

Geologic?

Science tells us that the age of the Earth, can be described in different time periods, dating back to the 'Formation of the Earth'. This scale is known as the Geologic Time Scale.

<u>Era</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Approximate dates</u>	
Cenozoic	Recent	10	Thousand Years
	Pleistocene	2,5	Million Years
	Pliocene	12	Million Years
	Miocene	26	Million Years
	Oligocene	38	Million Years
	Eocene	54	Million Years
	Paleocene	65	Million Years
Mesozoic	Cretaceous	136	Million Years
	Jurassic	195	Million Years
	Triassic	225	Million Years
Paleozoic	Permian	280	Million Years
	Pennsylvanian	320	Million Years
	Mississippian	345	Million Years
	Devonian	395	Million Years
	Silurian	430	Million Years
	Ordovician	500	Million Years
	Cambrian	570	Million Years
PreCambrian	PreCambrian	700	Million Years
	PreCambrian	1500	Million Years
	PreCambrian	3500	Million Years
	Earth formed	4650	Million Years

Time is continuously moving on and dust settles daily. So why are there such distinctly different layers? Why do people freely believe this hope-less theory?

Let us refer to the testimony of the Witness, who was there, when time began.

Adam was created in the first week of Creation. He became a father to Seth when he was 130y. Seth became a father to Enosh when he was 105y, and so on. By adding up the father years, we know that Noah was born in 1056AM. Noah's flood occurred when Noah was 600y, so that happened in 1656AM. Abraham was born in 1948AM. Abraham had Isaac when he was 100y, so Isaac was born in 2048AM. This information is stated from Genesis 1:27 to Genesis 21:5, in the first 21 pages of my Bible! That knocks off a few nothings, heh?

Now according to the Book of Jasher, additional details are revealed for this early period of history. In the year 2000AM Abraham was 52y, he fled Babylon to escape wicked King Nimrod who had tried to kill him again, for the third time! King Nimrod had killed Haran, Abraham's brother in a fire. Haran was 32y older than Abraham. Terah, Abraham's father, and all his household left with Abraham. They had travelled as far as Haran and stayed there. The Lord first appeared to Abraham when he was 55y, and told him to leave Haran and to go to the land of Canaan. Abraham took Sarah his wife with him, along with their servants and livestock. When Abraham was 70y the Lord appeared to him again and made a covenant with him (Genesis 15). After this covenant, Abraham and Sarah went back to Haran to visit their family, and stayed there for 5y.

Then the Lord appeared to Abraham again and told him to go back to the land of Canaan. Now Abraham was now 75y and this time his son-in-law Lot also went with Abraham and Sarah (Genesis 12). When the Lord appeared to Abraham at 70y, He had told Abraham that his descendants would be strangers in the land, that they would be afflicted, but that they would return to Canaan in large numbers after a period of 400y, to take possession of the land.

Abraham's son Isaac, had Jacob when he was 60y, and Jacob went down to Egypt when he was 130y. After 210y in Egypt, Moses led the children of Israel back to spy-out the land of Canaan. The Israelites refused to enter the land of Canaan, for fear of its inhabitants. So they ended up trekking around in the wilderness for 40y. After Moses and Aaron had both died, Joshua became the leader of the Israelites, and it was he who led the Israelites into the land of Canaan. The Israelites had left Egypt, exactly 400y after the birth of Isaac, which was the year 2448AM. So they thus re-entered Canaan under Joshua, 40y later in 2488AM.

Now the sojourn of the children of Israel who lived in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years – on that very same day – it came to pass that all the armies of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt. (Exo 12:40-41)

Abraham was 70y when he made the first covenant with the Lord. Abraham was 100y when Isaac was born. Isaac was 60y when Jacob was born. Jacob was 130y when he entered Egypt. Jochebed the daughter of Levi, the mother of Moses, was born then. She was 130y old when Moses was born! Moses was 80y when the Israelites left Egypt. So then $100y - 70y = 30 + 60 + 130 + 130 + 80 = 430y!$ They had been wandering as strangers since Abraham left Haran. Note that from Isaac the first descendant of Abraham it was 400y, and the other three descendants which cover the time period were: Jacob, Jochebed and Moses. So this also completely fulfills the Lord's prophecy to Abraham in Genesis 15:13,16.

King Solomon, the son of King David, started to build the Temple in the fourth year of his reign. That was 480y after the Israelites had left Egypt, so that was the year 2928AM.

