

Bible Chronology Part 5

Generations & Jubilees

One day I was reading Matthew chapter 1 in the bible, and came across a verse that intrigued me:

Generations

“All the generations from Abraham to David are **fourteen generations**; And from David unto the captivity of Babylon are **fourteen generations**; And from the captivity of Babylon unto Christ are also **fourteen generations**.”

(Mat 1:17)

Generations

As I often do when reading a claim, I thought to check out if the numbers added up as the scriptures said.

Have you ever checked to see if this is right?

Have you added up the generations?

This presentation doesn't just seek to inform or educate, as if I'm the 'expert' and you're the 'student.'

This presentation intends to challenge you to growth...
...to be curious, like a child...
...to ask God questions...

...to search for buried treasure...

...to experience the joy and pleasure of discovery.

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4	Judah	Asa	Eliakim
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6	Hezron	Joram	Sadoc
7	Ram	Uzziah	Achim
8	Amminadab	Jotham	Eliud
9	Nahshon	Ahaz	Eleazar
10	Salmon	Hezekiah	Matthan
11	Boas	Manasseh	Jacob
12	Obed	Amon	Joseph
13	Jesse	Josiah	Jesus
14	David	Jechoniah	?????

Turns out there are only *THIRTEEN* names listed for the last set.

Not FOURTEEN.

Why?

Q: What do *you* do when you discover an 'error' in God's Word? Do you:

- 1) Conclude it isn't God's Word?
- 2) Conclude it can't be trusted?
- 3) Stick your head in the sand and ignore it?
- 4) Go to the Commentaries or Internet?

My observation after years of interaction with people is: people really just don't care!

The bible doesn't mean much to them anyway (which is why they don't read it), and if they do happen to read it, they don't think about it, and if they do think about it, only the bits that are read to them on Sunday.

Sad.

But if you do care about understanding God's word, there's really only one sound answer to the question:

A: Admit your blindness and ask God for understanding!

After an extended period of time asking God for understanding of this apparent contradiction, God opened my eyes to another scripture from the Psalms and quoted in Hebrews:

“Forty years I am weary of the generation, And I say, 'A people erring in heart—they! And they have not known My ways:’”

Psa 95:10

“in which tempt Me did your fathers, they did prove Me, and saw My works forty years; wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, Always do they go astray in heart, and these have not known My ways;”

Hebrews 3:9-10

There is no error. God just changed His meaning of
“generation.”

He can do that, because He's the Author.

For the first two lists, God means “generation” just as it appears...cycles of lives. But for the third use, He means something different.

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He is referring to a *40 year* time period which is called a
'generation':

$$14 \times 40 = 560 \text{ years.}$$

560 Years from Exile to Jesus' Birth

The date of the exile must be determined.

