

# Genesis 10–11

## National Dispersion



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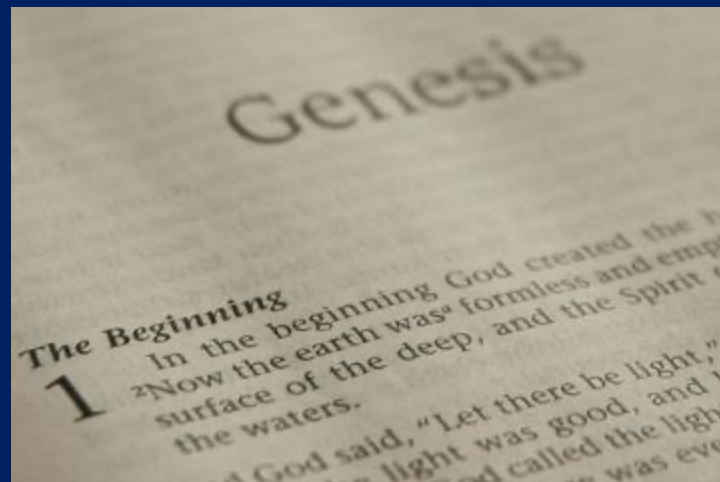
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I. Beginning of the Human race (Gen. 1–11)

II. Beginning of the Hebrew race (Gen. 12–50)



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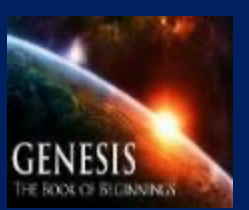


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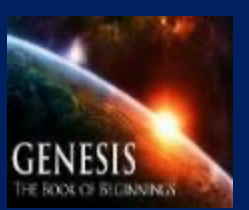






# Genesis 10–11

## Questions & Answers



- Origin of the nations?
- Dispersal of the nations?
- Corruption of the nations?
- What happened in the days of Peleg? (Gen. 10:25)
- Nimrod's empire in Shinar? (Gen. 10:10)
- How did Nimrod get to Assyria? (Gen. 10:11-12)



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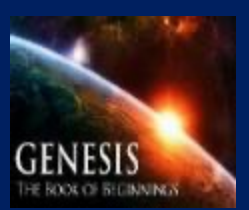
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- I. The Former World (1-2)
- II. The Rebellion (3-4)
- III. God's Condescension (5)
- IV. God's Observations (6)
- V. God's Intervention (7-8a)
- VI. The Results (8b-9)



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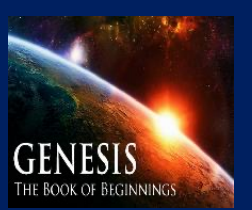


## Genesis 9:26

“He also said, ‘Blessed be the Lord, The God of Shem;  
And let Canaan be his servant.’”



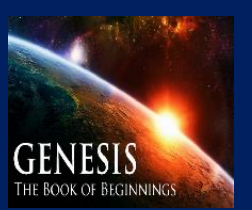
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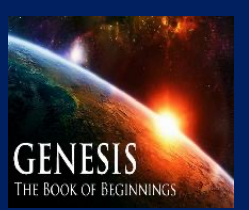


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## Genesis 12:3

“And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.”



# Toledoth

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1. Introduction to the generations (1:1–2:3)
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# Joseph's Journey to Egypt





## Luke 1:1-4

“<sup>1</sup> Since many have undertaken to compile an account of the things accomplished among us, <sup>2</sup> just as they were handed down to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word, <sup>3</sup> it seemed fitting to me as well, having investigated everything carefully from the beginning, to write it out for you in an orderly sequence, most excellent Theophilus; <sup>4</sup> so that you may know the exact truth about the things you have been taught.”



<b>Patriarch</b>	<b>Age (in years)</b>	<b>Bible Reference</b>
Adam	930	Genesis 5:4
Seth	912	Genesis 5:8
Enosh	905	Genesis 5:11
Kenan	910	Genesis 5:14
Mahalalel	895	Genesis 5:17
Jared	962	Genesis 5:20
Enoch	365 (translated)	Genesis 5:23
Methuselah	969	Genesis 5:27
Lamech	777	Genesis 5:31
Noah	950	Genesis 9:29

Source: Answers in Genesis

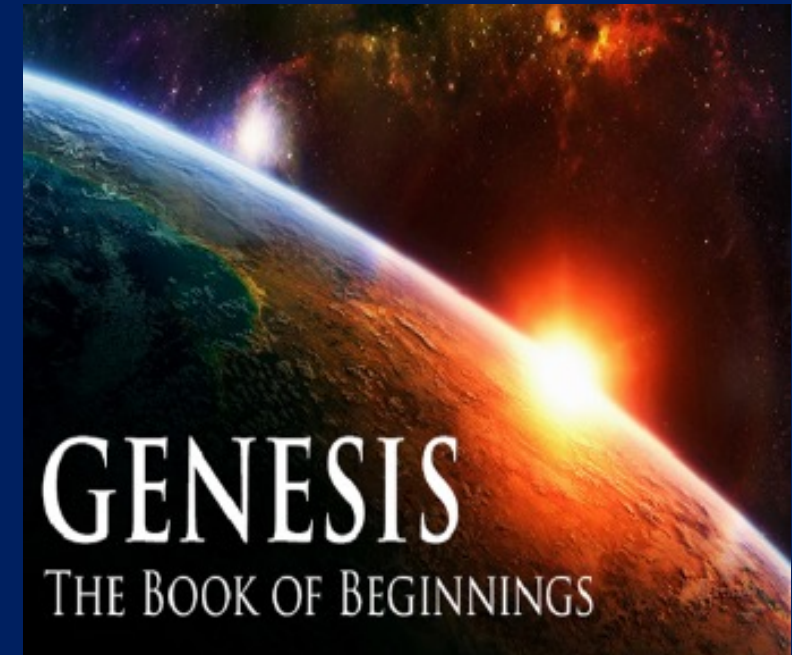


# Genealogy of Genesis 5 vs. Genesis 11

	<b>GENESIS 5</b>	<b>GENESIS 11</b>
<b>Number of generations</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>Nine</b>
<b>Conclusion</b>	<b>Noah's three sons: Shem, Ham, Japheth</b>	<b>Terah's three sons: Abram, Nahor, Haran</b>
<b>"And he died"</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Man's lifespan</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>Curtailed</b>
<b>Historical perspective</b>	<b>Universal history</b>	<b>National history</b>
<b>Historical perspective</b>	<b>Pre-Israel history</b>	<b>Israel's history</b>
<b>Families</b>	<b>Many</b>	<b>One</b>

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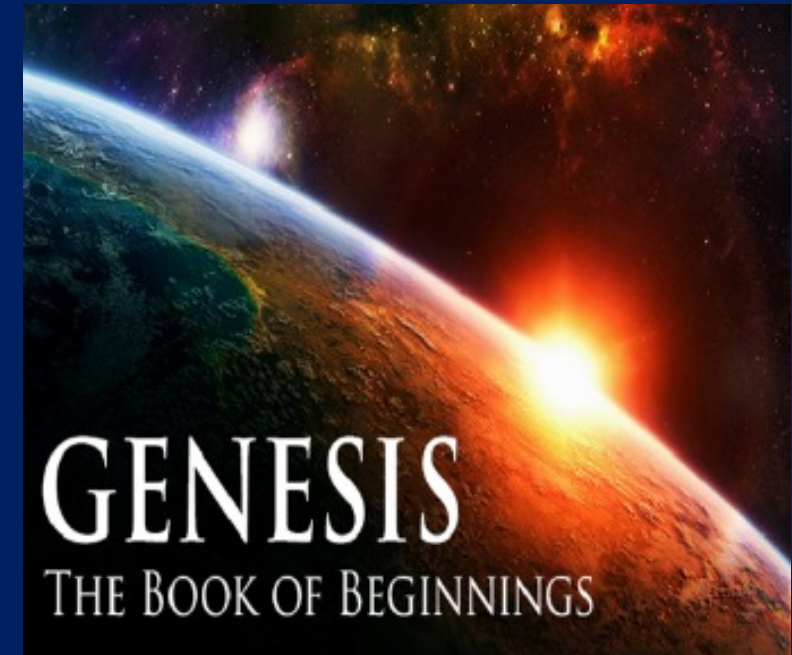
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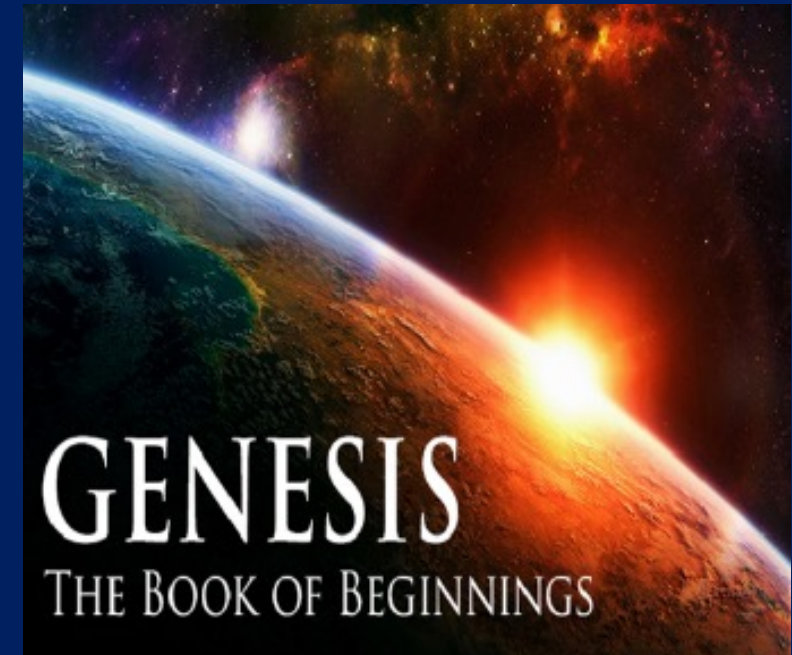
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2. Name:
3. Meaning:
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5. Age at birth of seed-son:
6. Additional years lived:
7. Total years lived:
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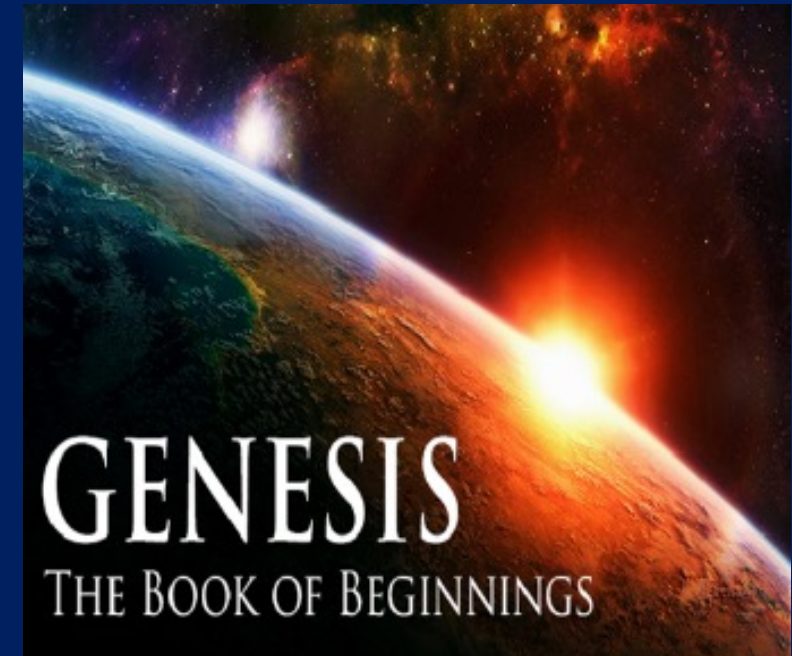
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1. Generation of Shem: **First**
2. Name: **Shem**
3. Meaning: **Name**
4. Name of seed son: **Arphachshad**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **100 years**
6. Additional years lived: **500 years**
7. Total years lived: **600 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**

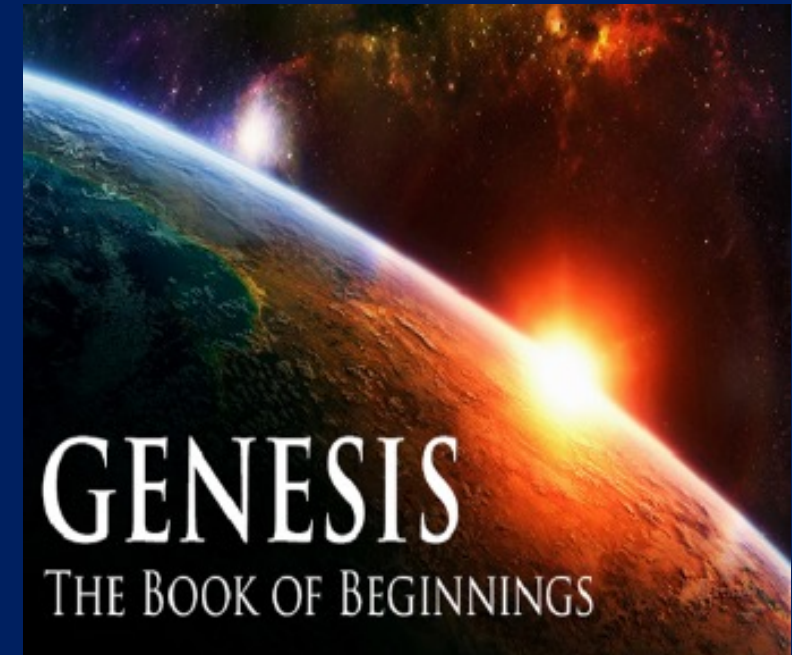






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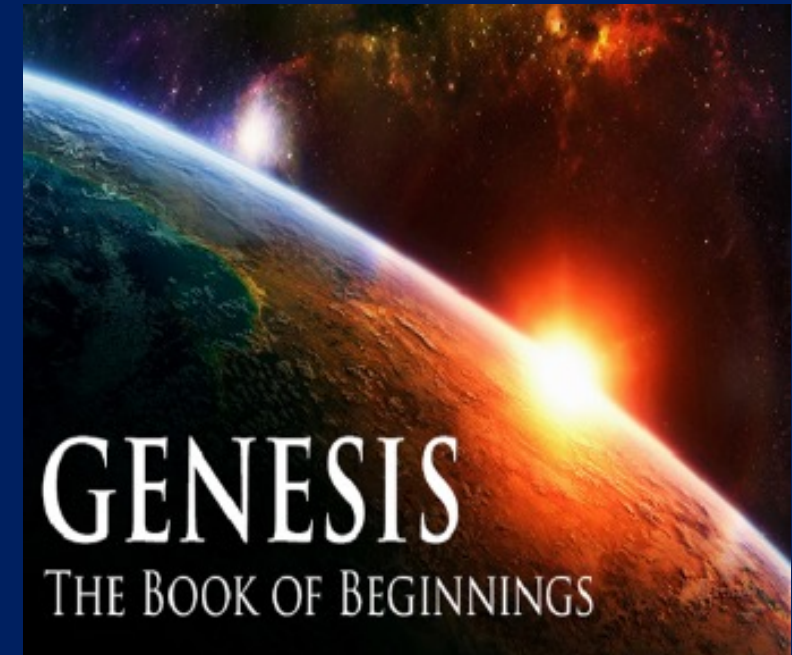