And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month of Ziv, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of the Lord. (1Ki 6:1)

Now Solomon began to build the house of the Lord at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the Lord had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite. And he began to build on the second day of the second month in the fourth year of his reign. (2Ch 3:1-2)

I was surprised to discover that the date I had calculated from the Bible, for Solomon building the temple, agreed with other Bible students, as 2928AM!

To establish the next time period up to the Proclamation of Cyrus. I had looked up the period which each king had reigned over Judah. I had added up all these years with the 70y exile, and discovered that it was exactly 500y. I have recently realised that Ezekiel also describes this 500y period of history.

“You also, son of man, take a clay tablet and lay it before you, and portray on it a city, Jerusalem. Lay siege against it, build a siege wall against it, and heap up a mound against it; set camps against it also, and place battering rams against it all around.”

"Moreover take for yourself an iron plate, and set it as an iron wall between you and the city. Set your face against it, and it shall be besieged, and you shall lay siege against it. This will be a sign to the house of Israel. Lie also on your left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it. According to the number of the days that you lie on it, you shall bear their iniquity. For I have laid on you the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days; so you shall bear the iniquity of the house of Israel. And when you have completed them, lie again on your right side; then you shall bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days. I have laid on you a day for each year. Therefore you shall set your face toward the siege of Jerusalem; your arm shall be uncovered, and you shall prophesy against it. And surely I will restrain you so that you cannot turn from one side to another till you have ended the days of your siege." (Eze 4:1-8)

Poor Ezekiel had to act out this prophesy, but was this principle of a day for a year new, or had it been used before?

And the children of Israel ate manna forty years, until they came to an inhabited land; they ate manna until they came to the border of the land of Canaan. (Exo 16:35)

And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the children of Israel; from each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a leader among them." (Num 13:1-2)

Then Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said to them, "Go up this way into the South, and go up to the mountains, ... (Num 13:17)

And they returned from spying out the land after forty days. (Num 13:25)

Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it." But the men who had gone up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we." And they gave the children of Israel a bad report of the land which they had spied out, saying, "The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature. There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight." (Num 13:30-33)

And the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, "How long shall I bear with this evil congregation who complain against Me? I have heard the complaints which the children of Israel make against Me. Say to them, 'As I live,' says the Lord, 'just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will do to you: The carcasses of you who have complained against Me shall fall in this wilderness, all of you who were numbered, according to your entire number, from twenty years old and above. Except for Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun, you shall by no means enter the land which I swore I would make you dwell in. But your little ones, whom you said would be victims, I will bring in, and they shall know the land which you have despised. But as for you, your carcasses shall fall in this wilderness. And your sons shall be shepherds in the wilderness forty years, and bear the brunt of your infidelity, until your carcasses are consumed in the wilderness. According to the number of the days in which you spied out the land, forty days, for each day you shall bear your guilt one year, namely forty years, and you shall know My rejection. I the Lord have spoken this. I will surely do so to all this evil congregation who are gathered together against Me. In this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die.'" (Num 14:26-35)

"So the Lord's anger was aroused against Israel, and He made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation that had done evil in the sight of the Lord was gone." (Num 32:13)

"And you shall remember that the Lord your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord." (Deu 8:2-3)

The Israelites had spied out the land of Canaan for forty days, and then they wandered in the wilderness for forty years. The years of the Israelites iniquity were 390y for Israel, and 40y for Judah. Then they had to pay for their iniquity by being exiled in Babylon for 70y. So 390y + 40y + 70y = 500y!

The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah (which was the first year of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon), which Jeremiah the prophet spoke to all the people of Judah and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying:

"From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, even to this day, this is the twenty-third year in which the word of the Lord has come to me; and I have spoken to you, rising early and speaking, but you have not listened. And the Lord has sent to you all His servants the prophets, rising early and sending them, but you have not listened nor inclined your ear to hear. They said, 'Repent now everyone of his evil way and his evil doings, and dwell in the land that the Lord has given to you and your fathers forever and ever. Do not go after other gods to serve them and worship them, and do not provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands; and I will not harm you.'

"Yet you have not listened to Me," says the Lord, "that you might provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt."

Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts:

'Because you have not heard My words, behold, I will send and take all the families of the north,' says the Lord, 'and Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant, and will bring them against this land, against its inhabitants, and against these nations all around, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, a hissing, and perpetual desolations. Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones and the light of the lamp. And this whole land shall be a desolation and an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. Then it will come to pass, when seventy years are completed, that I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity,' says the Lord; 'and I will make it a perpetual desolation. So I will bring on that land all My words which I have pronounced against it, all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah has prophesied concerning all the nations. For many nations and great kings shall be served by them also; and I will repay them according to their deeds and according to the works of their own hands.' " (Jer 25:1-14)

Why was this 500y period, from the Temple's construction till the 'Proclamation of Cyrus'? Isaiah prophesied about Cyrus, actually naming him, 140y before the Temple of Solomon was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar!!!

