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Hello Brethren!
Greetings In The LORD





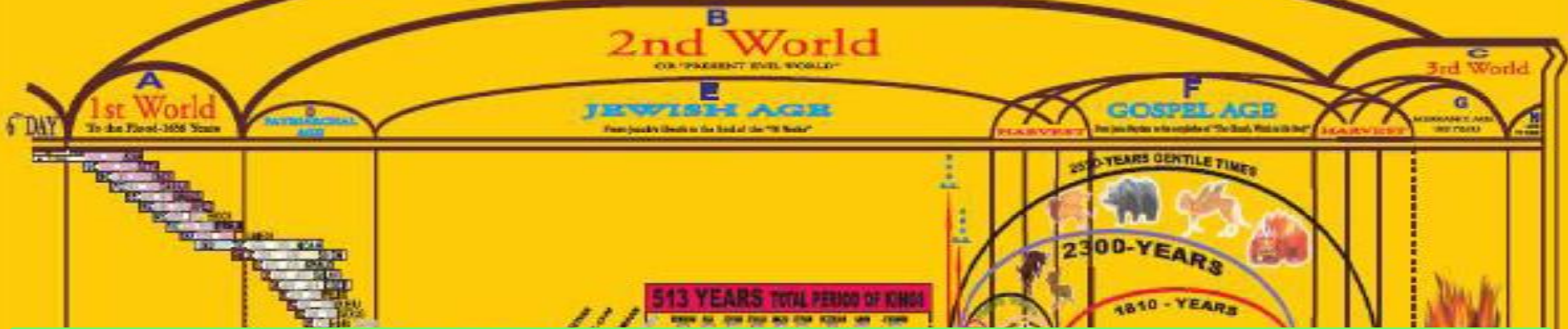
*We all know that **SECOND COMING** of
our Lord happened in*

1874

THE DIVINE PLAN OF AGES

A CONSOLIDATED CHRONOLOGY CHART

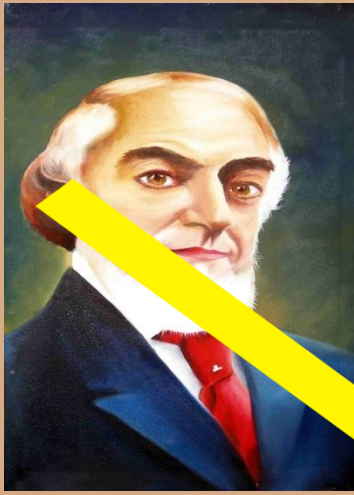
THE SEVENTH DAY



THIS IS BASED ON CHRONOLOGY

But recently there is a new chronology



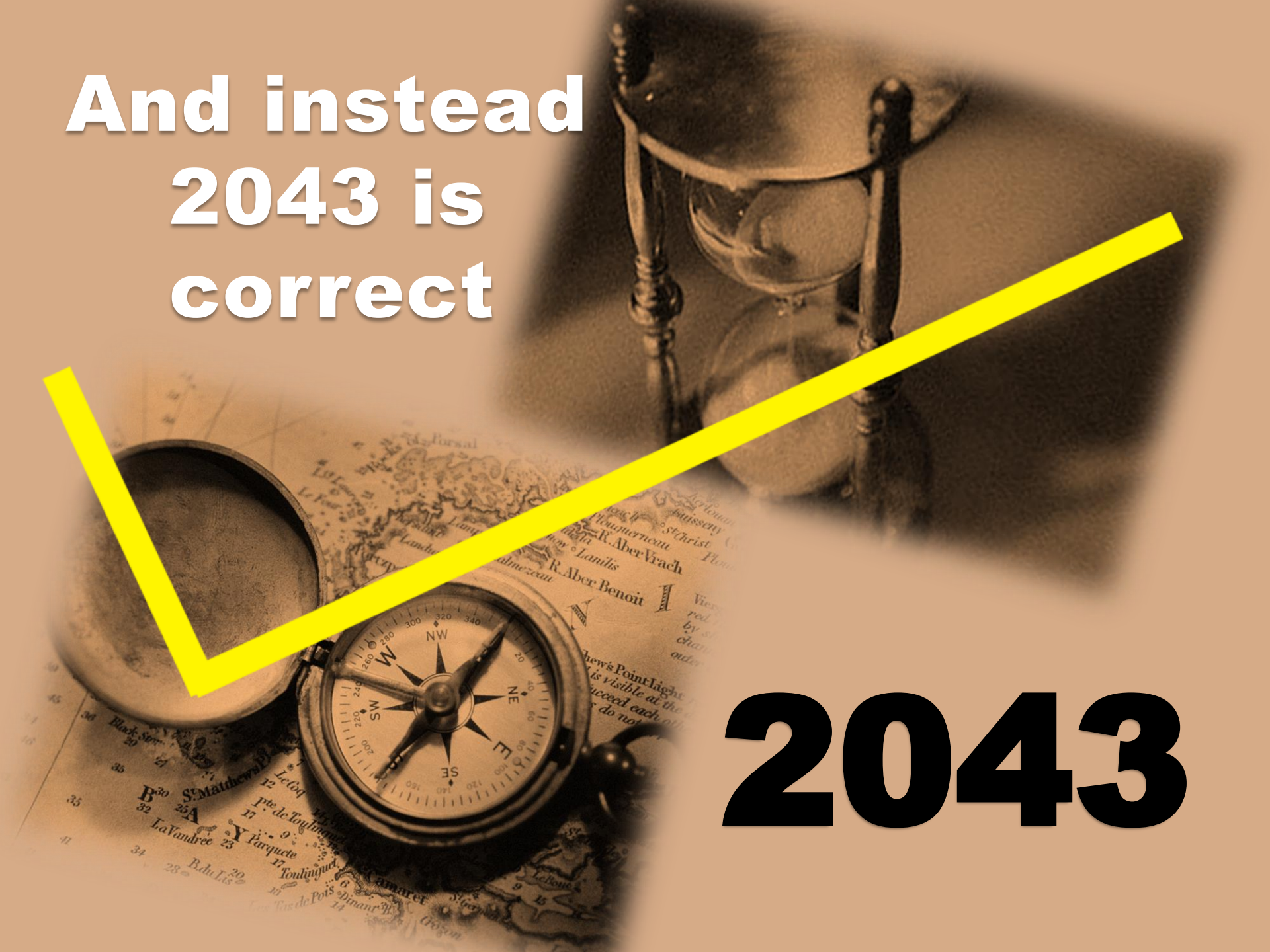


**Telling that the
Chronology by
Br C.T. Russell is
wrong**

1874

**And instead
2043 is
correct**

2043



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2043



**So there are 2
chronology
before us.
Among this
which is
correct?**





*We should decide this based on the
Scriptures because -Thy word is a
lamp unto my feet & light unto my
path*



