

Session 5: **[D-5] How Long Was Israel in Egypt?**

Chronology according to Jewish tradition {from The Comprehensive Hebrew Calendar, by Arthur Spier, Feldheim Publishers, Jerusalem/New York, 1981, page 21}

Year {A.H. - Anno Hominis – “Year of Man”}

1	Adam	
1057	Noah	1056 years from the creation of man to Noah
1949	Abraham	892 years from Noah to Abraham *
2049	Isaac	100 years from Abraham to Isaac
2239	Entrance	190 years from Isaac to the Entrance to Egypt into Egypt
2449	The Exodus	210 years from Egypt to Exodus**

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The above chronology demonstrates that the Jews know and understand that Israel was only in Egypt a little over 200 years. **This chronology has two errors in it because the Jews do not accept the New Testament** which we will discuss in these notes. The first error is dating the birth of Abraham at 1949 A.H. {Anno Hominis – “Year of Man” counted from creation of Adam}- which was actually 2008 A.H. This error comes from the assumption that Abraham was born when Terah was 70 years old and is based on Gen 11:26. Abraham is named first in Gen. 11:26 because of his importance {a similar listing is in Gen. 5:32 with Shem, Ham, and Japheth where Shem is listed first even though the scriptures plainly tell us that Japheth was the oldest Gen.10:2, 21}, [the genealogy in Genesis chapter 10 demonstrates that **Shem was in fact the youngest.**] but Abraham wasn't born until Terah was 130 years old. We know this because Stephen in Acts 7:4 tells us that Abraham left Haran **after his father Terah's death** and **Terah was 205** {205 – 75 = 130} when he died and **Abraham was 75** at the time.

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{01} Genesis

King James 1769 Version

(26) And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.
Gen. 11:26 KJV

King James Paraphrase

(26) And Terah lived **seventy years, and fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran** {1948 A.H./C-2094 B.C.}.^f
{01} Gen. 11:26 KJP

11:26f - Terah at age 70 fathered Nahor, Abram was born when Terah was 130 (Gen. 11:31-32; Gen. 12:4; Acts 7:4) Abram is named first because of his importance. - See note on Gen. 5:32. We know this because Acts 7:4 tells us that Abram went to Canaan at age 75 **after his father's death and Terah died at the age of 205** [see Gen. 11:32].
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{01} Genesis

King James 1769 Version

King James Paraphrase

(32) And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran. (Gen. 11:32)

(32) And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran {2083 A.H./C-1959 B.C.}.^h {01} Gen. 11:32 KJP

{44} Acts

King James 1769 Version	King James Paraphrase
<p>(2) And he said, Men, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,</p> <p>(3) And said unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.</p> <p>(4) Then came he out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell. Acts 7:2-4 KJV</p>	<p>(2) And he {Stephen} answered, Men, brothers, and fathers, listen; The God of glory appeared to our forefather Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran,^a</p> <p>(3) And said to him, Get out of your country, and away from your kindred, and come into the land which I shall show you.^b</p> <p>(4) Then he came out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and lived in Haran: and from there, when his father was dead,^c he removed himself into this land, in which you now live.</p> <p>{44} Acts 7:2-4 KJP</p>

7:4c – when his father was dead – by this we know that Abraham came to Canaan following the death of his father **who was 205** at the time {Gen. 11:31-32} and **Abraham was 75** years old at the time {Gen. 11:32 – 12:5}
See Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History

Notice that the Jews believe Israel was in Egypt 210 years. They are actually off by 5 years. We know this by doing the chronology and using Paul's statement in Gal. 3:15-19. The Jews do not know the exact year because they do not believe the New Testament and Paul, so they are rounding the time off to 210 years when in actuality it was 215 years {see math below}.

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(15) Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though *it be* but a man's covenant, yet *if it be* confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.

(16) Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.

Gal. 3:15-16 KJV

(15) Brothers, I speak after the manner of men; Though *it is* but a man's covenant, yet *if it is* confirmed, no man can disannul it, or add to it.

