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{01} Genesis	
King James Version	King James Paraphrase
<p>(26) All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls <i>were</i> threescore and six;</p> <p>(27) And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, <i>were</i> two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, <i>were</i> threescore and ten.</p>	<p>(26) All the souls who came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his body, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls <i>were</i> sixty- six^e;</p> <p>(27) And the sons of Joseph, who were born him in Egypt, <i>were</i> two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, <i>were</i> seventy^f. Gen. 46:26-27</p>

46:26d - 66 souls in all besides Jacob's sons' wives - see Acts 7:14 - Stephen tells us that there were **75** in all who came to Egypt. The **66** does not include the **9** wives of Jacobs sons who also came with Jacob [**Judah {Gen. 38:12}** and Simeon's {Gen. 42:24} wives had already died; as well as Jacob's wives {Gen. 49:31} – see note on Gen. 42:24 - Joseph's wife was already in Egypt]

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

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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 into Egypt	190 years from Isaac to the Entrance to 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 Hominiis – “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.

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

(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].

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

(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

(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,

(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.

(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

(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

(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

(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. {44} Acts 7:2-4 KJP

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}

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}.

(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.

(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. 3:15-18 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.

(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. 3:15-18 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.

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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

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

Reckoning Jacob's age:

Jacob was **147** when he died, he had lived in Egypt **17** years

{Gen. 47:28} {2315 A.H.}

He came to Egypt in the 2nd year of the famine at the age of **130**

{147-17=130} {Gen. 45:6}

Joseph was **39** when Jacob came to Egypt {30+7+2=39} {2298 A.H.}

Jacob was **91** when Joseph was born {130-39=91} {2259 A.H.}

Jacob had been in the east **14** years when Joseph was born

{Gen. 45:6; 47:28; 30:26; 31:41}

Jacob was **77** when he fled from Esau {91-14=77} {2245 A.H.}

Isaac was **60** when Jacob was born {Gen. 25:26} {2168 A.H.}

Abraham was **100** when Isaac was born {Gen. 21:15}{**25** years after the promise was given}

By doing the math we know that Jacob entered Egypt **215 years** after the promise was given to Abraham { $25+60+130=215$ } **By subtraction $430 - 215 = 215$ we know that there was only 215 years from the time Israel entered into Egypt until the Law was given to Moses.**

Moses was **80** years old when he received the law. {2513 A.H.}
Joseph died at the age of **110** {Gen. 50:26} – which means he lived **71** years { $110-39=71$ } after Israel came into Egypt. By subtraction { $215-71-80 = 64$ } Moses was born only **64** years after Joseph's death which means that Moses' parents could well have known Joseph. This also means that there was only **144** years { $215-71=144$ } years from the death of Joseph until Israel left Egypt. So the total number of years of actual slavery was at most **144** years.

If all this is true, where did the idea come from that Israel was in slavery for **400** years? It comes from a misunderstanding of two passages of scripture which we will now deal with.

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(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

(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] 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

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 serve 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.

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.

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(40) Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, *was* four hundred and thirty years.

(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

(40) Now the history of the children of Israel, who lived in Egypt, *was* four hundred and thirty years {from the time the promise was given to Abraham [Gal. 3:15-19]}.^f

(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

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.

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