The Beginnings — Adam, Seth, Enosh, Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared, Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech, Noah, Shem, Ham, Japheth

The Creation and Fall
Cain murders Abel; departs; Seth born
Lamech, descendant of Cain, gives birth to Jabal, Jubal, and Tubal
Adam dies at 930
"Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him."
Apostasy of "the sons of God"
God warns Noah; sons born
The Flood
Noah dies at 950
Babel and Dispersion

Access to Garden of Eden guarded after the Fall
Before Flood A prosperous civilization; iron, etc.
After Flood Eden gone; Ice Age and Stone Age

The Nations — Descendants of Noah's sons repopulate the earth

Genesis 1-11

Prehistory / History

3200 Rise of Sumeria
3150/3100 "Menes" or Narmer unites Egypt
Dynasty 0 HC 3150 LC 3100; I 3050 3040; II; III 2686 2649
Early Dynastic Period
Egyptian Old Kingdom: VI MC 2334 SC 2270; VII-VIII 2181 2150 2193; 2083
Guti invasions end Akkadian supremacy
Akkadian Empire of Sargon
2225 Nahor born to Terah
2165 Abram born to Terah in Ur
Abraham

Time scale changes by factor of 10.

Egyptian Dynasty VI (continues); Sargon 2215
2218 Guti invasions (MC)
2225 Nahor, Abram's brother, born to Terah
Egyptian Old Kingdom: MC 2193 SC; HC 2181 LC
Dynasty of Sargon and Akkadian Supremacy
2165 Abram born to Terah in Ur
Egyptian First Intermediate Period: 2150; Egyptian XI 2134
2115 Guti invasions (SC)
Ur-Nammu revives Sumeria (MC)
Ur-Nammu 2112 MC 2095; Ur III 2083
Mentuhotep 'the ancestor' 2080 2074
Terah leaves Ur for Canaan
2090 Abram enters Canaan
2080 Ishmael born
2065 *Cities of Plain* destroyed; Isaac born
Egyptian Middle Kingdom: Mentuhotep 2060 HC 2055 LCS; Ur-Nammu 2047 SC 2030
2030 Sarah dies
2025 Isaac marries Rebekah
Elamites destroy Ur; Indo-European invasions in Greece, etc.
2005 Esau & Jacob born
1990 Abraham dies
Amenemhet I; Mentuhotep 2010 2004 MC 2004 LCK; XII 1991 1985; 1962 1956
Jacob's sons...
... by Leah Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun
... by Zilpah Gad, Asher
... by Bilhah Dan, Naphtali
... by Rachel Joseph, Benjamin (after return to Canaan)
Senusret I; Amen. I 1937 XII SC 1940; 1926 1911 1908
1930 Jacob leaves for Haran
1915 Joseph born
1910 Jacob returns to Canaan
Amenemhet II
Rise of Minoans; Hittites invade Asia Minor
Sen. II 1895 1878; Senusret I 1894 MC; 1877 1870; Senusret III * 1872; Amen. II 1841 1836; 1831; Amenemhet III 1840 1830 SC 1817
1898 Joseph sold into slavery
1885 Isaac dies; Joseph exalted
Joseph and Israel in Egypt
1875 Jacob moves to Egypt; start of Israel's 430-yr. sojourn
Joseph's sons by Asenath Manasseh & Ephraim
1805 Joseph dies in Egypt
Israel's 430-year sojourn in Egypt
1797 1792 1786; XIII 1782 HC; 1773 LCS 1772; 1759 LCK; Hammurabi 1750
Israel multiplies in Egypt
Hammurabi codifies laws and extends the empire
Old Babylonian Empire
1728
1730 A "new king rises" and afflicts Israel, forcing them to build Pithom and Raamses
1720 Hyksos invade Upper Egypt, sacking Memphis
Hammurabi 1686
Dynasty XV (Hyksos) HC; Dynasty XVII (Theban) LCS LCK
Hyksos
Old Hittite Kingdom in Asia, Syria— MC 1650-1500; SC 1586-1436
MC 1595
1595 Sack of Babylon * by Mursillis I; Kassite dynasty until 1155 (MC)