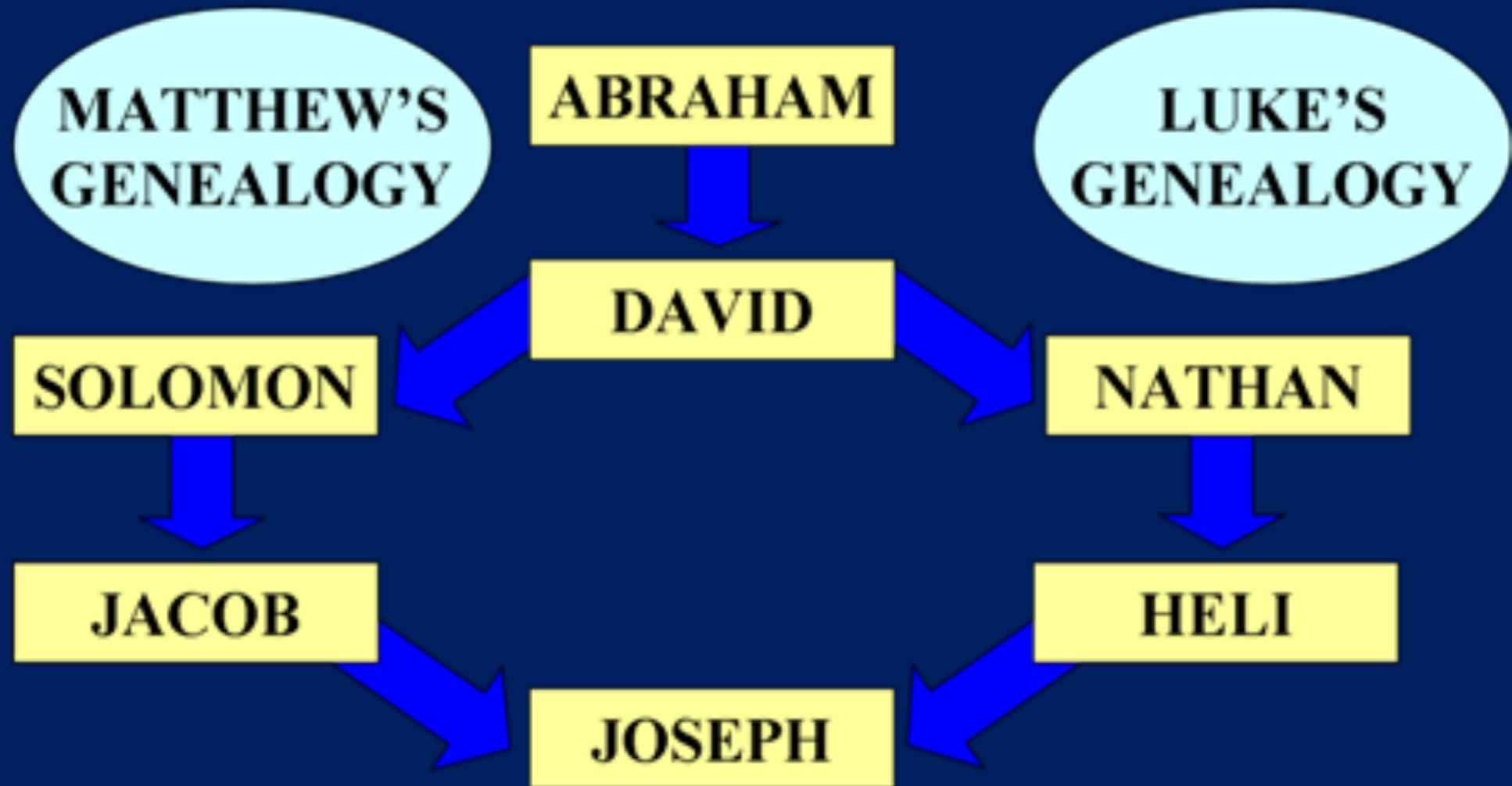
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Genesis 11:12-13

1. Generation of Shem: **Second**
2. Name: **Arphachshad**
3. Meaning: **Unclear**
4. Name of seed son: **Shelah**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **35 years**
6. Additional years lived: **403 years**
7. Total years lived: **438 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**



# Matthean and Lukan Genealogies





## Norman Geisler

*Systematic Theology*, vol. 2 (Minneapolis, MN: Bethany, 2003), 648.

“Bishop James Usher (1581–1656), whose chronology was used in the old Scofield Reference Bible, argued that Adam was created in 4,004 b.c. However, his calculations are based on the assumption that there are no gaps in the genealogical tables of Genesis 5 and 11, while we know this is false. For instance, the Bible says: ‘Arphaxad...became the father of Shelah’ (Gen. 11:12), but in Jesus’ genealogy in Luke 3:35–36, ‘Cainan’ is listed between Arphaxad and Shelah. If there is one gap, there may be more...”



## John Gill

*Exposition of the Old and New Testaments,*  
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“Which was the son of Cainan,...This Cainan is not mentioned by Moses in Ge 11:12 nor has he ever appeared in any Hebrew copy of the Old Testament, nor in the Samaritan version, nor in the Targum; nor is he mentioned by Josephus, nor in 1Ch 1:24 where the genealogy is repeated; nor is it in Beza’s most ancient Greek copy of Luke: it indeed stands in the present copies of the Septuagint, but was not originally there; and therefore could not be taken by Luke from thence, but seems to be owing to some early negligent transcriber...



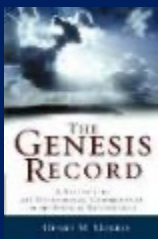


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..of Luke's Gospel, and since put into the Septuagint to give it authority: I say 'early,' because it is in many Greek copies, and in the Vulgate Latin, and all the Oriental versions, even in the Syriac, the oldest of them; but ought not to stand neither in the text, nor in any version: for certain it is, there never was such a Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, for Salah was his son; and with him the next words should be connected."



## Dr. Henry M. Morris

*The Genesis Record*, 281-82



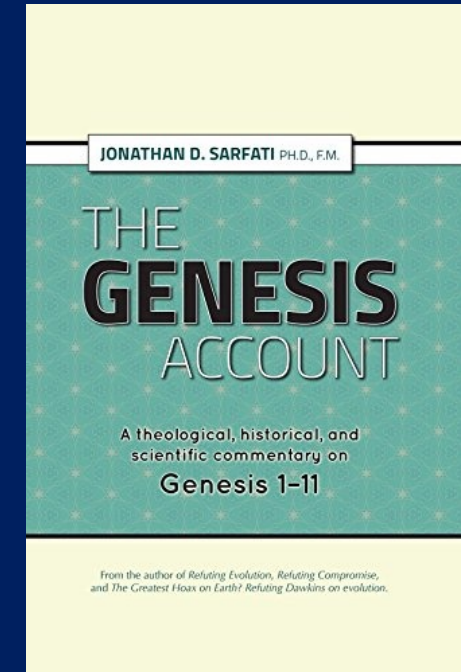
“It is worth noting that Luke (3:36) inserts the name of Cainan between Arphaxad and Selah in this genealogy...it would not be too difficult for a careless scribe to copy ‘Cainan’ inadvertently from Luke 3:37 as he was copying Luke 3:36, thus getting two Cainans into the list. It is known that the New Testament copyists were often much less careful in this work than had been the Old Testament scribes...Cainan’s name should not be included, and its insertion in Luke 3:36 is most likely a copyist’s error.”



## Dr. Jonathan D. Sarfati

Jonathan D. Sarfati, *The Genesis Account: A Theological, Historical, and Scientific Commentary on Genesis 1–11* (Powder Springs, GA: Creation Book Publishers, 2015), 682.

“A possible explanation for the extra Cainan is a well known copyist error called *homoioteleuton* (from the Greek ὁμοιοτέλευτον, ‘similar ending’...)”



# The Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy

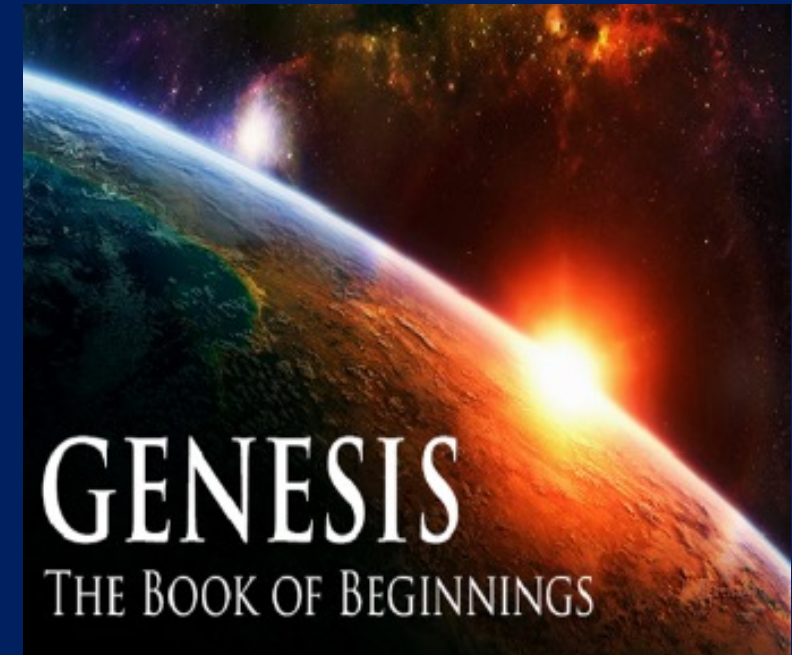
## Article X

“WE AFFIRM that inspiration, strictly speaking, applies only to the autographic text of Scripture, which in the providence of God can be ascertained from available manuscripts with great accuracy. We further affirm that copies and translations of Scripture are the Word of God to the extent that they faithfully represent the original. WE DENY that any essential element of the Christian faith is affected by the absence of the autographs. We further deny that this absence renders the assertion of biblical inerrancy invalid or irrelevant.”



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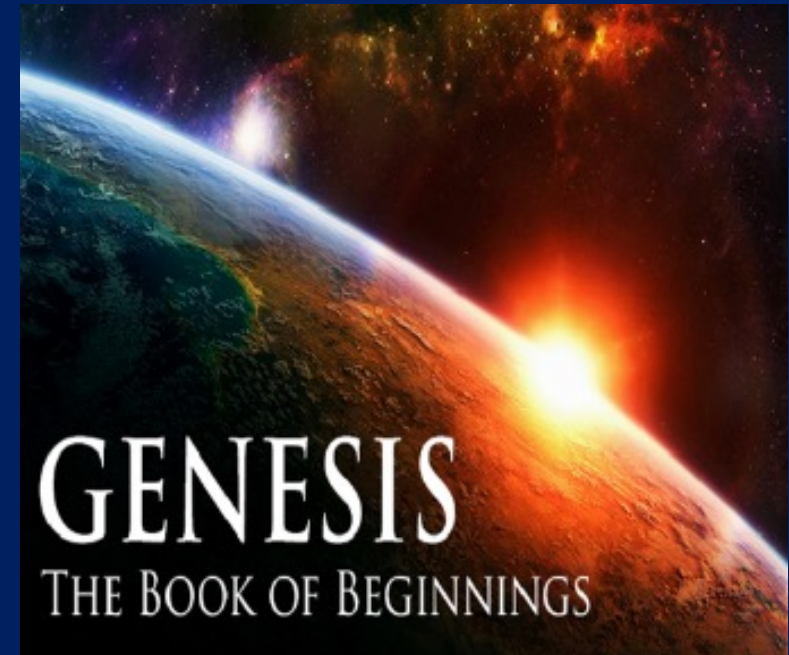
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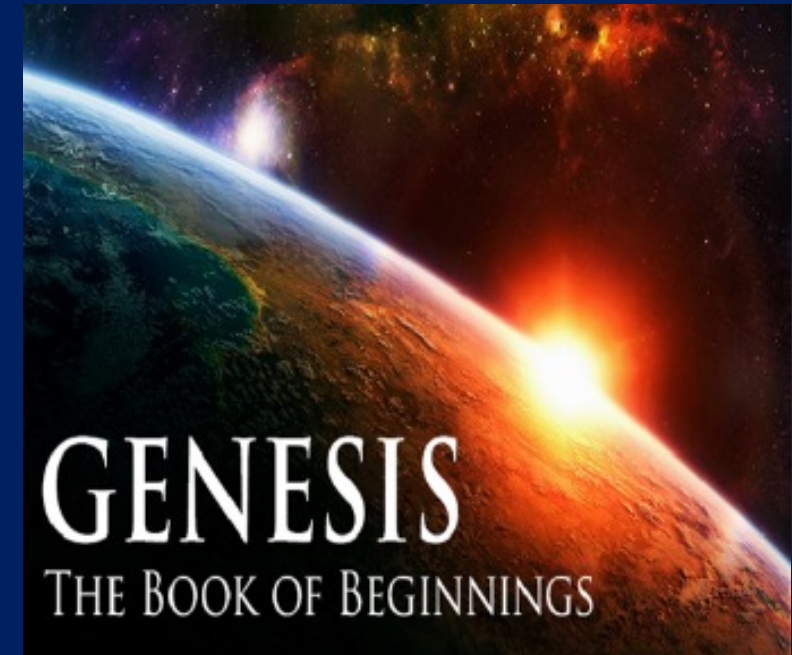
Genesis 11:14-15

