

## DID 1975 COMPLETE 6,000 YEARS OF MANKIND'S HISTORY?

The Watchtower Bible and Tract Society (WBTS) promotes the idea that the year 1975 brought to completion 6,000 years of mankind's history. This is based on the establishment of the year 4026 B.C as being the date of Adam's creation. This has been calculated through a tallying of figures contained in the biblical genealogies to form a complete chronology. As will be seen in the following study no complete chronology can legitimately be composed from the biblical data. The Bible gives no dates for events, but only relative temporal details. Hence, there is no such thing as a biblical absolute chronology. It is necessary to connect particular Bible events to **known historical events**, the dating of which have been established through the work of archaeologists, historians, and astronomers or other scientific disciplines. The WBTS of Jehovah's Witnesses has taken the proven date for the conquest of Babylon by the Medes and Persians in 539 B.C as their pivotal date. Although this is certainly an established date for this event it is not as well attested as the date of the destruction of Jerusalem in 586/587 B.C, a date which the WBTS does not accept because it nullifies their prophecy base for their 1914 A.D theology. They promote the date of 607 B.C which has no support by any authority including the Scriptures. From this unscripturally arrived at date they proceed to work backwards using legitimate biblical chronological markers, but finally in imitation of Archbishop James Ussher (1650) they move into the realm of using genealogies to build the remainder of their chronology leading back to Adam's creation. However, the actual date of 586/587 for Jerusalem's destruction is often contained in the very same documents as the recording of the conquest of Babylon in 539 B.C. Yet the WBTS agenda moves them to reject the better attested date.

### GENEALOGIES DO NOT SERVE AS CHRONOLOGIES

The biblical genealogies do not seem to have been compiled for the purpose of forming dated chronologies; but rather:

to authenticate hereditary succession and inheritance rights, biological descent and geographical or ethnological relationships. *The International Standard Bible Encyclopedia (ISBE)*, Vol. 2, p. 424.

According to *The ISBE*, Vol. 1, p. 673: "First is the fact that commonly all persons in a given line are not included." In fact, most of the genealogies appear in **abbreviated** form so that there is a compressing of time - a telescoping and therefore they do not provide an exhaustive list. This can be expressed as meaning that: When X had lived Y years, he became father of **a family line that included or culminated in Z**. Again *The ISBE*, Vol. 1 comments that: "If one does not allow for gaps in the genealogy of Moses and Aaron, he is forced to discredit Chronicles" (p. 676). Even genealogies that would seem to lend themselves to a chronological application were not totalled by the writer. Many of the genealogies focus on outstanding individuals so that a mnemonic (memory aid) is accomplished often using the numbers 7 or 10 or multiples of them. However, since the time of significant contact with the Greek world the Jewish rabbis wanted to show the historicalness of the Scriptures by compiling dated chronologies leading back to creation; the first such chronology being produced in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century B.C. Nevertheless, to have formed any such chronologies from the genealogies is a misapplication of them rendering them completely invalid as true chronologies.

### RELATIONSHIPS IN ANCIENT NEAR EASTERN THINKING

The term *father* often means *ancestor* and the term *son* often means *descendant*. There were no separate words in Hebrew for grandfather or grandson etc.

## ABRIDGEMENT OF GENEALOGIES

### *EZRA'S ANCESTORS*

Ezra's presentation of this genealogy has been abridged by the omission of six consecutive names:

<i>1 Chron. 6:13, 14</i>		<i>Ezra 7:1-5</i>
1. Aaron		Aaron
2-7	the same	
8. Meraioth		Meraioth
9. Amariah		-----
10. Ahitub		-----
11. Zadok		-----
12. Ahimaaz		-----
13. Azariah		-----
14. Johanan		-----
15. Azariah		Azariah
16-21	all the same	
22. Seraiah		Seraiah
Ezra		

### *MATTHEW'S AND LUKE'S GENEALOGIES OF JESUS COMPARED*

In Matthew, from David to the Exile there were 14 generations, but 21 generations in Luke. In Matthew, from the Exile to Jesus there were 14 generations, but 21 generations in Luke. Although Matthew and Luke are following the descent through two different sons of David, namely Solomon and Nathan respectively, they are both clearly working to patterns based on the number 7, with Luke's pattern being 21, 14, 21 and 21. To obtain such a pattern Luke would have to leave out at least a few names. If this is so with Luke's listing then Matthew's must have been in an even more abbreviated form. Matthew's listing of Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, and the wife of Uriah shows that he did not simply copy the genealogical record of Joseph; but seems to indicate his intentional arrangement. It is evident that these genealogies were not for the purpose of forming a chronology. It is a noticeable fact that Bible writers never put them to such a use themselves. They nowhere add up these numbers, nor suggest their summation. They purely authenticate hereditary succession, inheritance rights, and biological descent.

