

CHRONOLOGY OF THE YEARS OF MAN SINCE CREATION IN ANNO MUNDI (AM) YEARS

Main table with columns for Day (DAY 1-6), Description, and AM Years. Includes detailed biblical and historical events such as the creation of Adam and Eve, the Flood, the Tower of Babel, the Israelites' journey, the Babylonian Captivity, and the Roman Empire.

This chart displays ordinal, rather than cardinal, years, unless stated otherwise. This follows the most common Scriptural examples, as found for instance in Jer 1:1-3; Jer 25:1-3; Eze 1:1-3; Eze 8:1; Zech 1:1; Zech 7:1 and Luke 3:1.

show that the ages of men are recorded in Scripture as ordinal years, and that they are synchronised with calendar years. Noah is stated to be 600 years old and in his 600th year at the very same time. These three Scriptures show that regardless of a person's date of birth in their "birth year", the following calendar year, starting with the first day of the first month, is counted as the first year of one's age. This same rule applies to the reigns of kings, i.e. the year that a new king ascended to the throne was his "accession" year, but the first day of the first month of the following year commenced his first "regnal" year.

For a detailed chart of the Divided Kingdom period, between the years 3029 and 3407, see the page "Chronological Charts" at www.lettertoalicia.net

Regarding the identity of the Ahasuerus of the book of Esther: Esther 1:1 states that the realm of this Persian ruler stretched from India to Ethiopia. The historic writings of Herodotus show that India was captured by Darius the Great, whilst Egypt and Ethiopia were subdued by Darius' predecessor Cambyses. Under the Persian ruler after Darius the Great, Xerxes, the story of the empire began to shrink, so the Persian Empire reached its fullest dimensions under Darius the Great. As there was more than one Ahasuerus - Darius the Medes' father was also called Ahasuerus (Dan 9:1) - Esther 1:1 explains that the story of this book is about the Ahasuerus who ruled the territory described here which can only be Darius the Great (Confirmed in the Greek version of Ezra called Esdras. Compare Est 1:1-3 with I Esdras 3:2).

Regarding the Greco/Roman Empires: Dan 7:6 states that the third "beast" has four heads, but Dan 8:9 mentions that it has six parts. "Heads" are independent major rulers over Jerusalem, and history reveals the four heads as shown on the chart. Of the four divisions of Alexander's realm, only two, the Ptolemaic and Seleucid dynasties, ruled over Jerusalem. Rome, the "little horn", emerged from the colonies of Cassander's Western division of the Greek Empire and became "exceedingly great".

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