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2. Name: Shelah
3. Meaning: Sent one
4. Name of seed son: Eber
5. Age at birth of seed-son: 30 years
6. Additional years lived: 403 years
7. Total years lived: 433 years
8. Begat other sons & daughters: Yes



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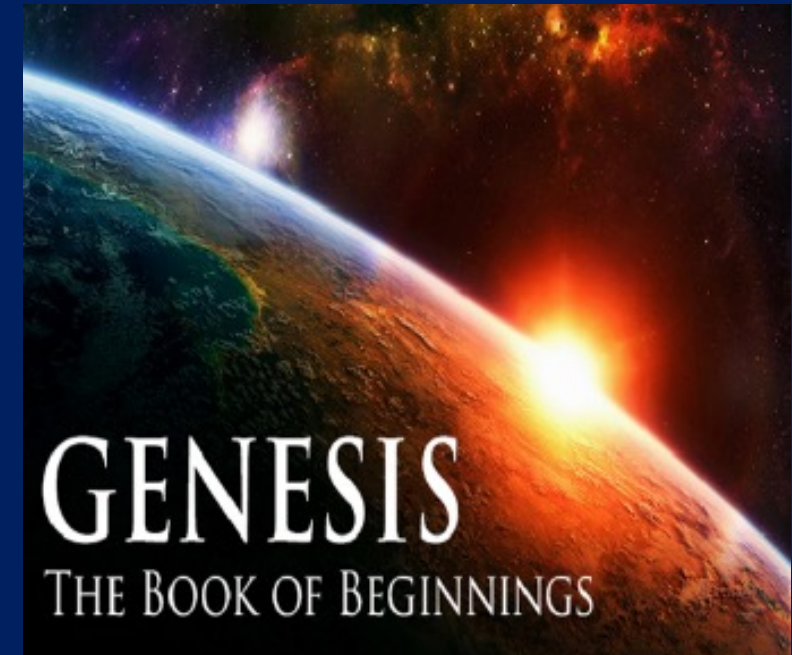
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# Eight-Fold Pattern

Genesis 11:16-17

1. Generation of Shem: **Fourth**
2. Name: **Eber**
3. Meaning: **Cross over**
4. Name of seed son: **Peleg**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **34 years**
6. Additional years lived: **430 years**
7. Total years lived: **464 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**

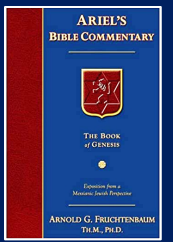






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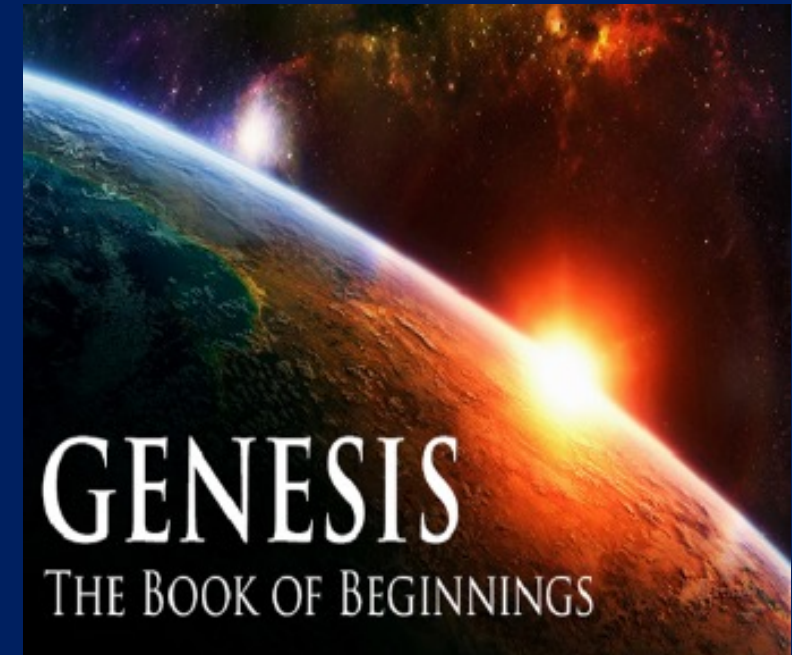
*The Book of Genesis, 217*



“The line of Shem begins in verse 21: And unto Shem, the father of all the children of Eber. Eber in Hebrew is *Ever* and is the source of the Hebrew word for ‘Hebrew,’ *Ivrit*. To be the father of the Hebrews is the main significance of the line of Shem.”

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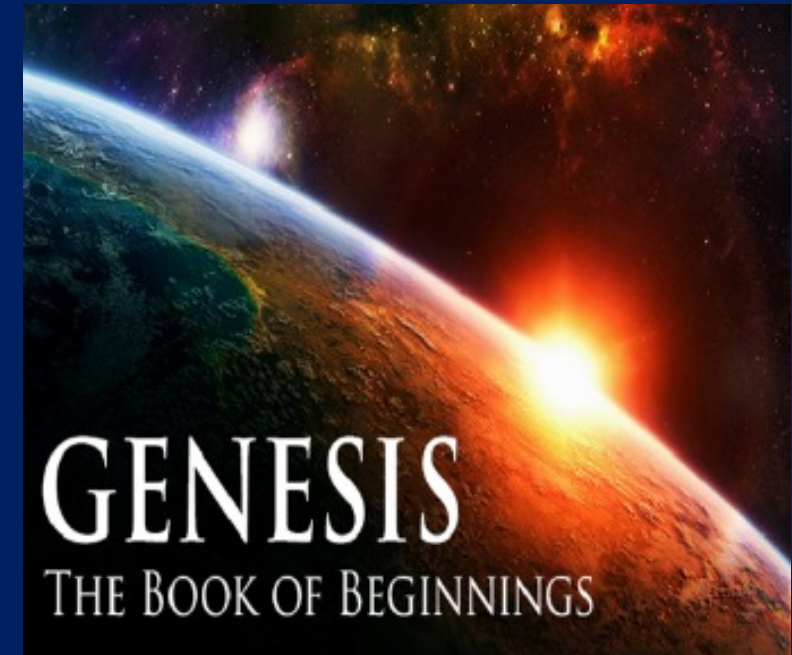
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# Eight-Fold Pattern

Genesis 11:18-19

1. Generation of Shem: **Fifth**
2. Name: **Peleg**
3. Meaning: **Division**
4. Name of seed son: **Reu**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **30 years**
6. Additional years lived: **209 years**
7. Total years lived: **239 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**









North America

North Atlantic

Arctic

Europe

Asia

North Pacific

EQUATOR

Africa

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South Pacific

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Australia

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## Genesis 11:1-9

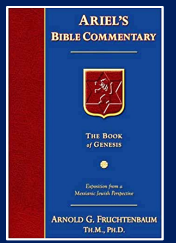
<sup>1</sup> Now the whole earth used the same language and the same words. <sup>2</sup> It came about as they journeyed east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup> They said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks and burn *them* thoroughly.” And they used brick for stone, and they used tar for mortar. <sup>4</sup> They said, “Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will . . .



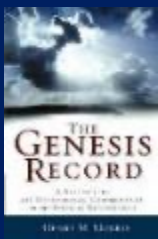


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*The Book of Genesis, 219*



“...the name of the one was Peleg. For in his days was the earth divided. The name Peleg means ‘to divide.’ Some identify this event with the continental divide or the continental drift. However, **contextually**, it more likely refers to the language division of the Tower of Babel judgment. This means that the confusion of tongues occurred during Peleg’s lifetime.”



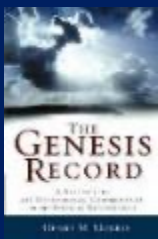
## Dr. Henry M. Morris

*The Genesis Record, 260-61*



“Evidently this was a most memorable event, and Eber named his son in commemoration of it. The name Peleg means ‘division.’... The big question concerns the meaning of the indicated division of the earth. **The most obvious interpretation of this verse is that the division was the division of the peoples at the Tower of Babel, as discussed in Genesis 11.** It is significant that some such division is mentioned here in Genesis 10:5 (‘By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations’) and Genesis 10:32 (‘. . . by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood’).”





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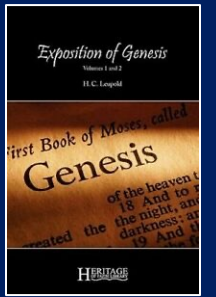
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**“These verses seem clearly to refer to a linguistic and geographic division, rather than to an actual splitting of the continents.** This is especially clear in verse 5, where the division is specifically ‘after his tongue.’... If it is ever actually proved that the earth once was a single land mass that somehow split apart, with the segments gradually drifting away to form the present continents, then indeed this verse might be understood to refer to such an event. At present, the question of continental drift is still open among scientists; and creationist scientists have pointed to a number of unresolved physical difficulties with the whole idea.”

# H. C. Leupold

H.C. Leupold, *Exposition of Genesis*, 1:378.



“Peleg means ‘division’, for he lived at the time when the earth was divided (*niphlegah*) and the name given to the man is in memory of this event. The event referred to must be the one under consideration—the Confusion of Tongues.”

# John Calvin

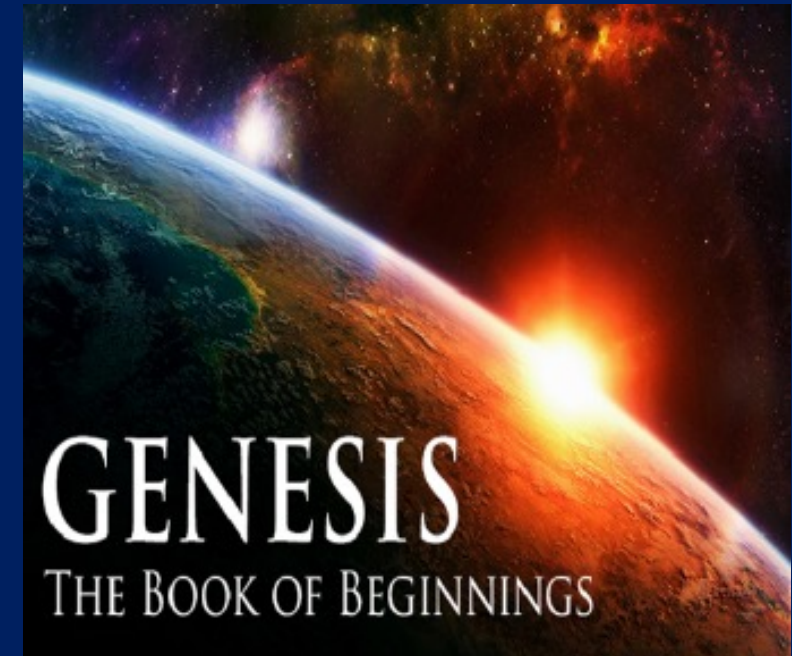
*Genesis*, 1554 (Edinburgh, UK: Banner of Truth, 1984), p. 324.



“For after he [Moses] has mentioned Arphaxad as the third of the sons of Shem, he then names Peleg, his great grandson, in whose days the languages were divided.”

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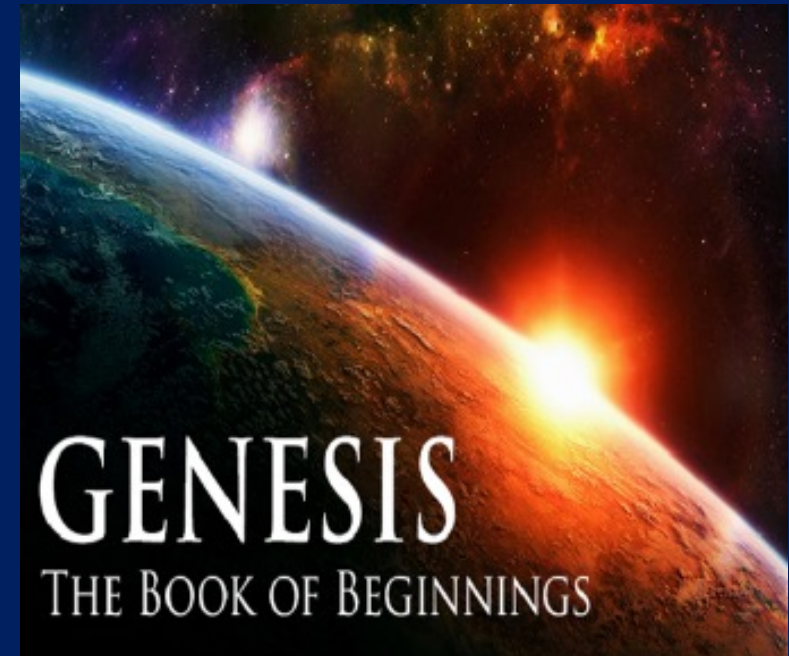




