

THE AGE OF THE WORLD ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE

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AC = AFTER CREATION

BC = BEFORE CHRIST

AD = ANNO DOMINI (LITERALLY, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD; PRACTICALLY, SINCE CHRIST'S BIRTH)

1) GENESIS 1:1 - GOD CREATES THE WORLD

2) GENESIS 1:27-31 - GOD MAKES MAN SIX DAYS LATER

CONCLUSION - THE EARTH HAS ONLY EXISTED 6 DAYS LONGER THAN HUMANITY.

3) GENESIS 5:3-32 - AGES ARE GIVEN FOR LINEAGE FROM ADAM TO NOAH - 0 AC (CREATION OF ADAM)- 1656 AC (FLOOD IS SENT) GENESIS 7:11, METHUSELAH DIES

4) GENESIS 11:10-26 - AGES ARE GIVEN FOR LINEAGE FROM SHEM TO ABRAM (ABRAHAM) / SHEM, HAM, AND JAPHETH ARE NOT TRIPLETS / SHEM IS BORN 1558 AC. ABRAM'S BIRTH IS SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT TO NAIL DOWN, BUT FROM GEN. 11:32 AND 12:4 WE LEARN THAT TERAH WOULD HAVE BEEN BETWEEN 130 AND 170 WHEN ABRAM WAS BORN. IF WE SETTLE HALF-WAY AT 150 WE CANNOT BE OFF BY MORE THAN 20 YEARS OR SO. THIS COVERS THE TIME FROM 1656 AC - 2028 AC

5) GENESIS 21:5 - ABRAHAM, AT AGE 100, BECOMES THE FATHER OF ISAAC. THIS COVERS THE YEARS 2028 AC - 2128 AC.

6) GENESIS 25:26 - JACOB IS BORN, ISAAC IS 60 BRINGING US TO 2188 AC.

7) GENESIS 47:8-9 - JACOB IS 130 WHEN HE ENTERS EGYPT BRINGING US TO 2318 AC.

8) EXODUS 12:40-41 - THE ISRAELITES ARE IN EGYPT FOR 430 YEARS. THIS COVERS THE YEARS 2318 AC - 2748 AC.

9) 1 KINGS 6:1 AND 1 KINGS 11:42 - THE TEMPLE IS BUILT IN THE 4TH YEAR OF SOLOMON'S 40 YEAR REIGN. THIS IS ALSO 480 YEARS AFTER THE ISRAELITES COME OUT OF EGYPT. THE TIME COVERED FROM THE EXODUS TO THE BUILDING OF THE TEMPLE IS 2748 AC - 3228 AC.

10) HERE IS WHERE WE MOVE FROM AC TO BC. SOLOMON'S DEATH AND THUS THE END OF HIS 40 YEAR REIGN CAN BE HISTORICALLY FIXED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN THE BIBLE AT 931-930 BC WHICH EQUALS 3264 AC.

A NOTE FROM A STUDY BIBLE SAYS, "SYNCHRONIZATIONS BETWEEN CERTAIN EVENTS IN THE REIGNS OF LATER ISRAELITE KINGS AND ASSYRIAN CHRONOLOGICAL RECORDS FIX THE FOURTH YEAR OF SOLOMON'S REIGN AT 966 BC."

CONCLUSION - IF 966 BC WAS THE FOURTH YEAR OF A 40 YEAR REIGN, THEN THE REIGN WOULD HAVE ENDED 36 YEARS LATER, OR 930 BC (3264 AC), GIVE OR TAKE A FEW MONTHS.

NOTE: BC DATES' NUMBERS GET SMALLER AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE BIRTH OF CHRIST.

11) FROM THE CREATION OF ADAM TO SOLOMON'S DEATH IS ABOUT 3264 YEARS ADD 930 YEARS TO GET TO CHRIST AND THE BIRTH OF CHRIST IS ABOUT 4194 YEARS AFTER CREATION. THIS IS 2011 AD SO ADD THAT TO 4194 AND WE GET 6205 YEARS FROM CREATION TILL NOW. REMEMBER WE MAY BE OFF AS A RESULT OF NOT HAVING THE EXACT AGE OF TERAH WHEN ABRAM WAS BORN, AND THERE MAY BE AS MUCH AS 11 MONTHS UNACCOUNTED FOR IN THE AGE OF EACH PATRIARCH. REGARDLESS OF THOSE ADJUSTMENTS WE ARE WITHOUT DOUBT, IF WE BELIEVE THE BIBLE TO BE INSPIRED, WITHIN A HUNDRED YEARS OF THE AGE OF THE WORLD.