NOTE: In Matthew and Luke Zerubbabel is listed as the son of Shealtiel. But in 1 Chronicles 3:17-19 we find that he is actually the son of Pedaiah (Shealtiel's brother). *For more examples please see Volume 6, STUDY 8, GENEALOGIES IN RELATION TO CHRONOLOGY.*

## GENESIS CHAPTERS 5, 10 and 11 ARE ABRIDGED GENEALOGIES

Similar to the above it becomes evident that great care must be exercised when we focus our attention on the genealogies of Genesis. So in commenting on Genesis 11 *Unger's Commentary on the Old Testament* speaks of "*drastically abbreviated lists.*" And the following factors are strong indicators that the Genesis 5, 10 and 11 genealogies are "*drastically abbreviated lists*" **and therefore have unaccounted for gaps:**

### *THE SYMMETRICAL STRUCTURE*

As with Matthew and Luke with their pattern based on *sevens* so, too, with these chapters in Genesis there is symmetry and a regularity that seem to indicate an intentionally artificial arrangement. When Cainan is included they become a pattern of *tens*, no doubt to act as a mnemonic.

*CAINAN IS MISSING FROM THE MASORETIC TEXT*

In Genesis 10:22, 23 and 11: 12, 13 in the LXX, and in Luke 3:36 *Cainan* is positioned between Shelah and Arpaxad in this early genealogy. Yet his name is missing from the Masoretic text of our standard Bibles. With the restored name of Cainan in Genesis 11 the genealogy becomes a perfectly symmetrical pattern along with the genealogy of Genesis 5 namely:

...from Adam to Noah (Noah having 3 sons) is 10 generations ..... Genesis 5.

...from Shem to Terah (Terah having 3 sons) is 10 generations ..... Genesis 11.

Each genealogy ends with the father having 3 sons. A parallel is seen in the genealogy in which Lamech is 7<sup>th</sup> from Adam (through Cain) and Lamech then has 3 sons (Gen. 4).

*THE EBER/PELEG GAP*

Because the genealogy in Genesis 11 is evenly divided at its 5<sup>th</sup> member **Peleg** by the statement that “*in his days the earth was divided*” (Gen. 10:25: and 11:18) and because the life spans of the patriarchs drop off drastically after this point a gap is implied between Eber and Peleg. The life spans of Peleg’s ancestors from Shem forward were: 602, 438, 433, and Eber 464 years. However, from Peleg forward the life spans drop to: 239, 239, 230, 148, and 275 years. This sharp decline in longevity of about 200 years indicates the likelihood of **an unknown number of generations between Eber and Peleg**. Any failure to acknowledge abridgement of the genealogy and the **Eber/Peleg** gap leads one to the traditional dating of the Tower of Babel event as being c.2300 BC. However, this leads to the following absurdities:

- If this genealogy is complete, then Peleg, who marks the beginning of a new period - “*the dividing of the earth,*” would have died while all his ancestors from Noah onward were still living. So not only did Shem, Arpaxad, Cainan, Shelah, and Eber live at that time, but all the generations following as far as and including Terah. Yet strangely in Genesis 10:25 only Peleg is mentioned in relation to this major event.
- The 26 cities and all of the many cultures and civilizations in Canaan would have had to have been settled within about 200 years from the Tower of Babel event. However, flourishing ancient civilizations around the Middle-East, such as Egypt, Mesopotamia, Syria, and Canaan were in existence when Abram left Ur and before he moved into Canaan in the early third millennium B.C. There Abram discovered very large and well established populations of Kenizites, Kenites, Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites. Very shortly afterwards he travelled to Egypt with its long line of Pharaoh’s. Possibly this was at the time of the 12<sup>th</sup> dynasty. Later he came into contact with Philistines who by then had built their latest civilization (An earlier one having been on Crete). Also the 5 cities civilization of Sodom was well established in Abraham’s time. All of this could not, realistically, have been so settled within the short time of about 200 years.
- The Genesis account of Abraham's time gives the strong impression that the Flood was an event of the long distant past, and that the characters prior to and during that event were long gone.
- Chinese records go very much further back than 2269 B.C as the supposed date of the Tower of Babel dispersion. Such a high level of development is unlikely from this supposed time (200/300 years) until Abram crossed the Euphrates.
- The established dating of written languages reaches back to c.3300 B.C which places the Tower of Babel event at an earlier time and the Flood still earlier.

