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Please note that even though I do not agree with many of dates suggested, I have used the most widely accepted dates. For example, the Tower of Babel is listed as being built after the origins of the nation of China, yet the world was of one language and peoples before Babel, and the building of the Cheops pyramid is dated 26 years before the flood, etc.– Lionel Hartley



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Creation

4004 BC Archbishop JAMES USSHER'S in 1654 set this as the date of the creation of Adam (this appears in the margin of many King James Version Bibles).

3975 BC FRANK KLASSEN'S (1975) date of the creation of Adam.

3760 BC Traditional Jewish date of the creation of Adam.

Other traditionally accepted dates

BC –

3600 Sumerian city-states were in existence.

3500 Cuneiform writing system was developed by the Sumerians.

3045 ADAM died at age 930.

2988 ENOCH was translated at age 365.

2919 NOAH was born to LAMECH.

2570 The Great Pyramid of CHEOPS was built at Gizeh in Egypt.

2439 GOD determined to destroy man in his 1,536th year.

2344 The Hebrew date of Noah's Flood, as well as the Chinese date in their "Epoch of Fu-Hi", the Babylonian and Egyptian records.

2319 METHUSELAH died at age 969. The Flood came in the 1,656th year of man.

2318 NOAH vacated the ark after 1 year and 10 days.

2286 China was ruled by Emperor YAOU.

2267 The city of Tyre was built.

2264 The Akkadian Empire was founded by SARGON of Agade.

2208 The Confusion of Tongues at the Tower of Babel.

1967 ABRAM was born to TERAH.

1900 "JOB", the oldest book in the Bible, was written by MOSES. Some believe it was written much later, 595-588 B.C.

1883 GOD made a covenant with ABRAM.

868 ABRAM'S name was changed to ABRAHAM. Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed and the Dead Sea was formed.

1740 The Old Kingdom of the Hittite kings began.

1700 HAMMURABI III ruled Babylon. BELUBANI founded the Early Assyrian Kingdom.

1699 JOSEPH was sold into Egyptian slavery by his brothers.

1686 JOSEPH became ruler in Egypt.

1684 The fifteenth dynasty was founded in Egypt.

1520 The cities of Troy and Corinth were founded.

1516 The city of Sparta was founded.

1512 Egypt was ruled by THUTMOSE II.

1504 HATSHEPSUT ruled Egypt as co-regent with THUTMOSE III.

1502 MOSES was driven from Egypt.

1500 Assyria became an independent kingdom.

The Mycenaean Golden Age of 100 years began.
The Ras Shamru tablets were written by the
Phoenicians.

1462 The year of Israel's EXODUS from Egypt.
The Ten Commandments were given from Mt.
Sinai.

1461 The Tabernacle was first reared up in the
Wilderness. Israel battled the Amalekites. Israel
departed Sinai and arrived at Kadesh-Barnea.

1460 Israel was turned into the Wilderness to
wander for 38 years.

1251 The events in the Book of "Ruth" began to
take place.

1200 The Greeks colonized Asia Minor. The
Hittite kingdom was destroyed.

1184 The Trojan War began.

1183 The fall of Troy.

1135 NEBUCHADREZZAR of Babylon defeated
the Elamites and in turn was defeated by the
Assyrians.

1127. The Philistines captured the Ark of the
Covenant and took it to Ashdod.

1123 The Chow dynasty ruled China.

1110 The Aramean migration in Mesopotamia.

1103 SAMUEL was born to ELKANAH and HANNAH. ABDON judged Israel 8 years. The name "Britain" was given to the Western Isles by BRUTUS of Troy when his Barat Phoenicians invaded England.

1100 High Priest HERHOR of Amon seized power at Thebes in Egypt. The Battle of Taanach.

1095 SAMSON, son of Manoah, delivered Israel from the Philistines and judged Israel 20 years. SAUL, son of KISH of Benjamin, was born.

1080 The Philistines defeated Israel at Aphek and Shiloh was destroyed.

1079 Britain was ruled by LOCRINUS.

1076 SAMSON died in the destruction of the Temple of Dagon at Gaza.

1073 SAMUEL became judge of Israel.

1069 Britain was ruled by GWENDOLEN.

1065 SAUL was anointed the first king of Israel by SAMUEL.

1055 DAVID was born to JESSE at Bethlehem.

1029 DAVID killed GOLIATH, the giant Philistine.

1025 The Book of "Judges" was written by SAMUEL

1018 DAVID was anointed king over all Israel at Jerusalem. Jerusalem became the capital of Israel.

1016 The Ark of the Covenant was returned to Jerusalem to the house of OBEDEDOM.

1015 NEPHEREHERES ruled Egypt.

1014 MEMPRICIUS ruled Britain.

1013 ASSUR-RABI II ruled Assyria.

1010 The Philistines invaded Central Palestine.

1003 SOLOMON was born to DAVID and BATHSHEBA.

998 ABSALOM slew his brother AMNON.

988 A plague was sent on Israel because DAVID numbered them.

985 DAVID died at age 70. His son SOLOMON reigned as king in Israel.

982 Construction of the Temple at Jerusalem began.

975 - 972 The Temple at Jerusalem was completed and dedication began.