For even Apostle Paul tells to

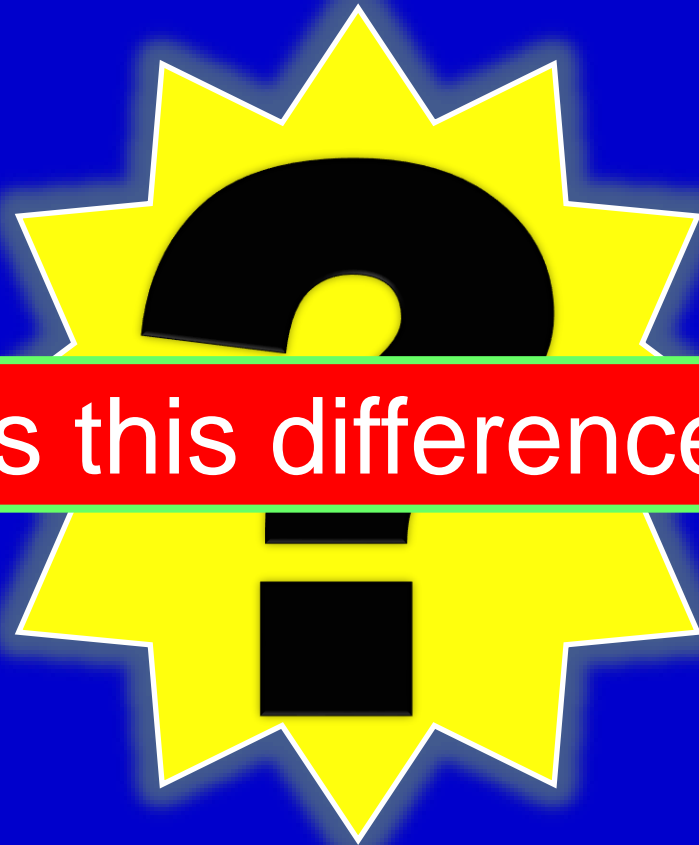
***“prove all things and
to hold fast to that which is
good..” I Thes 5:21***

***If 1874 is true then how do we
prove it?***

AS PER NEW CHRONOLOGY 6000 YEARS END IN - 2043 A.D.

AS PER OLD CHRONOLOGY 6000 YEARS END IN - 1874 A.D.

THE DIFFERENCE = 169 YRS



How does this difference come?

The Chronology As Per II Vol has 9 sectors

1. FROM CREATION OF ADAM TILL THE FLOOD	= 1656
2. FROM THE FLOOD TILL THE COVENANT	= 427
3. FROM THE COVENANT TILL THE LAW OR EXODUS	= 430
4. ISRAEL IN THE WILDERNESS	= 40
5. CONQUERING & DIVISION OF THE LAND	= 6
6. THE PERIOD OF JUDGES	= 450
7. THE PERIOD OF KINGS	= 513
8. THE PERIOD OF DESOLATION	= 70
9. FROM END OF DESOLATION TILL A.D. 1	= 536
TOTAL	= 4128

The detail of which is in the next few slides

THE TRUE BIBLE CHRONOLOGY

I	Flood was Dried Up	Verse	Yrs
	Adam lived 130 years and begat a son and called his name Seth	Gen. 5:3	130
	Seth lived 105 years and begat Enos.	Gen. 5:6	105
	Enos lived 90 years and begat Cainan.	Gen. 5:9	90
	Cainan lived 70 years and begat Mahalaleel.	Gen. 5:12	70
	Mahalaleel lived 65 years and begat Jared.	Gen. 5:15	65
	Jared lived 162 years and begat Enoch.	Gen. 5:18	162
	Enoch lived 65 years and begat Methuselah.	Gen. 5:21	65
	Methuselah lived 187 years and begat Lamech.	Gen. 5:25	187
	Lamech lived 182 years and begat a son and called his name Noah.	Gen. 5:28	182
	Noah was 600 years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.	Gen. 7:6	600
	Total from the creation of Adam to the day the flood was dried up.	Gen. 8:13	1656

II	The Period from the Flood to the Covenant with Abraham, at the Death of Terah, his Father	Verse	Yrs
	Shem--begat Arphaxad 2 years after the flood.	Gen. 11:10	2
	Arphaxad lived 35 years and begat Salah.	Gen. 11:12	35
	Salah lived 30 years and begat Eber.	Gen. 11:14	30
	Eber lived 34 years and begat Peleg.	Gen. 11:16	34
	Peleg lived 30 years and begat Reu.	Gen. 11:18	30
	Reu lived 32 years and begat Serug.	Gen. 11:20	32
	Serug lived 30 years and begat Nahor.	Gen. 11:22	30
	Nahor lived 29 years and begat Terah.	Gen. 11:24	29
	The days of Terah were 205 years and he died.	Gen. 11:32	205
	Total		427

III	The Period from the Covenant with Abraham to the Giving of the Law	Gal 3:17	430
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IV	The period from Exodus to the division of the land		46
	Heb. 3:8,9; Num. 33:3; 10:11-13; Num. 13:3-26; 32:8-13; (Joshua 11:23; 10:42; 14:7,10.		