And the Lord God of their fathers sent warnings to them by His messengers, rising up early and sending them, because He had compassion on His people and on His dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised His words, and scoffed at His prophets, until the wrath of the Lord arose against His people, till there was no remedy. Therefore He brought against them the king of the Chaldeans, who killed their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion on young man or virgin, on the aged or the weak; He gave them all into his hand. And all the articles from the house of God, great and small, the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the king and of his leaders, all these he took to Babylon. Then they burned the house of God, broke down the wall of Jerusalem, burned all its palaces with fire, and destroyed all its precious possessions. And those who escaped from the sword he carried away to Babylon, where they became servants to him and his sons until the rule of the kingdom of Persia, to fulfill the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths. As long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years. (2Ch 36:15-21)

The Lord said: "Surely it will be well with your remnant; surely I will cause the enemy to intercede with you in the time of adversity and in the time of affliction. Can anyone break iron, the northern iron and the bronze? Your wealth and your treasures I will give as plunder without price, because of all your sins, throughout your territories. And I will make you cross over with your enemies into a land which you do not know; for a fire shall be kindled in My anger, which shall burn upon you." (Jer 15:11-14)

Therefore thus says the Lord: "If you return, then I will bring you back; you shall stand before Me; if you take out the precious from the vile, you shall be as My mouth. Let them return to you, but you must not return to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified bronze wall; and they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you; for I AM with you to save you and deliver you," says the Lord. "I will deliver you from the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem you from the grip of the terrible." (Jer 15:19-21)

Now therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the city of which you say, 'It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence': "Behold, I will gather them out of all countries where I have driven them in My anger, in My fury, and in great wrath; I will bring them back to this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely. They shall be My people, and I will be their God; then I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me forever, for the good of them and their children after them. And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from doing them good; but I will put My fear in their hearts so that they will not depart from Me. Yes, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will assuredly plant them in this land, with all My heart and with all My soul." (Jer 32:36-42)

Moreover the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah a second time, while he was still shut up in the court of the prison, saying, "Thus says the Lord who made it, the Lord who formed it to establish it, the Lord is His name: 'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.'" For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city and the houses of the kings of Judah, which have been pulled down to fortify against the siege mounds and the sword: 'They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but only to fill their places with the dead bodies of men whom I will slay in My anger and My fury, all for whose wickedness I have hidden My face from this city.'

'Behold, I will bring it health and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth. And I will cause the captives of Judah and the captives of Israel to return, and will rebuild those places as at the first. I will cleanse them from all their iniquity by which they have sinned against Me, and I will pardon all their iniquities by which they have sinned and by which they have transgressed against Me. Then it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise, and an honor before all nations of the earth, who shall hear all the good that I do to them; they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and all the prosperity that I provide for it.'

Thus says the Lord: 'Again there shall be heard in this place – of which you say, "It is desolate, without man and without beast" – in the cities of Judah, in the streets of Jerusalem that are desolate, without man and without inhabitant and without beast, the voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the voice of those who will say: "Praise the Lord of hosts, for the Lord is good, for His mercy endures forever" – and of those who will bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord. For I will cause the captives of the land to return as at the first,' says the Lord. (Jer 33:1-11)

This sounds like a blend: Of the Lord's promise to Abraham; and the Lord's promise to the disobedient people who refused to enter the Land of Canaan; and when they complained that the desert was barren with no meat and vegetables!!!

Thus say the Lord, your Redeemer, and He who formed you from the womb:
"I AM the Lord, who makes all things who stretches out the heavens all alone, who spreads abroad the earth by Myself; who frustrates the signs of the babblers, and drives the diviners mad; who turns wise men backward, and makes their knowledge foolishness; who confirms the word of His servant, and performs the counsel of His messengers; who says to Jerusalem, 'You shall be inhabited,' to the cities of Judah, 'You shall be built,' and I will raise up her waste places; who says to the deep, 'Be dry! And I will dry up your rivers'; who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd, and he shall perform all My pleasure, saying to Jerusalem, "You shall be built," and to the temple, "Your foundation shall be laid." "

Thus says the Lord to His annointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have held – to subdue nations before him and loose the armor of kings, to open before him the double doors, so that the gates will not be shut: 'I will go before you and make the crooked places straight; I will break in pieces the gates of bronze and cut the bars of iron. I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that I, the Lord, who call you by your name, AM the God of Israel. For Jacob My servants sake, and Israel My elect, I have even called you by your name; I have named you, though you have not known Me.