So the genealogies from Adam to Noah and from Shem to Abraham are abridged and therefore cover only the key events and characters with ***nothing to suggest the length of time intervening between events*** as seen by a comparison of the LXX/Luke 3 version and the Masoretic version of the Arpaxad/**Cainan**/Shelah genealogy.

THE FOCUS IS ON THE EFFECT OF SIN RATHER THAN ON CHRONOLOGY

Apart from the purpose of the genealogies in Genesis 5 and 11 as demonstrating how God was guarding the Messianic line (Gen 3:15, Luke 3) there seems to be a focus on the effect of sin on human vitality and longevity particularly the fall in longevity after the flood and then later in Peleg's time. These data given concerning human longevity, however, make no contribution to the formation of a chronology. So in view of the characteristics of biblical genealogies one can not legitimately use those that are recorded in Genesis chapters 5 and 11 to form chronologies. To do so would be a misuse of them.

WE CANNOT ASSIGN A DATE TO ADAM'S CREATION

"FATHER" OFTEN MEANS "ANCESTOR"

*Unger's Commentary on the Old Testament* notes that: "The Hebrew word translated "begot" does not necessarily mean "became the father of," but in these it means "became the ancestor of,"" p.53.

"SON" OFTEN MEANS "DESCENDANT"

As shown in the first parts of this study the term "son" quite often means "descendant." A good example of this concerns the summary in Matthew 1:1 of Jesus' genealogy which is detailed as: "*Jesus, the son of David, the son of Abraham.*" Clearly this means that Jesus was a **descendant** of David who was a descendant of Abraham. *So, too, the genealogies of Genesis chapters 5, 10 and 11 can be expressed as meaning that: When X had lived Y years, he became ancestor of a family line that included or culminated in Z.* For example Genesis 5:9, 10 means:

When Enosh had lived for 90 years, and became the *ancestor* (father, grandfather or great-grandfather etc) of Kenan. Enosh lived after he became the *ancestor* of Kenan for 815 years, and became the ancestor to *other descendants* (male and female).

Therefore, at ninety years of age Enosh had an unnamed (*in the genealogy*) child who, as the start of Enosh's family, produced descendants who eventually produced the notable individual – Kenan. In this case the 90 years does not apply to **Kenan** and so **does not tell us when he was born** but rather it tells us when his ancestor was born. Evidently, Kenan did not even necessarily have to be born within the remaining 815 years of Enosh's life. This pattern must also be true for many of the key descendants of their relevant ancestors, particularly because of the author's purposeful abridgement of each of these genealogies. **So there can be no chronological starting point for the next person in line.** However, unless the naming of a child can be the prerogative of a grandfather, there are some who may have been of a direct father/son relationship:

- Seth because Eve and Adam named him (Gen. 4:25, 5:3).
- Enosh because Seth named him (Gen. 4:26).
- Noah because Lamech named him (Gen. 5:29).

COMPLETING THE SYMMETRY IN GENESIS 11

❖ "...[son] of Shelah, [son] of **Cainan**, [son] of Arphaxad, [son] of Shem..." (*Luke 3:35, 36*).

The LXX of Genesis 10:24 states:

❖ "Arphaxad begot Cainan, and Cainan begot Sala."

The LXX of Genesis 11:12, 13 states:

❖ "And Arphaxad lived **a hundred and thirty five years** and begot (*became the ancestor of*) **Cainan**. And Arphaxad lived after he had begotten Cainan, **four hundred years**, and begot (*became the ancestor of*) sons and daughters, and died.