V	The Period of the Judges	Acts 13:19-21	450
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VI	The Period of the Kings	Verse	Yrs
	Saul	Acts 13:21	40
	David	1 Chron. 29:27 40	40
	Solomon	2 Chron. 9:30 40	40
	Rehoboam	2 Chron. 12:13	17
	Abijah	2 Chron. 13:2	3
	Asa	2 Chron. 16:13	41
	Jehoshaphat	2 Chron. 20:31	25
	Jehoram	2 Chron. 21:20	8
	Ahaziah	2 Chron. 22:2	1
	Athaliah	2 Chron. 22:12	6
	Jehoash	2 Chron. 24:1	40
	Amaziah	2 Chron. 25:1	29
	Uzziah	2 Chron. 26:3	52
	Jotham	2 Chron. 27:1	16
	Ahaz	2 Chron. 28:1	16
	Hezekiah	2 Chron. 29:1	29
	Manasseh	2 Chron. 33:1	55
	Amon	2 Chron. 33:21	2
	Josiah	Chron. 34:1	31
	Jehoiakim	2 Chron. 36:5	11
	Zedekiah	2 Chron. 36:11	11
	Total years		513

VII	The Period of Desolation / desolation	2 Chron. 36:20,21	70
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In the new chronology everything is same except in the 4 periods

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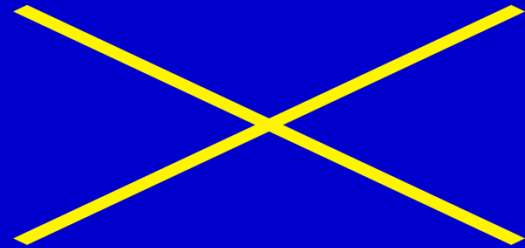
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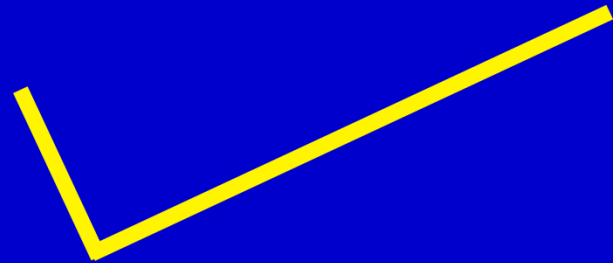
**First Difference As Per New
Chronology**

PERIOD OF JUDGES

450



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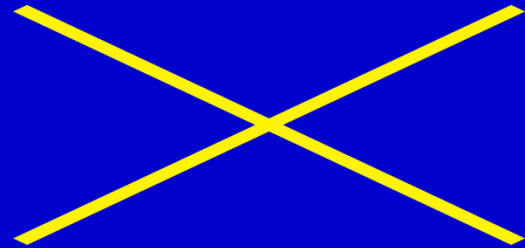


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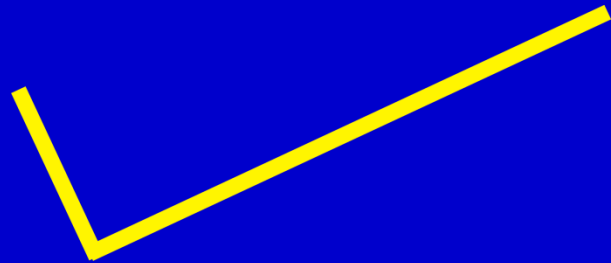
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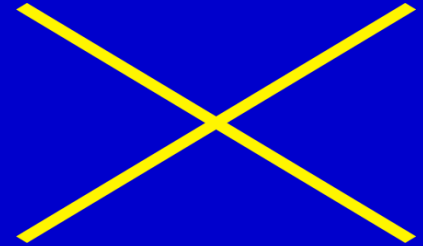


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Third Difference As Per New Chronology

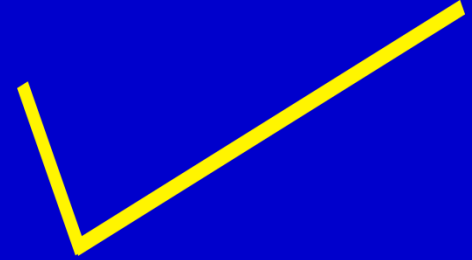
**PERIOD OF
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**PERIOD OF
CAPTIVITY**

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Difference

**Fourth Difference As Per
New Chronology**

ADJUSTMENT

BETWEEN

A.D. & B.C.

