

Chronological Timetable of Mankind

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Year Born After Adam Created	Person	Year Born B.C.*	Scripture	Age Died	Scripture	Year A.A.	Year B.C.*
0	Adam	3973	Gen 1-2	930	Gen 5:5	930	3043
129	Seth	3844	Gen 5:3	912	Gen 5:8	1041	2932
234	Enosh	3739	Gen 5:6	905	Gen 5:11	1139	2834
323	Kenan	3650	Gen 5:9	910	Gen 5:14	1233	2740
393	Mahalalel	3580	Gen 5:12	895	Gen 5:17	1288	2685
457	Jared	3516	Gen 5:15	962	Gen 5:20	1419	2554
619	Enoch	3354	Gen 5:18	365?	Gen 5:23	984?	2989?
683	Methuselah	3290	Gen 5:21	969	Gen 5:27	1652	2321
870	Lamech	3103	Gen 5:25	777	Gen 5:31	1647	2326
1051	Noah	2922	Gen 5:28	950	9:28-29	2001	1972
1553	Shem	2420	5:32,7:6,11:10	600	11:10-11	2153	1820

The flood occurred in the year 1652 A.A. (that's approximately 2321 B.C.).

1652	Arphaxad	2321	Gen 11:10	438	11:12-13	2090	1883
1687	Shelah	2286	Gen 11:12	433	11:14-15	2120	1853
1716	Eber (<i>Hebrew</i>)	2257	Gen 11:14	464	11:16-17	2180	1793
1750	Peleg	2223	Gen 11:16	239	11:18-19	1989	1984

The earth became divided (continents separated) in the days of Peleg (Peleg means division)—Gen 10:25.

1779	Reu	2194	Gen 11:18	239	11:20-21	2018	1955
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1811	Serug	2162	Gen 11:20	230	11:22-23	2041	1932
1840	Nahor	2133	Gen 11:22	148	11:24-25	1988	1985
1868	Terah	2105	Gen 11:24	205	11:32	2073	1899
1998	Abraham	1975	11:32, 12:4, Acts 7:4	175	25:7-8	2173	1800

*All B.C. dates are approximate and were calculated using the estimated year of 2027 as the year of Jesus Christ's return.

- 1998 A.A. Abraham is born 1,998 years after Adam (approximately 1975 B.C.).
- 2053 A.A. *Abraham leaves Ur of the Chaldeans—Promises 1st made—Start of 430 year count! (See article: "How long were the Israelites in Egypt?" for proof of this.)*
- 2073 A.A. Abraham leaves Haran (AFTER BEING THERE FOR 20 YEARS) and moves to Canaan.
- 2083 A.A. *Promises to Abraham confirmed—Start of 400 year count! (See article: "How long were the Israelites in Egypt?" for proof of this.)*

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2098	Isaac	1875	Gen 21:5	180	35:28	2278	1695
2157	Jacob	1816	Gen 25:6	147	47:28	2304	1669

- 2228 A.A.** Jacob leaves Canaan and moves to Haran (he's about 71 years old). Gen. 47:28, 41:46-47, & 45:6 prove Jacob is about 90 years older than Joseph, and Gen. 29:31-31:3, & 31:38 prove that Jacob was in Haran for 20 years and that he left about 1 year after Joseph was born.
- 2238 A.A.** Levi born (he is the 3rd son born to Jacob)—Gen. 29:18-34.
- 2247 A.A.** Joseph born (he is the 11th son born to Jacob)—Gen. 29:18-31:3, 31:38.
- 2248 A.A.** Jacob leaves Haran and moves back to Canaan (HE WAS THERE 20 YEARS)—Gen. 31:38.
- 2264 A.A.** Joseph sold as a slave and taken to Egypt (Gen. 37:2, 28).
- 2277 A.A.** Joseph begins reigning over Egypt (only the Pharaoh is above him!)—Gen. 41:46.
- 2288 A.A. Jacob and his family move to Egypt (Gen. 47:9, 28).
- 2357 A.A.** Joseph dies (Gen. 50:26).
- 2375 A.A.** Levi dies (Ex. 6:16).

- 2377 A.A.** The bondage of the Israelites begins. Ex. 1:8-11 proves Joseph died many years prior to them being afflicted and Ex. 1:12-2:10 proves that Moses was born many years after the bondage began.
- 2401 A.A. Moses born—he is the great-grandson of Levi—HE IS THE FOURTH GENERATION THAT HAS LIVED IN EGYPT!—Ex. 6:16-20, Gen. 15:16.
- 2483 A.A. *Israelites leave Egypt after being there for 195 years (2083 A.A. + 400 years = 2483 A.A.).*
- 2523 A.A. Moses dies and the Israelites enter the promised land—Canaan (Ex. 7:7, Deut. 34:5-7, Num. 14:34, Jos. 1:1-2).
- 2963 A.A. *Solomon begins to build the temple 480 years after Israel leaves Egypt—1 Kings 6:1.*
- 2960 A.A. *Solomon begins his reign (3 years before starting to build the temple)—1 Kings 6:1.*

** These dates are approximate.

Ruler	Reign Ends (A.A.)	Scripture	Reign Ends (B.C.)
Solomon	2998	I Kings 11:42	975
Rehoboam	3014	14:21	959
Abijam	3017	15:2	956
Asa	3057	15:10	916
Jehoshaphat	3082	22:42	891
Jehoram	3089	II Kings 8:17	884
Ahaziah	3090	9:26	883
Athaliah	3095	11:3	878
Joash	3135	12:1	838
Amaziah	3163	14:2	810
Uzziah	3215	15:2	758
Jotham	3230	15:33	743
Ahaz	3246	16:2	727

Hezekiah	3274	18:2	699
Manasseh	3329	21:1	644
Amon	3330	21:19	643
Josiah	3361	22:1	612
Jehoahaz	3361	23:31	612
Jehoiakim	3371	23:36	602

Jehoiakim was taken to Babylon as a slave at the end of his reign (II Chron. 36:5-6).