And **Cainan** lived **a hundred and thirty years** and begot (*became the ancestor of*) Sala; And **Cainan** lived after he had begotten Sala **three hundred and thirty years**, and begot (*became the ancestor of*) sons and daughters, and died."

From the Masoretic text Genesis 11:12, 13 NWT:

- ❖ “Arpachshad lived *thirty-five years*. Then he became father to Shelah. And after his fathering Shelah Arpachshad continued to live *four hundred and three years*. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters.”

NOTE: 1 Chronicles 1:24 also does not have the name of Cainan inserted between Arpachshad and Shelah in either the Masoretic or the LXX texts. In overall terms the Masoretic text is far superior to the LXX. But that does not mean that the LXX could not be the correct one in the case of Genesis 11:12, 13.

However, because all copies of the inspired Luke account include “Cainan” it is more likely to be the correct one than the much later Masoretic text which could have been subject to some scribal error. Furthermore, it is easier to omit a name than to insert one by accident. In fact, the number of years involved in the LXX up to the two births is 265. So subtracting the number of years involved in the Masoretic account of 35 years gives a difference between the two accounts of 230 years. Therefore, if we add in these extra years to account for Cainan we extend the traditional dating of 4004 BC (Ussher) for Adam’s creation to 4234 BC. Conservative scholar Merrill Unger says:

The total length of the period from the creation of man to the flood and from the flood to Abraham is *not specified* in Scripture. That the genealogies in Genesis chapters 5 and 11 are most certainly drastically shortened and contain names that are *highly selective* is suggested by the fact that each list contains only ten names, ten from Adam to Noah and ten from Shem to Abraham (author’s italics).

*Introductory Guide To The Old Testament*, p.193

Even Young Earth Creationist scholars Whitcomb and Morris demonstrate the impossibility of using Genesis chapters 5 and 11 as a chronology. In *The Genesis Flood* Appendix 2 on pp. 474-489 they show that:

1. The Messianic links were seldom firstborn sons.
2. It is significant that the number of years were not totalled.
3. Cainan should be included to complete the symmetry of Genesis 11.
4. The information concerning each patriarch is irrelevant to forming a strict chronology.
5. The postdiluvian patriarchs could not have been contemporaries of Abram.
6. The Bible implies a great antiquity for the Tower of Babel.

#### ILLUSTRATION OF ABRIDGEMENT OF THE GENEALOGIES IN GENESIS CHAPTERS 5, 10 and 11

In his book *The Old Testament Documents—Are They Reliable & Relevant?* Walter Kaiser Jr. gives the following illustration:

Let me suppose, for the purposes of this illustration, that my own father (“A”) was one of these VIP’s (very important persons) mentioned in the Genesis accounts. Let us say that he had four sons born (to give biblical types of numbers) on his 100<sup>th</sup>, 120<sup>th</sup>, 140<sup>th</sup> and 160<sup>th</sup> birthdays. Let us say that I was born on my father’s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and that it was through my son’s son, six generations removed, that the next VIP (“B”) came. In biblical shorthand, then, my father (“A”) would have begotten my son’s son, six generations removed (“B”) when he was 100, for on his 120<sup>th</sup>, 140<sup>th</sup> and 160<sup>th</sup> birthdays he would have begotten my brothers’ lines of descent and not the next VIP.

#### SUMMARY OF REASONS WHY A CHRONOLOGY SHOULD NOT BE FORMED

1. Noting that Jesus was not the Genesis creator (Isa. 44:24, please see Book 1: STUDIES 10 – 14) he certainly seemed unaware of a date when Adam was created (Matt 19:4). If Genesis 5 and 11 were meant for chronological purposes would Jesus not have used this information in reference to end-time events?

2. If the purpose of Genesis 5 and 11 was to form a chronology, then why were these figures never totalled or a total stated elsewhere in the Scriptures. Nowhere do we find a specific statement of the total length of time from Adam to the Flood and from the Flood to Abram. However, such statements do exist for the period from the descent into Egypt to the Exodus (Exod. 12:40), and from the Exodus to the building of the temple (1 Kings 6:1).

3. The ages given in Genesis 5 and 11 for when each patriarch died serve no purpose toward constructing a chronology. So why would Moses give this detail if he was laying the basis for a chronology to be formed. Yet these age details do serve the purpose of showing the decline in human longevity.