(16) Now to Abraham and his Descendant were **the promises made**. He did not say, And to descendants, as of many; but as of one,

And to your Descendant,^e
Who is Christ. {48} Gal. 3:15-16 KJP

(17) And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

(18) For if the inheritance *be* of the law, *it is* no more of promise: but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.

Gal. 3:17-18 KJV

(17) And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before by God in Christ, **the law, which came four hundred and thirty years later,**^f cannot void *the promise*, that it should make the promise of no effect.

(18) Because if the inheritance *is* by the law, *it is* no more by promise: but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.

{48} Gal. 3:17-18 KJP

3:17e - The Law was given on Mount Sinai 430 years after the promise was given to Abraham who was 75 years old at the time. Abraham lived to be 175 years old [Gen. 25:7] The Israelites came out of Egypt 430 years to the very day from the day the promise was given to Abraham. [Ex. 12:41] The promise given to Abraham 1/14/2083 A.H. The Jews came out of Egypt 1/14/2513 A.H. - See Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History

Note: this proves conclusively that the Jews were not slaves 400 years as so many misquote scripture. Every Jew knows this is true, but many Christians who do not understand King James English don't and many modern translations totally corrupt the scripture. - See notes on Genesis 12:1-4; 15:13; 50:26

Moses was 80 years old when he received the law {50 days after the Passover in 2513 A.H.}
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{01} Genesis

King James 1769 Version

(13) And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

(14) And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

(15) And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

(16) But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites *is not yet full*. Gen. 15:13-16 KJV

King James Paraphrase

(13) And He said to Abram, **Know for certain that your descendants shall be strangers in a land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;^c**

(14) **And also that nation, whom they shall serve, I will judge:** and afterward they shall come out with great substance.

(15) **And you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age.**

(16) **But in the fourth generation^d they shall come here again: because the sin of the Amorites *is not yet full*.**

{01} Gen. 15:13-16 KJP

15:13c - Note: Abraham's descendants would live in land that would not be theirs and would be afflicted, but they were only in Egypt a total of 215 years. The 400 years is counted from Isaac's 5th birthday – it is believed that women of that time period nursed their young and then weaned them at age 5 – see Gen. 21:9. Moses was born only 64 years after Joseph's death. The law of Moses was given 430 years after the promise was given to Abraham who was 75 at the time. [Gal.3:15-19] Abraham lived 100 years after the promise was given to him. [Gen. 25:7] See Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History

15:16d - fourth generation - see note on 15:13 - four hundred years - See Ex. 6:20 Moses is actually the 5th generation through his father Amram, but 4th generation through his mother Jochebed. - see Ex. 2:1 and Ex. 6:20

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The King James Version correctly translates the passage, but people don't understand or pay attention to the wording. Throughout their lifetimes, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob referred to themselves as strangers in the land in which they lived. Notice the passage says they will be strangers in the land and they will be afflicted 400 years {most of their lifetimes there were problems with the locals over wells that Abraham had dug}, and the land in which they will serve {namely Egypt}, God will judge. **It does not say they will be in bondage 400 years.** Isaac was born 25 years after the promise was given to Abraham who was 100 when Isaac was born. This means that the 400 year count began when Isaac was 5 years old. We are told that a great feast was held when Isaac was weaned in Gen. 21:8. We believe that is when the 400 year count began.

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Since there was only 430 years from the time the promise was given to Abraham until the Law was given {50 days after the Passover} {Gal. 3:15-19} – for the descendants of Abraham to have been in slavery for 400 years, **Abraham himself would have had to been in slavery for 70 years** {100-30=70} since he lived 100 years after the promise was given {Gen. 25:7}. We know of course that was not the case.