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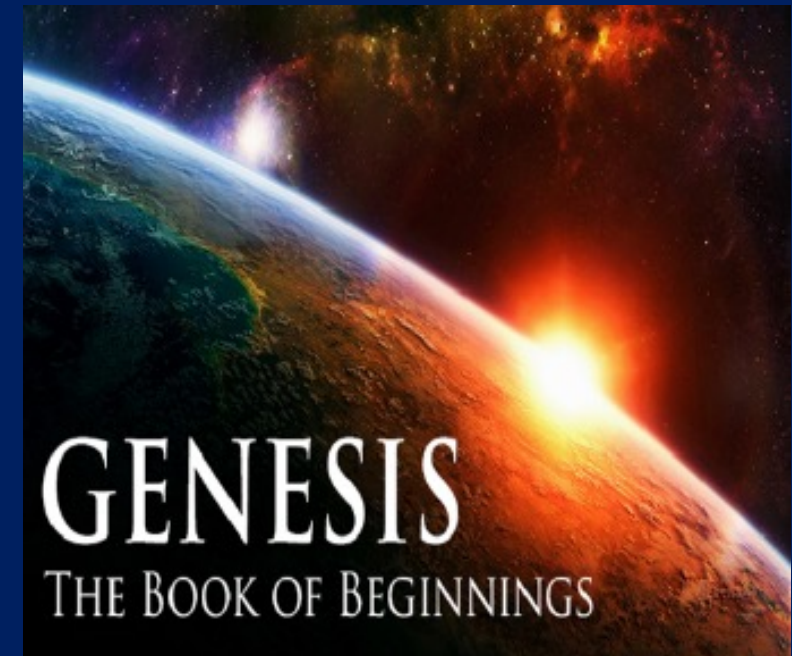
Genesis 11:20-21

1. Generation of Shem: **Sixth**
2. Name: **Reu**
3. Meaning: **Friend or neighbor**
4. Name of seed son: **Serug**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **32 years**
6. Additional years lived: **207 years**
7. Total years lived: **239 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**



# Genesis 11:10-26 Outline

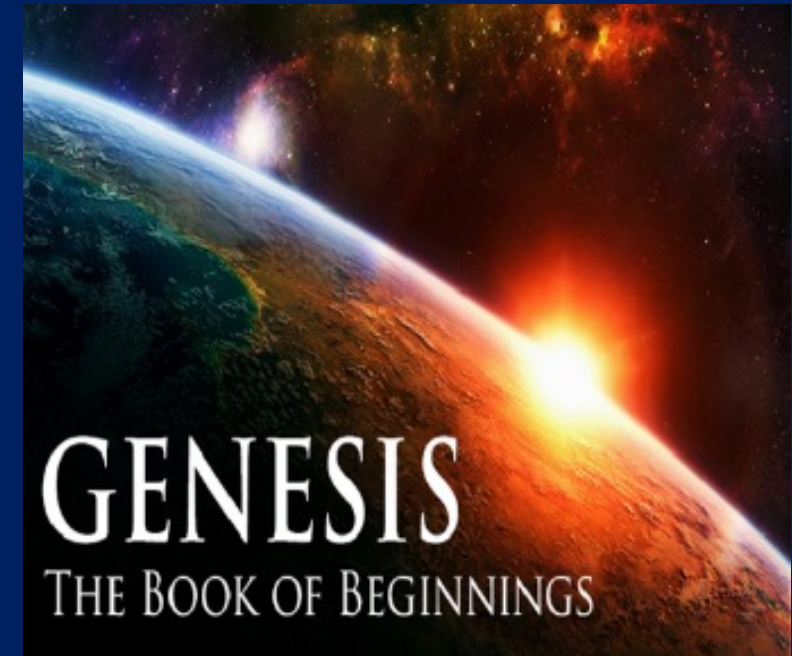
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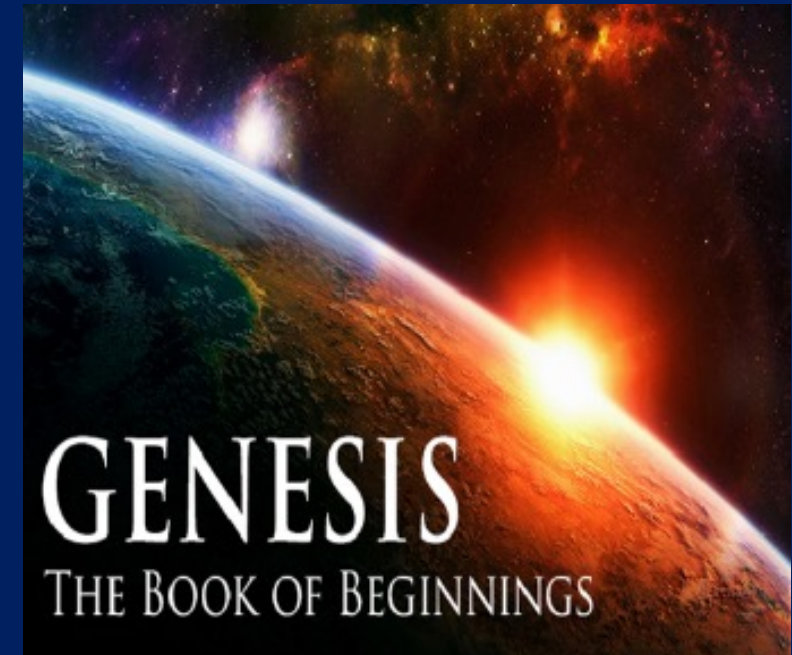
Genesis 11:22-23

1. Generation of Shem: Seventh
2. Name: Serug
3. Meaning: Unclear
4. Name of seed son: Nahor
5. Age at birth of seed-son: 30 years
6. Additional years lived: 200 years
7. Total years lived: 230 years
8. Begat other sons & daughters: Yes



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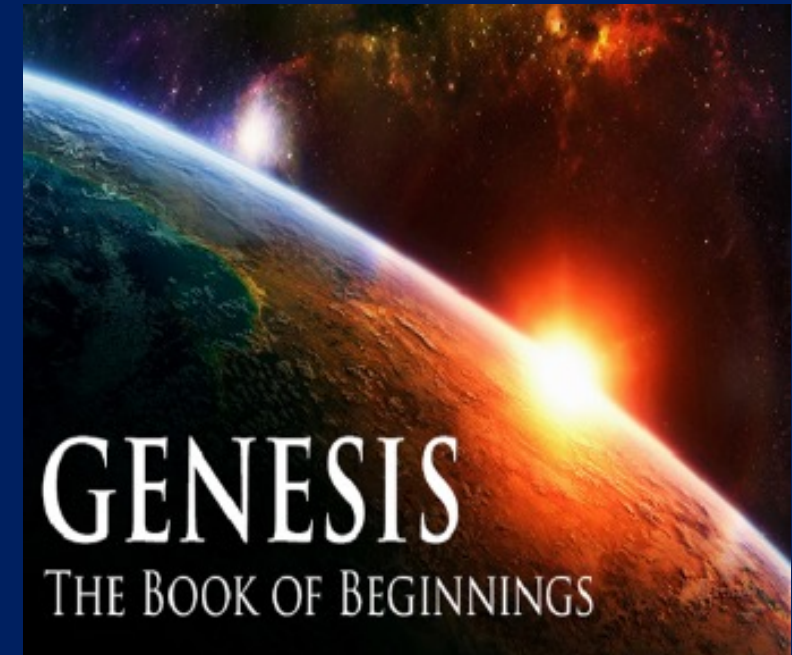




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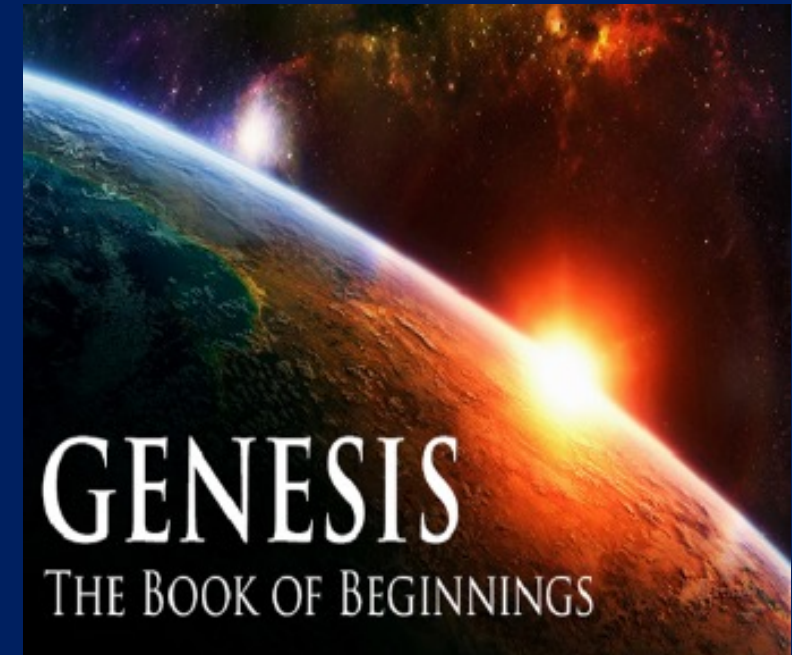
Genesis 11:24-25

1. Generation of Shem: **Eighth**
2. Name: **Nahor**
3. Meaning: **River**
4. Name of seed son: **Terah**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **29 years**
6. Additional years lived: **119 years**
7. Total years lived: **148 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**



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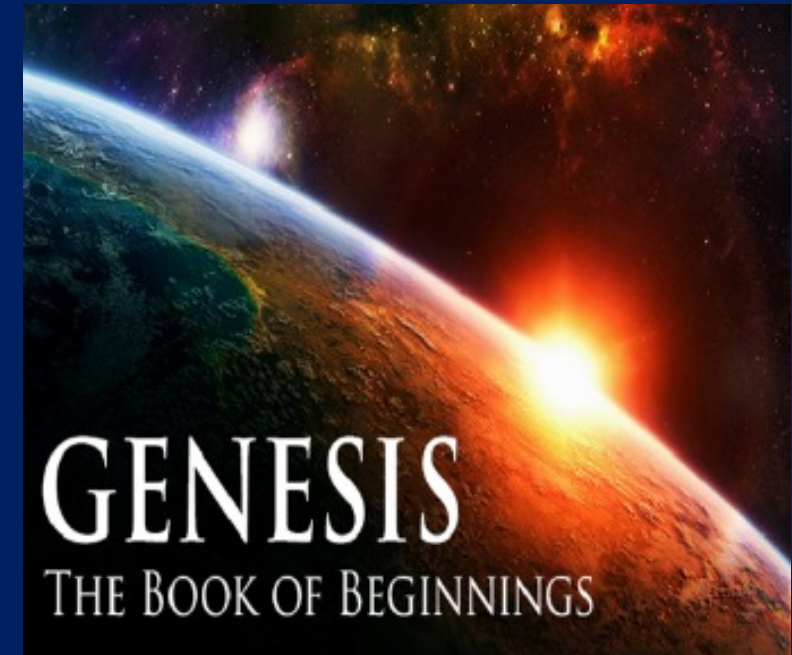
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Genesis 11:26

1. Generation of Shem: **Ninth**
2. Name: **Terah**
3. Meaning: **Moon**
4. Name of seed son: **Abram, Nahor, Haran**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **70 years**
6. Additional years lived: **135 years**
7. Total years lived: **205 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**



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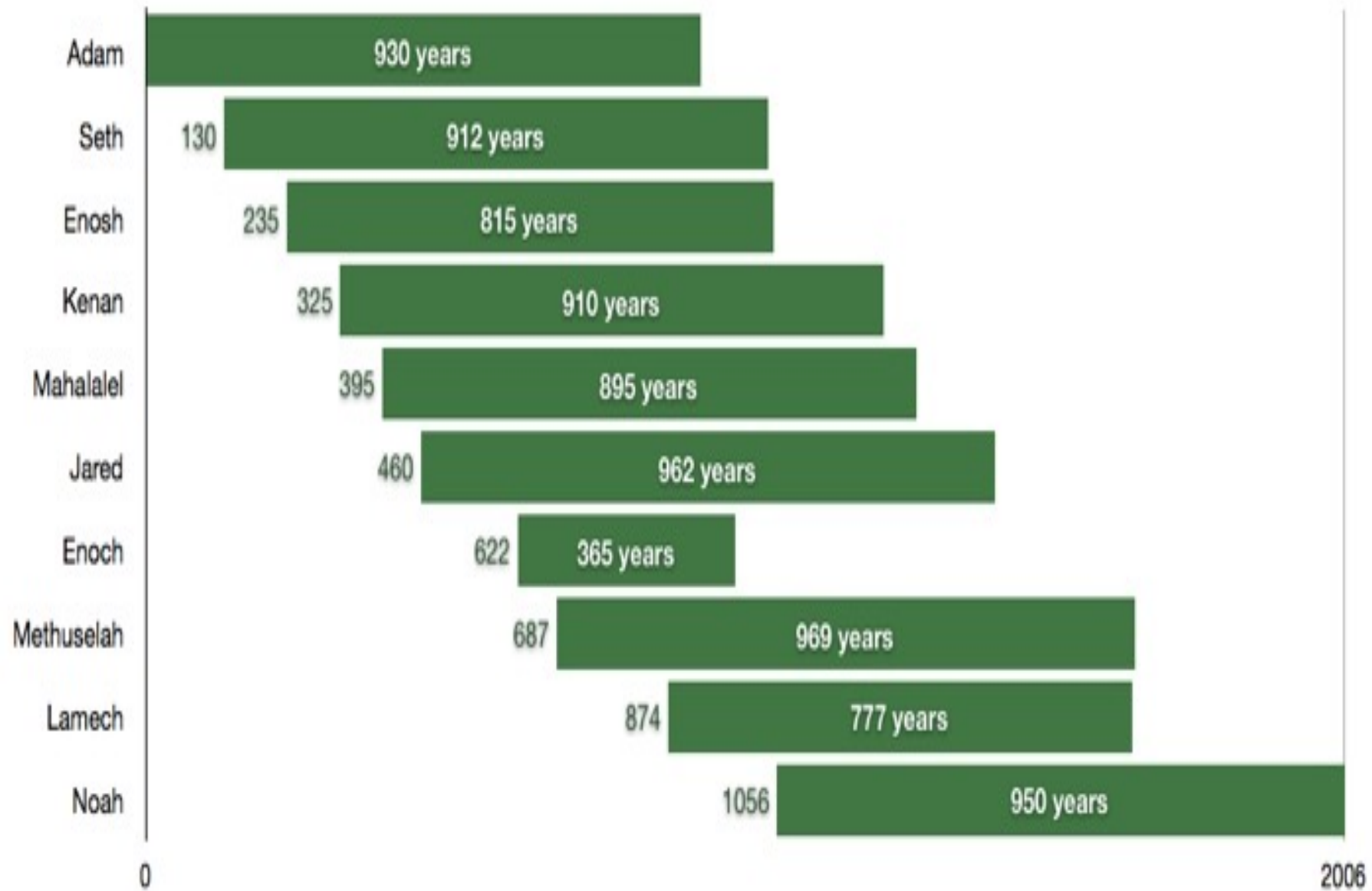


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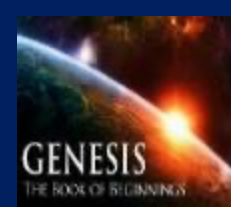
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  - ◆ Seth is a descendant of Adam and Eve replacing Abel (4:25)
  - ◆ Seth named Enosh (4:26)
  - ◆ Lamech named Noah (5:29)
- Jude 14





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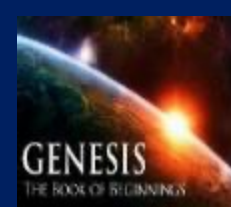


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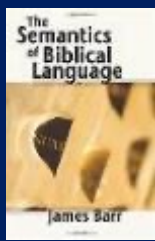


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“...In Shem’s genealogy, as in the previous genealogy of Adam (Genesis 5), the language does not allow for gaps in the genealogy, since the text does not merely say begat, but it is more specific, giving the age of the father when the seed-son is born and how many years the father lived thereafter.”