I AM the Lord, and there is no other; there is no God besides Me. I will gird you, though you have not known Me, that you may know from the rising of the sun to its setting that there is none besides Me. I AM the Lord, and there is no other; I form the light and create darkness, I make peace and create calamity; I, the Lord, do all these things.' (Isa 44:24 – 45:7)

Thus says the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and His Maker: "Ask Me of things to come concerning My sons; and concerning the work of My hands, you command Me. I have made the earth, and created man on it. I – My hands – stretched out the heavens, and all their host I have commanded. I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways; he shall build My city and let My captives go free, not for price nor reward," says the Lord of hosts. (Isa 45:11-13)

Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying, thus says Cyrus king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the Lord God of heaven has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem which is in Judah. Who is among you of all His people? May the Lord his God be with him, and let him go up! (2Ch 36:22-23)

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Cyrus was clearly the man identified and selected by God, in Isaiah's prophecy. But let's go back to before the 70y exile period, to follow Daniel's life.

In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with some of the articles of the house of God, which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god (! *Nimrod's old kingdom; so the Israelites were taken right back to where Abraham began!*); and he brought the articles into the treasure house of his god. Then the king instructed Ashpenaz, the master of his eunuchs, to bring some of the children of Israel and some of the king's descendants and some of the nobles, young men in whom there was no blemish, but good-looking, gifted in all wisdom, possessing knowledge and quick to understand, who had ability to serve in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the language and literature of the Chaldeans. And the king appointed for them a daily provision of the king's delicacies and of the wine which he drank, and three years of training for them, so that at the end of that time they might serve before the king.

Now from among those of the sons of Judah were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. To them the chief of the eunuchs gave names: he gave Daniel the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abed-Nego.

But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's delicacies, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself. Now God had brought Daniel into the favor and goodwill of the chief of the eunuchs. And the chief of the eunuchs said to Daniel, "I fear my lord the king, who has appointed your food and drink. For why should he see your faces looking worse than the young men who are your age? Then you would endanger my head before the king."

So Daniel said to the steward whom the chief of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, "Please test your servants for ten days, and let them give us vegetables to eat and water to drink. Then let our appearance be examined before you, and the appearance of the young men who eat the portion of the king's delicacies; and as you see fit, so deal with your servants."

So he consented with them in this matter, and tested them ten days. And at the end of ten days their features appeared better and fatter in flesh than all the young men who ate the portion of the king's delicacies. Thus the steward took away their portion of delicacies and the wine that they were to drink, and gave them vegetables.

As for these young men, God gave them knowledge and skill in all literature and wisdom; and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams. (*! Just like Joseph!*) Now at the end of the days, when the king had said that they should be brought in, the chief of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar. Then the king interviewed them, and among them all none was found like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah; therefore they served before the king. And in all matters of wisdom and understanding about which the king examined them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers who were in all his realm. Thus Daniel continued until the first year of King Cyrus. (Dan 1:1-21)

Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell on his face, prostrate before Daniel, and commanded that they should present an offering and incense to him. The king answered Daniel, and said, "Truly your God is the God of gods, the Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, since you could reveal this secret." Then the king promoted Daniel and gave him many great gifts; and he made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief administrator over all the wise men of Babylon. Also Daniel petitioned the king, and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego over the affairs of the province of Babylon; but Daniel sat in the gate of the king. (Dan 2:46-49)

Joseph became ruler over all Egypt, and Daniel became ruler over all Babylon!

I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at rest in my house, and flourishing in my palace. I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts on my bed and the visions of my head troubled me. Therefore I issued a decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known to me the interpretation of the dream. Then the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers came in, and I told them the dream; but they did not make known to me its interpretation. But at last Daniel came before me; his name is Belshazzar, according to the name of my god, in him is the Spirit of the Holy God; and I told the dream before him, saying: "Belshazzar, chief of the magicians, because I know that the Spirit of the Holy God is in you, and no secret troubles you, explain to me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and its interpretation. (Dan 4:4-9)

Belshazzar the king made a great feast for a thousand of his lords, and drank wine in the presence of the thousand. While he tasted the wine, Belshazzar gave the command to bring the gold and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple which had been in Jerusalem, that the king and his lords, his wives, and his concubines might drink from them. Then they brought the gold vessels that had been taken from the temple of the house of God which had been in Jerusalem; and the king and his lords, his wives, and his concubines drank from them. They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold and silver, bronze and iron, wood and stone.