Israel continues to multiply
Egyptian New Kingdom: XVIII 1570 HC; Ahmose 1546 LC; Ahmose I; XVIII 1550
Persecution intensifies
Amenhotep I; SC 1531
1531 Sack of Babylon * (SC)
Tuthmosis I 1524 1518; Tuthmosis II; Amenhotep I 1525
1526 Moses born, set adrift in Nile; rescued, adopted, raised in Pharaoh's court
Moses
Israel's 430-year sojourn in Egypt
Tuthmosis III; Tuthmosis III * 1504; Tuthmosis I; Hatshepsut 1492; Tuthmosis II 1479
1486 Moses kills an Egyptian and flees to Midian
Joshua
Hatshepsut
Moses called at burning bush
Exodus
1446 * Exodus from Egypt; crossing Red Sea; receiving the Law at Mt. Sinai
Wilderness
Moses edits, writes Torah
Amenhotep II; Tuthmosis III * 1450; Amen. II 1425 1419; Tuthmosis IV 1401 1391 1386
1406 Law rehearsed, Moses dies
Conquest and Settlement
Joshua leads Israel across the Jordan River; begins three campaigns to conquer, then divide the Land
Amenhotep III; Suppiluliuma I MC 1380 1353 1349 SC 1344 1336; Akhenaten 1334; Tutankhamun 1325; Suppil. I 1322; New Hittite Kingdom 1306 1295
Mesopot. — Othniel, Judah
Cushan-rishathaim, King of Mesopotamia, oppresses Israel 8 years
Danite move and civil war
Judges Deliver Israel
The Patriarchs
Story of Job
Moabites — Ehud, Benjamin
Eglon oppresses Israel 18 years
Ehud assassinates Eglon
The Amarna Period of Egypt; Akhenaten creates cult of sun god
New Hittite Kingdom becomes great empire
Ramesses I XIX 1293/2; Seti I * 1279; Muwatalli II 1282 1272
1274 Battle of Kadesh
Shamgar, Naphtali — Canaanites
Shamgar kills 600 Philistines
Jabin, King of Canaanites at Hazor, with Sisera, his general, oppresses Israel 20 years
Sea Peoples
Ramesses II the Great *
Deborah, Ephraim
Deborah, Barak, and Jael used by God to deliver Israel
Collapse of Late Bronze Age empires
1207 Israel stela of Merneptah *
Merneptah * 1212/3 1203 MC 1207; Seti II
Midianites
Midianites oppress Israel 7 years
Gideon (Jerubbaal) delivers Israel with 300 men
Setnakhte XX 1186/5 1183/2; Ramesses III 1179 SC 1178
c. 1175 Invasion of the "Sea Peoples" in Year 8 of Ramesses III
Middle Assyrian Period
Gideon, Manasseh
Story of Ruth
Ruth gives birth to Obed
Ramesses IV-XI; Ashur-Dan I 1152/1; Ashur-resh-ishi I 1133
Abimelech, son of Gideon, conspires to be king
Tola, Issachar
Nebuchadnezzar I defeats the Elamites; 1120 Tiglath-pileser I captures Carchemish
Tiglath-pileser I 1116/5
Jair, Gilead
Philistines — Ammonites
Eli at Shiloh; Samuel born
Ammonites and Philistines oppress Israel 18 and 40 years
Piankh XXI (High Priests/Theban) 1080 1074; XXI (Tanite) 1070; Pinedjem I; Masaherta; Smendes I 1078/6; A.-bel-kala; A.-nas.-pal I
Jephthah *; Abdon; Ibzan; Elon
1075 Battle of Aphek; ark captured by the Philistines
Samson, Dan
1055 Battle of Mizpah
Samuel, Ephraim
Philistines
Saul — Early Monarchy
1028 David kills Goliath
Ironworking techniques spread
Menkheperre; Psusennes I 1013; Shalm. II
David in the Wilderness
Philistines — Ishbosheth / Abner 1011 1004
1011/04 Civil wars end; Philistines defeated
Sea Peoples
Egyptian 3rd Intermediate Period
Ashur-rabi II
David
991 War with Ammon; revolt of Absalom
Davidic psalms during wanderings and reign
Pinedjem II; Siamon 972 967; Psu. 'III'; Psu. II; Tiglath-Pileser II