1 year

As Per New Chronology

The Total Difference

1. THE PERIOD OF JUDGES = 101 YRS

2. THE PERIOD OF KINGS = 50 YRS

3. THE PERIOD OF CAPTIVITY = 19 YRS

4. ADJUSTMENT YEAR
BETWEEN B.C & A.D = 1 YR

Total Difference = 171 YRS

AS WE SAW NOW – THE DIFFERENCE IS - **171** YRS

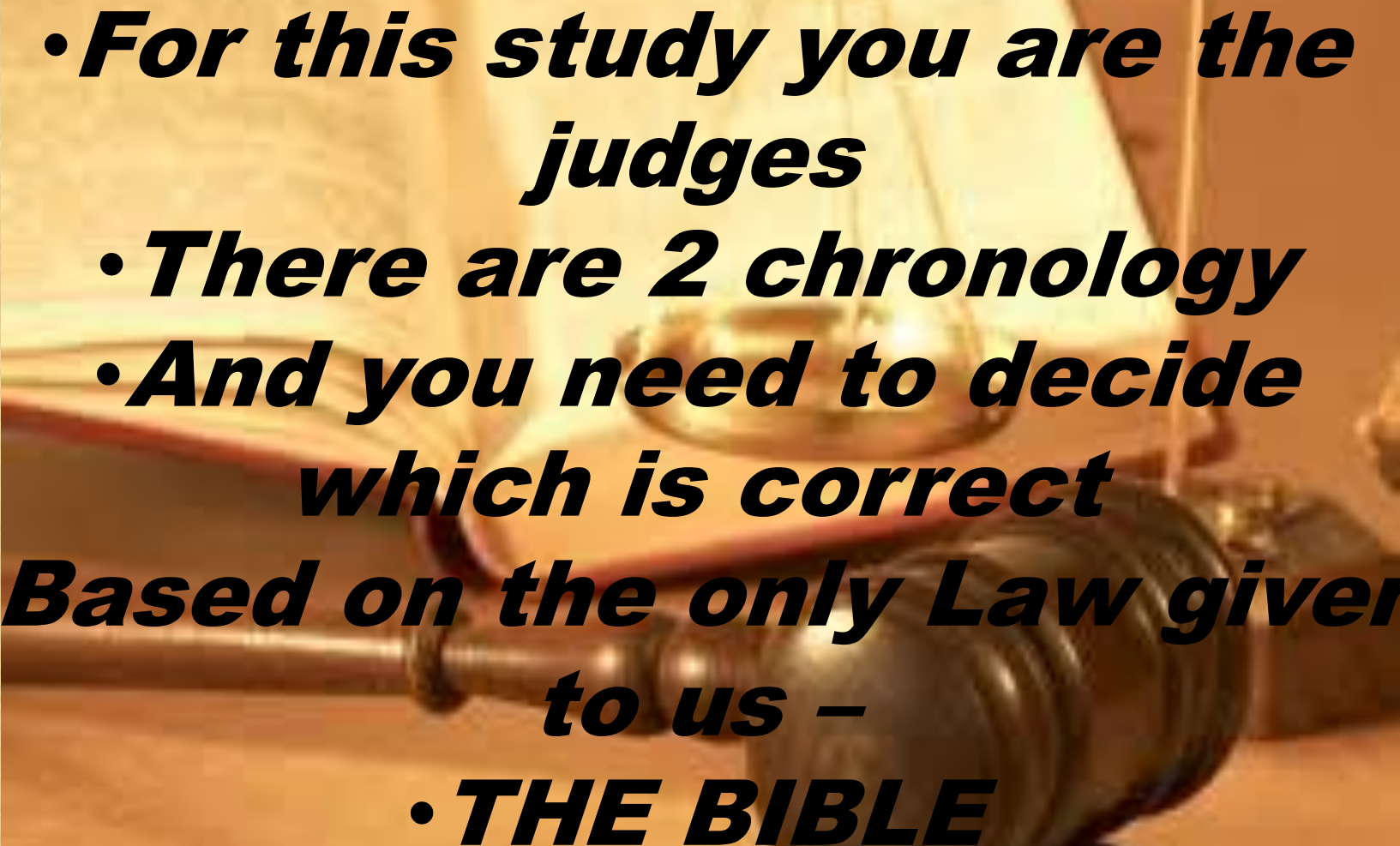
AS WE SAW EARLIER – THE DIFFERENCE WAS - **169** YRS

THE DIFFERENCE = **2** YRS



Why this extra difference of 2 years?

We will study this last, but before that
we will study the other differences

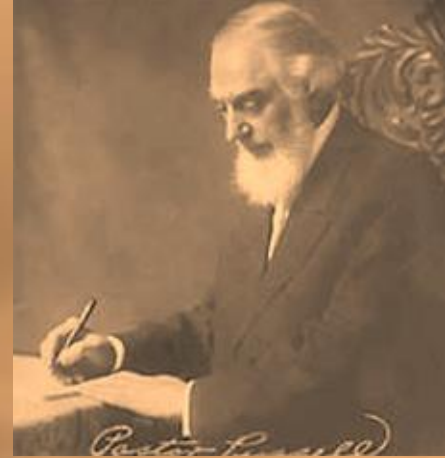
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- ***For this study you are the judges***
 - ***There are 2 chronology***
 - ***And you need to decide which is correct***
 - ***Based on the only Law given to us –***
 - ***THE BIBLE***

The First Difference is PERIOD OF JUDGES



101 Difference

**Br. Russell says that Judges period
is 450 yrs based on**



Acts 13:20

**And after that he gave
[unto them] judges about
the space of
four hundred and fifty years,
until Samuel the prophet.**

**But As Per New Chronology it is
349 yrs based on
I Kings 6:1**

*“And it came to pass in the
four hundred and eightieth year
after the children of Israel were come
out of the land of Egypt,
in the **fourth year** of
Solomon's reign over Israel,*”

1 - Kings 6:1

This is how 350 yrs of Judges period is got, but as per the new chronology t is 349 yrs. Why this diff. of 1 year?

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$$40 + 6 + 40 + 40 + 4 = 130 - 480 = 350$$

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I - Kings 6:1

Because the new chronology tells to consider only completed 479 years & not 480th Yr

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But even this is incorrect. For if only completed yrs are to be considered then only Solomon's 3rd yr has to be considered & not 4th yr.

WILDERNESS

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I - Kings 6:1

This would bring back the period of Judges to 350 yrs & not 349 yrs as claimed

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But for study sake we will consider the Judges period as 349 yrs as claimed by New Chronology

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If Judges period was 349 yrs as per I Kings 6:1, Then why did Apostle Paul say that it is 450 yrs? Did apostle Paul who learnt at the feet of Gamaliel and later taught by Jesus Christ through revelations could not add up the years properly or is it because Jesus Christ did not teach him properly? (Acts 22:3, Gal 1:12). The great Apostle Paul the Pharisees of the Pharisee, did he not know how to do simple mathematical calculations? In Acts 20:27 Apostle Paul says that *“For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God”*. Is this the way he declared the whole council of God telling 450 yrs while it is 350 yrs?

Generally it is said that Apostle Paul did not say that it was exactly 450 yrs but said that it is approximately 450 yrs therefore he said it is “*about the space of 450 yrs*” meaning 350 yrs.

We also use exaggeration to tell approximate values - while telling some body's age we say he/she is 30-35 yrs or while speaking about an event we say, 120 yrs-130 yrs ago that such and such a thing happened. But never use such a huge difference of 100 yrs to tell any approximate value. Then would the great apostle Paul use such approximate value? Surely no!

Apostle Paul never meant it to be approximate, but rather meant it to be exactly 450 yrs because the same apostle Paul used the same word “*about the space of*” in two more instance and that too in the same chapter vs. 18 & 21.

