

Ca. **4000 BC** - Creation (Genesis 1-2)

Ca. **2350 BC** - The Flood (Genesis 7). The name Methuselah means "his death shall bring." God had given Enoch, Methuselah's father, insight into the future judgment. In the year he died, judgment came to the world via a flood.

Ca. **2240 BC** - The Tower of Babel (Genesis 11). Nimrod, descendant of Ham, is the first "king" mentioned in the Bible (lit. "tyrant" in Hebrew). Nimrod's Tower of Babel "opened to the skies" and the mystery religion of star worship began.

1996 BC The birth of Abraham (Genesis 11).

1921 BC Abraham goes to Egypt (Gen. 12:10). God's people sojourned in Egypt 430 years (Ex. 12:40).

1491 BC Abraham's descendants (Israel) leave Egypt via the Exodus (Galatians 3:16-18).

1450 BC Israel enters Canaan under the leadership of Joshua (Joshua 1).

1095 BC Saul crowned king over Israel - (the exact year Israel began neglecting Sabbath rest). David served as king from **1055 BC to 1015 BC** and Solomon from **1015 BC to 975 BC** (1 Kings 6:1 is the key verse for dating the reign of Solomon in relation to the Exodus of Israel).

975 BC Israel divides into the northern kingdom (Israel) and the southern kingdom (Judah)

776 BC The Olympic Games begin by order of the Oracle of Delphi to prevent "eternal wars."

722 BC The northern kingdom of Israel falls to the Assyrians (the first ancient world empire). (The ten tribes of the north are scattered throughout the world; see 2 Kings 17:24)

609 BC The Assyrians are finally defeated by King Nabopolassar, leader of the neo-Babylonian empire.

605 BC King Nebuchadnezzar, Nabopolassar's son, takes **Daniel** and other young men back to Babylon.

597 BC Ezekiel is taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar during the second attack on Jerusalem by Babylon.

586 BC The Temple is destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar during his third and final attack on Jerusalem.

539 BC Persia (modern Iran) under King Cyrus conquers **Babylon** and begins allowing Jews to return. Start of Daniel's 70 Weeks.

516 BC The Jews dedicate a rebuilt Temple (the Second Temple) in Jerusalem (Ezra 6:15). Daniel stays in Babylon. Completion of the 1st 7 weeks before 408 BC.

408 BC (Approx.) Start of 62-week period in which Jerusalem is rebuilt (Nehemiah 2-6, 11:1).

356 BC Alexander is born. He conquers the world, defeating Persia, and dies in Babylon in 323 B.C. Upon Alexander's death, the civilized world is divided among Alexander's four Greek generals.

146 BC The rising power of **Rome** utterly destroys Carthage and makes Greece a Roman province.

31 BC Octavius, leader of the Roman Republic, defeats Antony and Cleopatra, declares himself Caesar.

4 BC Jesus was born during the reign of Caesar Augustus (Octavius) and the Roman tetrarch Herod.

Mid-AD 26 to 66 - Jesus Baptized (30 years old) and Public Ministry Begins. One generation of grace given for the gospel to be preached to OC Israel scattered throughout the known world (Oikoumene), to proclaim that Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of the promised Messiah of Israel to that 1st century generation (Luke 11:29-32; Matt. 21:33-22:10, 23:31-39) – that the remnant of "true" Israel from the OC people would be saved (Rom. 4:16, 9:6-7, 10:12, 11:5). At same time Gentiles were being saved and grafted into the one Olive Tree.

AD 30 Jesus crucified/resurrected/ascended (Messiah Cut off) (**After the end of the 69th week**).

Mid-AD 66 - Start of Parousia (return/presence). The days of the tribulation on the saints were cut short (Matt. 24:21-22). At Pentecost – Jesus resurrects dead saints/raptures living saints – all are caught to be with Him in the aer. Daily sacrifices for Caesar abolished. Rome/Jews focus on own war. The last ½ of Daniel's 70th week commences for the remaining 3 ½ years while **God's wrath is poured out on OC Israel** through the Roman armies (1 Thess. 2:14-16. On the "them" = Israel = same as Matt. 23:32).

Mid-AD 66 to 70 - Daniel 12:7, 11 "complete shattering of the holy people" and "time of the end (of the OC age and people)" (1290 and 1335 days. 3 ½ years).

AD 70 JEWISH TEMPLE GONE AND NOT ONE STONE LEFT UPON ANOTHER (fulfillment of all Matthew 24-25) - **END OF OLD COVENANT JEWISH AGE = END OF 70TH WEEK OF DANIEL 9. Full consummation of the New Covenant age and Kingdom and God's glory in Christ in the church, which is to all generations, forever and ever – Amen!** (Eph. 3:21; Isa. 9:7; Dan. 2:44, 7:13-14).