



Jethro, another “priest forever in the order of Melchizedek (and the remnant)”.

(The position and not the person: God the Creator, the priests, Jesus the Son: sacrifices for God’s people.)

I have been accused of over speculating, but I like to think that outside the box is okay if we don’t lose sight of the box (like staying within the context of Scripture – if we all were closer, we would not be so divided?). I have been interested in Bible Chronology ever since I first opened a Bible to Genesis about 40 years ago. In particular I am interested in origins and finding a link between the Bible generations.

Not only do we find a time/date link, and I am referring to James Ussher’s Chronology which highlights approximately 6020 years of universal existence, but we may also find an animal sacrificial system and possibly a common language passed on from Adam down through the generations to Moses, and eventually to the final sacrifice wrought by Christ.

The first genealogies of Genesis influence me to see two distinct cultures existing before the flood of Noah's time. One of Adam and Seth who saw significance in the first blood sacrifice (garments of skin, to cover their shame) and the promised return or appearance of the One who would 'crush the serpent's head', and bring back the peace of Eden. And of course we have the descendants of Cain who lived in the land of Nod who scoffed at such a possibility (many crossovers – where did Cain get his wife?). We have about 1656 years of Adam's people contending with Cain's people and who knows how many remnants had to be rescued. Of course we have Enoch 'who walked with God, and God took him', 57 years after Adam died. Was he rescued? We do have Jude's account of Enoch who prophesied about the evil, and to those who do, are usually persecuted.

Gen 4:3. And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering to the LORD. 4. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock, and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect to Abel, and to his offering: 6. And the Lord said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? 7. If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. 8. And Cain talked

with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

When we get to the time of the great flood, we find only Noah and his family the only remnant of what must have been many followers of those ‘who called on the name of the Lord’, and believed Adam and Eve’s account of God and Satan. What happened to the rest? Would God have destroyed the righteous along with the most definitely wicked? Or like in many godly cultures, does a memory of God wane with following generations? Or was it war?

Gen 8:20. And Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar.

After the flood we find Shem, and 3 other patriarchs who are alive at the time of Melchizedek’s visit to Abraham 436 years after the Flood. I have to assume that these men as well as others made up a culture distinct from the Babel culture and lived in a place that is current day Jerusalem (Salem). Imagine a culture on the mountain top, living a priestly life style, and living to a ripe old age – the stuff legends or Shangri-La’s are made of.

What influence did these patriarchs have on a wandering sheep called Abraham, who saved them from a terrorist

onslaught (kings of the east), and what happened to these patriarchs? Another waning? Or was it war? When Joshua returns to conquer the land we find the godless Jebusites living in Salem (898 years after the Flood). I am guessing that Eber, the 4th from Noah was the one called Melchizedek. His name was a variation of Hebrew and Abraham was referred to as a Hebrew at that time (also the Apostle Paul spends a lot of time on this subject in the book of Hebrews):

Gen. 14:13. And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

Gen. 14:18. And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

20. And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

When Moses flees from Egypt to Midian (817 years after the flood), we find a ‘priest of Midian’ Jethro, who for over 40 years seems to be a man of influence in Moses life. In addition to crowd control, what other information did Jethro impart to Moses? Was it more definitive information about what had happened prior in history, what was the sacrificial system of the ancients, and what was their

language, and at what point was this language developed into written form?

(Was a father of Jethro a part of a remnant that had to be rescued from Salem? And of course we have Moses being prepared to rescue a remnant of Hebrews in Egypt. After the conquest of Canaan and the death of Joshua and Caleb, the Israelites had to be repeatedly rescued from their enemies. Later they had to be rescued from some of their own leadership (the problem in a nutshell! – a focus on a ‘chosen status, or we are not responsible’, has been so destructive to Church health and focus). Later we see a remnant being sent to Babylon and another remnant returning under Zerubbabel who had to be often rescued from the Persians and the Greeks. And then we have the Roman Occupation where the New Testament remnant is taken out of Jerusalem before 70 AD. And we can find rescues in Church History, including the early Church before Constantine, The Inquisitions, The Reformers, European and English theology wars, the Pilgrims coming to America (See Babel Tab), and the Church today in peril. And lastly, can we see the final rescue or rapture of the last remnant at the 2nd Coming? By all accounts, none of the prior rescues was pretty.)

Any information from Jethro was not meant to be a substitute for God’s verbal or inspired influence of the

Books of Moses, but even the Apostle Paul had the Old Testament to help him understand what he was writing. And of course the sacrificial system and language of the ancients continued up to the time of Jesus and His crucifixion, 2380 years after the Flood and 4036 years after the first day of Creation.