Acts 13:20

- And after that he gave [unto them] judges **about the space of four hundred and fifty years,** until Samuel the prophet.

ACTS 13 : 18

- **And about the time of forty years suffered he their manners in the wilderness.**

Israel in wilderness ?

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or

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ACTS 13: 21

- **And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, **by the space of forty years.****

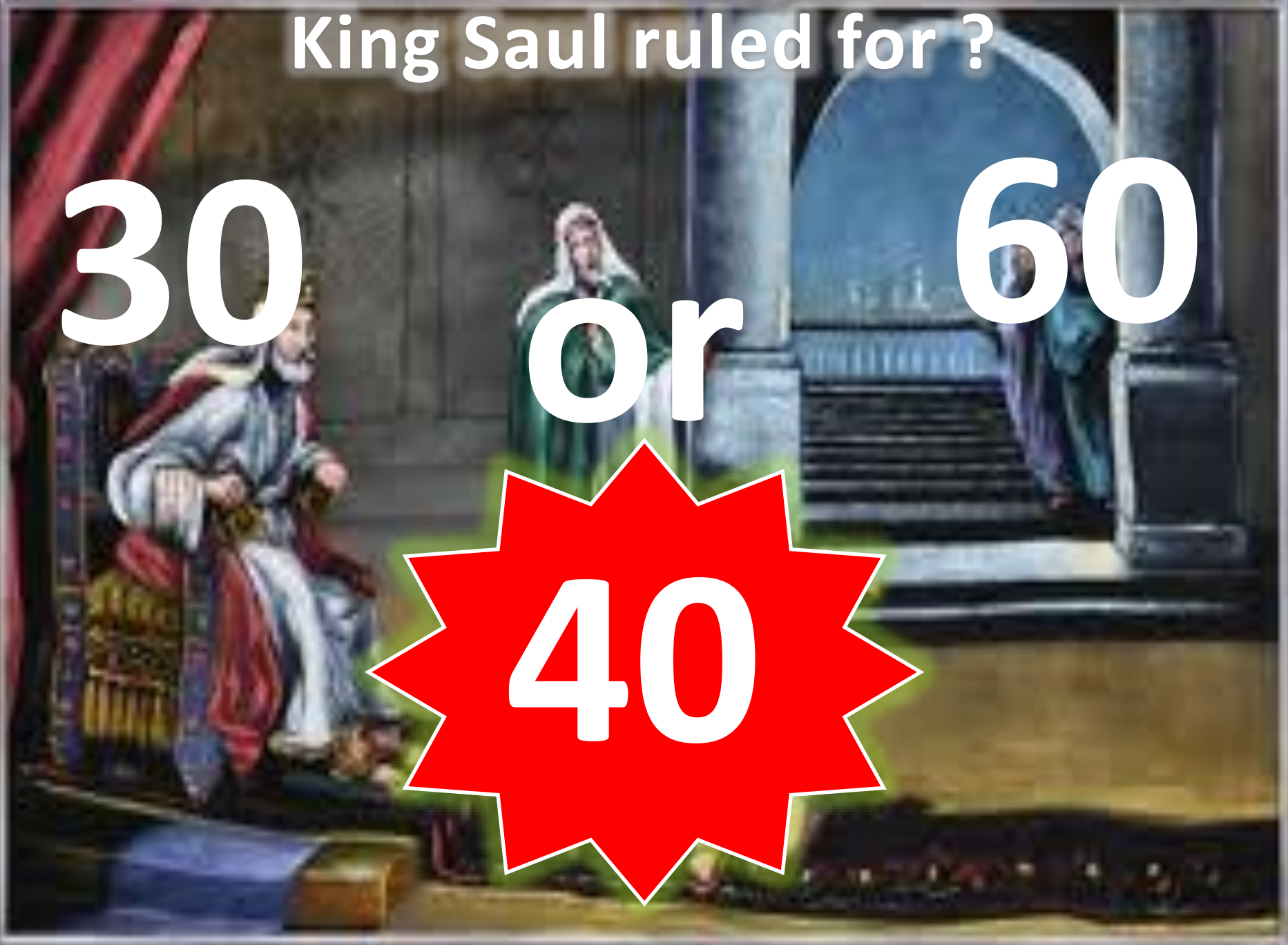
King Saul ruled for ?

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***If about 40 yrs = 40 yrs the why
not about 450 yrs = 450 yrs ?***

Acts 13:20

- **And after that he gave [unto them] judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet.**

The word ***“about”*** is from Greek word ***“hos”*** and Apostle Peter uses the same in II Pet 3:8 for ***“as a”***

II Pet 3:8 “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord

as a

thousand years, and a thousand years as one day”.

Is 1000 years ?

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Therefore when Apostle Paul said
450 yrs he meant exactly 450 yrs &
not approximate 450 yrs

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The Period Of Judges from the book of Judges ascertain 450 yrs

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- 450 years in all.

Apostle Paul speaks about 4 periods in chronology

1. 40 years of Israel's period in wilderness (Acts 13:18). ✓
2. 430 years from covenant with Abraham to the Law (Gal 3:17). ✗
3. 450 years of Judges (Acts 13:20). ✗
4. 40 years of king Saul's reign (Acts 13: 21).
(because he was of the same tribe & his zeal kept all records) ✗