United Monarchy
970 Adonijah's conspiracy
963 Temple dedicated
Solomon
950 Solomon begins decline
XXII (Tanite) 945 CS K; Sheshonq I 935
Revival of Assyria begins
North Israel ← Kingdom Divided → South Judah
931/30
926 Sheshonq I (Shishak) plunders Jerusalem
Jeroboam I; Rehoboam
Jeroboam establishes rival worship centers
Osorkon I 912/1; Neo-Assyrian Empire
Nadab 908 II; Abijam 913 911/10; Asa
Baasha at war with Asa
Sheshonq II; Takelot I; Tuk. III
Elah, Zimri; Omri; Tibni III 880 IV 874/3
885 Zimri's conspiracy
853 Battle of Qarqar—Assyria v. Syria and Israel
Osorkon II; Takelot II; Shalmaneser III 859/8 824/3
Ahab and Jezebel; Ahaziah 853/2; Jehoram 848 841 V; Jehoshaphat 870/69
Elijah; *Obadiah; *Joel; Elisha's Ministry
c. 845 Philistines and Arabs plunder Jerusalem; 841 In 18th year of Shalmaneser III, Jehu pays him tribute
Ahaziah 841; Q. Athaliah 835
841 Jehu's purge
Jehu; Joash (Jehoash) 814/3
Jehoiada reforms Judah
Sheshonq III; Sh. Ad. V 811; Shes. IV; A.-nirari III 783; Pami K; Shalm. IV 773
Hazael oppresses Israel and plunders Jerusalem
Jehoahaz 798/7; Jehoash (Joash) 796; Amaziah 782/1
776 First Olympics
Israel's "Golden Age" of prosperity, stability, and religious fervor
Jeroboam II; Jeroboam II restores borders
Pami CS; Sheshonq V; Jonah; Amos; Ashur-Dan III 755; Ashur-N. V 745/4; Zechariah/Shallum 753/2; Azariah (Uzziah) 767
Menahem VII; Pekahiah; Pekah VIII 732/1; Jotham 739 731
Hosea's Min.
Israel's Fall
Isaiah's Ministry; Micah
XXV (Nubian) 747
732 Tiglath-Pileser III invades Syria and Israel
Piankhi; Osork. IV 720 715; Tiglath-Pileser III; Shalm. V; Hoshea IX; Ahaz
722 Israel to captivity
Hezekiah's reforms
Shabaka; Sargon II 705/4
Hezekiah
701 Sennacherib besieges Jerusalem
Shebitku; Sennacherib
Taharqa
671 Memphis captured
Esarhaddon 681/0 669
Manasseh
Manasseh reverses reforms; taken into exile; repents
663 Ashurbanipal sacks Thebes
XXVI (Saite) 664 656; Ashurbanipal
Nahum; Zephaniah
Psamtik I 626 627
Amon 643/40; Josiah
Book of Law found; Josiah's reforms
Neo-Babylonian Empire
614, 612, 610 Fall of Assyria
605 Battle of Carchemish
Nabopolassar 612 610 626; Necho 595
Habakkuk
Jeremiah's Min.
Jehoahaz 609
609 Necho kills Josiah
605 Judah subjugated
Jehoiakim; Jehoiachin 598/6; Zedekiah
597 Jerusalem surrenders
Psamtik II
Wahibre 589; Nebuchadnezzar 570
Lamentations
586 Temple destroyed
Captivity
Judah's Fall
Ahmose II; Nebuchadnezzar 562 556
Daniel's Ministry; Ezekiel
550 Cyrus conquers Medes
Nabonidus (Belshazzar coregent) 550
Persian Empire
538 Cyrus issues edict
537 Return of Zerubbabel
536 Temple foundation laid
539 Fall of Babylon
Cyrus II 539
Returns from Captivity
Ezra 1-6
Haggai & Zechariah
Zerubbabel
Egyptian XXVII (Persian) 525; Cambyses II 522/1
520 Building resumed
515 Temple rededicated
Egyptian 1st Persian Period
Roman Republic
Darius I the Great
Classical Age in Greece
490-449 Persian War
Xerxes I (Ahasuerus) 486/5 465
Esther
479 Esther becomes queen
470-399 Life of Socrates
Artaxerxes I
Chronicles; Ezra 7-10; Nehemiah; Malachi
Ezra
458/7 Return of Ezra
Nehemiah
445 Return of Nehemiah
431-404 Peloponnesian War
Intertestamental Period
Darius II 424/3
409 Carthage and Greece battle over Sicily