And this Creation may include a spoken language used by God to communicate with Adam (how about Hebrew that Moses learned from Jethro, or at least the uncorrupted form?). I find it hard to believe that Adam and Eve grunted their way to maturity. And of course Adam and those who followed learned to write it down, and pass it on.

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174. God appeared to Moses in a burning bush that was not consumed by fire, while he was keeping his father-in-law Jethro's sheep on the mountain of Horeb. He called him to deliver His people Israel from their slavery and bondage in Egypt. Moses sought with many excuses to avoid doing this. At length however, he undertook the work, being persuaded partly by miracles and partly by assurance given him of the help of God. His brother Aaron was to be his assistant. {#Ac 7:30-35 Ex 3:1-4:18}

Exodus 18 :9. And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the Lord had done to Israel, whom he had delivered

out of the hand of the Egyptians. 10. And Jethro said, Blessed be the Lord, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

11. Now I know that the Lord is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them.

12. And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father in law before God.

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233. Jethro, who was also called Hobab, brought his daughter Zipporah, with her two sons Gershon and Eliezer who were left with him, to Moses, his son-in-law. He congratulated him and the people for their deliverance from Egyptian bondage. He publicly declared, both by word and deed, his faith and devotion toward the true God. In accordance with his advice, Moses delegated the government of the people to various others and ordained magistrates for the deciding of lesser issues. {#Ex 18:1-27 De 1:9-18 Nu 10:29}

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Name/Years From Creation/BC/Total Years	1650	1600	1650	1700	1750	1800	1850	1900	1950	2000	2050	2100	2150	2200
Shem 1558-2158 2446-1846 600	Shem													
Noah 1056-2006 2948-1998 950	Noah													
Arphaxad 1658-2096 2346-1908 438	Sons Of Noah: Shem, Ham, Japheth Arphaxad													
Salah 1693-2126 2311-1878 433	Salah (Shelah)													
Eber 1723-2187 2281-1817 464	Hebrews Eber (Heber)													
Peleg 1757-1996 2247-2008 239	Tower Of Babel 1762 BC 2242 Peleg Genealogy													
Reu 1787-2026 2217-1978 239	Early Egypt 1816-2180 BC 2188-1824 Reu													
Serug 1819-2049 2185-1955 230	Serug													
Nahor 1849-1997 2155-2007 148	Early Ur/Canaan 2079-2092 BC 1925-1912 Nahor													
Terah 1878-2083 2126-1922 205	Early Greece 2148 BC 1856 Terah													
Abraham 2008-2183 1996-1821 175	Sarah Hagar/Ishmael Melchizedek? Abraham													
Isaac 2108-2288 1896-1716 180	Isaac													
Abraham From Ur 2083 BC 1922	Abraham From Egypt 2084 BC 1921	Melchizedek 2092 BC 1912	Sodom/Gomorrah 2107 BC 1897	Abraham/Isaac Sac. 2133 BC 1871	Map Of Abraham's Journeys									

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Name/Years From Creation/BC/Total Years	2100	2150	2200	2250	2300	2350	2400	2450	2500	2550	2600
Isaac 2108-2288 1896-1716 180	Abraham Isaac Rebecca A Deluge 2208 BC 1796 Chaldea 2242 BC 1762										
Abraham 2008-2183 1996-1821 175	Esau Leah Bilhah and Zilpah Was Jacob A Deceiver Or Was He A Dreamer?										
Jacob 2168-2315 1836-1689 147	Jacob Rachel										
The Ladder 2245 BC 1759	12 Sons of Jacob A Family Reunion 2265 BC 1739										
Joseph 2259-2369 1745-1635 110	Joseph Did Joseph Invent the Grain Futures Market?										
Joseph At The Bottom 2276 BC 1728	Joseph Moves Up 2287 BC 1717 Joseph On Top 2297 BC 1707										
Levi 2248-2385 1756-1619 137	Job 2369 BC 1635 Levi Joseph Who? 2427 BC 1577										
Kohath 2298-2431 1706-1573 133	Jethro, Another Priest Forever? Kohath Egypt 2205-2549 BC 1799-1455										
Amram 2376-2513 1628-1491 137	430 Years From What Day? Gal 3:17 Amram Greece 2448-2530 BC 1556-1474										
In Egypt 2298-2513 1706-1491 215	Moses 1st 40 Years Moses 2nd 40 Years Moses 3rd 40 Years (Part A) (Part B) In Egypt The Senator, A Sapling In A Wilderness 2515 1490 BC										
Moses 2433-2553 1571-1451 120	Caleb 2474-2559 BC 1530-1445 Moses										
Wilderness 2513-2554 1491-1451 40	No More Manna 2554 BC 1451 Wild.										
Joshua 2468-2578 1537-1427 110	Long Day Or Pillar Of Fire And Cloud? Busiest Year Of The World 2553 BC 1452 Joshua										
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