument of deception, the snake. The woman would have great pain in childbirth but there was the promise of descendants. There would be a new test of volition, the promise of a Messiah. Because of their disobedience, they were driven out of the Garden of Eden.

Gen. 3

### The Strength of the Oral Traditions

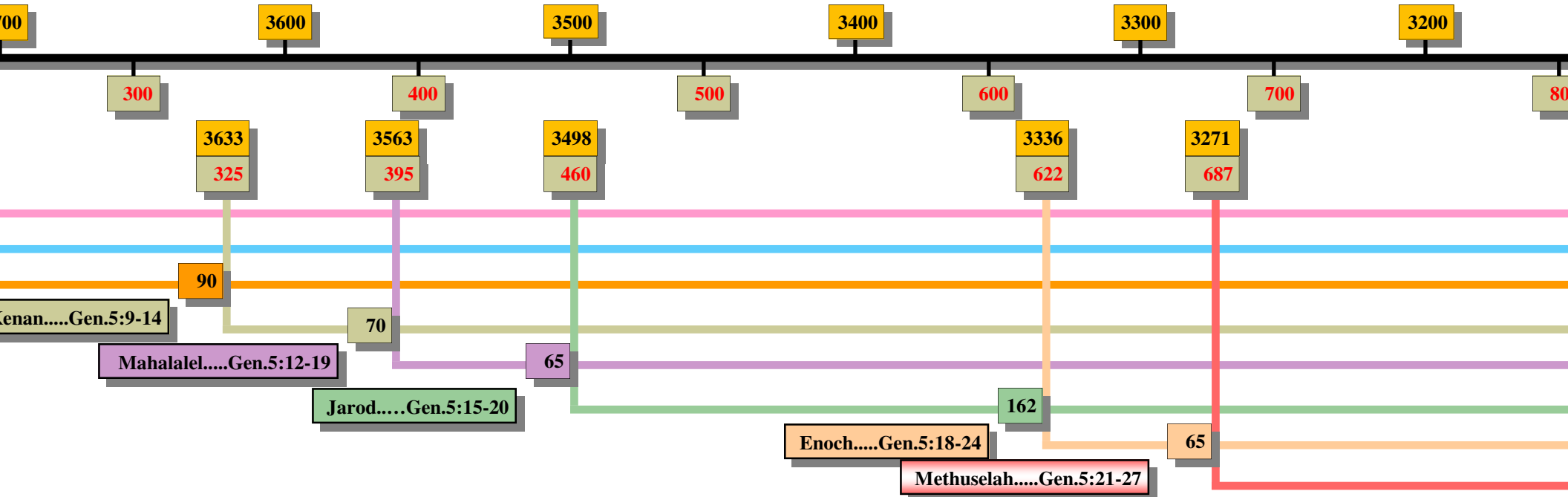
The oral traditions were passed down from one generation to another through the family. They were verifiable because eyewitnesses to these events lived for hundreds of years.

As you can see in the chart to the right, Adam, an eyewitness to the Garden of Eden and the fall of mankind, lived 930 years. Adam was available to talk to Methuselah and Lamech, the father of Noah, the seventh and eighth generations from Adam. Lamech was 56 years old when Adam died.

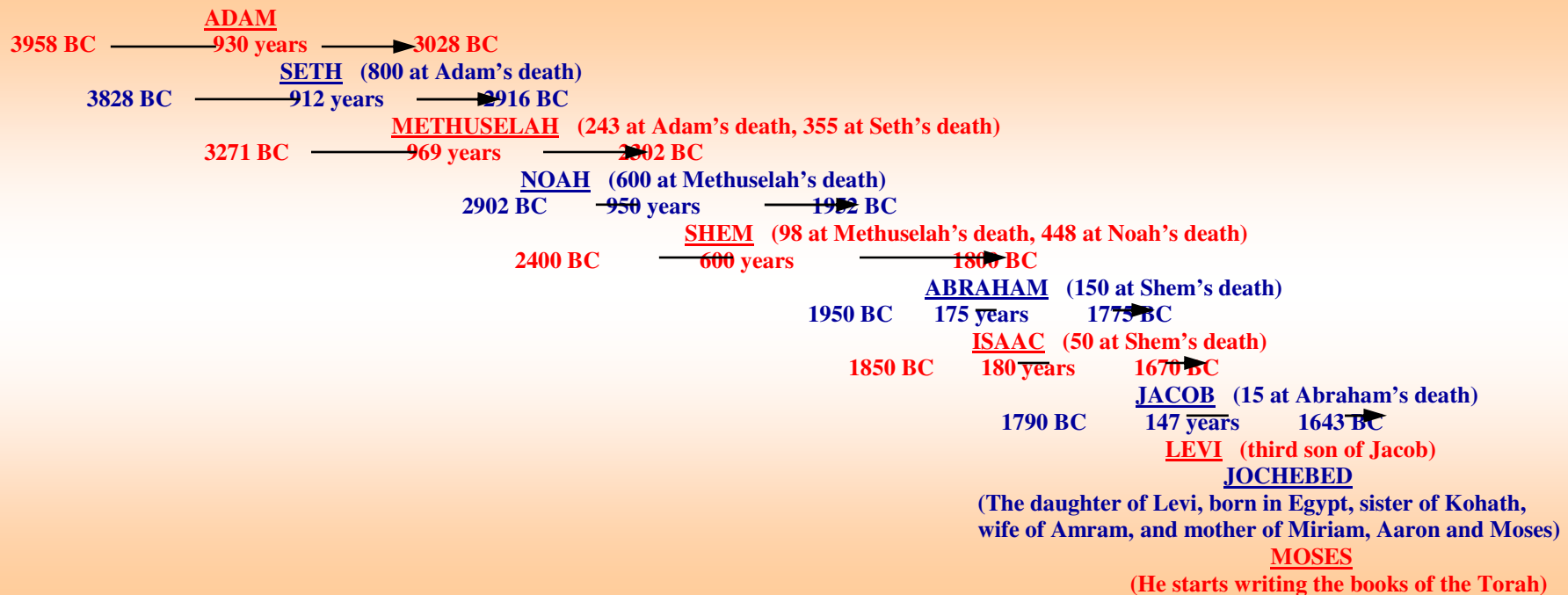
Noah was born 126 years after the death of Adam and 14 years after the death of Seth, Adam's son. Noah and his sons were an eyewitnesses to the Flood and the Tower of Babel. Noah lived 950 years and was available to the next nine generations down to Terah, the father of Abraham. Terah was 128 years old when Noah died. Noah died two years prior to the birth of Abraham.

