

4. Length of Pre-Flood Year

It is possible that the pre-flood year was different than what it is today. Enoch's age is either according to the length of a year before the flood, or it is a prophecy of what it would be afterward. It is not proved that the pre flood year was 360 days. But it is still a possibility.

Sabbath	spring	fall
Cycle Year	equinox.	equinox
7	4th day	2nd day
1	7th day	5th day
2	3rd day	1st day
3	6th day	4th day
4	2nd day	7th day
5	5th day	3rd day
6	1st day	6th day

The cycle repeats on the same days of the week every seven years. Each year the equinoxes falls three days later in the week.

5. The "Evening and Morning" formula

"And there was evening and there was morning: one day." Genesis defines "day" as the "light." Evening refers to the going down of the sun at the end of the first day, and "morning" refers to the rising of the sun at the start of the next day. The biblical text is retrospective. It records the end of day one and the beginning of day two, and then looks back and says that "one day" is completed.

6. The Quail and Manna Mystery

They entered the Wilderness of Sin on the 15th day of the 2nd month, which was on the first day of the week, May 11th, 1632 B.C. In the first edition this was stated to be Sabbath. However, it has since been discovered by the author that Joshua's long day (Josh. 10:12-13), which added an additional 12 hours to the day of the battle for Gibeon, causes a 12 hour offset in lunar time for previous years. The result is a change in one day of two of the four months calculated in the first edition of this book, namely Ziv 1632 and Nisan 1592. Nisan 1632 and Sivan 1632 remain unchanged due to their large arc of vision. It has further been discovered that the Hebrew text in Guggenheimer's *Seder Olam* indicates Sunday, and that I was mistaken to depend on the English.¹

They received the quail on the afternoon of Sunday "between the settings" which is between noonset and sunset, and they cooked and ate them. In the morning of the 2st day of the week they received the manna, which was the 16th day of the month 5/12/1632 B.C. So the reference to the sixth day in Exodus 16 merely refers to the sixth day of the week (Friday), or that we must count the the quail as day one plus five days of manna.

¹ See *Seder Olam* 253.50, pg. 67-70. The English translation in Guggenheimer "corrected" the date to "the Sabbath", however, I have since read the Hebrew text, which says: אָחַד בַּשַּׁבָּת ≈ Sunday. Guggenheimer admits to the change, and justifies it by saying that some "Ashkenazic manuscripts read 'Sabbath' instead of 'Sunday' " (pg. 70). The updated astronomical calculation (with Joshua's long day) now shows that the 15th of Iyyar was on a Sunday, and that Guggenheimer's editing and his basis for it are incorrect.

7. Caveats For Year Counting

Adam lived 800 years "after" he begat Seth in his 130th year. Now the first of the 800 years is year 131 of Adam:

$$\begin{array}{r} 131 \rightarrow 1 \\ +799 \quad +799 \\ \hline 930 \rightarrow 800 \end{array}$$

This shows that "after" does not include the year of Seth's birth. One must be careful not to use simple addition or subtraction to count years. It always leads to errors. For example, if we have an era of 10 years, and someone built a house in year 4, and the house was finished in year 9, then how many years were they building the house? Simple subtraction $9 - 4 = 5$, i.e. 5 years is sure to be the wrong answer:

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \quad 1 \\ 5 \quad 2 \\ 6 \quad 3 \\ 7 \quad 4 \\ 8 \quad 5 \\ 9 \quad 6 \end{array}$$

Observe that by counting the years 4 thru 9 that the answer is 6. Likewise, if I observe that an era of 300 years began the year of the world 2548 (Judges 11:26), then which year was the 300th year? If you say $2548 + 300 = 2848$, i.e. 2848, then you have given the wrong answer!

The correct answer is 2847.

$$\begin{array}{r} 2548 \rightarrow 1 \\ +299 \quad +299 \\ \hline 2847 \rightarrow 300 \end{array}$$

Rule: N years forward from B (B=1) ends in the $(B + N - 1)$ th year. (e.g. Count 2 years from 5, $5 + 2 - 1 = 6$, i.e. $5 \rightarrow 1, 6 \rightarrow 2$.) (e.g. Count 499 years forward from 1099: $1099 + 499 - 1 = 1597$, where $1099 \rightarrow 1, 1100 \rightarrow 2$ & $1597 \rightarrow 499$)

Rule: N years back from B (B=1) ends in the $(B - N + 1)$ th year (e.g. Count 2 years back from 5: $5 - 2 + 1 = 4$, $5 \rightarrow 1, 4 \rightarrow 2$. Note: \rightarrow means *corresponds to*, or is *synchronous with*.)

8. The Length of Enoch's Life on Earth

The fact that Enoch was taken at 365 years and that the year length after the flood was 365 days (rounded to the nearest day) can be interpreted as the length of the pre flood year or as a prophecy of what it would be afterward. Enoch walked with God. This means he was a righteous man, and God took him into heaven after 365 years.

Methuselah, Enoch's son, was also named prophetically. "Methuselah" means "dying, it is sent". Methuselah lived until just before the flood destroyed the world.

There is also prophetic sign in the life of Lamech. He lived 777 years. One might think that the length of life had no special significance, but we have already seen that the number of Enoch's years had prophetic significance. 777 is 7×111 . Not only that but Lamech was born in the seventh year and he died in the seventh year! Once again, God has left his signature "seven." He is declaring his control over history.

He is saying history is mine to deal with as I see fit. The tradition of prophetic naming continued with Noah, Methuselah's grandson. Noah means "rest," because Noah would give us rest from the wickedness of man and the curse of the ground.