959 SOLOMON wrote "Proverbs", "Ecclesiastes" and "Song of Solomon".

945 SOLOMON died at age 58 and Israel was divided.

944 EBRAUC ruled Britain and founded York.
942 LEIR ruled Britain and built Carlisle.
941 SHISHAK took the Jewish Temple treasures to Egypt.
910 Israel and Judah warred against each other.
889 Jericho was rebuilt after 533 years. ELIJAH prophesied to 868 B.C. JOEL prophesied to 885 B.C. and wrote "Joel".
886 OBADIAH prophesied and wrote "Obadiah".
883 ASSURNASIRPAL II ruled Assyria.
880 BEN-HADAD I ruled in Damascus of Syria.
858 LEIR II ruled Britain and built Leicester.
SHALMANESER III, son of ASHURNASIRPAL II, ruled Assyria.
817 The Libyans founded the 23rd dynasty in Egypt.
814 Macedonia was founded. Carthage was founded by colonists from Tyre.
786 The Great Earthquake of AMOS 1 destroyed Tyre, Sidon, Ashdod, from Damascus to Gaza.
776 The first Olympiad was held in Greece.
772 JONAH prophesied to the Assyrians at Nineveh, and "Jonah" was written..
763 Assyrian dates were determined from the eclipse of the sun on June 15th. Asshur revolted against Assyria.

760 RIVALO ruled Britain.

754 ASSUR-NIRARI V ruled Assyria.

753 Rome was founded and Roman dating began.

744 TIGLATH-PILESER III (PUL) ruled Assyria and began the Second Assyrian Empire.

743 The first Messenian War began. Assyria conquered Urartu (Ararat).

740 ISAIAH began to prophesy.

738 Assyria conquered Hamath.

735 THEOCLES of Chalsis set up the altar of "Apollo the Guider" in Sicily.

734 The Assyrians took Damascus of Syria and invaded Israel.

732 King UZZIAH of Judah died. His son JOTHAM also died, succeeded by his son AHAZ, age 20, in the 17th year of PEKAH'S reign. He ruled Judah 16 years.

731 Babylon was conquered by the Assyrians.

730 MICAH prophesied. A 24th dynasty was founded in Egypt.

710 HEZEKIAH'S tunnel was built to bring water into Jerusalem.

709 SARGON entered Babylon and declared

himself king.

708 SARGON conquered Cyprus. Dorian Tarentum was founded by PHALANTHUS.

Corcyra was colonized by the Corinthians.

705 SARGON was killed in battle and succeeded by his son SENNACHERIB as king of Assyria. He made Nineveh the capital.

703 MERODACH-BALADAN II of Babylon rebelled against Assyria.

700 DEIOCES founded the Median kingdom.

697 B.C. The Prophet HOSEA wrote "Hosea", covering 784-

697 B.C. The Prophet MICAH wrote "Micah" covering 747-697 B.C.

692 SENNACHERIB destroyed Babylon.

TAHARKA ruled Egypt.

685 The Second Messenian War lasted for 3 years.

664 The first naval battle occurred between Corinth and Corcyra.

642 The Prophet NAHUM wrote "Nahum" during his reign, covering 697-642 B.C.

633 Thebes fell to the Assyrians.

631 Cyrene was founded by colonists from Greece.

626 JEREMIAH prophesied from the reign of JOSIAH until after the captivity, 647-522 B.C. and wrote "Jeremiah" about 587 B.C.

625 NABOPOLASSAR began the Chaldean dynasty.

621 A written code of Laws was published by the Archon DRACO of Athens, called "The Draconian Laws."

620 Constantinople was besieged by CHOSROES of Persia.

612 NABOPOLASSAR destroyed Nineveh.

611 ASSUR-UBALLIT II ruled as the last king of the Assyrian Empire.

608 The Prophet JEREMIAH delivered his Temple Sermon.

606 The Assyrian Empire ended as Nineveh fell to the Medes.

605 JEHOIAKIM was taken to Babylon in fetters, along with DANIEL, HANANIAH, MISHAEL and AZARIAH, NEBUCHADNEZZAR of Babylon attacked Jerusalem. The Prophet HABAKKUK wrote "Habakkuk" during his reign.

NEBUCHADNEZZAR became ruler of the Babylonian Empire and defeated Egypt at Carchemish. He built Babylon's Hanging Gardens.

604 NEBUCHADNEZZAR destroyed Ashkelon.
The Phoenicians circumnavigated Africa.

600 ZOROASTER, the Prophet of Iran, was born.
KYMAR ruled Britain. The Phocaeans of Ionia
built Massilia in Spain.

593 EZEKIEL prophesied. His book, "Ezekiel",
was written about

575 B.C. among the Judean captives in Babylon.
ASTYAGES ruled the kingdom of Media.

588 ZEDEKIAH formed an alliance with the
Egyptians and revolted
against the Babylonians. The Babylonians
surrounded Jerusalem on Jan. 15th and lay siege to
the city. APRIES/HOPHRA ruled Egypt and aided
the Syrians against the Babylonians. The Pythian
games began.