Shem, the son of Noah, was also alive during the Flood event, the Tower of Babel and Sodom and Gomorrah. Shem lived 600 years. Abraham enter Canaan 75 years prior to the death of Shem. Abraham was 150 years old when Shem died. Issac, the son of Abraham, was 50 years old when Shem died. The Jews entered Egypt 140 years after the death of Shem.

Abraham passed these traditions down to his son, Isaac, then Isaac to Jacob, to Levi, to Jochebed the mother of Moses. As you can see, eyewitness to biblical events were present throughout history to keep the record straight.

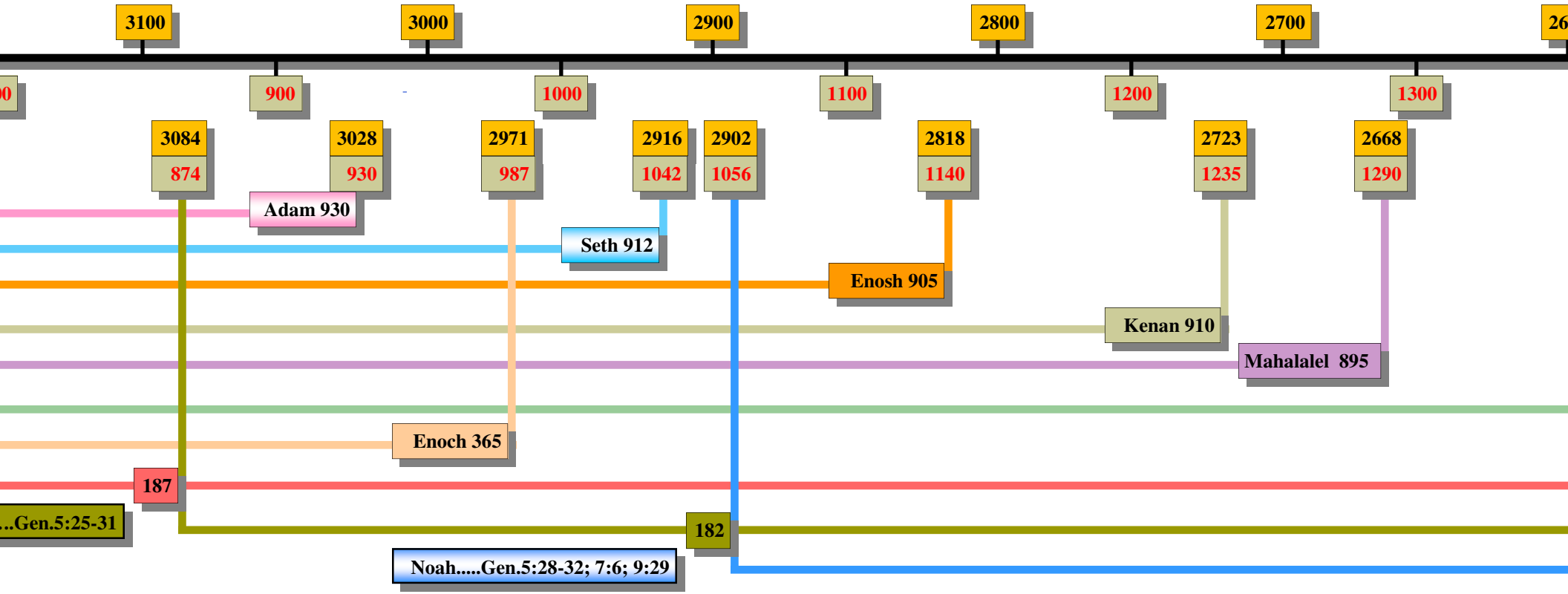


### A Path for the Oral Traditions



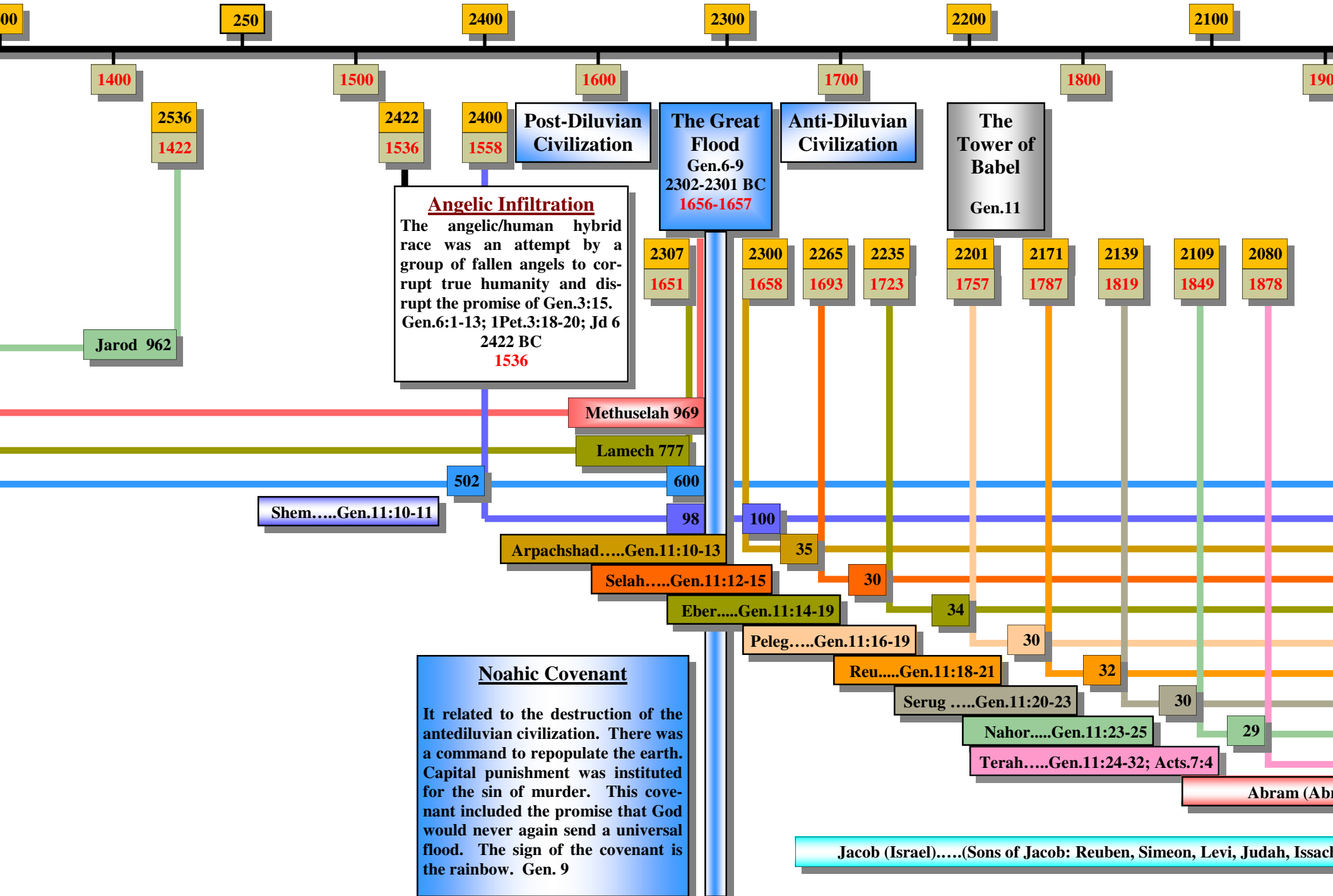