4. Genesis 5 and 11 are evidently constructed so that the genealogies are abridged to form patterns of ten. So numerous individuals in the biological lines must have been omitted.

5. It is hardly likely that only Adam, Cain, Seth and 15 descendants with their brothers and sisters formed the entire population of the earth prior to the flood.

NOTE: Jude 14 literally reads: "The seventh from Adam, Enoch." *and refers to the Genesis 5 genealogical list wherein Enoch is **listed** seventh but is not necessarily the seventh human male to exist.*

6. There is uncertainty as to whether or not the 230 years concerning Cainan according to Luke 3 and the LXX should be added in.

7. The Eber/Peleg gap means that there are an unknown number of generations unaccounted for in this gap.

8. Unlike the names for individuals in later Bible times, those of Genesis 5 and 11 are not composites of "el" or "Yah" as there are in later times. This gives the impression of the post-Abrahamic times as being at a great distance in time from those of the early patriarchs and not just a few hundred years.

9. There is uncertainty which ancestors were fathers, grandfathers, great-grandfathers or even great-great-grandfathers etc. of the named sons. So it cannot be known for sure when the Son mentioned in each case was born.

#### THE BEST PARALLEL WITH GENESIS 5 AND 11

The greater part of Israel's 430 years of dwelling in Egypt is left blank in the biblical record. Only a few key incidents are recorded at the beginning of the 430 years. These were connected with the descent of Jacob and his family into Egypt and their settling there. At the end of the period mention is made of important incidents concerning Moses which led to the Exodus. Apart from these exceptions no account is given of this 430 year period. The interval is covered only by a genealogy which extends from Levi to Moses and Aaron and their contemporaries among their immediate relatives (Exod. 6:16-26). This genealogy records the principal line of descent **and gives us the length of each man's life**, namely, Levi (137 years, v. 16), Kohath (133 years, v. 18), Amram (137 years, v. 20). As shown earlier the genealogy from Levi to Moses did not record all the links in that line of descent, and so was not for the purpose of creating a chronology. As with the Genesis 5 and 11 genealogies this one in Exodus also has the purpose of demonstrating the longevity of those named. Also because Moses wrote both of these sets of genealogies we may rightly make the inference that from the similarity of construction there must be a similarity of purpose.

#### THE STAB IN THE DARK CALCULATION

Basing these calculations on the reasonable certainty that Cainan should be included and so the 230 years attributed to Arpaxad and Cainan from the LXX are to be included. Also an estimated allowance

of 1500 years, for the drop of 200 years in lifespan to have occurred from the Eber/Peleg marker, should be included.

Totals of fathers' ages when the named descendant or his ancestor was born:

	From Adam to flood	1656 years
From the flood to Abram's birth (2,018 BC. WT chronology)		352
	Add years to include Cainan	230
	Allowance for Eber/Peleg generations	<u>1500</u>
	Total years	3738

Because it is known that biblical genealogies range between 10% and 90% complete we can make an average calculation based on these percentages. But as *Unger's says, these are "drastically abbreviated lists"* and so **90% complete is very unlikely.**

- a. If the genealogies are 70% complete then it is 5,340 years from Adam to Abram
- b. If the genealogies are 40% complete then it is 9,345 years from Adam to Abram
- c. If the genealogies are 10% complete then it is 37,380 years from Adam to Abram

So with the birth of Abram at 2,018 BC., then, on the above calculations, Adam's creation could have occurred around 7,358 BC., or 11,363 BC., or 39,398 BC. However, considering the high rate of mankind's accomplishments, the last one seems very unlikely.

NOTE: The Eber/Peleg gap could be much larger than the proposed 1500 years for the average age at death to have dropped by 200 years.

However, the point of this exercise is to show that one should not attempt to form a dated chronology and that there is a reasonable limit as to how far back in time we might imagine that Adam was created. In *The Genesis Flood* Whitcomb and Morris state:

To stretch the genealogy of Genesis 11 to cover a period of over 100,000 years is to do violence to the chronological framework of all subsequent Bible history and prophecy...The incongruity of insisting upon 100,000 years between Noah and Abraham...becomes obvious, p. 485.