{02} Exodus	
King James 1769 Version	King James Paraphrase
<p>(40) Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, <i>was</i> four hundred and thirty years.</p> <p>(41) And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt. Ex. 12:40-41 KJV</p>	<p>(40) Now the history of the children of Israel, who lived in Egypt, <i>was</i> four hundred and thirty years {from the time the promise was given to Abraham [Gal. 3:15-19]}.^f</p> <p>(41) And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred thirty years, even to the very day {1/14/2513 A.H./C-1529 B.C.}^{g*} it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD {Jehovah} went out from the land of Egypt. {02} Ex. 12:40-41 KJP</p>

12:40f -the sojourning (history) of the children of Israel - note the phrase "who lived in Egypt" identifies the descendants of Abraham as the ones being spoken of - they were NOT in Egypt 400 years since there was only 430 years from the promise given to Abraham to the Exodus {Gal. 3:15-19} - see following note

12:41g - 430 years "to the selfsame day" - lit. to the very day the covenant was made with Abraham [2083 A.H.] See also Gal. 3:15-19 - 400 years from Isaac's 5th birthday, 215 years after Israel entered Egypt, 330 years after the death of Abraham, 144 years after the death of Joseph. Moses is 80 years old, Aaron is 83 years old.
See: Appendix G: World Time Line of Biblical History

Notice that Israel came out of Egypt exactly 430 years to the very day that the promise was given to Abraham. They came out of Egypt on the day of the Passover {which began at 6:00 p.m. the previous evening} which was the first month {Nisan [March-April]} the 14th day of the month {See Lev. 23:5}.

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[F-8] What Day of the Week Was Jesus Crucified?

There has been much controversy through the years as to what day of the week Jesus was actually crucified. The fact is that **the gospels clearly tell us what day it was**, but the problem is that most English speaking Christians have forgotten how the Jewish calendar works. For the Jews **the new day begins at evening** [not midnight]. This goes back to the first chapter of Genesis: “**there was evening and there was morning the first day...**” [Gen. 1:5]; “**there was evening and there was morning the second day...**” [Gen. 1:8], etc.

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Matthew and Mark both plainly tell us that Jesus was taken off the cross **at evening** – this means that **the new day had begun**. The only question remaining is whether this “**new day**” was the “**sabbath**” or “**the day of preparation**” and Mark, Luke, and John answer that question.

If Jesus was crucified on Friday, as most traditions say that He was, then **the evening {of the new day}** that Jesus was taken down off the cross **was the sabbath** which begins Friday evening. If Jesus was crucified on Thursday then **the evening {of the new day}** that He was taken down off the cross **was the “day of preparation”** [which began the Thursday evening] which was the day before the sabbath. The scriptures speak for themselves.

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{40} Matthew

King James Version

(57) When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:

(58) He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

(59) And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

(60) And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. {Mat. 27:57-60 KJV}

King James Paraphrase

(57) **When the evening had come**, there came a rich man of Arimathaea, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple^j:

(58) He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

(59) And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

(60) And laid it in his own new tomb^k, which he had cut out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb, and departed. {Mat. 27:57-60 KJP}

{41} Mark

King James Version	King James Paraphrase
<p>(42) And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,</p> <p>(43) Joseph of Arimathaea, an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.</p> <p>{Mark 15:42-43 KJV}</p>	<p>(42) And now when the evening had come, because it was the preparation {day},^f that is, the day before the sabbath {Saturday},</p> <p>(43) Joseph of Arimathaea, an honorable counselor, who also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly to Pilate, and requested the body of Jesus.^g</p> <p>{Mark 15:42-43 KJP}</p>

{42} Luke

King James Version

(50) And, behold, *there was* a man named Joseph, a counsellor; *and he was* a good man, and a just:

(51) (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) *he was* of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.

(52) This *man* went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

(53) And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

(54) And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.

{Luke 23:50-54 KJV}

King James Paraphrase

(50) And, *there was* a man named Joseph^c, a counselor; *and he was* a good and just man:

(51) (This same {man} had not consented to the counsel and their deed;) *he was* of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God^d.

(52) This *man* went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

(53) And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a tomb that was cut in stone, in which no man before had lain^e.

(54) **And that day was the preparation,^f** and the sabbath {Saturday} was drawing near.