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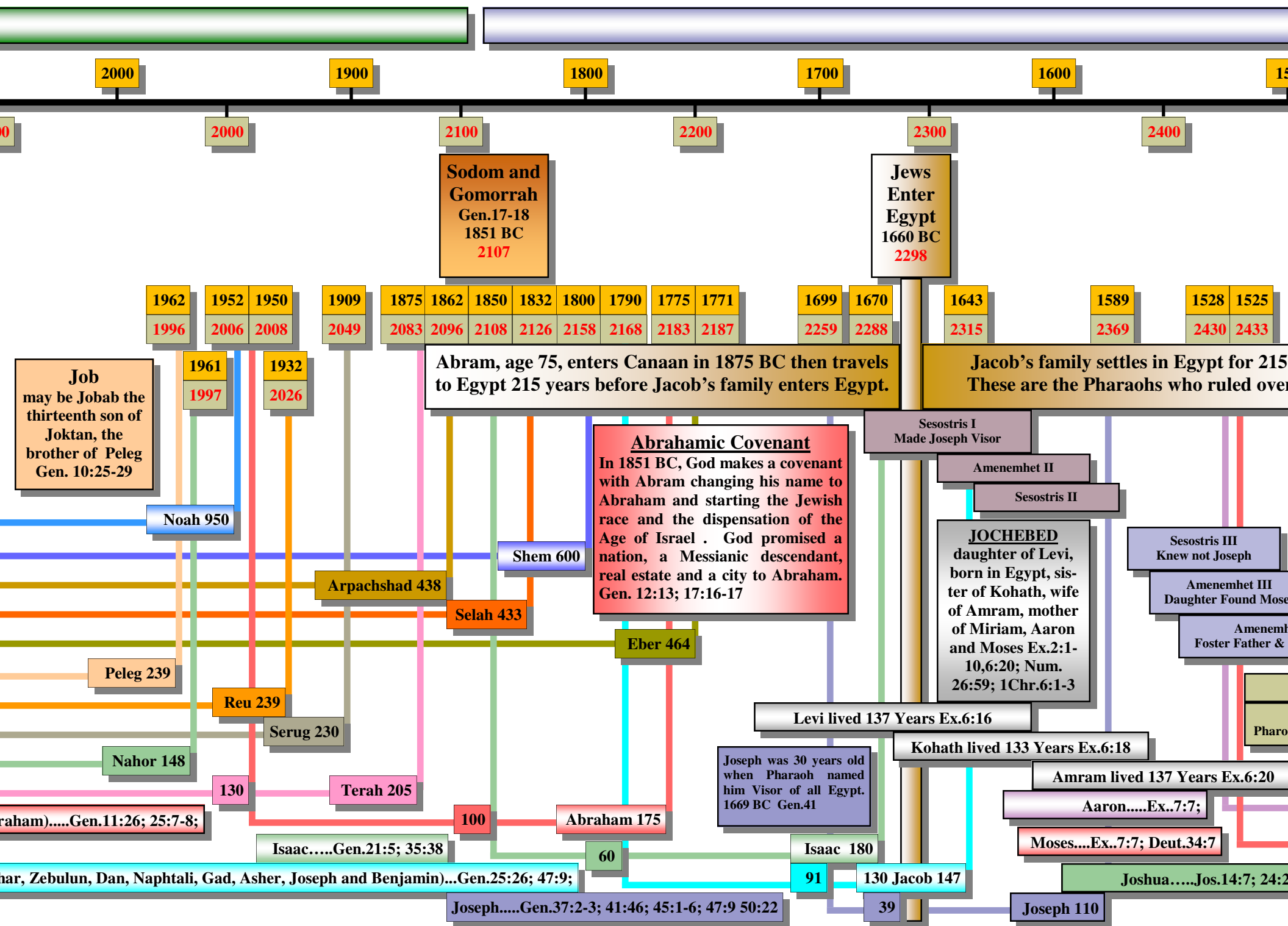
# THE AGE OF THE GENTILES



...Gen.5:25-31

Noah.....Gen.5:28-32; 7:6; 9:29





2000

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2400

**Sodom and Gomorrah**  
Gen.17-18  
1851 BC  
2107

**Jews Enter Egypt**  
1660 BC  
2298

1962  
1996

1952  
2006

1950  
2008

1909  
2049

1875  
2083

1862  
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**Job**  
may be Jobab the thirteenth son of Joktan, the brother of Peleg  
Gen. 10:25-29

1961  
1997

1932  
2026

Abram, age 75, enters Canaan in 1875 BC then travels to Egypt 215 years before Jacob's family enters Egypt.