***Out of these four,
there is no direct reference in the Old Testament for 3***

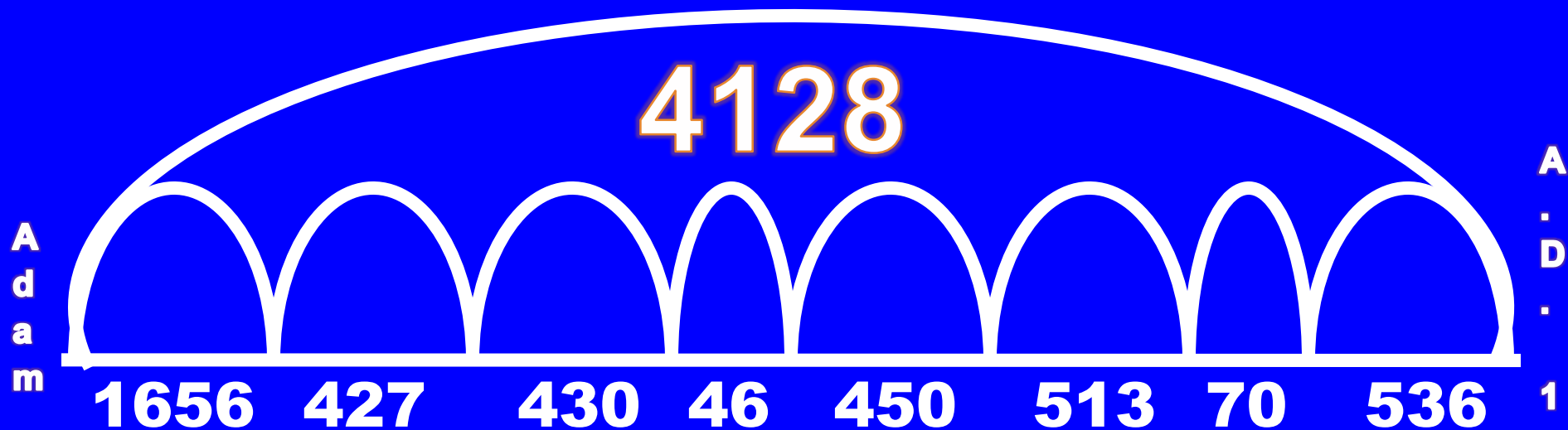
Paul corrects about Exod 12: 40,41

Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, [was] four hundred and thirty years.

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.

As per this verse Israel dwelt in Egypt for 430 yrs. If this is taken literally, then

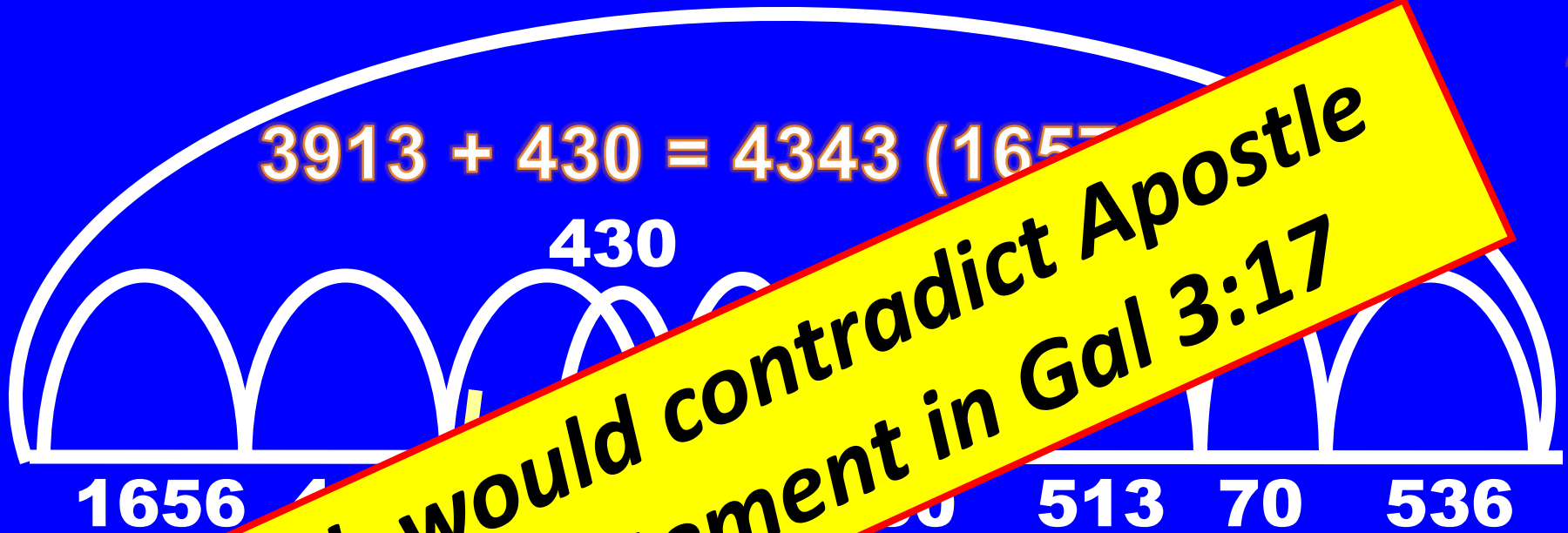
We need to Add 430 yrs for over all chronology



Adding 430 yrs for over all chronology would bring end of 6000 yrs to 1657 A.D.

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Which would contradict Apostle Paul's statement in Gal 3:17

From Adam's birth to entering Egypt – 215 yrs	
From Adam's birth (Gen 12:4, 21:5)	- 25 yrs
From Adam's birth to Jacob's birth (Gen 25:26)	- 60 yrs
From Jacob's birth to him entering Egypt was 17yrs before his death (Gen 47:28) (147-17 = 130)	- 130 yrs
Total	- 215 yrs

Apostle Paul clears the uncertainty of the following periods in chronology :-

- The uncertainty of king Saul's 40 yrs
- The uncertainty of Exodus 12:40

Then, if we neglect Apostle Paul regarding Acts 13:20 period of Judges then we should also neglect him regarding the above periods, Which none can do.

If Apostle Paul he knew about Saul's 40 yrs reign which is nowhere recorded in the Old Testament. Then surely there is no possibility that Apostle Paul could make such a mistake regarding the period of Judges as 450 years while it being 349 years as per I Kings 6:1

If I Kings 6:1 was actually 480 yrs wouldn't it be unwise for Paul to mention it as 580 or if he ever had doubts regarding I Kings 6:1 then he could have skipped the period of Judges, but he didn't, why? Because I Kings wasn't 480 yrs as it is today.