## SUMMARY

It must be acknowledged that most of the research on this subject was first accomplished in 1890 by **William Henry Green** who spoke of:

considerations which seem to me to justify the belief that the genealogies in Genesis 5 and 11 were not intended to be used, and **cannot properly be used, for the construction of a chronology.**

Comparative analysis of overlapping genealogies throughout the Bible suggests that they may range anywhere from about 90% complete at best to 10% complete at worst. Also we have noted **significant abbreviation of most of the biblical genealogies** by the omission of whoever was deemed unessential to the immediate purpose of the writer. There is no explanation given for these exclusions. Although the earliest readers were perhaps able to fill in the gaps for themselves from their own knowledge of the times, this is not the case today. For those who have no additional information, the key to such understanding is lost. In other cases we are able to understand them, because the information necessary to make them intelligible is supplied from parallel passages of Scripture.

## THE FALSE HOPE CREATED FOR JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

In particular Genesis chapters 5 and 11 have been wrongly viewed by many denominations, including Jehovah's Witnesses, as a means to arrive at a chronology rather than the specially structured genealogies that they are, and for the purpose of teaching about God's protection of the Messianic line and the results of mankind's sinful behaviour. The fact that there are no chronological markers in the rest of the Scriptures that specify the total length of time from Adam to the Flood and from the Flood to Abram should put us on alert. Therefore we must conclude that it is impossible to arrive at even an approximate date for either the Flood or the creation of Adam and that by attempting to do so the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses did lead their membership to the false hope of an ending of Satan's wicked system of things in or shortly after 1975. Sadly, the organization denies this and blames the membership for reading more into their words than was there. In the July 15, 1976 issue of the WT magazine it stated:

If anyone is disappointed through not following this line of thought, he should now concentrate on adjusting his viewpoint, seeing that it was not the word of God that failed or deceived him and brought disappointment, but that **his own understanding was based on wrong premises**. (Boldening ours).

However, it was the Governing Body which released the book *Life Everlasting in the Freedom of the Sons of God* in 1966, and the chart at the back of it very clearly showed that 6,000 years from the creation of Adam would end in 1975. There were later comments in WT magazines which indicated that Eve was likely created with only months of Adam's creation so that the taking over of the rulership of the earth would soon begin the 7<sup>th</sup> 1,000 years i.e. the millennium. Was this not supposed to be 'spiritual food at the proper time'? So evidently those "**wrong premises**" were created in the minds of the membership by the Governing Body. Furthermore, this had practical repercussions. In the May issue of Our Kingdom Ministry it was stated:

Reports are heard of brothers **selling their homes** and property and planning to finish out the rest of their days in this old system in the pioneer service. Certainly this is a fine way to spend the short time remaining before the wicked world's end. (Boldening ours).

Yet thirty-five years have now passed since these false expectations were raised. How difficult life must have been made for those who put such faith in these false strong indications of the time for the coming great tribulation by the Governing Body!

### EARLIER WBTS MISAPPLIED DATES

6,000 years of human history ended in 1873 *Studies in the Scriptures, Vol. 2 p. 39.*  
" " " " would end in 1972 *The Truth shall make you Free p. 152.*  
" " " " " " in 1975 *WT. 1 May 1967 p262.*

*The Time is at Hand. (1908) p.101 said:*

"The battle of the great day of God Almighty which will end in A.D.1914, with the complete overthrow of earth's present rulership, is already commenced."

*The Finished Mystery pp. 398, 485 stated:*

"...the people who are the strength of Christendom shall be cut off in the brief but terrible eventful period beginning in 1918 A.D...also in the year 1918, when God destroys the churches wholesale and the church members by the millions."

*The above errors were held until 1925*

*WT 9/15/1941. p288. "...in the remaining months before Armageddon."*

*Awake 1/22/1969*

“Other Bible prophecies clearly foretell God’s purpose to bring this wicked system to an end in a few years.”

*WT 1/1/ 1989 (original copy before the wording was changed)*

“The apostle Paul was spearheading the Christian missionary activity. He was also laying a foundation for a work that would **be completed in our 20<sup>th</sup> century.**”

These and earlier noted dates are based on various WBTS chronologies leading back to 4126 B.C.E (now 4026) as the date of Adam’s creation.

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