Jacob's family settles in Egypt for 215 years. These are the Pharaohs who ruled over...

Noah 950

Shem 600

Arpachshad 438

Selah 433

**Abrahamic Covenant**  
In 1851 BC, God makes a covenant with Abram changing his name to Abraham and starting the Jewish race and the dispensation of the Age of Israel . God promised a nation, a Messianic descendant, real estate and a city to Abraham.  
Gen. 12:13; 17:16-17

Sesostri I  
Made Joseph Visor

Amenemhet II  
Sesostri II

**JOCHEBED**  
daughter of Levi, sister of Kohath, wife of Amram, mother of Miriam, Aaron and Moses  
Ex.2:1-10,6:20; Num. 26:59; 1Chr.6:1-3

Sesostri III  
Knew not Joseph

Amenemhet III  
Daughter Found Moses

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Foster Father &

Peleg 239

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Levi lived 137 Years Ex.6:16

Kohath lived 133 Years Ex.6:18

Amram lived 137 Years Ex.6:20

Aaron.....Ex..7:7;

Moses....Ex..7:7; Deut.34:7

Abraham).....Gen.11:26; 25:7-8;

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Terah 205

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Abraham 175

Joseph was 30 years old when Pharaoh named him Visor of all Egypt.  
1669 BC Gen.41

Isaac 180

91

130 Jacob 147

Joshua.....Jos.14:7; 24:2

Reuben, Zebulun, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Joseph and Benjamin)...Gen.25:26; 47:9;

Isaac.....Gen.21:5; 35:38

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Joseph.....Gen.37:2-3; 41:46; 45:1-6; 47:9 50:22

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**2500**  
**The Exodus**  
 1445 BC  
 2513

**Conquest of Canaan**  
 1405 BC  
 2553

**2600**

**2700**

**2800**

**2900**

**100**

**Solomon's Temple**  
 1Kgs.6:1, 38  
 965-958 BC  
 2993-3000

**1485**  
 2473

**1375**  
 2583

There were 480 years from the Exodus to the beginning of the construction of Solomon's Temple  
 1Kgs.6:1

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**Mosaic Covenant**  
 It was only for Israel. Israel agreed to keep the Mosaic Law. It authorized the Levitical priesthood and also instituted the Tabernacle. It had national discipline for Israel if they failed to keep the Law as they had agreed. It was fulfilled by Jesus at the First Advent. Ex.20; Lev.; Deut.

**Davidic Covenant**  
 It established the rulership of the nation to come from David's house. His dynasty will be perpetuated forever. His greater son, the Lord Jesus Christ, is the fulfillment of this covenant.  
 2Sam.7:8-16; Psm 89; Jer.33:22-26

**King Saul**  
 1050-1010 BC  
 2908-2948

**King David**  
 1010-970 BC  
 2948-2988

**King Solomon**  
 970-930 BC  
 2988-3028

**The United Kingdom splits into Judah (the Southern Kingdom) and Israel (the Northern Kingdom)**  
 930 BC  
 3028

**The Period of the Judges**

Opressor	Dates	Judge	Dates	Years Served	Scripture
Mesopotamia	1361-1353 BC	Othniel	1353-1313 BC	40 Years	Jdg.3:7-11
Moab	1313-1295 BC	Ehud	1295-1215 BC	80 Years	Jdg.3:12-30
Philistia		Shamgar		10 Years	Jdg.3:31
Canaan	1215-1195 BC	Deborah and Barak	1195-1155 BC	40 Years	Jdg.4:1-5:31
Midian	1155-1148 BC	Gideon	1148-1108 BC	40 Years	Jdg.6:1-8:28
		Abimelech	1108-1105 BC	3 Years	Jdg.9:1-57
Ammon	1105 BC	Jephthah	1105-1099 BC	6 Years	Jdg.10:6-12:7
Philista	1099-1059 BC	Samson	1085-1065 BC	20 Years	Jdg.13:1-16:31

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**The First Dispersion**  
by the Assyrians of Israel  
the Northern Kingdom  
  
Jer.50:17

**The Second Dispersion**  
by the Babylonians of Judah  
the Southern Kingdom  
605 BC to 587 BC  
Jer.25:11, 50:17

**The First Restoration**  
with the decree of Cyrus  
the Great of Judah  
the Southern Kingdom  
2Chr.36:22-23

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**The Chronology of the Hebrew Kings**  
Courtesy of Jared M. Baugh

**JUDAH**  
The Southern Kingdom

Saul	1050-1010 BC
David	1010-970 BC
Solomon	970-930 BC
Rehoboam	930-913 BC
Abijah	913-910 BC
Asa	910-869 BC
Jehoshaphat	869-848 BC
Jehoram	848-841 BC
Ahaziah	841 BC
Athaliah	841-835 BC
Joash	835-796 BC
Amaziah	796-767 BC
Uzziah	790-739 BC
Jotham	750-735 BC
Ahaz	735-715 BC
Hezekiah	729-686 BC
Manasseh	698-642 BC
Amon	643-640 BC
Josiah	640-609 BC
Jehoahaz	609-608 BC
Jehoiakim	608-597 BC
Jehoiachin	608-597 BC
Zedekiah	597-586 BC