Therefore none of the listed chronologist refer to I -
Kings 6 : 1 's 480 yrs

- Josephus,
- Theophilus,
- Clement,
- Mc Clintok & Strong's,
- Barnes,
- H.F. Clinton,
- F.C. Cook,
- Jackson &
- Hales

SPURIOUS

**Septuagint, &
ancient
Manuscript
except Latin
Vulgate call it
as**

Septuagint copy of – I Kings 6:1 also called as III Kings 6:1

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III. KINGS VI. 1—27.

ε τὸν οἶκον Κυρίου ἐν μηνὶ
δεκάτῳ ἐνιαυτῷ, ἐν μηνὶ
λέσθη ὁ οἶκος εἰς πάντα
αὐτοῦ. Καὶ ὁ οἶκος ὄν
τεσσαράκοντα ἐν πῆχει
πλάτος αὐτοῦ, καὶ πέντε
Καὶ τὸ αἶλαμ κατὰ
εἰ μῆκος αὐτοῦ εἰς τὸ
οἴκου, ἔποίησε

¹ In the fourth year he laid the foundation of the house of the Lord, in the month Ziu, even in the second month. ² In the eleventh year, in the month Baal, this is the eighth month, the house was completed according to all its plan, and according to all its arrangement. ³ And the house which the king built to the Lord β was γ forty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and its height δ five and twenty cubits. ⁴ And the porch in front of the temple— according to the plan of the finished it. ⁵ And he made to the house secret windows inclining inward.

480 years missing ?

Septuagint gives that period as 440yrs in chapter 5 vs. 16

rulers that were appointed over the works of Solomon, *there were* three thousand & six hundred π masters who wrought in the works ρ ¹⁵ And they prepared the stones and the timber *during* three years.

And it came to pass in the four hundred and fortieth year after the departure of the children of Israel out of Egypt, in the fourth year and second month σ of the reign of king Solomon over Israel, ¹⁷ that the king commanded that they should take great

440 yrs & not 480 yrs

and c ρ house of Solomon, and the men of Chiram hewed *the stones*, and laid them *for a foundation*.

James Moffat terms 1 Kings 6:1 as spurious

edges round them, besides preparing the timber and the stones for building the temple.

[[It was in the four hundred 6 and eightieth year after the Israelites left Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign, and in the second month of that year, the month Ziv, that he began to build the temple of the Eternal.]] The temple which 2

verse in square brackets

Meaning of square brackets given in preface of James Moffat Bible

drawn upon in the former, it is printed in necessary to mark an extract from the former, it is printed in italics, while any material from the latter appears within single square brackets ([]). When a passage occurs both in italics and also within these brackets, as for example in the case of Exodus iv. 13-16, this denotes an extract from the combined edition of J and E, prepared a century or two after they had begun to circulate separately. All the rest of the text I have left in ordinary type, without making any attempt

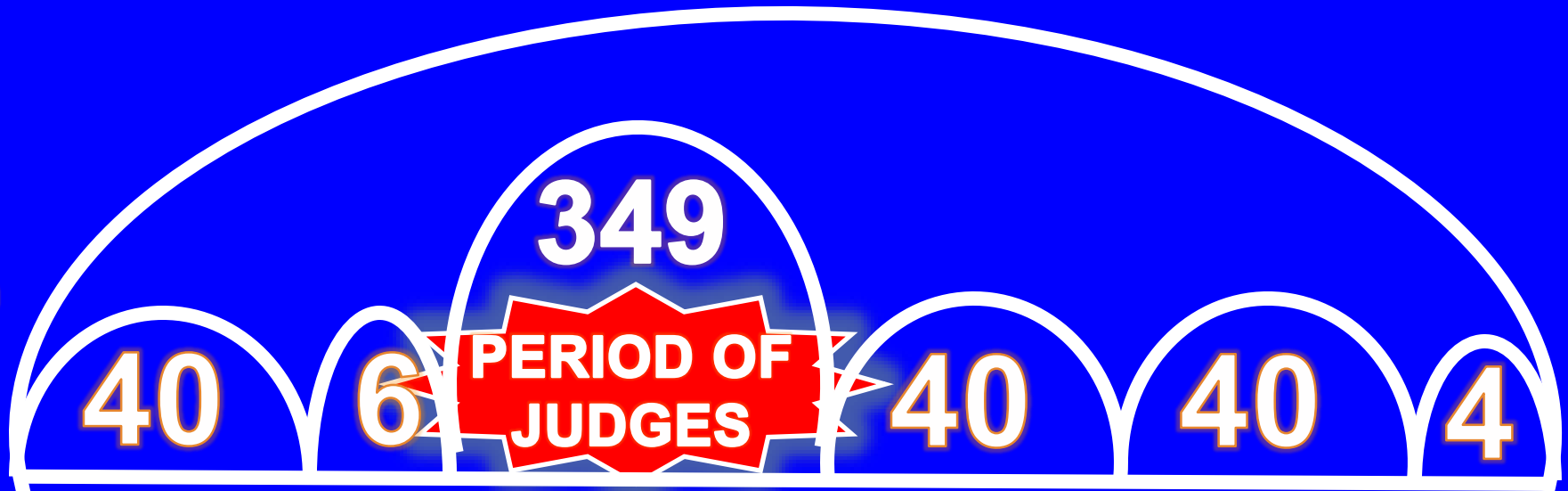
to indicate the various sources from which it has been derived. The only other mark which requires a word of explanation is the double square brackets ([[]]). This denotes, throughout the entire Old Testament, passages which are either editorial additions or later interpolations.

Occasionally, as in Genesis ii. 11 and x. 3, Job ii. 11, and Daniel i. 7, I have marked the correct pronunciation of a proper name.

Even if judges period is considered as 349 yrs
as per I - Kings 6 : 1

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$$40 + 6 + 40 + 40 + 4 = 130 - 479 = 349$$

Then one need to make a lot of adjustment to the Period Of Judges given in book of Judges

- 8 years servitude to king of Mesopotamia Judges 3:8
- 40 years judgeship of Othniel Judges 3:9-11
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- **450 years in all.**

Alterations done in Judges Period from book of Judges

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- 301 years in all



Till here the calculation is correct & Judges 11:26 certifies this

Judges 11:26 "While Israel dwelt in all the cities that be along by the coast of Arnon **three hundred years**? Why therefore did ye not recover them within that time?"