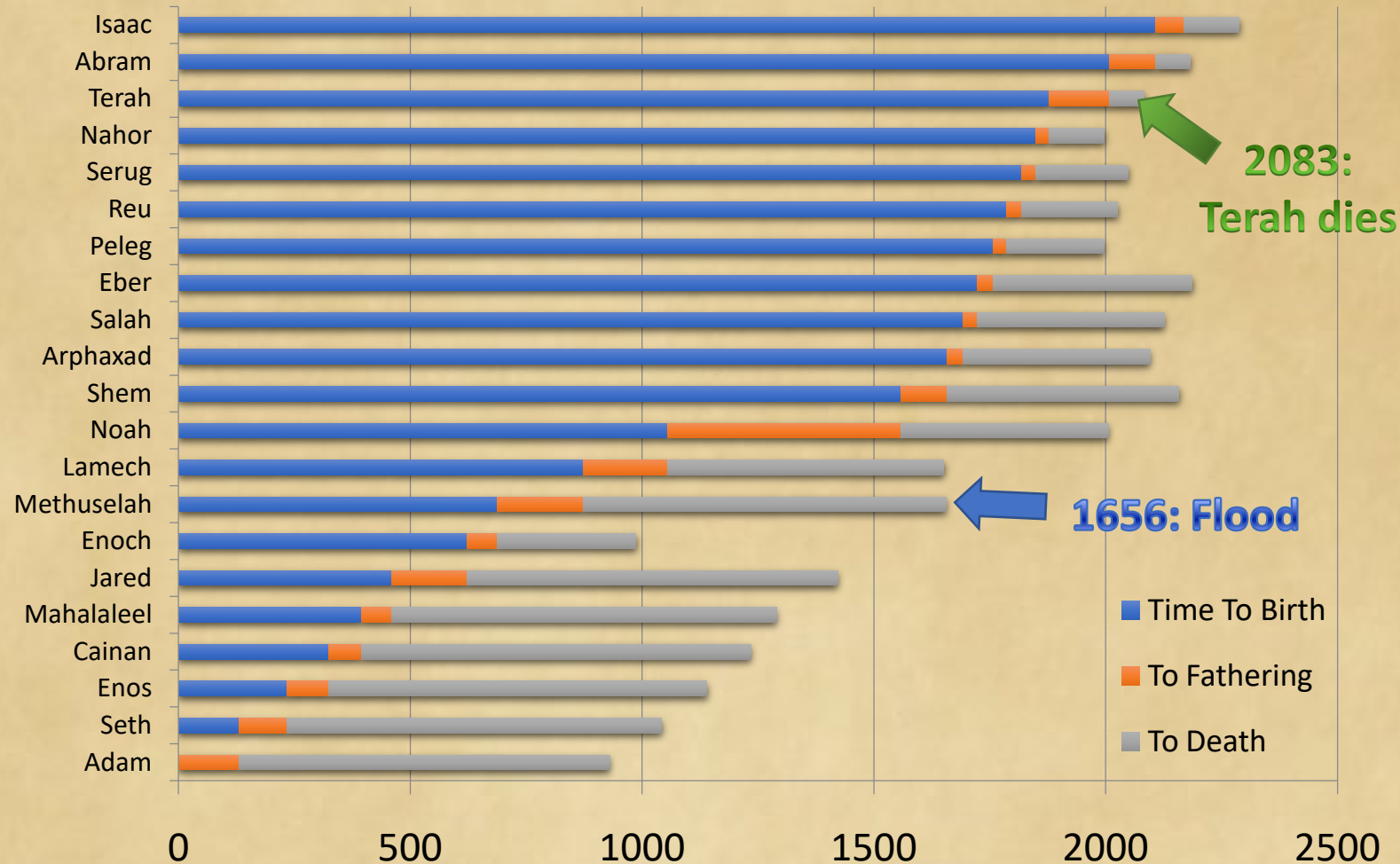
Using man's corrupt chronology, this is impossible. Man's dates conflict, contradict, and are relative to each other.

Where to start? At the Beginning!

A Little Background...

- Genesis has a very detailed record of genealogies from Adam to Abram.
- Paul gave some additional critical information spanning Abram to Sinai
- Other scriptures fill the gaps
- Chronicles and Kings list the lengths of rules of the kings of Judah and Israel until the captivity
- But...There is no 'obvious' tie from the captivity to Jesus, the Messiah. Except Matthew.