**ISRAEL**  
The Northern Kingdom

Ish-bosheth	1010-1008 BC
Jeroboam I	930-910 BC
Nadab	910-909 BC
Baasha	909-885 BC
Elah	885-884 BC
Zimri	884 BC
Tibni	884-880 BC
Omri	884-873 BC
Ahab	873-852 BC
Ahaziah	853-852 BC
Joram	852-841 BC
Jehu	841-813 BC
Jehoahaz	813-797 BC
Jehoash	798-781 BC
Jeroboam II	793-753 BC
Zechariah	753-752 BC
Shallum	752 BC
Menahem	752-741 BC
Pekahiah	741-739 BC
Pekah	752-732 BC
Hoshea	732-723 BC

**The Major Prophets**

Isaiah	740-680 BC
Jeremiah	627-585 BC
Daniel	605-536 BC
Ezekiel	592-570 BC
Ezra	450-444 BC
Nehemiah	445-425 BC

**Solomon's Temple**  
Destroyed on the 10 Av.  
Jul 30, 587 BC  
3371

**The Minor Prophets**

**Prophets of Israel**

Jonah	780-750 BC
Amos	765-750 BC
Hosea	755-705 BC

**Prophets of Judah**

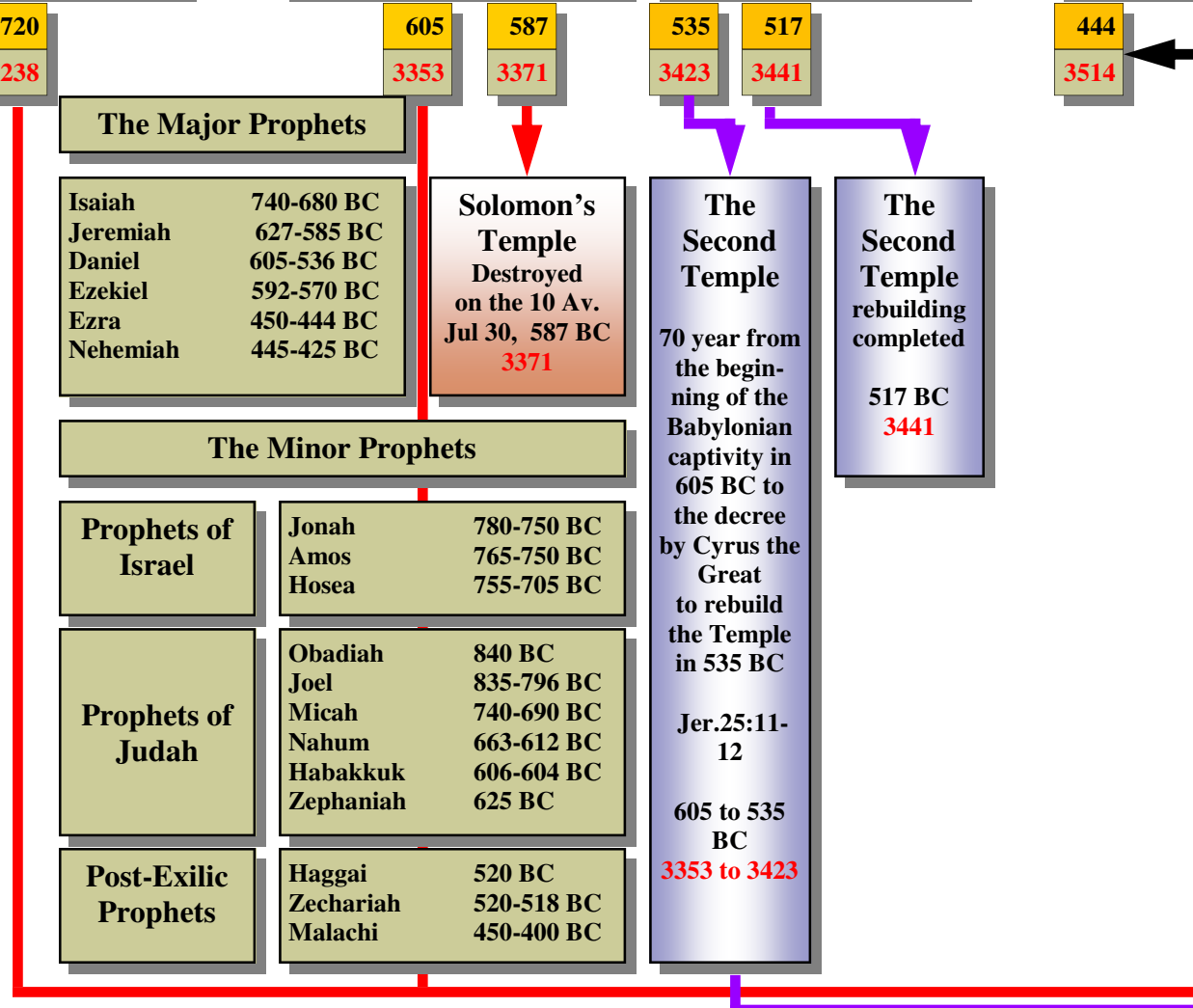
Obadiah	840 BC
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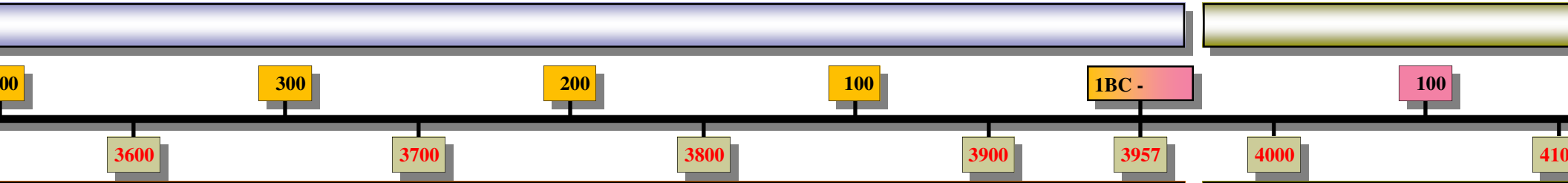
**Post-Exilic Prophets**