In the same hour the fingers of a man's hand appeared and wrote opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace; and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote. Then the king's countenance changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his hips were loosened and his knees knocked against each other.

The king cried aloud to bring in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. The king spoke, saying to the wise men of Babylon, "Whoever reads this writing, and tells me its interpretation, shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around his neck; and he shall be the third ruler in the kingdom." Now all the king's wise men came, but they could not read the writing, or make known to the king its interpretation. Then King Belshazzar was greatly troubled, his countenance was changed, and his lords were astonished.

The queen, because of the words of the king and his lords, came to the banquet hall. The queen spoke, saying, "O king, live forever! Do not let your thoughts trouble you, nor let your countenance change. There is a man in your kingdom in whom is the Spirit of the Holy God. And in the days of your father, light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, were found in him; and King Nebuchadnezzar your father – your father the king – made him chief of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers. Inasmuch as an excellent spirit, knowledge, understanding, interpreting dreams, solving riddles, and explaining enigmas were found in this Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar, now let Daniel be called, and he will give the interpretation."

Then Daniel was brought in before the king. The king spoke, and said to Daniel, "Are you that Daniel who is one of the captives from Judah, whom my father the king brought from Judah? I have heard of you, that the Spirit of God is in you, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom are found in you." (Dan 5:1-14)

"And this is the inscription that was written: Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin. This is the interpretation of each word. Mene : God has numbered your kingdom, and finished it; Tekel : You have been weighed in the balances, and found wanting; Peres : Your kingdom has been divided, and given to the Medes and Persians."

Then Belshazzar gave the command, and they clothed Daniel with purple and put a chain of gold around his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

That very night Belshazzar, king of the Chaldeans, was slain. And Darius the Mede received the kingdom, being about sixty-two years old. (Dan 5:25-31)

It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom one hundred and twenty satraps, to be over the whole kingdom; and over these, three governors, of whom Daniel was one, that the satraps might give account to them, so that the king would suffer no loss. Then this Daniel distinguished himself above the governors and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king gave thought to setting him over the whole realm. (Dan 6:1-3)

So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian. (Dan 6:28)

Then the heads of the fathers' houses of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests and the Levites, with all whose spirits God had moved, arose to go up and build the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem. And all those who were around them encouraged them with articles of silver and gold, with goods and livestock, and with precious things, besides all that was willingly offered. King Cyrus also brought out the articles of the house of the Lord, which Nebuchadnezzar had taken from Jerusalem and put in the temple of his gods; and Cyrus king of Persia brought them out by the hand of Midrath the treasurer, and counted them out to Sheshbazzar the prince of Judah.

This is the number of them: thirty gold platters, one thousand silver platters, twenty-nine knives, thirty gold basins, four hundred and ten silver basins of a similar kind, and one thousand other articles. All the articles of gold and silver were five thousand four hundred. All these Sheshbazzar took with the captives who were brought from Babylon to Jerusalem. (Ezra 1:5-11)

Sheshbazzar was the prince of Judah who led the captives back to Jerusalem with all the gold, silver, livestock and the precious things, which were willingly offered; just like Moses who led the Israelites back to the land of Canaan, with the plunder from the Egyptians! Could their history have been repeating itself???

They also gave money to the masons and the carpenters, and food, drink, and oil to the people of Sidon and Tyre to bring cedar logs from Lebanon to the sea, to Joppa, according to the permission which they had from Cyrus king of Persia. (Ezr 3:7)

Thus the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem ceased, and it was discontinued until the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia. (Ezr 4:24)

This is a copy of the letter that Tattenai the governor of the region beyond the River, and Shethar-Boznai, and his companions, the Persians who were in the region beyond the River, to Darius the king. They sent a letter to him, in which was written thus:-

To Darius the king: All peace. Let it be known to the king that we went into the province of Judea, to the temple of the great God, which is being built with heavy stones, and timber is being laid in the walls; and this work goes on diligently and prospers in their hands. Then we asked those elders, and spoke thus to them: "Who commanded you to build this temple and to finish these walls?" We also asked them their names to inform you, that we might write the names of the men who were chief among them.

And thus they returned us an answer, saying: "We are the servants of the God of heaven and earth, and we are rebuilding the temple that was built many years ago, which a great king of Israel built and completed. But because our fathers provoked the God of heaven to wrath, He gave them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who destroyed this temple and carried the people away to Babylon. However, in the first year of Cyrus king of Babylon, King Cyrus issued a decree to build this house of God. Also, the gold and silver articles of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple that was in Jerusalem and carried into the temple of Babylon – those King Cyrus took from the temple of Babylon, and they were given to one named Sheshbazzar, whom he had made governor. And he said to him, 'Take these articles; go carry them to the temple site that is in Jerusalem, and let the house of God be rebuilt on its former site.' Then the same Sheshbazzar came and laid the foundation of the house of God which is in Jerusalem; but from that time even until now it has been under construction, and it is not finished."

