

Years After Creation 0 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 1000 1100 1200 1300 1400 1500 1600 1700 1800 1900 2000 2100 2200 2300 2400

ADAM

130 800 930 Lived 930 Years

SETH

130 105 807 1042 Lived 912 Years

ENOS

235 90 815 1140 Lived 905 Years

CAINAN

325 70 840 1235 Lived 910 Years

MAHALALEEL

395 65 830 1290 Lived 895 Years

JARED

460 162 800 1422 Lived 962 Years

ENOC

622 65 300 987 Lived 365 Years

METHUSELAH

687 187 782 1656 Lived 969 Years

LAMECH

874 182 595 1651 Lived 777 Years

NOAH

1056 502 448 2006 Lived 950 Years

SHEM

1558 100 500 2158 Lived 600 Years

ARPHAXAD

1658 35 403 206 Lived 438 Years

SALAH

1693 30 403 2126 Lived 433 Years

EBER

1723 34 430 2187 Lived 464 Years

PELEG

1757 30 209 1996 Lived 239 Years

REU

1787 32 207 2066 Lived 239 Years

SERUG

1819 30 200 2049 Lived 230 Years

NAHOR

1849 29 119 1997 Lived 148 Years

TERAH

1878 70 135 2083 Lived 205 Years

ABRAHAM

1948 100 75 2123 Lived 175 Years

ISAAC

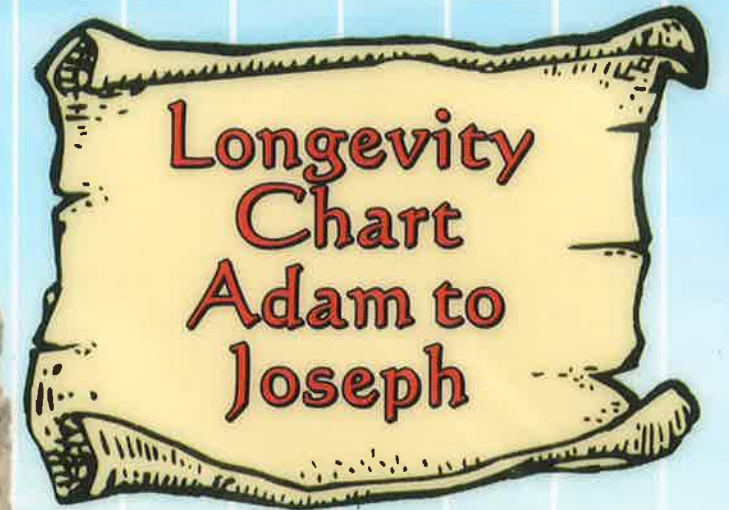
2048 60 120 2228 Lived 180 Years

JACOB

2108 91 56 2255 Lived 147 Years

JOSEPH

2199 110 2309 Lived 110 Years



POINTS TO PONDER:

1. From the information given in Genesis 5 and 11, it is easy to construct a chart like this. Genealogies are also found in Luke 3 and I Chronicles 1; however the spelling varies in a few instances and three people are excluded in some lists for good reason. Some have unwisely used this fact to justify adding millions of years to Scripture.

2. Jesus said in Matthew 19:4 and Mark 10:6 that the creation of Adam and Eve was "the beginning" (see I Cor. 15:45 and Romans 5:12-14). By further comparing Exodus 20:11, Acts 13:20-21, I Kings 2:11, 11:42 and other dates given in the Bible and known history, it becomes obvious that the Bible teaches that Adam was created about 6,000 years ago, not "billions of years ago" as the textbooks and even some Christians now teach.

3. There are scores of scientific ways to show that the earth and universe are not "billions of years old." For example:

a. The sun is losing 5 million tons per second. At this rate, several billion years ago, the sun's gravity would have been much stronger, pulling the earth into it.

b. The earth's spin is slowing down about 1/1000 of a second per day. Because of this fact we have a "leap second" where a second is added to the clock every 10 months. Billions of years ago, the earth would have been spinning so fast that life on earth would have been impossible.

c. The distance to the moon is increasing with each revolution. Since the moon obviously used to be closer to the earth,

and the moon causes the tides, the tides would have been great enough to drown everything on earth billions of years ago.

d. The thin layer of dust on the moon, the small amount of sediment in the oceans, the rate of heat loss of Earth, Jupiter, and other bodies in space, the erosion rate of the mountains, the weakening magnetic field, the small (though increasing) amount of salt in the ocean, the small human population (compared to the growth rate), the rate cave formations develop, and a host of other facts from all branches of science show that the earth is not billions of years old. (See videotape #1 for more information on this subject.)

4. Genesis 1:6-7 and II Peter 3 tell of a canopy of "water above the firmament." Many scientists believe this canopy of water (or possibly ice) provided greater air pressure and a shield from the sun's harmful rays. These factors could explain the great age and size of man and animals before the Flood. After the Flood, the canopy was gone and the life span dropped off rapidly in the next few generations. (See Gen. 47:9 and order video tapes # 1, 2 & 4 for more on this.)

5. The tower of Babel incident probably took place during the days of Peleg when "the earth was divided" (see Gen. 10:25). The languages, nationalities, and possibly the races were created at the tower of Babel. Over the next few decades people migrated to all parts of the world before the earth was "divided." (Order video tape #6 for more information on this.)

6. II Peter 3:8: "One day with the Lord is as a thousand (not billion) years, and a thousand years as one day." Bishop Ussher calculated the creation to be 4004 BC. (Our calendar is off by about four years since Christ was born around 4 BC.) Could it be that God is working on a 7,000 year calendar for the earth and that the 7th day (1000 years) is what is referred to in Rev. 20:2-7 and Isaiah 11:6-16; 65:17-25? I wouldn't be dogmatic about it, but it would be smart to be ready for I Thess. 4:16-18! (See also; Matt. 24:37-38; Luke 17: 26-27; Heb. 11:7; I Peter 3:20; II Peter 2:5.)

7. Methuselah's name apparently means "when he dies it shall come." Could it be that God told Enoch to name him that? The Flood started when Methuselah died. Enoch did not know when his son would die. Maybe Enoch stayed so close to the Lord that God just took him to heaven without dying? (See Gen. 5:21-24.)

8. Adam knew Methuselah for 243 years.

9. Shem knew Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

10. The first 2,157 years of history are covered by three men whose lives overlap (Adam, Methuselah and Shem).

11. How much could you learn in 950 years? The wisdom and inventions of the pre-Flood era were probably much greater than we can imagine (See video #7).

12. Noah had six living ancestors that could have known Adam personally.

13. All ten of Abraham's post-Flood ancestors (even Noah) were alive for his early life (imagine family reunions)! There is a discrepancy about Terah's age at birth of Abram. This is explained on our Web site in FAQ.

14. Noah had aunts, uncles, brothers, and sisters that probably drowned in the Flood (Genesis 5:30). Noah may have had other sons and daughters born before Japheth that also drowned (Gen. 5:32).

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