Haggai	520 BC
Zechariah	520-518 BC
Malachi	450-400 BC

**The Second Temple**  
70 year from the beginning of the Babylonian captivity in 605 BC to the decree by Cyrus the Great to rebuild the Temple in 535 BC  
Jer.25:11-12  
605 to 535 BC  
3353 to 3423

**The Second Temple rebuilding completed**  
517 BC  
3441





**THE PROPHECY OF DANIEL'S SEVENTY WEEKS**  
 Restore and rebuild Jerusalem by King Artaxerxes to Messiah the Prince. 7 Weeks (49 Years) to restore and rebuild Jerusalem; then 62 (Years) until Messiah the Prince, after that He is cut off. (483 years x 360 days = 173,880 days/365.24219879 days = 476 years and 25 days) 44 BC (1 Nissan) To March 30, 33 AD (10 Nissan-Palm Sunday, the triumphal entry into Jerusalem) The SEVENTIETH WEEK is the Tribulation at the end of the Church Age, which will complete the Age of Israel. Dan.9:20-27. Daniel received this prophecy in 538 BC.

**Ephesus**  
 33 to 103 AD  
 3990 to 4060

Alexander the Great  
 Dan. 8:5-9  
 356-323 BC  
 3602-3635

Antiochus IV Epiphanes  
 175 BC  
 3783

Maccabean Revolt  
 166 BC  
 3792

Herod the Great  
 38 BC to 1 BC  
 3922 to 3957

Herod Archelaus  
 1 BC to 6 AD  
 3957 to

**FIRST ADVENT OF JESUS CHRIST**  
The First Resurrection Group 1 For Christ Only  
 Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life, no one comes to the Father but through Me."  
 Jn.14:6 Christ is the firstfruits of our resurrection.  
 1Cor.15:33  
 Sept. 10, 3 BC to Apr.3, 33 AD  
 3955 to 3990

**DAY OF PENTECOST**  
New Covenant to the Church  
 It is based on the baptism of and the universal indwelling of the Holy Spirit. It authorized a royal priesthood. It is fulfilled in both time and eternity. It is commemorated in the Lord's Table.  
 Heb.9:15;  
 10:29 12:24;  
 Matt.26:28;  
 Mk.14:24;  
 Lk.22:20;  
 1Cor.11:25;  
 2Cor. 3:6

Mesada Falls  
 72-73 AD  
 4029-4030

**The Third and Final Dispersion of the Jews**  
 by the Romans started in 68 AD resulting in the fall of Jerusalem and second Temple being destroyed on 10 Av. Aug. 5, 70 AD. The same day in the Hebrew calendar that Solomon's Temple was destroyed by the Babylonians in 587 BC 70 AD 4027

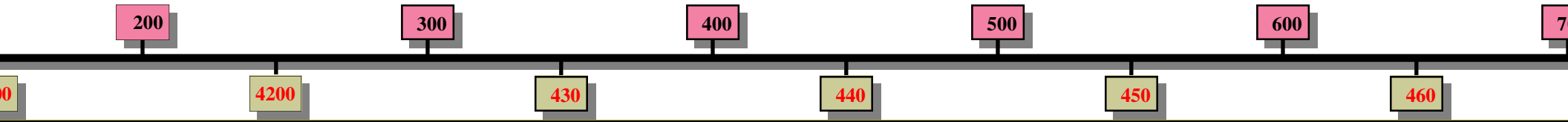
**NEW TESTAMENT BOOKS**

**In Chronological Order**

James	45-49 AD	Philippians, Philemon	61 AD
Galatians	49 AD	I Peter	63-64 AD
I and II Thessalonians	51 AD	I Timothy	63-66 AD
Mark	50-60 AD	Titus	63-66 AD
Matthew	50-60 AD	Hebrews	64-68 AD
I Corinthians	55 AD	II Peter	66 AD
II Corinthians	56 AD	II Timothy	67 AD
Romans	57-58 AD	Jude	70-80 AD
Luke	60 AD	John	85-90 AD
Acts	61 AD	I, II, III John	90 AD
Colossians, Ephesians	61 AD	Revelation	90 AD

Herod's revocation and expansion of the second Temple began in 20 BC 3938  
 The work continued for another 80 years





**Smyrna**  
103 to 313 AD  
4060 to 4270

**Pergamum**  
313 to 600 AD  
4270 to 4557

**Laodicea**  
600 to 700 AD

**The Apostolic Church**

**The Church in Persecution**

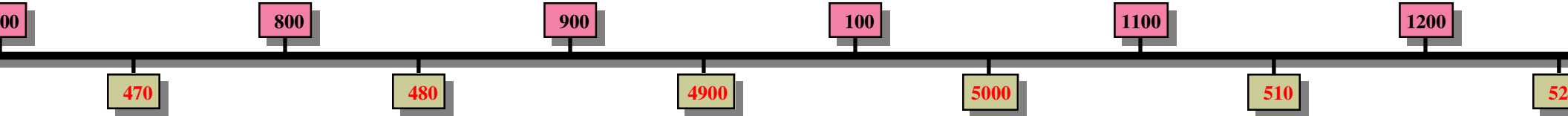
**The Roman Church**

*Rev.2:1-7, "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: The one who holds the seven stars in His right hand, the One who walks among the seven golden lampstands, says this: 'I know your deeds and your toil and perseverance, and that you cannot endure evil men, and you put to the test those who call themselves apostles, and they are not, and you found them to be false; and you have perseverance and have endured for My name's sake, and have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have left your first love. Remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you, and will remove your lampstand out of its place unless you repent. Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.'"*

*Rev.2:8-11, "And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: The first and the last, who was dead, and has come to life, says this, 'I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich), and the blasphemy by those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.'"*

*Rev.2:12-17, "And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: The One who has the sharp two-edged sword says this: 'I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is, and you hold fast My name, and did not deny My faith, even in the days of Antipas, My witness, My faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit acts of immorality. Thus you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans. Repent therefore; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.'"*