Egyptian XXVIII-XXX; Nefaaud I; Amyrtaeus 405/4
404 Athens surrenders to Lysander of the Spartans
387 Plato founds Academy
Hakor; Artaxerxes II
Nakhtnebef
Djedhor; Nakhthoreb 359/8 359; Argead; Artaxer. III; Philip II
XXXI (Persian) 343; Egypt's Second Persian Period
338 Philip II defeats Athenians; end of Delian League
336 332 330 Alexander the Great; Darius III
Empire of Alexander
331 Battle of Gaugamela
323-301 Alexander dies; wars of Diadochi
323 Diogenes' death
322 Demosthenes' suicide
Epicurus; Euclid; Zeno the Stoic
Macedonia, Greece | Thrace, Asia Minor, Pergamon | Syria, Babylon | Egypt, Cyrenaica
Cassander; Lysimachus; Seleucids... Seleucus I 291; Ptolemies... Ptolemy I
301 Battle of Ipsus
Hellenistic Period
280 Pyrrhus invades Italy
278 Celts invade Anatolia
Demetrius I 286 279 276; Antigonids... Antigonus II; Philetaerus 282/1; Antiochus I 281; Ptolemy II 283/2
282/1 Battle of Corupedium
Attalids...
Septuagint (LXX)
Eumenes I 263; Antiochus II 261; Ptolemy III 246
Archimedes
Demetrius II 239; Antigonus III 229 221; Seleucus II 246; Attalus I 242/1
Seleucus III 223; Antiochus III the Great; Ptolemy IV 222
Roman Republic
217 Battle of Raphia
Philip V
202 Battle of Zama; Rome defeats Hannibal
189 Battle of Magnesia
Ptolemy V 205
200 Antiochus III defeats Ptolemies; Seleucids control Palestine
Eumenes II 197; Seleucus IV 187; Ptolemy VI 180
Perseus 179; Antiochus IV 175; Pt. VIII 170 164/3
168/7 Battle of Pydna
168/7 Roman domination
Antioc.V 164; Demetrius I; Alexander I
Judas 160; Jonathan High Priest; Simon 142 135/4
168-167 Mattathias and sons lead "Maccabean Revolt"
Hasmonean Period
146 Rome destroys Corinth and Carthage
148; Attalus II; Attalus III 133/2; Demetrius II vs. others; Ptolemy VIII 145
142 Judean independence
Pharisees and Sadducees appear; 800 Pharisees executed in their civil war against Jannaeus and Sadducees
John Hyrcanus I
120 Mithridates becomes king of Pontus
Cleopat. 123; Antiochus VIII vs. Anti. IX; Ptolemy IX 116 107
Aristobulus I; Alexander Jannaeus
Ptolemy X 96; Ptolemy IX 88
Tigranes I vs. Seleu. VII 83; Ptolemy XII 80
Alexandra Salome; Hyr. II / Aris. II 63
66 Pompey commands the Roman East
Antiochus XIII / Philip II 63
63 Pompey conquers Palestine
First Triumvirate 60; Julius Caesar 49; Berenice IV 51
Second Triumvirate 43; Herodian Dynasty; Cleopatra VII 37
31 Battle of Actium
Julio-Claudian Dynasty 27; Ptolemy XV 30
Roman Empire
Herod the Great
BCE 0 CE
Augustus; 4 BCE
Life of Christ — Jesus
5/4 BCE Jesus born
Gospels
Tiberius 14; H. Antipas 39
29-33 Jesus' public ministry
Caligula 37 41; H. Agrippa I 44
Early Church
41 Apostle James martyred
43 Rome invades Britain
Claudius 54; Acts; Mt.; General Epistles
Paul's Travel Epistles
47-57 Paul's missionary travels
Nero persecutes churches
66-73 Jewish revolt
70 Titus destroys temple
Nero 68 69; H. Agrippa II; Luke-Acts; Mark
...Prison Epistles
...Pastoral Epistles
Paul's imprisonments
Paul and Peter martyred
Flavian; Vespatian 79 81; Titus; Domitian; Nervan-Antonian 96 98; Trajan
John; Revelation
Didache of the Twelve Apostles
Church persecuted
c. 96 Clement writes *1 Clement*

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