{Luke 23:50-54 KJP}

{43} John

King James Version

(31) The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.
{John 19:31 KJV}

King James Paraphrase

(31) The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation,^s that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath {Saturday}, (because that sabbath day {Saturday} was a high holy day,) requested of Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.
{John 19:31 KJP}

{43} John

King James Version

(41) Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid.

(42) There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation *day*; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

{John 19:41-42 KJV}

King James Paraphrase

(41) Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new tomb, in which no man had yet laid^l.

(42) There they laid Jesus therefore **because of the Jews' preparation *day*^m** because the tomb was near at hand. {John 19:41-42 KJP}

Jesus was crucified on Thursday; Thursday evening began “the day of preparation”. Jesus lay in the tomb Thursday night, Friday night, and Saturday night and on the third day He arose just as He said He would. The “**day of preparation**” was to prepare for Sunday the day of the “**First Fruits Offering**” according to Leviticus 23 – later to be called “**Easter.**” The Jews could not “prepare” on the **sabbath** so a special day was set aside for that purpose **the day before the sabbath.** {For calendar purposes the new day for the Jews begins at 6:00 p.m. - for prophetic purposes 6 p.m. Jerusalem time.}

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This means Jesus hung on the cross the day of the **Passover** which began **Wednesday evening and extended to Thursday evening**. The Modern Jewish calendar was changed after Jesus lifetime to not allow **Passover** to be on **Thursday!!** See my notes on the construction of the modern Jewish calendar {The Jewish Calendar} at www.TheWordNotes.com.

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{1} Nisan [Mar.-Apr.]

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Palm Sunday	11	12	13	14 Passover Crucifixion	15 Day of Preparation	16 [1] Sabbath
17 {1} Resurrection	18	19	20	21	22	23 [2]
24 {2}	25	26	27	28	29	30 [3]

[Nisan always has 30 days – see [The Jewish Calendar](http://www.TheWordNotes.com) at www.TheWordNotes.com]

Lamb presented on Nisan 10 {Palm Sunday}. -- Ex. 12:2-5

In the **fourteenth** day of the first month {Nisan [Mar.-Apr.]} at evening is the LORD {Jehovah}'s Passover. Lev. 23:5 KJP

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{2} Iyar [Apr.-May]

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 {3}	2	3	4	5	6	7 [4]
8 {4}	9	10	11	12	13	14 [5]
15 {5}	16	17	18	19	20	21 [6]
22 {6}	23	24	25	26 Ascension	27	28 [7]
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[Iyar always has 29 days – see The Jewish Calendar at www.TheWordNotes.com]

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{3} Sivan [May-Jun] [{3} Sivan 7 – Pentecost [50 days from Easter (counting Easter) -see Lev. 23:15-16]

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 [8]
7{8} Pentecost	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

[Sivan always has 30 days – see The Jewish Calendar at www.TheWordNotes.com]

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King James 1769 Version	King James Paraphrase
<p>(40) For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. Mat. 12:40</p>	<p>(40) Because as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. {40} Mat. 12:40</p>

Note: the new day begins at evening – see Genesis 1 – so the Passover began at 6 p.m. Wednesday {Jesus celebrated the Passover meal with His disciples Wednesday evening}; the day of Preparation began at 6 p.m. Thursday {Jesus was taken off the cross Thursday evening}; the Sabbath began at 6 p.m. Friday {Jesus could not be touched or taken off the cross on the Sabbath}. **If you say Jesus was buried on Jewish Friday {which begins 6 p.m. Thursday) you are correct. If you say He was buried on English {Gregorian} Friday, you are accusing Jesus of lying.**

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Note: On the modern Jewish calendar, Nisan can never begin on a Friday and Passover has been moved to Nisan 15. {It is the opinion of this author that the calendar was changed by the Sanhedrin following Jesus' resurrection.} See note on **The Jewish Calendar** at www.TheWordNotes.com

Note: Jonathan Cahn a Messianic Jewish Rabbi in his book: **Book of Mysteries** called my attention to the fact that **Palm Sunday was on Nisan 10** {see Exodus chapter 12}. After looking at the calendar presented above, I realized that my calendar and his were an exact match for that date.

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