Now therefore, if it seems good to the king, let a search be made in the king's treasure house, which is there in Babylon, whether it is so that a decree was issued by King Cyrus to build this house of God at Jerusalem, and let the king send us his pleasure concerning this matter. (Ezr 5:6-16)

Then King Darius issued a decree, and a search was made in the archives, where the treasures were stored in Babylon. And at Achmetha, in the palace that is in the province of Media, a scroll was found, and in it a record was written thus:

In the first year of King Cyrus, King Cyrus issued a decree concerning the house of God at Jerusalem: "Let the house be rebuilt, the place where they offered sacrifices; and let the foundations of it be firmly laid, its height sixty cubits and its width sixty cubits, with three rows of heavy stones and one row of new timber. Let the expenses be paid from the king's treasury. Also let the gold and silver articles of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took from the temple which is in Jerusalem and brought back to Babylon, be restored and taken back to the temple which is in Jerusalem, each to its place; and deposit them in the house of God" – Now therefore, Tattenai, governor of the region beyond the River, and Shethar-Boznai, and your companions the Persians who are beyond the River, keep yourselves far from there. Let the work of this house of God alone; let the governor of the Jews and the elders of the Jews build this house of God on its site. Moreover I issue a decree as to what you shall do for the elders of these Jews, for the building of this house of God:

Let the cost be paid at the king's expense from taxes on the region beyond the River; this is to be given immediately to these men, so that they are not hindered. And whatever they need – young bulls, rams, and lambs for the burnt offerings of the God of heaven, wheat, salt, wine, and oil, according to the request of the priests who are in Jerusalem – let it be given them day by day without fail, that they may offer sacrifices of sweet aroma to the God of heaven, and pray for the life of the king and his sons. Also I issue a decree that whoever alters this edict, let a timber be pulled from his house and erected, and let him be hanged on it; and let his house be made a refuse heap because of this. And may the God who causes His name to dwell there destroy any king or people who put their hand to alter it, or to destroy this house of God which is in Jerusalem. I Darius issue a decree; let it be done diligently.

Then Tattenai, governor of the region beyond the River, Shether-Boznai, and their companions diligently did according to what King Darius had sent. So the elders of the Jews built, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they built and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the command of Cyrus, Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia. Now the temple was finished on the third day of the month of Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of King Darius. (Ezr 6:1-15)

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the lineage of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans – in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. Then I set my face toward the Lord God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. (Dan 9:1-3)

In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a message was revealed to Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar. The message was true, but the appointed time was long; and he understood the message, and had understanding of the vision. (Dan 10:1)

In Dan 9, Daniel realises the meaning of the seventy years of desolations prophesied by Jeremiah, but he was not yet aware of the decree of King Cyrus.

Now while I was still speaking, praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy mountain of my God, yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering. And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, "O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand. At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell you, for you are greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision:" (Dan 9:20-23)

The vision referred to here, is the one in Dan 8, regarding the Ram and the Goat.

"The ram which you saw, having the two horns – they are the kings of Media and Persia. And the male goat is the kingdom of Greece. The large horn that is between its eyes is the first king. As for the broken horn and the four that stood up in its place, four kingdoms shall arise out of that nation, but not with its power." (Dan 8:20-22)

So the kingdom of the Media and Persia, makes way for the kingdom of Greece.

"Seventy weeks are determined for your people and for your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy. Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the command to restore and build Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince, there shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublesome times. And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war desolations are determined. Then He shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate."
(Dan 9:24-27)

When I had worked out the days to the Proclamation of Cyrus. I was amazed to see that the balance to the birth of Jesus in 3966AM (for the crucifixion in the 4000th year) was 539y, which is 77 x 7 weeks of years. After the proclamation of Cyrus, Jerusalem had to be rebuilt which took 49y, 7 x 7w. That left 70 x 7w for Jerusalem to fulfil righteousness before the Messiah was born. Look what Jesus said to Peter about forgiveness!

Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven." (Mat 18:21-22)

Saul was given two loaves of bread (1Sa 10:4), these were an indication that he had two chances to prove himself to God. He messed up twice, God rejected Saul, took his Holy Spirit away from him, and then sent Samuel to anoint David as King of the tribes of Israel. Israel had messed up once, and everything that they had achieved, was destroyed. Now after Jerusalem and the Temple was rebuilt they had 70 x 7w of years to prove themselves. This was their second chance to prove themselves. Moses knew this would happen, see Deu 28: 1-2, 45-50 & 30: 1-5!!!