Generations to Jacob



From Creation to the Law

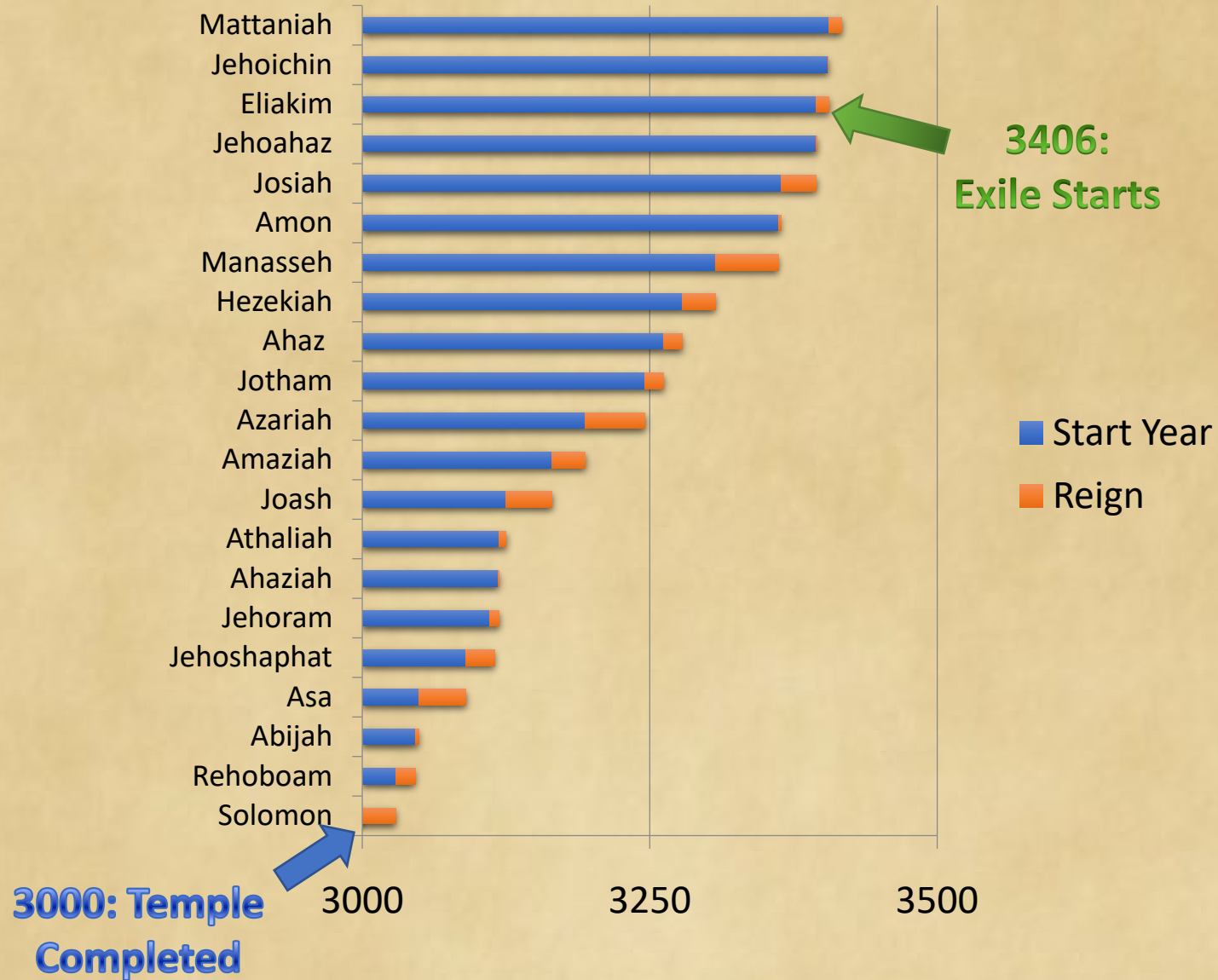
- Abram left Haran when his father Terah died.
- Terah died 2083 God's Time.
- Paul says there were 430 years from the Promise until the Law was given (Gal 3:17)
- The Law: $2083 + 430 = 2513$ God's Time.

From the Exodus to the Temple

“And it came to pass, the **four hundred and fourscore year** after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, and the fourth year of the reign of Solomon upon Israel, and the second month called Ziv, that he began to build the temple unto the LORD” 1Ki 6:1

- The Exodus was the same year as the Law: **2513 God's Time**
- $2513 + 480 =$ **2993 God's Time**
- Solomon's temple took 7 years to build
- $2993 + 7 =$ **3000 God's Time.**

Kings of Judah



Temple to the Babylonian Exile

- The temple was completed in 3000 God's Time
- The exile was in 3406 God's Time
- Jesus was born $3406 + 560 = 3966$ God's Time
- Jesus was crucified 34 years later
- This is $3966 + 34 = 4000$ God's Time

Joh 2:19 "Jesus answered, and said unto them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will rear it up again."

The Death and Resurrection of Jesus the Messiah is the **Anchor of History!**

- These numbers are not 'fudged'.
- They were not copied from someone else's research.
- They were derived solely from the scriptures.
- They were found after prayer, fasting, and study together with other disciples

There is only one God who builds history around His Son, the Chief Cornerstone, and He is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob!

There are more scriptures which confirm this understanding of a 'generation' equaling 'forty years'.