586 The 70-year Babylonian Captivity began
when, on July 9th, the Chaldeans destroyed
Jerusalem. NEBUZARADAN burned the Temple,
the palace, and all the houses of Jerusalem.
ZEDEKIAH'S sons were killed before his face, his
eyes were put out and he was led in fetters to
Babylon. GEDALIAH, son of AHIKAM, was
made governor over the remnant which were left,

ruling from Mizpeh, 6 miles north of the ruins of Jerusalem. JEREMIAH wrote "Lamentations" on the occasion of Jerusalem's destruction.

585 NEBUCHADNEZZAR besieged Tyre.

580 SIMON BRACH arrived in Ulster, Ireland.

Agrigentum was founded.

571 EZEKIEL uttered the last of his prophecies in Babylon.

563 SIDDHARTHA GAUTAMA (BUDDHA), founder of Buddhism, was born in Nepal, India on April 8th.

551 K'UNG FU-TZU (CONFUCIUS) was born in Shantung, China.

550 ZOROASTRIANISM became the official religion of the Persian Empire. The Temple of Diana was constructed at Ephesus. CYRUS overthrew ASTYAGES of Media at Pasargadae and founded the Persian Empire.

544 The Public Library was built at Athens.

538 CYRUS invaded Babylon. BELSHAZZAR was slain and NABONIDUS was captured by Persian General GOBRYAS on June 16th.

537 The Phocaeans were defeated by the Etruscans and Carthaginians in a naval battle at Corsica.

536 CYRUS issued a decree allowing 42,360 Jews

to return to Judea under SHESHBAZZAR (ZERUBBABEL).

529 CYRUS died and CAMBYSES (AHASUERUS) ruled the Medo-Persian Empire. 525 CAMBYSES invaded and conquered Egypt at Pelusiam and founded the 27th dynasty.

523 VARDHAMANA JNATRPUTRA, with Mahavira teaching, founded Jainism in India.

516 The Second Jerusalem Temple was dedicated and the 70-year captivity of the Jews ended.

509 The Republic of Rome was established by Valerian Law.

486 DARIUS I died and XERXES I (AHASUERUS) ruled Persia. He was the king who married ESTHER. A Latin league was formed with the Hernici.

485 The Prophet DANIEL wrote "Daniel" in Babylon, covering 605-485 B.C. XERXES crushed the Egyptian and Babylonians revolts and deposed his Queen VASHTI.

483 BUDDHA died. Rome was at war with Veii for 9 years.

479 ESTHER became Queen of Persia. Persia lost Sestos and the Hellespont.

474 HAMAN plotted to kill the Jews.

473 ESTHER established the Purim Feasts.

DUNWALL ruled Britain and codified the British laws.

471 SOCRATES was born.

465 XERXES was assassinated and ARTAXERXES I LONGIMANUS ruled Persia. He was the king who issued the decree of March 5th, 445 B.C. granting the Jews permission to rebuild Jerusalem.

464 The great earthquake at Sparta.

451 The Decemvirs (10 Tribunes) of Rome drew up a legal code, engraved on 10 tablets of copper, and affixed it to the Forum rostra.

450 The first plebeians were elected as non-patrician magistrates. Two more copper tablets were added, which constituted the "Twelve Tables", the first legal code.

449 The Callias treaty between Persia and Athens. The Valerio-Horatian laws were drafted. Magna Carta of Rome was confirmed and the Tribunate was restored.

447 The building of the Parthenon began.

444 The Jews began to rebuild Jerusalem under the decree of ARTAXERXES. ANTISTHENES

founded Cynics, a school of Greek ethics.

437 NEHEMIAH completed the walls of the city of Jerusalem.

436 NEHEMIAH organized the “Great Synagogue” in Jerusalem.

427 PLATO was born.

425 The Prophet MALACHI, the last of the Old Testament prophets, wrote “Malachi”, covering 431-425 B.C.

424 The Priest EZRA wrote “Ezra”, covering 538-424 B.C. “Nehemiah” was written by NEHEMIAH covering 485-425 B.C. “Esther” was written and covers 479-424 B.C.

356 ALEXANDER THE GREAT was born to PHILIP and the Epirot Princess, OLYMPIAS.

333 ALEXANDER invaded Syria and Judea and took Jerusalem.

285 The translation of the Septuagint from Hebrew to Greek was authorized. Jewish captives in Egypt were freed by PTOLEMY.

59 JULIUS CAESAR was made consul in Rome on March 1st. CASSIBELLAUNUS ruled Britain.

45 The first Leap Year. The beginning of the year was changed from March 1st to January 1st. The New Calendar was called "The Julian Calendar."

44 ANTIPATER and HYRCANUS were authorized to repair the Jerusalem walls. JULIUS CAESAR was slain by MARCUS JUNIUS BRUTUS and GAIUS CASSIUS. The image of CAESAR'S head first appeared on coins.

37 HEROD conquered Jerusalem. All the Jewish Sanhedrin were slain except two.

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