It is interesting that the temple was renovated for 46y by Herod, and after its completion, Jesus started his ministry at the age of 30y. John the Baptist had preached and baptized people up to this point, preparing the way for Jesus. Jesus was crucified after 3.5y and the opportunity for the Jews to accept Jesus as Messiah was preached for another 3.5y, up to the stoning of Stephen. Paul was present at his stoning, and I feel he was then "the one who makes desolate", which he certainly did to the Christian Church, before his conversion to Christianity. This 7y period (1w) was the period, where the Messiah was cut off in the middle of the week. However I consider parts of these prophecies as declaring a pattern of future events, and not just one singular event.

The temple was rendered obsolete after Jesus died on the cross. As believers are now the temple of God (1Co 3:16). The prophesy of Daniel regarding the 2300 days had to be fulfilled in the last 70 x 7w of years, before Jesus' birth. That was during the persecution of Antiochus Epiphanes around 167BC. The temple service was finally discontinued, due to the Romans, after the destruction of Jerusalem in 70AD. However, I would not be surprised if a third temple in Jerusalem is built, and a future 'Antichrist' makes his appearance to fulfil Daniel's prophecy yet again. I think that the fulfilment of these patterns, are a testimony to the divine nature of the prophecy.

Now the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, "This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household. And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. (Exo 12:1-6)

And in Ezra we see:-

On the first day of the first month he began his journey from Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month he came to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon him. For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinance in Israel. (Ezr 7:9-10)

So in Exodus we see a four day period before killing the Passover lamb. In Ezra we see a four month period from Ezra leaving Babylon, till arriving in Jerusalem to bring the Law of the Lord and to teach the people of Jerusalem righteousness.

And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die." (Gen 2:16-17)

So all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years; and he died. (Gen 5:5)

"But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." (2Pe 3:8)

There are only seven days in a week? Could this Creation only last for seven thousand years? 6000 years for man's labour, and then a 1000 year Sabbath?

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. (Gen 7:11)

This is the genealogy of Shem: Shem was one hundred years old, and begot Arphaxad two years after the flood. After he begot Arphaxad, Shem lived five hundred years, and begot sons and daughters. (Gen 11:10-11)

Note Shem lived $100 + 500 = 600y$! These verses also prove that Shem was born when Noah was 502y, because Noah was 600y when the flood came so he was 602y (two years afterwards) and Shem was 100y. Here is another verse which shows Japheth was the eldest son.

And children were born to Shem, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder. (Gen 10:21)

We know that Ham was the youngest of the three sons.

And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brothers outside. But Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and went backward and covered the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned away, and they did not see their father's nakedness. So Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done to him. (Gen 9:22-24)

Abraham was born in 1948AM and lived 175y, so he died in 2123AM. Shem was born in 1558AM and lived 600y, so he died in 2158AM. So we can see that Shem lived 35y longer than Abraham, on account of his righteousness! Shem was the king of Salem (Melchizedek), who had blessed Abraham with bread and wine, see Gen 14: 18-20. The long life of Shem, 600y, must also be significant for mankind. This is another indication to me, that mankind has a 6000y period (6 days), in which to rule on the earth. For man to be tested for righteousness by God.

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. And it shall be on the sixth day that they shall prepare what they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily." (Exo 16:4-5)

"Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will be none." (Exo 16:26)

"See! For the Lord has given you the Sabbath; therefore He gives you on the sixth day bread for two days. Let every man remain in his place; let no man go out of his place on the seventh day." (Exo 16:29)

"Six days you shall labor and do all your work but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God." (Exo 20:9)

Now the glory of the Lord rested on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. The sight of the glory of the Lord was like a consuming fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel. So Moses went into the midst of the cloud and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights. (Exo 24:16-18)

"Therefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations as a perpetual covenant. It is a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever; for in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day He rested and was refreshed." (Exo 31:16-17)

"On the tenth day of this seventh month you shall have a holy convocation. You shall afflict your souls; you shall not do any work." (Num 29:7)

"Six days you shall eat unleavened bread, and on the seventh day there shall be a sacred assembly to the Lord your God. You shall do no work on it." (Deu 16:8)

If we look at the periods of 70y. The exile in Egypt was 210y = 3 x 70y. Isaiah prophesied 140y before the destruction of Solomon's Temple = 2 x 70y. The exile in Babylon was 70y. The two periods of exile together = 4 x 70y periods. This is also an indicator of 4 days, or 4000y, before our Messiah came to do what Man could not do? To redeem mankind from Sin, by dying on the cross. The practice of measuring time, in weeks of years by the Bible, speaks to me of the greater importance, of the seven day period.