Remember what Jesus said to the Pharisees the week of His death?

Jerusalem: Destroyed '70 AD'

Mat 23:13 "Woe be unto you, scribes and Pharisees..."

Mat 23:14 "Woe be unto you, scribes and Pharisees..."

Mat 23:15 "Woe be unto you, scribes and Pharisees..."

Mat 23:16 "Woe be unto you, blind guides..."

Mat 23:23 "Woe be to you scribes and Pharisees..."

Mat 23:25 "Woe be to you scribes and Pharisees..."

Mat 23:27 "Woe be to you scribes and Pharisees..."

Mat 23:29 "Woe be unto you, scribes and Pharisees..."

"Wherefore, Behold, I send unto you prophets, wise men, and scribes. And of them: some shall ye kill and crucify...that **upon you may come all the righteous blood that was shed upon the earth...** Verily I say unto you, all these things shall light **upon this generation.** ...Behold, **Your habitation shall be left unto you desolate...**"

**"...ALL THESE THINGS SHALL LIGHT UPON THIS
GENERATION..."**

Jerusalem was utterly destroyed by the Romans in the year of Adam 4040. Jesus Himself was crucified 40 years earlier, in the year of Adam 4000.

All those things came on that generation, just as He said. And yet that was only the minor fulfillment, extreme though it was.

This event was cataclysmic. But God had foreshadowed it in the life of the prophet Jonah already, a prophet to whom Jesus already drew attention in comparison to Himself:

Jonah and Nineveh

“...no sign be given to them, but the sign of the prophet Jonah: For as Jonah was **three days and three nights** in the whale's belly; so shall the son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise at the day of judgment with this nation, and condemn them: **for they amended** at the preaching of Jonah. And behold, a greater than Jonah is here.” Mat 12:39-41

“And Jonah went to and entered into the city even a day's journey, and cried, saying, "There shall not pass **forty days** but Nineveh shall be overthrown.” And the people of Nineveh **believed God, and proclaimed fasting, and arrayed themselves in sackcloth**, as well the great as the small of them.” Jon 3:4-5

Jesus was warning those with ears to hear that their own refusal to repent would result in their destruction within 'forty days'. Jesus was equating Himself to Jonah, and them to Nineveh.

Nineveh repented; they did not. Taking a 'day for year' as example in Ezekiel makes Jesus' intent clear.

...1 Day is *also* 1 Year

“...thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah
forty days: I have appointed thee **each day for a year.**”
Eze 4:6

“After the number of the days in which ye searched the
land, even **forty days, each day for a year**, shall ye
bear your iniquities, **even forty years...**” Num 14:34

Let's do some math...

Q: If a 'day' is a 'year', and Jonah warned of destruction in forty 'days', in how many 'years' is destruction coming?

A: 40 Years.

Q: And if Jesus preached until His death in 4000, what year is destruction coming?

A: 4040.

Again, a 'Generation' = '40' Years

Generation = 40

“And the LORD was angry with Israel, and made them wander in the wilderness **forty years**, until all the **generation** that had done evil in the sight of the LORD were consumed.” Num 32:13

“**Forty years** long was I grieved with this **generation**, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways...” Ps 95:10

Converting Time

- Jesus died and resurrected in Year 4000 God's Time
- Man says this was '30 A.D.'
- Jesus is returning in Year 6000 God's Time
- Man says this is '2030 A.D.'
- Jerusalem was destroyed 4040 God's Time
- Man says this was '70 A.D.'
- $6,000 - 4,040 = 1,960$ years

AGAIN...

Jesus was murdered in 4000

1 Generation before Jerusalem was destroyed

$$4000 + 40 = 4040$$

But Jesus is also returning 1,960 years later

$$1,960 = 40 \times 7 \times 7 = 40 \times 49$$

1,960 is ONE GENERATION of JUBILEES

Now understand the following:

Jonah is *also* Israel...the unwilling witness.

Nineveh is *also* the World

These 'forty days' are *also* 'forty
Jubilees:'

1,960 years

Time is almost up. Less than six years remain to complete this greater 'generation'.

Will you wake up, or rest in your unbelief?

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