## THE CHURCH AGE



THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION REPRESENT SEVEN HISTORICAL PERIODS WITHIN THE CHURCH AGE R

**Thyatira**  
600 to 1517 AD  
4557 to 5474



### The Church in the Medieval Age

*Rev.2:18-29, "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: The Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet are like burnished bronze, says this: 'I know your deeds, and your love and faith and service and perseverance, and that your deeds of late are greater than at first. But I have this against you, that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, and she teaches and leads My bond servants astray, so that they commit acts of immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols. I gave her time to repent, and she does not want to repent of her immorality. Behold, I will cast her upon the bed of sickness, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of her deeds. And I will kill her children with pestilence; and all the churches will know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts; and I will give to each one of you according to your deeds. But I say to you, the rest who are in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not known the deep things of Satan, as they call them—I place no other burden on you. Nevertheless what you have, hold fast until I come. And he who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations; and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of the potter are broken to pieces, as I also have received authority from My Father; and I will give him the morning star. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'"*

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**Sardis**  
1517 to 1699 AD  
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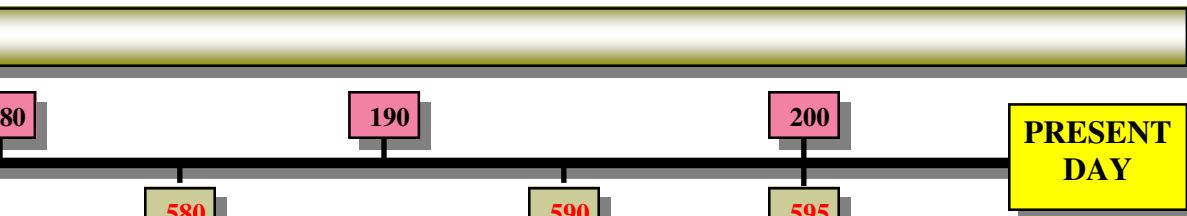
**Philadelphia**  
1699 to 1871 AD  
5656 to 5737

**The Church in the Reformation**

*Rev.3:1-6, "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: He who has the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars, says this: 'I know your deeds, and that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen the things that remain, which were about to die; for I have not found your deeds completed in the sight of My God. Remember therefore what you have received and heard; and keep it, and repent. If therefore you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come upon you. But you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their garments; and they will walk with Me in white; for they are worthy. He who overcomes shall thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'"*

**The Church in the Industrial Age**

*Rev.3:7-13, "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: He who is holy, who is true, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, and who shuts and no one opens, says this: 'I know your deeds, Behold, I have put before you an open door which no one can shut, because you have a little power, and have kept My word and have not denied My name. Behold, I will cause those of the synagogue of Satan, who say that they are Jews, and are not, but lie—behold, I will make them to come and bow down at your feet, and to know that I have loved you. Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell upon the earth. I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have, in order that no one take your crown. He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write upon him the name of My god and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'"*



Philadelphia  
902 AD  
5859

Laodicea  
1902 AD to Present  
5859 to Present

**The Church in the Last Days**

Rev.3:14-22, "And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: The Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God, says this: 'I know your deeds, that your are neither cold nor hot; I would that you were cold or hot. So because your are lukewarm, and neither hot or cold, I will spit you out of My mouth. Because you say, "I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have need of nothing," and you do not know that you wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked, I advise you to buy from Me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich, and white garments, that you may clothe yourself, and that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and eyesalve to anoint your eyes, that you may see. Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline; be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with Me. He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'"

**JERUSALEM**  
recaptured by Israel  
on June 7, 1967  
(5924)

Ezekiel's  
Temple  
is built  
Eze.40-48

**The Second and Final Restoration of Jewish People**  
It began when Israel once again became a nation on May 14, 1948 AD 5905  
The Jews will turn to Christ and accept him as their Messiah in the Tribulation.  
Hos.6:1-2, "Come, let us return to the Lord. For He has torn us, but He will heal us; He has wounded us, but He will bandage us. He will revive us after two days (2000 years of the Church Age); He will raise us up on the third day (The Millennium), that we may live before Him. Isa.11:11, "Then it will happen on that day that the Lord will again recover the second time with His hand the remnant of His people who will remain," Eze.34:36:20-23, 32; 37 Hos.3:4-5

**THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH**  
and the continuation of

The First Resurrection  
Group 2  
For Church Age Believers Only

1Cor.15:51-53, "Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality."  
1Thess.4:15-18 Church Age believers are promised a resurrection in 1Thess.4:13-18. We share in Christ's resurrection Eph.2:6 All Church Age believers will appear at the Bema (Judgment) Seat of Christ where their works in this life will be judged as either human good or divine good. Human good production (wood, hay and stubble) will be burned up while divine good production (gold, silver and precious stones) will be rewarded. Tim.4:7-8; 1Cor.3:10-15; Mt.6:19-21 2Cor.4: 16-18, 5:10; 1Pet.4:13, 5:4; Jd.24, Rev.22:12

**THE AGE OF ISRAEL**  
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Daniel's 70th Week  
Dan.9:27; Rev.3:10, chaps.4-19

The Judgments in the Tribulation  
7 Seals  
7 Trumpets  
7 Peals of Thunder  
7 Bowls

**THE SECOND ADVENT OF JESUS CHRIST**

Isa.40:10; 2Thess.1:7-10, 2:8; Rev.19:11-16

and the continuation of

The First Resurrection  
Group 3  
For Old Testament and Tribulational Believers Only

"Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him because we will see Him just as He is." 1Jn.3:2 This is the end of the First Resurrection Rev.20:4-5. All who are part of the First Resurrection will rule and reign with Jesus Christ for 1000 years. "Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years," Rev.20:6.

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THE RULE AND REIGN OF JESUS CHRIST

**The Second  
Resurrection  
Group 1  
For the  
Anti-Christ  
and the False  
Prophet only**

They are both cast alive into the Lake of Fire by Christ at the second Advent after the battle of Armageddon. They are there by themselves for the next 1000 years.