"If Cain be avenged sevenfold, then Lamech seventy-sevenfold." (Gen 4:24)

So all the days of Lamech were seven hundred and seventy seven years; and he died. (Gen 5:31)

Now Terah lived seventy years, and begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran. (Gen 11:26)

Haran was 32y older than his brother Abraham, born when Terah was 38y. Terah received his righteous son Abraham at 70y. 70y as a 7000y period, till harvest?

After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." (Luk 10:1-2)

Testimony to Judgement Day, when the wicked are destroyed, in the 7000th year.

Thus God repaid the wickedness of Abimelech, which he had done to his father by killing his seventy brothers. (Jud 9:56)

So the Lord sent a plague upon Israel from the morning till the appointed time. From Dan to Beersheba seventy thousand men of the people died. (2Sa 24:15)

Now Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria... So it was, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons and slaughtered seventy persons, put their heads in baskets and sent them to him at Jezreel. (2Ki 10:1,7)

Now it shall come to pass in that day that Tyre will be forgotten seventy years, according to the days of one king. At the end of seventy years it will happen to Tyre as in the song of the harlot: "Take a harp, go about the city, you forgotten harlot; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that you may be remembered." And it shall be, at the end of seventy years, that the Lord will deal with Tyre. She will return to her hire, and commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the world on the face of the earth. Her gain and her pay will be set apart for the Lord; it will not be treasured nor laid up, for her gain will be for those who dwell before the Lord, to eat sufficiently, and for fine clothing. (Isa 23:15-18)

Babylon is also known as the harlot, so the city of wickedness, indeed all the wicked will be destroyed after 70y, and everything will be given to the righteous.

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and talked with me, saying to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters, with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication."

So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication. And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marveled with great amazement. But the angel said to me, "Why did you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns. The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. Here is the mind which has wisdom: The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits. There are also seven kings. Five have fallen, one is, and the other has not yet come. And when he comes, he must continue a short time. The beast that was, and is not, is himself also the eighth, and is of the seven, and is going to perdition. The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful."

Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues. And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these will hate the harlot, make her desolate and naked, eat her flesh and burn her with fire. For God has put it into their hearts to fulfill His purpose, to be of one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God are fulfilled. And the woman whom you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth." (Rev 17:1-18)

Scholars say that this city is Rome. Also we know that harlotry and adultery, is constantly being referred to as idolatry and false religious worship, in the Bible. Rev 18 could be describing the eruption of Versuvius, which destroyed Pompei. I have worked out from the dates in the Bible, that Jesus was crucified in the 4000th year since Creation began. See <http://www.tangram.co.za/history.htm> According to my calculations the 2000th year was when Abraham aged 52 left the kingdom of Nimrod. The 3000th year was the 15th year of the reign of King Asa. There will be two resurrections; 1st resurrection for the righteous, then 1000y later, the 2nd resurrection for the unrighteous, and then comes Judgement Day!

But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years. (Rev 20:5-6)

3000AM – Shadow of 7000AM – Judgement Day?

So they gathered at Jerusalem in the third month, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa. And they offered to the Lord at that time seven hundred bulls and seven thousand sheep from the spoil they had brought. Then they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their soul; and whoever would not seek the Lord God of Israel was to be put to death, whether small or great, whether man or woman. Then they took an oath before the Lord with a loud voice, with shouting and trumpets and ram's horns. And all Judah rejoiced at the oath, for they had sworn with all their heart and sought Him with all their soul; and He was found by them, and the Lord gave them rest all around. (2Ch 15:10-15)

This was one huge Revival, and like Abraham's exit from Nimrod's kingdom, it meant them abandoning the false gods, and worshipping the Lord God of Israel. The crucifixion of Jesus Christ in 4000AM, was the end of the Old Covenant and the beginning of the New Covenant, now with Jesus Christ as our Saviour.

For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. (1Co 5:7)

All who dwell on the earth will worship him (! *the beast*), whose names have not be written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. (Rev 13:8)

For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly, nor is circumcision that which is outward in the flesh; but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise is not from men but from God. (Rom 2:28-29)

For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. (Gal 3:26-29)

These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens: I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied my name. Indeed I will make those of the synagogue of satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie – indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you. Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. Behold, I AM coming quickly! Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown. He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name." (Rev 3:7-12)

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