

THE BIBLE'S PATRIARCHS ©

1 - THE ANCIENT PATRIARCHS (AP)

There were nineteen ancient patriarchs who preceded Abraham, to whom God promised descendents whom he would call his “Chosen People”¹ and regard as “the apple of his eye.”²

- **Adam (AP-01)**, who was a son of God, was created in 3977 BC – A member of the 1st generation, he lived 930 years (3977-3047 BC). He was known in Babylon as Alorus.
- **Seth (AP-02)**, who was a son of Adam – A member of the 2nd generation, he was born in 3847 BC, when his father was 130 years old, and lived 912 years (3847-2935 BC). He was known in Babylon as Alasparus.
- **Enos (AP-03)**, who was a son of Seth – A member of the 3rd generation, he was born in 3742 BC, when his father was 105 years old, and lived 905 years (3742-2837 BC). He was known in Babylon as Amelon.
- **Cainan (AP-04)**, who was a son of Enos – A member of the 4th generation, he was born in 3652 BC, when his father was 90 years old, and lived 910 years (3652-2742 BC). He was known in Babylon as Amenon.
- **Mahalaleel (AP-05)**, who was a son of Cainan – A member of the 5th generation, he was born in 3582 BC, when his father was 70 years old, and lived 895 years (3582-2687 BC). He was known in Babylon as Metalarus,
- **Jared (AP-06)**, who was a son of Mahalaleel – A member of the 6th generation, he was born in 3517 BC, when his father was 65 years old, and lived 962 years (3517-2555 BC). He was known in Babylon as Daurus.
- **Enoch (AP-07)**, who was a son of Jared – A member of the 7th generation, he was born in 3355 BC, when his father was 162 years old, and lived 365 years (3355-2990 BC). He was known in Babylon as Aedorachus. Because he walked with God he did not die, but rather was taken or “translated” by God.
- **Methuselah (AP-08)**, who was a son of Enoch – A member of the 8th generation, he was born in 3290 BC, when his father was 65 years old, and lived 969 years (3290-2321 BC). He was known in Babylon as Amphis.

¹ KJV Daniel 11:15, in which Daniel is prophesying that the king of the north (Nebuchadnezzar/Hatusilis of Babylon/Chaldea) will drive the king of the south (Ramses II/Necho II of Egypt) out of Palestine and have his way with his (God's) chosen people (Israel).

² KJV Deuteronomy 32:10, KJV Zechariah 2:8.

- **Lamech (AP-09)**, who a son of Methuselah – A member of the 9th generation, he, was born in 3103 BC, when his father was 187 years old, and lived 777 years (3103-2326 BC). He was known in Babylon as Oliartes.
- **Noah (AP-10)**, who a son of Lamech– A member of the 10th generation, he was born in 2921 BC, when his father was 182 years old, and lived 950 years (2921-1971 BC). He was known in Babylon as Xisuthrus and in China as Nuwa and Fohi. With the help of his three sons,³ he built the ark to survive the global flood, which began when he was 600 years old in 2321 BC.
- **Shem (AP-11)**, who was a son of Noah – A member of the 11th generation, he was born in 2419 BC, when his father was 502 years old, and lived for 600 years (2419-1819 BC). He was the last of the Antediluvian patriarchs.
- **Arphaxad (AP-12)**, who was a son of Shem – A member of the 12th generation, he was born in 2319 BC, when his father was 100 years old, and lived for 438 years (2319-1881 BC). He is the first of the Postdiluvian patriarchs.
- **Selah (AP-13)**, who was a son of Arphaxad – A member of the 13th generation, he was born in 2284 BC, when his father was 35 years old, and lived 433 years (2284-1851 BC).
- **Eber (AP-14)**, who was a son of Selah– A member of the 14th generation, he was born in 2254 BC, when his father was 30 years old, and lived 464 years (2254-1790 BC).
- **Peleg (AP-15)**, who was a son of Eber – A member of the 15th generation, he was born in 2220 BC, when his father was 34 years old, and lived 239 years (2220-1981 BC). The land was divided in his time.
- **Reu (AP-16)**, who was a son of Peleg – A member of the 16th generation, he was born in 2190 BC, when his father was 30 years old, and lived 239 years (2190-1951 BC).
- **Serug (AP-17)**, who was a son of Reu – A member of the 17th generation, he was born in 2158 BC, when his father was 32 years old, and lived 230 years (2158-1928 BC).
- **Nahor (AP-18)**, who was a son of Serug – A member of the 18th generation, he was born in 2128 BC, when his father was 30 years old, and lived 148 years (2128-2000 BC).
- **Terah (AP-19)**, who was a son of Nahor – A member of the 19th generation, he was born in 2099 BC, when his father was 29 years old, and lived 205 years (2099-1894 BC). He was the last of the ancient patriarchs.

2 - THE HEBREW PATRIARCHS (HP)

³ They were Japheth (b.2421 BC), Shem (b.2419 BC), and Ham (b. unknown).

There were four Hebrew Patriarchs through whom God established the Hebrew People whom God would call his “Chosen People” and regard as “the apple of his eye.”

- **Abraham (HP-1)**, who was a son of Terah – A member of the 20th generation, he was born in 1969 BC, when his father was 130 years old, and lived 175 years (1969-1794 BC). He was the first of the Hebrew patriarchs.
- **Isaac (HP-2)**, who was a son of Abraham – A member of the 21st generation, he was born in 1870 BC, when his father was 99 years old, and lived 180 years (1870-1690 BC).
- **Jacob (HP-3)**, who was a son of Isaac – A member of the 22nd generation, he was born in 1809 BC, when his father was 61 years old, and lived 147 years (1809-1662 BC). At the end of his life, Jacob gathered his sons together and, for the first time, spoke of the Hebrews as consisting of twelve tribes, each led by one of his sons or grandsons (Joseph’s portion was split between his two sons Manasseh and Ephraim). Thus 1662 BC, the year of Jacob’s death, marks the transition between (a) Israel being a single tribe of Hebrews and (b) Israel being a single nation of twelve Hebrew tribes.
- **Joseph (HP-4)**, who was a son of Jacob – A member of the 23rd generation, he was born in 1718 BC, when his father was 91 years old, and lived 110 years (1718-1608 BC). He was the last of the Hebrew patriarchs.