# James Barr

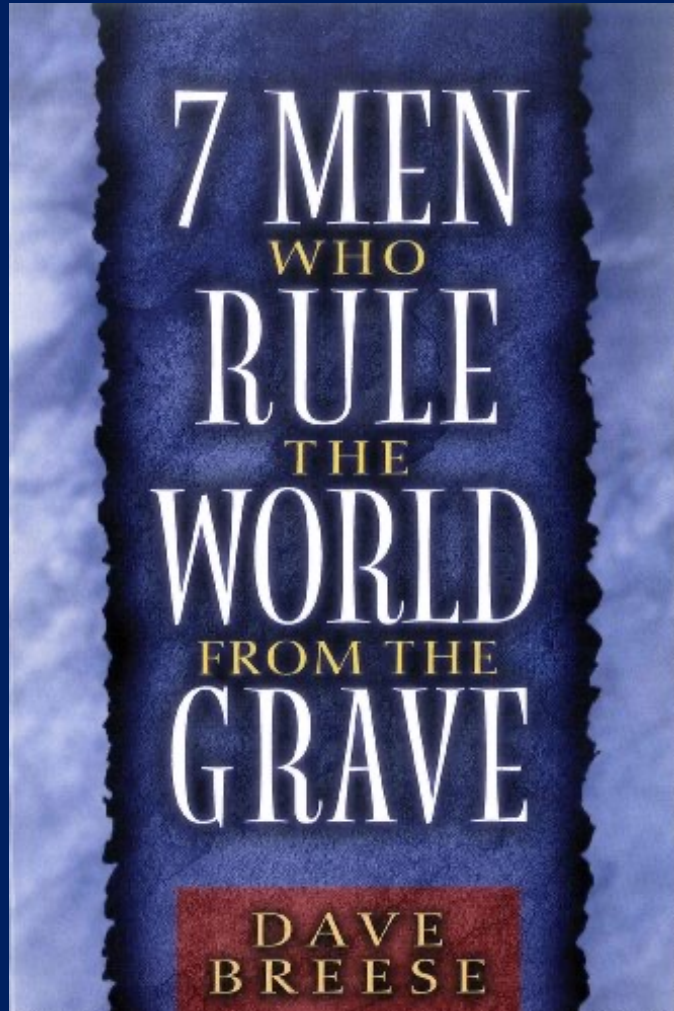


“Letter from Professor James Barr to David C.C. Watson of the UK, dated 23 April 1984.” Cited in Jonathan Sarfati, *Refuting Compromise: A Biblical and Scientific Refutation of "Progressive Creationism" (Billions of Years), as Popularized by Astronomer Hugh Ross*. Updated and expanded ed. (Powder Springs, GA: Creation Book Publishers, 2014), 134-35.

“Probably, so far as I know, there is no professor of Hebrew or Old Testament at any world-class university who does not believe that the writer(s) of Genesis 1–11 intended to convey to their readers the ideas that: (a) creation took place in a series of six days which were the same as the days of 24 hours we now experience. (b) the figures contained in the Genesis genealogies provided by simple addition a chronology from the beginning of the world up to later stages in the biblical story (c) Noah’s flood was understood to be world-wide and extinguish human and animal life except for those in the ark. Or, to put it negatively, the apologetic arguments which suppose the ‘days’ of creation to be long eras of time, the figures of years not to be chronological, and the flood to be a merely local Mesopotamian flood, are not taken seriously by any such professors, as far as I know.”



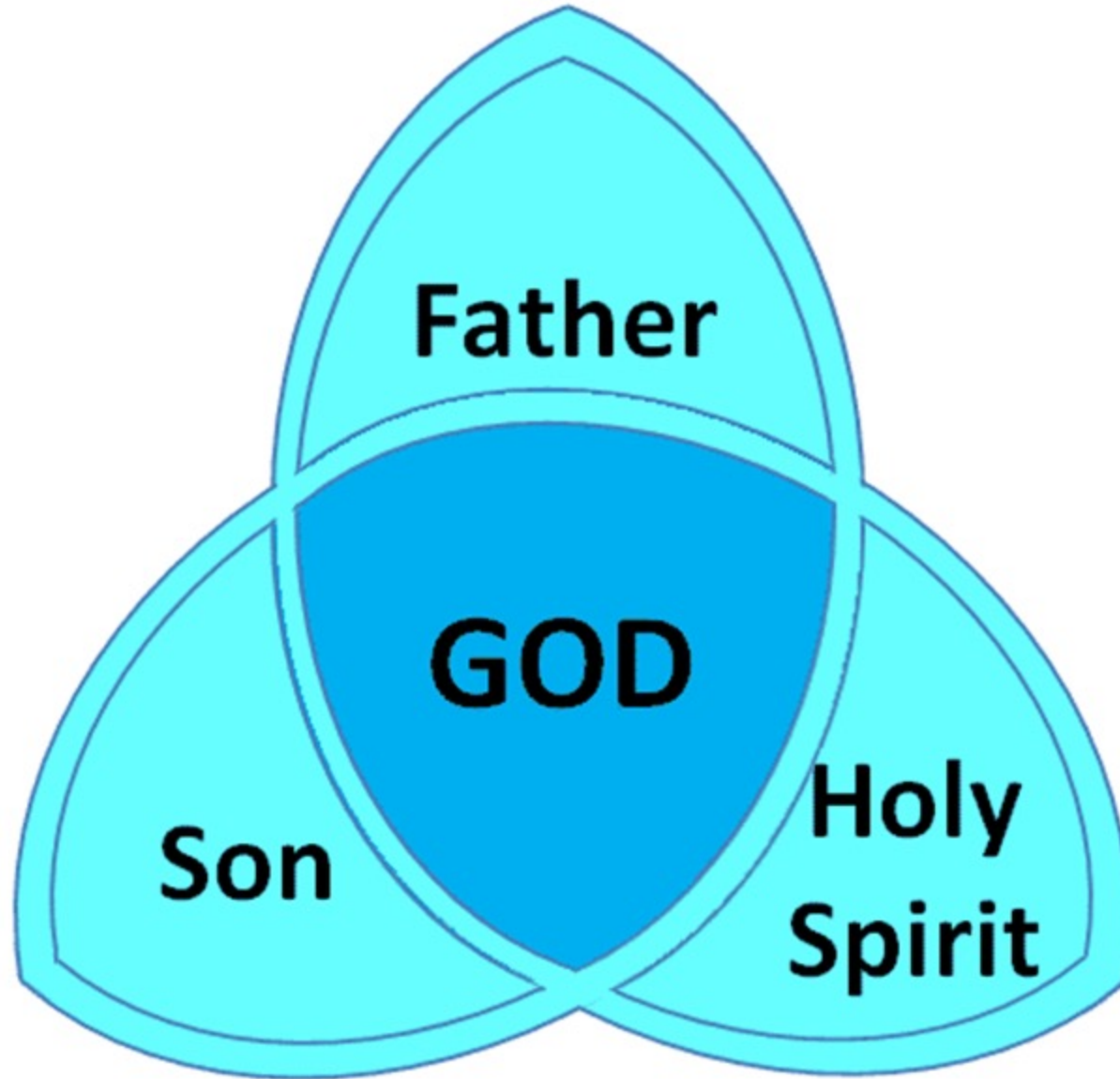
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## Jesus Genealogy According to Matthew

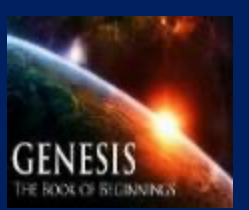
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| 3. Jacob         | 17. Abijah          | 31. Abiud         |
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| 8. Amminadab     | 22. Jotham          | 36. Eliud         |
| 9. Nahshon       | 23. Ahaz            | 37. Eleazar       |
| 10. Salmon       | 24. Hezekiah.       | 38. Matthan       |
| 11. Boaz         | 25. Manasseh        | 39. Jacob         |
| 12. Obed         | 26. Amon            | 40. <b>Joseph</b> |
| 13. Jesse        | 27. Josiah          | 41. <b>Jesus</b>  |
| 14. <b>David</b> | 28. <b>Jeconiah</b> |                   |



## Norman Geisler

*Systematic Theology*, vol. 2 (Minneapolis, MN: Bethany, 2003), 648.

“If there is one gap, there may be more—indeed, we know there are more. For example, Matthew 1:8 says: ‘Jehoram the father of Uzziah,’ but the parallel listing in 1 Chronicles 3:11–14 illustrates missing generations between Jehoram and Uzziah (Azariah), namely, Ahaziah, Joash, and Amaziah. Just how many gaps there are in biblical genealogies and how much time they represent is not known. Even so, gaps there are and, hence, complete chronologies cannot be made; only accurate genealogies (lines of descent) are given.”



# Genealogical Gaps?

- Matthew 1:1-17?
  - ◆ Matt 1:8-9; 1 Chr 3:10-12
  - ◆ Larger portion of history
  - ◆ Age of father at the time the son is born
  - ◆ Matt 1:17 (3 groups of 14)
  - ◆ *Gematria* (sum of Hebrew letters in David's name adds up to 14)



# Matthew's Purposes

- Earliest Gospel written to Hebrew-Christians
- To explain that Jesus in whom they had believed was indeed the long-awaited Jewish Messiah
- To explain why the kingdom had been postponed despite the fact that the king had arrived
- To explain the interim program of God during the kingdom's absence

## TABLE OF ALPHABETIC NOTATION OF NUMERALS

	Hebrew	Greek		Hebrew	Greek
1	א	α	50	ה	ν
2	ב	β	60	ו	ξ
3	ג	γ	70	ז	ο
4	ד	δ	80	ח	π
5	ה	ε	90	ט	φ
6	ו	ς	100	י	ρ
7	ז	σ	200	כ	σ
8	ח	τ	300	ל	τ
9	ט	θ	400	מ	υ
10	י	ι	500	נ	φ
20	כ	κ	600	ס	χ
30	ל	λ	700	ע	ψ
40	מ	μ	800	פ	ω

# David

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**14**



# Genealogical Gaps?

- 10/10 symmetrical scheme (Gen 5; 11) with gaps like Matt 1:17?
  - ◆ Gen 5 = Ten patriarchs from Adam to Noah (3 sons)
  - ◆ Gen 11 = Nine patriarchs from Shem to Terah (3 sons)