Jehoiachin	3371	24:8	602
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Jehoiachin and all Jerusalem (except poorest people) are taken captive to Babylon (II Kings 24: 13-16). After they are taken captive Jeremiah the prophet writes them a letter (Jer. 29:1-3). They will serve the king of Babylon for 70 years (Jer. 25:11-12).

THE 70 YEAR CAPTIVITY BEGINS HERE — 3371 A.A. or 602 B.C.!

Zedekiah	3382	24:18	591
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Zedekiah and the rest of the people of the city are taken captive (II Kings 25:7-11).

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The captivity of the Jews in Babylon would last for 70 years (Jer. 25:11-12). Therefore, **the captivity ended in the year 3441 A.A. (approximately 532 B.C.).**

Using just the Bible I can't go any further with this timetable. At least not *yet*. If I can someday determine exactly how many years elapsed from the time the Jews were freed from their captivity in Babylon (3441 A.A.)—until the decree to rebuild Jerusalem (see Dan. 9:25 and Neh. 2:5-20)—then I would be able to proceed much further. How could I accomplish this? Well, according to the 70-weeks prophecy given in Dan. 9:24-27 there would be 69 weeks between the time the decree was given to rebuild Jerusalem until the time of the Messiah. And at the end of the 69 weeks the Messiah—Jesus Christ—would be killed (verses 25 & 26). We know that Jesus Christ was killed around the year 32 A.D. We also know that 69 weeks is equivalent to 483 days (69 weeks x 7 days each = 483 days). Then using the day-for-a-year principle that is common in Bible prophecy—we come to precisely 483 years. Now, if we subtract 483 years from 32 A.D. we come to the year 452 B.C. (we add 1 extra year since between 1 B.C. and 1 A.D. there was only 1 year and NOT 2 years—there was no year 0). This means that in the year 452 B.C. the decree to rebuild Jerusalem went out (Neh. 2:5, 7, 9). But how many years after Adam did this occur?

If I only knew how many years elapsed between the release of the Jews from Babylon (in 3441 A.A.) until the decree to rebuild Jerusalem (in 452 B.C.) I could continue with this timetable up until 32 A.D.! And then of course—since I would know how many years had elapsed between Adam and 32 A.D.—I would know precisely how many years had passed from the creation of Adam and Eve up until this very day! And then once I had this information I would know exactly when the end of man’s 6000 year reign on this earth would come to an end! But like I said previously—I do NOT have that missing link. But perhaps that missing link is hidden somewhere in the Bible. So until I get more information this is as far as I can go.

Though I can’t continue this timetable any further (by using the Bible) the following page does continue the timetable by using the dates given by several different sources—as to when they think the Jews were released from their Babylonian captivity. Also my thoughts are listed just to give the reader a reference point as to when Christ might possibly return.

Source	End of Jewish Captivity	A.A. (add 3441)	6000 Years Ends (A.D.)*	Time Cut Short**
NIV Study Bible	538 B.C. + 3441 = 3979 years		6000 - 3979 + 1 = 2022	2021
NRSV Life Appl. Bible	537 B.C. + 3441 = 3978 years		6000 - 3978 + 1 = 2023	2022
NKJ (see Jer. 25:12) (margin notes)	535 B.C. + 3441 = 3976 years		6000 - 3976 + 1 = 2025	2024
British Israel Society	526 B.C. + 3441 = 3967 years		6000 - 3967 + 1 = 2034	2033
My Thoughts	532 B.C. + 3441 = 3973 years		6000 - 3973 + 1 = 2028	2027

* Remember, since there was NOT a year 0 (between 1 B.C. and 1 A.D.) we must add an extra year. Based on the above sources the range of Christ’s projected return would be somewhere between 2021 and 2033.

** According to Mat. 24:22 the 6,000 years will be cut short—otherwise man would exterminate himself off the face of this planet. God has given humanity 6,000 years to destroy himself—if that is his inclination. And it is! Mankind will assemble together 200 million soldiers (Rev. 9:16) to accomplish just that. But immediately before we succeed in committing global genocide Jesus Christ will return to this earth to save us from ourselves! Therefore, instead of us coming to exactly 6,000 years—which would be the end of the human race—God will send His Son immediately before this sixth millennium comes to a close. Almost certainly this will occur in the fall of the preceding year—on the Day of Trumpets—since this particular Holy Day pictures the literal return of Jesus Christ to this planet. **MAY GOD SPEED THAT DAY!**

ONE FINAL WARNING TO THE READER

So when will Christ be returning? I don't know and neither does anyone else. It could be sooner than the date that I listed (2027) or it could be later than this date. I just listed this particular date as a reference point to help the reader better understand this chronological timetable of mankind. Only God knows for sure when this event will take place, but hopefully it will be even earlier than 2027, because the sooner—the better!

Will you and I be ready? I sincerely hope so! Let's do our best to see that we are! "He who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming quickly.' Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!" (Rev. 22:20).

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