Rev.19:20

**New  
Covenant  
to Israel**

It will be made in the Millennium. It is based on regeneration and maturity. It is related to the Cross and includes the universal indwelling of the Holy Spirit. There is a promise of great material prosperity for Israel.

Jer.31:31-34, 41;  
Isa.61:8;  
Eze.34:25-27

All unbelievers alive at the Second Advent of Christ are cast into Hades at the beginning of the Millennium. Therefore, the Millennium starts with only the believers who survived the Tribulation. Because the earth was trashed during the Tribulation, Christ will restore it and establish His reign.

Satan and the fallen angels are bound for 1000 years in Hades. There will not be any Satanic influences, false religions or demon possessions in the Millennium.  
Rev.20:1-3

The earth will be completely trashed after the seven year Tribulation is over. Jesus Christ will have to restore the earth to be inhabited by those believers who survive the Tribulation. They will be the generation who starts the Millennium.

**SOME GENERAL OBSER**

1. Jesus Christ will rule all mankind in righteousness and
  2. Church Age saints will return with Christ at the second
  3. Old Testament saints will be resurrected.
  4. Church Age saints will mingle with resurrected Old
  5. Satan and the fallen angels are bound for 1,000 years
  6. No Satanic influences of any kind will exist.
  7. No organized religion.
  8. No wars.
  9. Fulfillment of the Abrahamic, Davidic, and New Co
  10. Final restoration of Israel is permanent.
  11. As God's priest nation, Israel will live in unpreceden
  12. Only believing Jews and Gentiles will enter the Mill
  13. Each nation will be tested under perfect environmen
  14. Those nations who are positive will receive rain accord
  15. Crime is suppressed, the curse is lifted, animals will
  16. The animal kingdom will be free from the evil influ
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Even though mankind has benefited from the rule of Christ for 1000 years, some will still not believe that Jesus Christ is God. There will be an incredible number of unbelievers at the end of the Millennium. These unbelievers will make up Satan's army in the Gog-Magog Revolution.

Satan will be released from Hades at the end of the Millennium for one last attempt to overthrow God in the Gog and Magog Revolution. Rev.20:3,7-9

Their revolution will not succeed. Jesus Christ will defeat them. Then Satan, the fallen angels and all of unbelieving mankind will face Christ at the Great White Throne Judgment. They will be sentenced to eternity in the Lake of Fire for their unbelief. Rev.20:10-15

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## THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT

### The Second Resurrection

#### Group 2 For Unbelievers Only

This ends 7,000 years of human history that started with Adam and progressed through four different dispensations. The souls of all unbelievers now taken out of Hell and must appear at this judgment. It will be demonstrated that their righteousness is not as good as that of Christ's and they will be cast into the Lake of Fire for their unbelief. Unbelievers will also receive a resurrection but it will be capable of enduring the torments of the Lake of Fire for eternity. Jn.5:28-29: "Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear his voice, and will come forth; those who did the good (believed in Christ) to a resurrection of life, those who committed the unbelief (unbelief in Christ) to a resurrection of judgment." Acts 24:15; Jn.5:29; Dan.12:2

### THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD FOR MILLENNIAL BELIEVERS

# The Eternal State

After the fallen angels and unbelieving mankind are finally judged and confined to the eternal Lake of Fire, God purges the influences of their evil on His old creations by dissolving heaven and the universe.

He will then create a new heaven and a new earth for His elect angels and believing mankind to inhabit forever. Believers in their resurrection bodies will have permanent residence in the new Jerusalem on the new earth. The new Jerusalem will be created as a 1500 mile cube.

Millennial saint will transition over from the Millennium into the Eternal State in their natural bodies and live outside the new Jerusalem in a Garden of Eden type setting. Their Old Sin Natures will be eradicated by ingesting the leaves of the Tree of Life and eternal life will be provided by eating the fruit of the Tree of Life. Mankind will then continue on as God had originally intended prior to the fall of Adam and Eve. God's original plan for mankind before the fall of Adam and Eve will then be realized.

Rev.21:1-2

**THE DAY OF GOD also called THE DAY OF ETERNITY**

## GOD'S PLAN FOR MANKIND

### *GOD'S DIRECTIVE WILL*

#### A. The Garden of Eden

1. In his sinless state, man was qualified to eat the fruit of the Tree of Life.
2. It was God's directive will for man to obey and live forever.
3. It was not God's directive will for man to disobey Him and sin. He did not set man up to fall.

### *GOD'S PERMISSIVE WILL*

#### B. From Man's Fall to the end of the Millennium

1. God gave man free will and allowed him to choose to obey or disobey Him.
2. Man disobeyed God and ate the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.
3. By his act of disobedience, man acquired his genetic STA/OSN and the death gene which he would pass on to future generations.
4. Subsequently, man was disqualified from eating the fruit of the Tree of Life and was driven from the Garden of Eden by God.
5. God then places a curse on man and the earth.

### *GOD'S OVERRULING WILL*

#### C. The Transitional Period

1. At the Great White Throne Judgment after the Millennium, God judges all unbelievers and cast them into the eternal Lake of Fire.
2. Satan and the fallen angels are also cast into the Lake of Fire.
3. God purges the evil brought into His creation by the fallen angels and mankind by dissolving heaven and the universe.
4. God then creates a new heaven and a new earth.
5. Millennium believers will be transported over to the new earth in their natural bodies where they are cleansed of their genetic STA/OSN by ingesting the leaves of the Tree of Life.
6. There is no indication the Millennial believers receive a resurrection body.
7. There is also no mention of them being part of the First Resurrection.

### *GOD'S DIRECTIVE WILL IS REALIZED*

#### D. The Eternal State

1. Once the STA/OSN is eradicated from the genetics of the transitional generation, they are re-qualified to eat the fruit of the Tree of Life.
2. The transitional generation lives forever without sin in their natural bodies on the new earth.
3. The Old Testament and Church Age saints live forever in their resurrection bodies. Their place of residence will be the new Jerusalem.
4. Then, God's directive will for mankind is realized.
5. God will reestablish His Throne in the new Jerusalem.