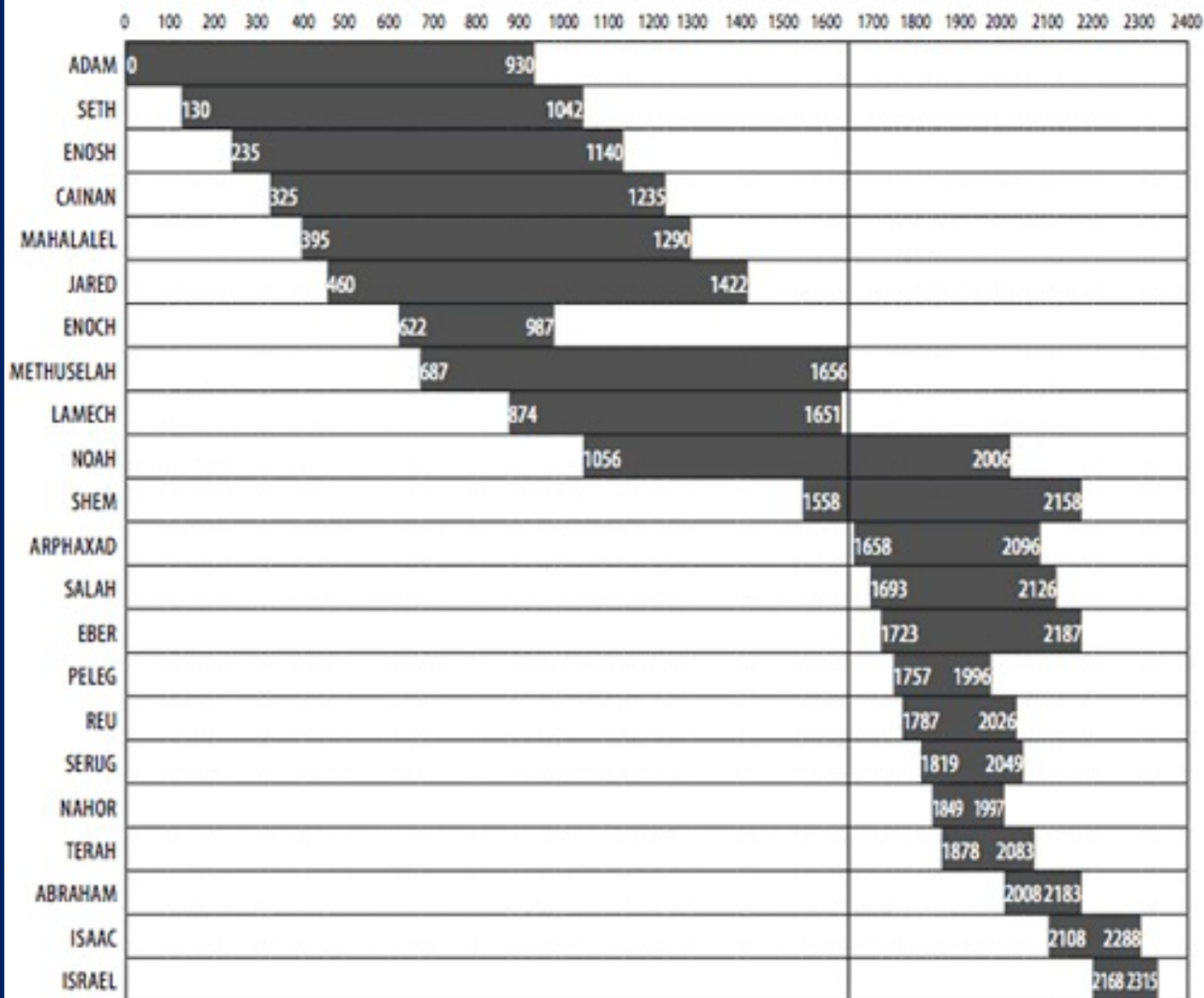


# Age of the Earth?



- 971-931 BC = Solomonic reign
- 966 = Solomon rebuilds temple (1 Kgs 6:1b)
- - 480 years for the Exodus' date (1 Kgs 6:1a)
- = 1446 BC for Exodus' date
- - 430 years for Jacob's migration to Egypt (Exod 12:40)
- = 1876 BC for Jacob's migration to Egypt (Gen 46)
- Genealogies of Gen 5; 11
- = 4000 BC for the earth's age

### YEARS AFTER CREATION



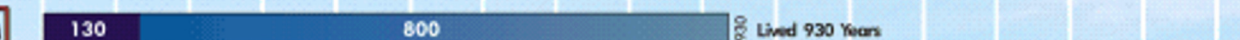
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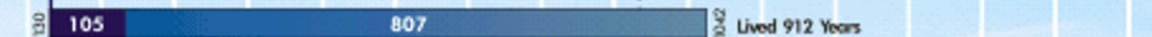
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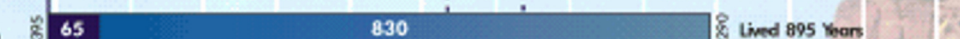
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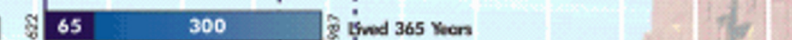
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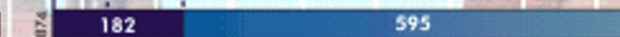
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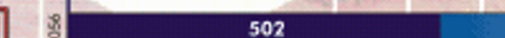
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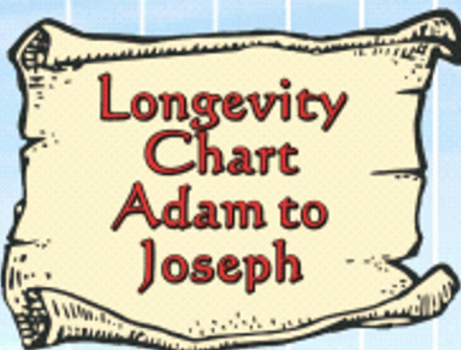
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(About 4000 B.C.)

**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 1 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 1 Cor. 15:45 and Romans 5:12-14). By further comparing Genesis 20:11, Acts 13:20-21, 1 Kings 2:11, 13:42 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 tells 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. 4:7 and other 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 Usher calculated the creation to be 4004 B.C. (Our calendar is off by about four years since Christ was born around 4 B.C.) Could it be that God is working on a 7000 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 cease." Could it be that God told Enosh to name him that? The flood started when Methuselah died. Enosh did not know when his son would die. Maybe Enosh 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 2157 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 6 living ancestors that could have known Adam personally.

13. All 10 of Abraham's post-flood ancestors (even Noah) were alive for his early life (imagine family reunions)! There is a discrepancy about Sarah's age at birth of Abraham. 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 Sapheth that also drowned (Gen. 5:32).

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# Creation with the Appearance of Age?



- Adam and Eve (Gen 1–2)
- Water to wine (John 2:1-12)
- Feeding of the multitudes (Matt 14:13-21; 15:29-39)
- Mount St. Helens
- Fall, flood

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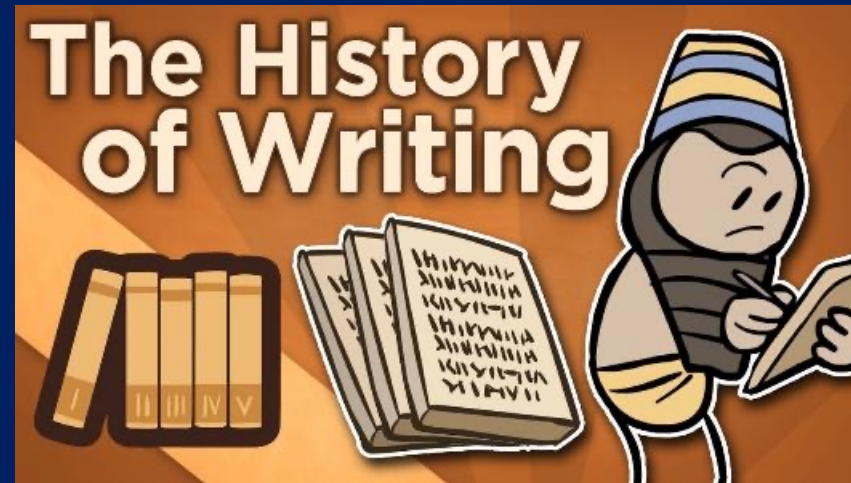
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2.	FALL	<b>Genesis 3-6</b>	Death, painful pregnancy & toil, long life spans, no human government
3.	FLOOD	<b>Genesis 7-10</b>	Shorter life spans, human government, one language, no nations
4.	<b><u>BABEL</u></b>	<b><u>Genesis 11-present</u></b>	<b><u>No global government, multiple languages, nations, ethnicities</u></b>
5.	ANTICHRIST	<b>Rapture to 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent</b>	Global government, restrainer removed
6.	KINGDOM	<b>Rev. 20:1-10</b>	Long life spans, kingdom conditions, reality of death, renovated earth
7.	ETERNAL STATE	<b>Rev. 21-22</b>	No death, new earth





# Earliest Known Human Writing

“No date appears before the start of human civilizations about 5,500 years ago and the beginning of written pictorial history.”



Richard Overy, “The 50 Key Dates of World History” (Oct. 19, 2007)



## Rehabilitating Ussher

Archbishop James Ussher (A.D. 1581–1656) was also a distinguished theologian, *“recognized as one of the greatest scholars of his time.”* He was one of only six theologians allowed to address the Parliament and the King. The Evangelical Dictionary of Theology states, *“He was much sought after by contemporaries for his knowledge and beauty of character, and his personal impact was probably even greater than his scholarly legacy.”*

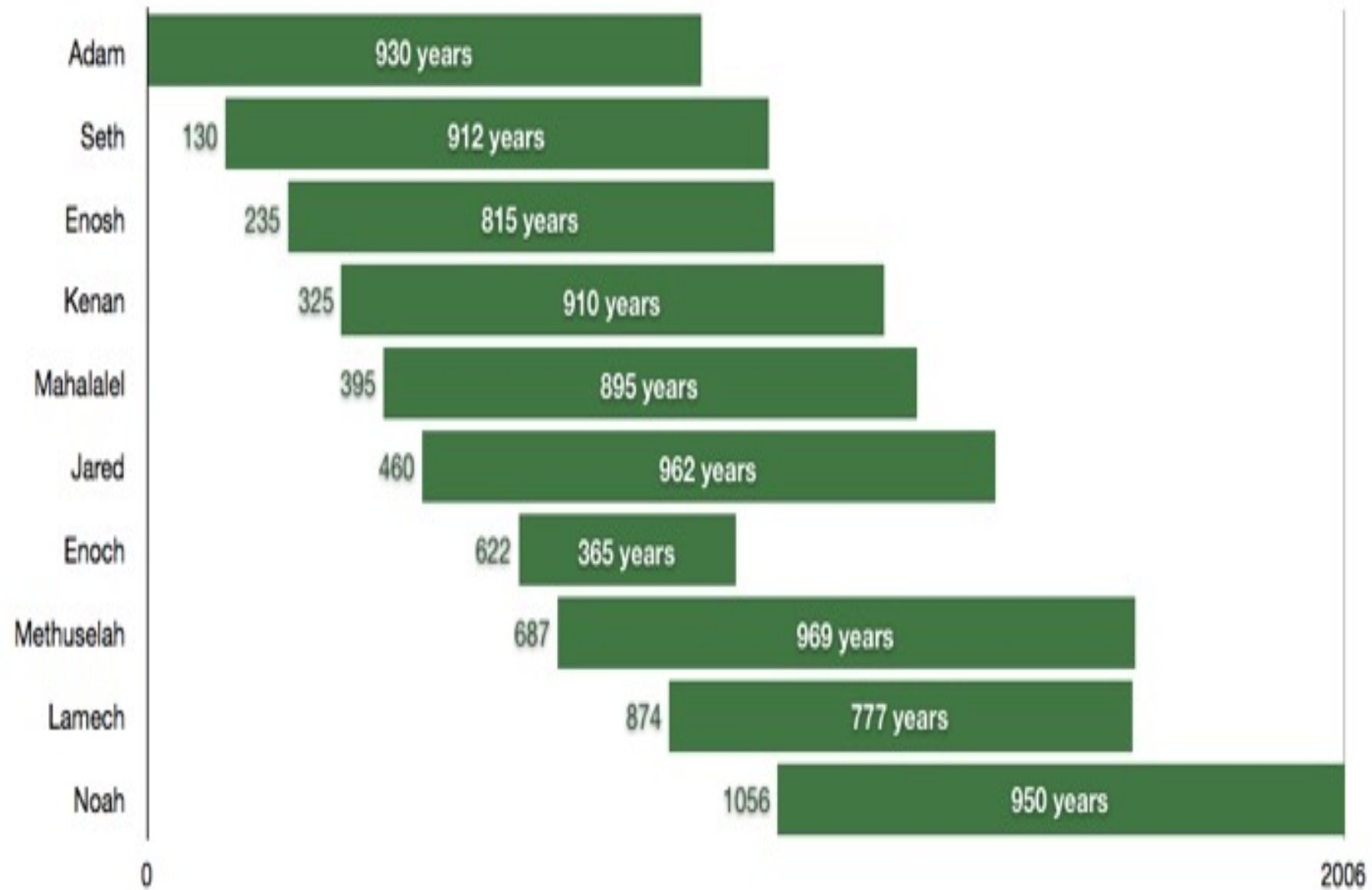
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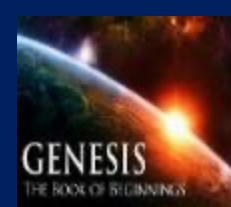
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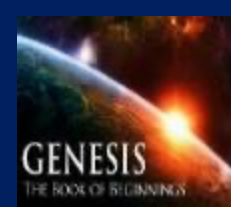
“...only four life spans link together the continuity of tradition from Adam to Jacob, and these make three links. The four life spans are Adam, Lamech, Shem and Jacob. The three links are from Adam to Lamech, since Adam was living when Lamech was born; from Lamech to Shem, since Lamech was living when Shem was born; and from Shem to Isaac and Jacob, since Shem was still living when both Isaac and Jacob were born. Therefore, there are not many gaps in the tradition to retain the history.”





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“Along this line, the following points should be made: Noah lived until Terah, the father of Abraham, was 128 years old; Shem and Eber outlived Terah; Eber outlived Abraham; and, based upon when Terah died, Shem died when Isaac or Jacob was 48 years old...So as to the question of how history was maintained and how the tradition was kept, there is really no problem here because quite a bit of overlapping occurs within these genealogies.”

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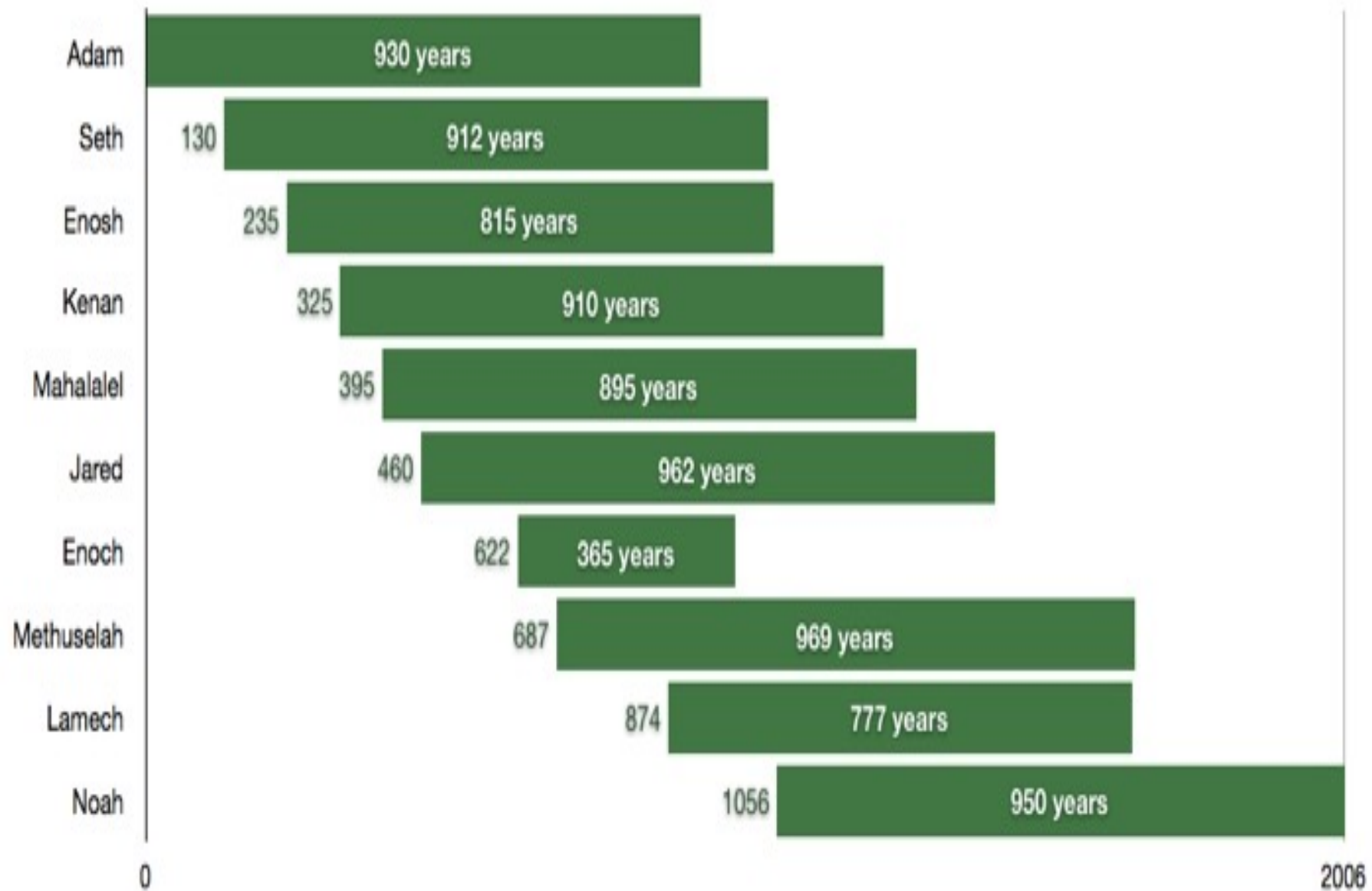


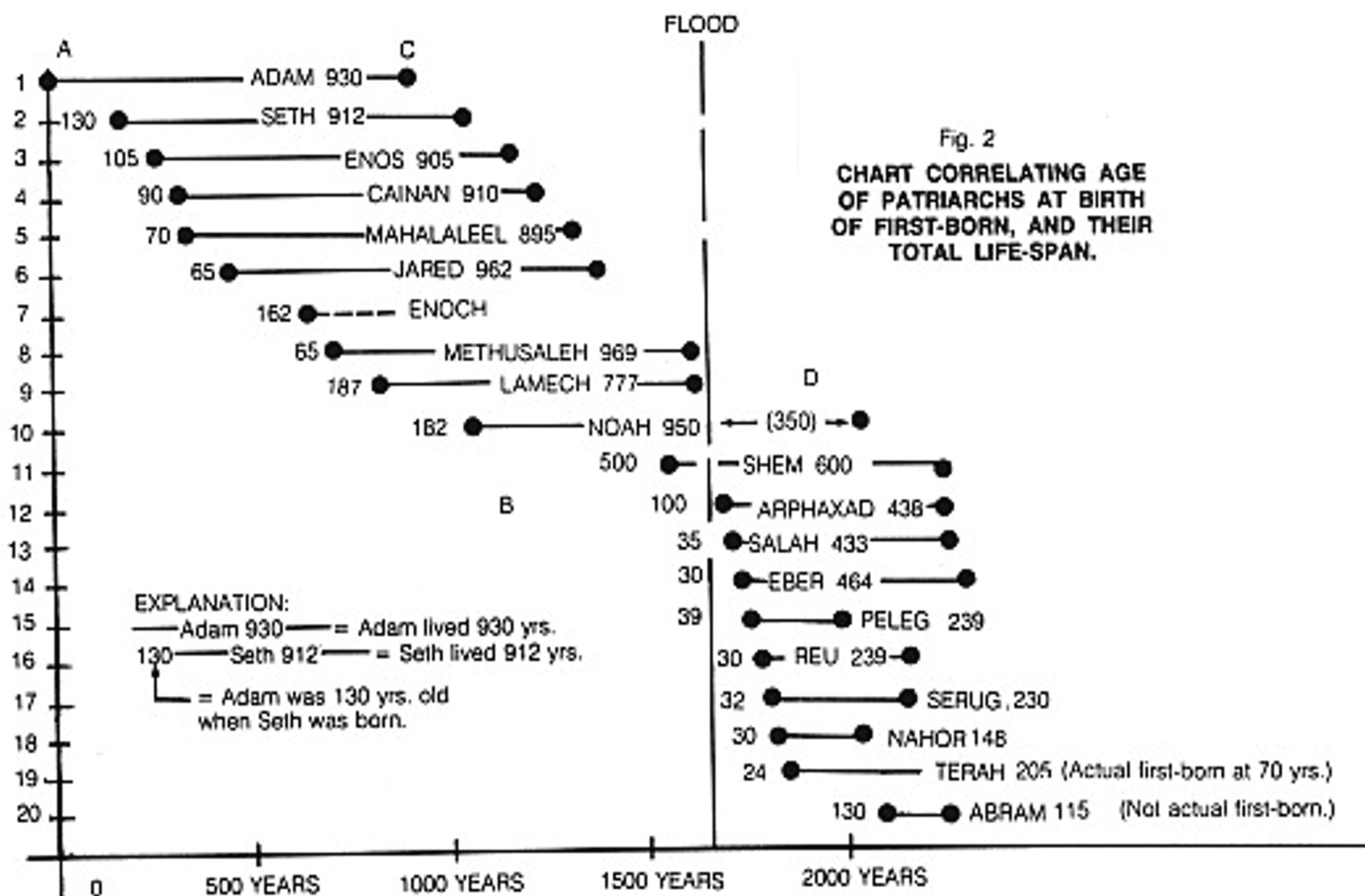
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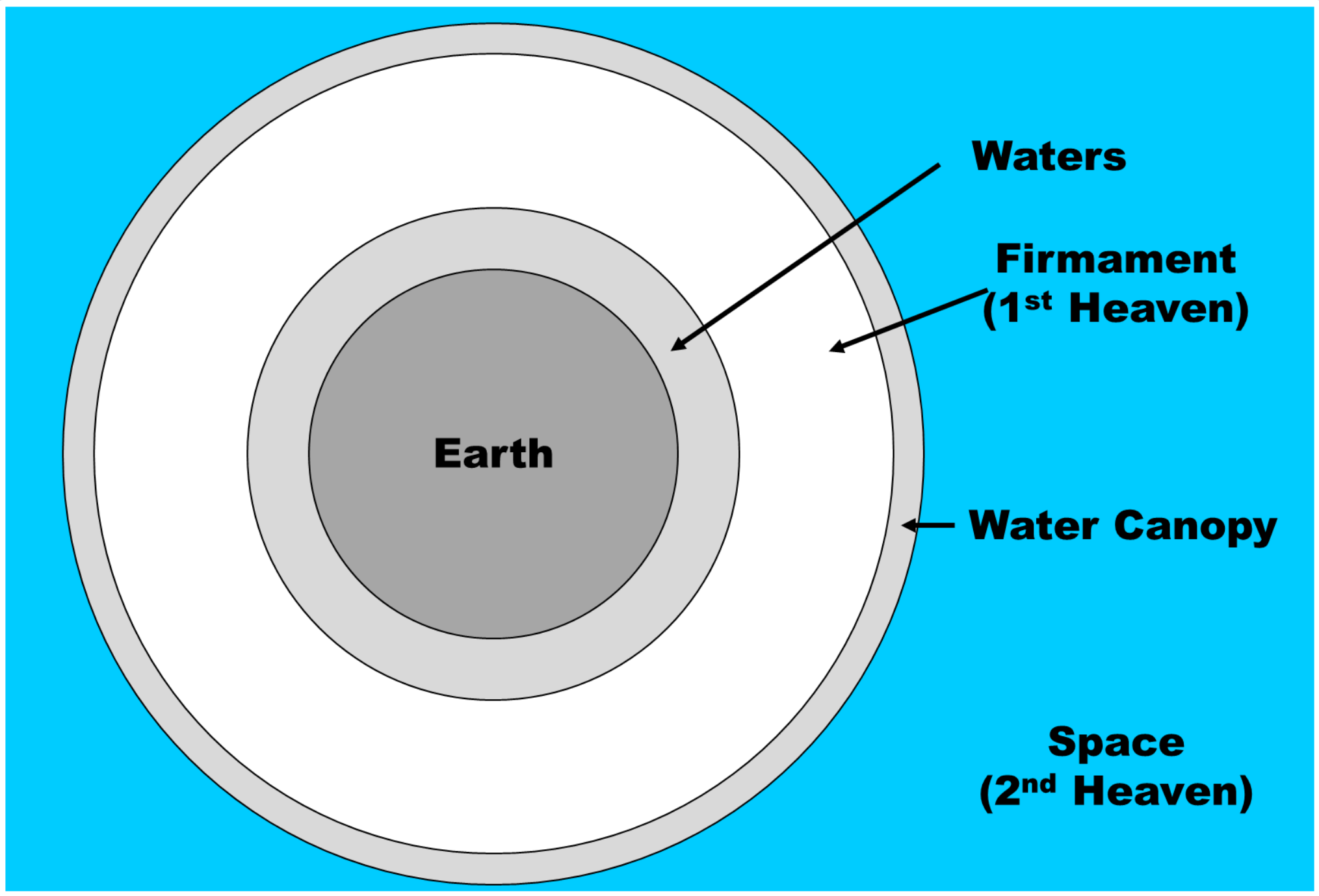
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# Genealogy From Adam to Noah









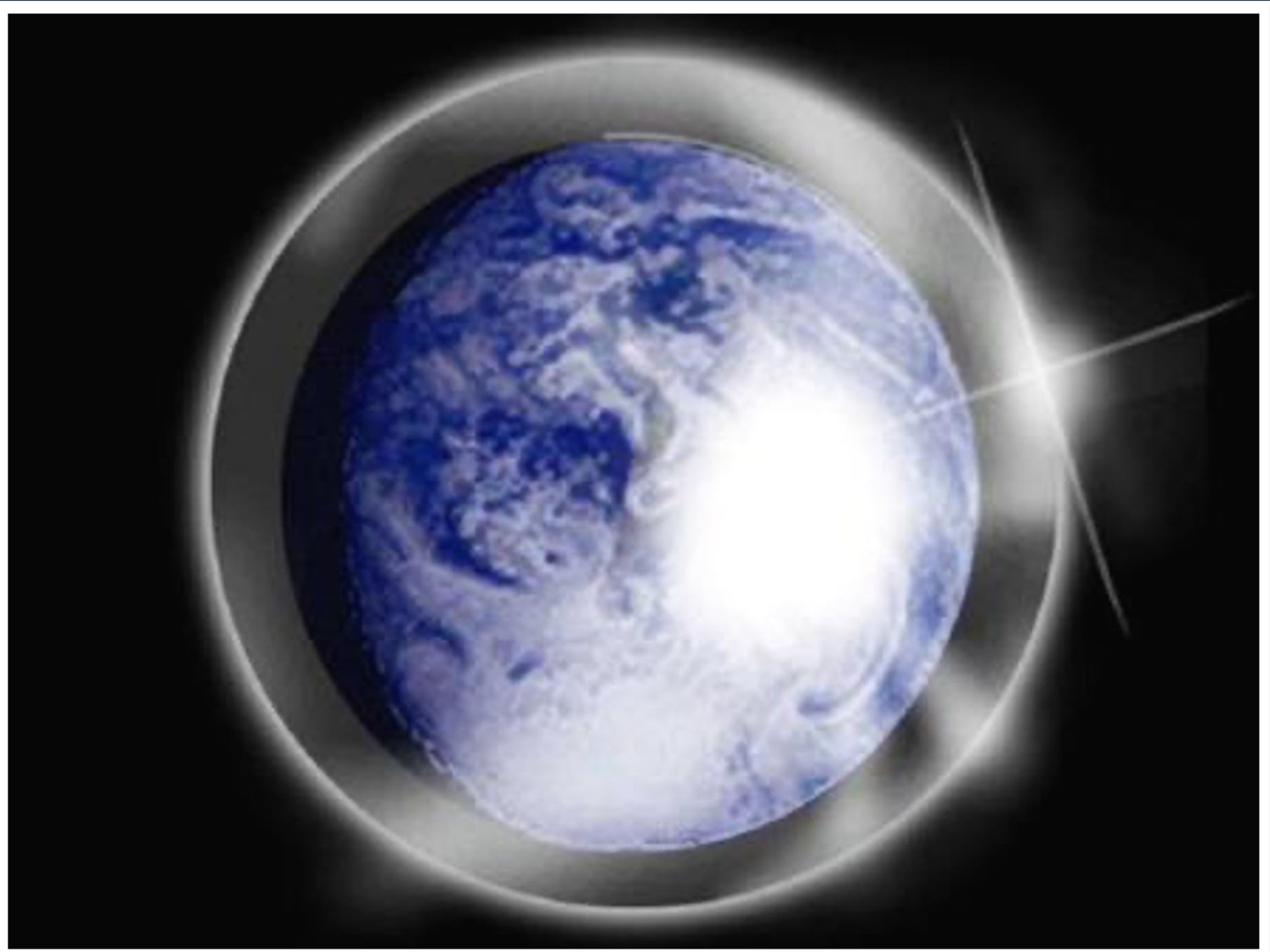
**Earth**

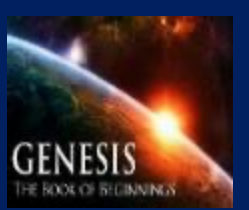
**Waters**

**Firmament  
(1<sup>st</sup> Heaven)**

**Water Canopy**

**Space  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Heaven)**





# Day 2 Canopy Theory

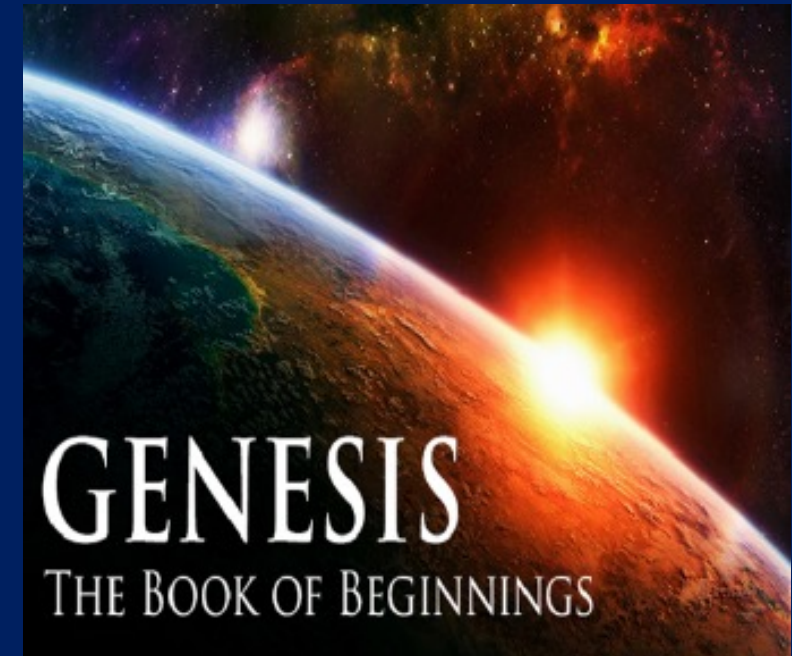
## (Gen 1:6-8)

- Implied – Gen. 1:6-7; Ps. 148:4
- Explains
  - ◆ Long life spans of early man – Gen. 5:5, 27
  - ◆ Strange beasts – (Gen. 1:24-25; Job 40–41)
  - ◆ Where the flood waters came from – (Gen. 2:5-6)
  - ◆ Why man's post-flood life span cut short – (Gen. 11:24-25)

# Eight-Fold Pattern

Genesis 11:10-11

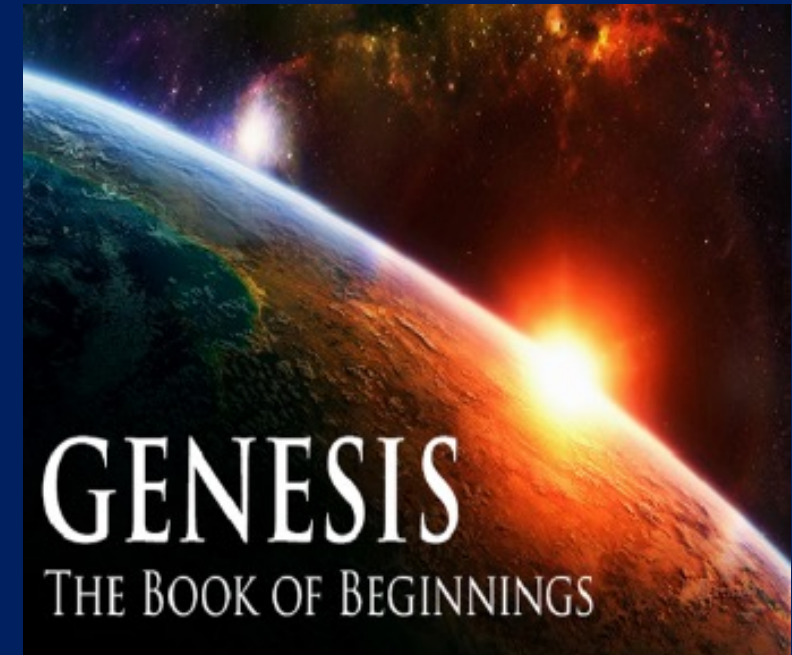
1. Generation of Shem: First
2. Name: Shem
3. Meaning: Name
4. Name of seed son: Arphachshad
5. Age at birth of seed-son: 100 years
6. Additional years lived: 500 years
7. Total years lived: 600 years
8. Begat other sons & daughters: Yes



# Eight-Fold Pattern

Genesis 11:12-13

1. Generation of Shem: Second
2. Name: Arphachshad
3. Meaning: Unclear
4. Name of seed son: Shelah
5. Age at birth of seed-son: 35 years
6. Additional years lived: 403 years
7. Total years lived: 438 years
8. Begat other sons & daughters: Yes

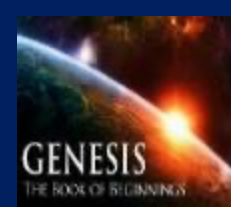






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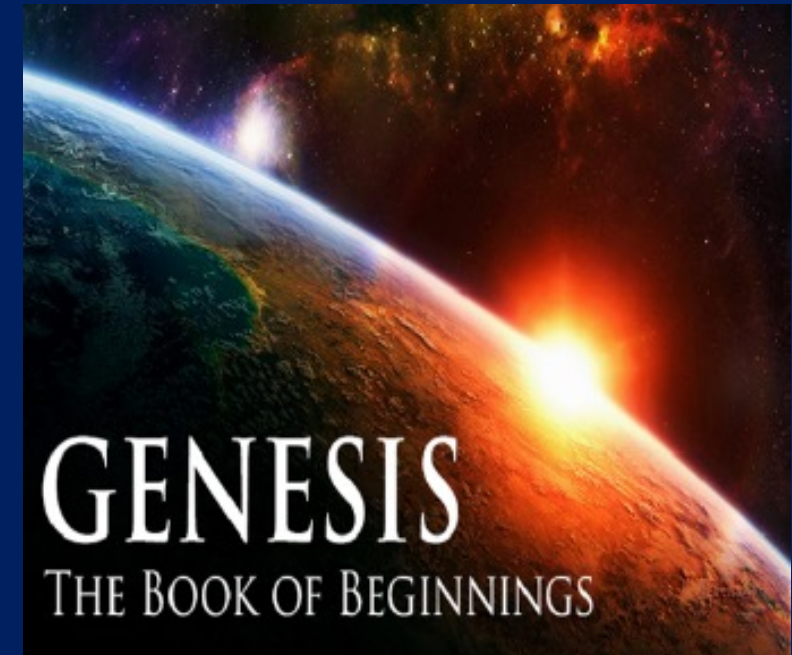


“...there is a gradual decrease in the age of man. A sharp drop occurs between Shem and Arpachshad, between the first and second generation, during which time the Flood occurred. What probably caused the sudden decrease was the Flood. This was part of God’s divine judgment on humanity.”

# Eight-Fold Pattern

Genesis 11:16-17

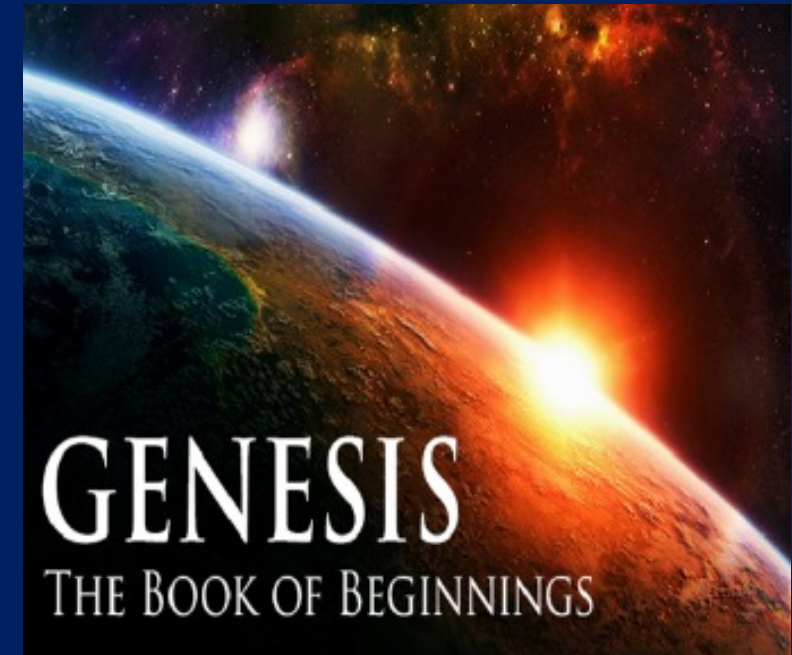
1. Generation of Shem: **Fourth**
2. Name: **Eber**
3. Meaning: **Cross over**
4. Name of seed son: **Peleg**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **34 years**
6. Additional years lived: **430 years**
7. Total years lived: **464 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**



# Eight-Fold Pattern

Genesis 11:18-19

1. Generation of Shem: **Fifth**
2. Name: **Peleg**
3. Meaning: **Division**
4. Name of seed son: **Reu**
5. Age at birth of seed-son: **30 years**
6. Additional years lived: **209 years**
7. Total years lived: **239 years**
8. Begat other sons & daughters: **Yes**





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“A second sharp drop occurs between Eber and Peleg, which are the fourth and fifth generations. It was between the fourth and fifth generation that the Tower of Babel event occurred. Therefore, with these two divine judgments, a sharp drop in the longevity of man occurs. If the canopy theory is correct, that might account for it. However, even without the canopy theory, divine judgment will easily account for this decrease, because it is following the divine judgments that the sharp drops occurred.”

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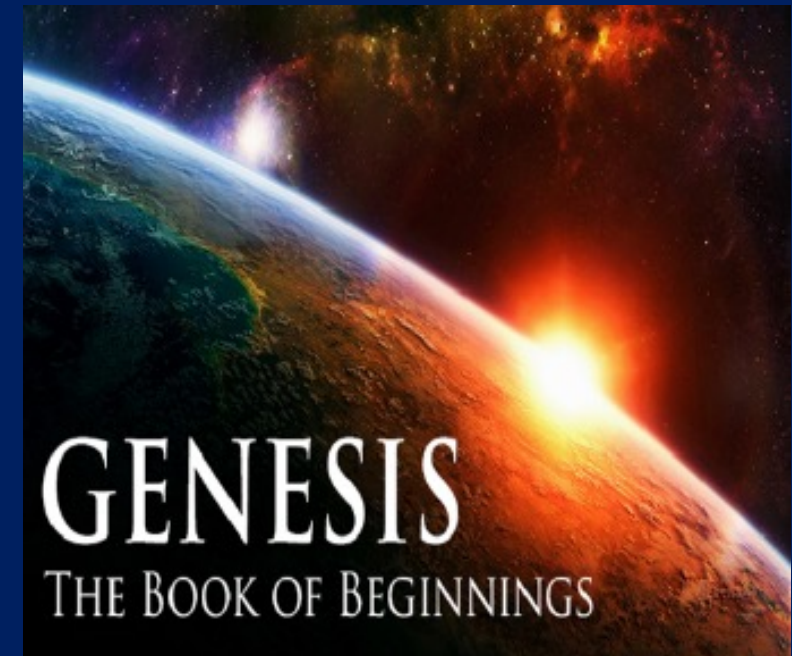
	<b>ERA</b>	<b>SCRIPTURE</b>	<b>DISTINCTIVES</b>
1.	CREATION	<b>Genesis 1-2</b>	No death
2.	FALL	<b>Genesis 3-6</b>	Death, painful pregnancy & toil, long life spans, no human government
3.	FLOOD	<b>Genesis 7-10</b>	Shorter life spans, human government, one language, no nations
4.	<b><u>BABEL</u></b>	<b><u>Genesis 11-present</u></b>	<b><u>No global government, multiple languages, nations, ethnicities</u></b>
5.	ANTICHRIST	<b>Rapture to 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent</b>	Global government, restrainer removed
6.	KINGDOM	<b>Rev. 20:1-10</b>	Long life spans, kingdom conditions, reality of death, renovated earth
7.	ETERNAL STATE	<b>Rev. 21-22</b>	No death, new earth



Conclusion

# Genesis 11:10-26 Outline

- I. Shem (11:10-11)
- II. Arphachshad (11:12-13)
- III. Shelah (11:14-15)
- IV. Eber (11:16-17)
- V. Peleg (11:18-19)
- VI. Reu (11:20-21)
- VII. Serug (11:22-23)
- VIII. Nahor (11:24-25)
- IX. Terah (11:26)



# Toledoth

*“And These Are the Generations of...”*



1. Introduction to the generations (1:1–2:3)
2. Generations of the heaven and earth (2:4–4:26)
3. Generations of Adam (5:1–6:8)
4. Generations of Noah (6:9–9:29)
5. Generations of the sons of Noah (10:1–11:9)
6. Generations of Shem (11:10–26)
7. **Generations of Terah (11:27–25:11)**
8. Generations of Ishmael (25:12-18)
9. Generations of Isaac (25:19–35:29)
10. Generations of Esau (36:1–37:1)
11. Generations of Jacob (37:2–50:26)

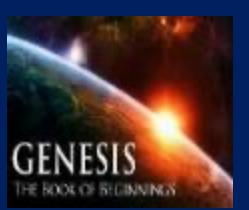


# GENESIS STRUCTURE

- I. Beginning of the Human race (Gen. 1–11)
- II. Beginning of the Hebrew race (Gen. 12–50)**



# GENESIS STRUCTURE



## II. Genesis 12-50 (four people)

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C. Jacob (27–36)

D. Joseph (37–50)





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## Isaiah 43:1

“But now, thus says the Lord, your Creator, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel, 'Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine!'”









“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.” (NIV)