This certifies how the period is to be calculated further - Oppression + judge ship + Oppression + Judge ship.....

BALANCE TO BE ADJUSTED IN JUDGES PERIOD

- Total Judges period as given in book of Judges - 450
- From beginning of Judges period to Ammonite oppression - 301
- Judges period from thence to Samuel - 149

This balance 149 yrs are comprised of 101 yrs of oppression and 48 yrs to get 349 yrs as

HOW?

18 years	period of oppression by the Philistines	Judges 10:8
6 years	judgeship of Jephtah	Judges 12:7
7 years	judgeship of Ibzan	Judges 12:8,9
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149 years in all.

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Israel divided into 2 parts and two enemies oppressed at the same time Judges 10:7 "The anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hands of the Philistines, and into the hands of the children of Ammon".

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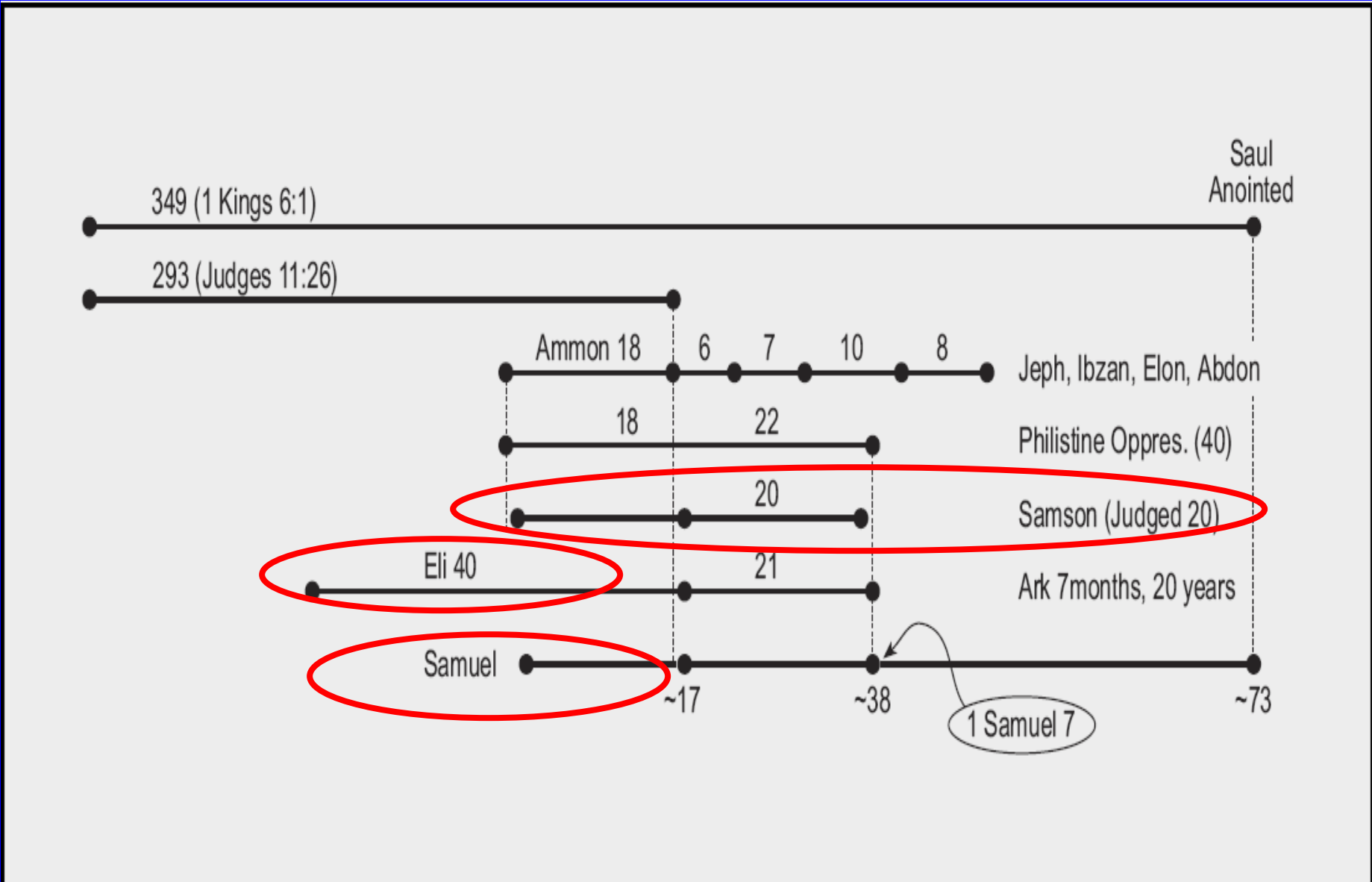


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Abdon

The 12 Tribes
 and the Book of Judges

Chart used to prove this view claiming that Eli, Samuel & Samson were contemporary Judges



IF BALANCE JUDGES PERIOD IS COMPRESSED TO 48 YRS THEN

18 years	period of oppression of Ammon	Judges 10:8
6 years	judgeship of Jephthah	Judges 12:7
7 years	judgeship of Ibzan	Judges 12:8,9
10 years	judgeship of Elon	Judges 12:10,11
8 years	judgeship of Abdon	Judges 12: 12-15
40 years	oppression by the Philistines	Judges 13:1
	It was during the last year of this oppression that Samson's judgeship ran	
	(Judges 15:20; 16:30, 31)	
40 years	judgeship of Eli	1 Sam. 4: 12-18
20 years	judgeship of Samuel the prophet	1 Sam. 8:1-5; Acts 13:21). During Samuel's judgeship the Ark remained in Kirjath-Jearim (1 Sam. 7:2)
48		
<u>149 years in all.</u>		

MANY QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED

WEST

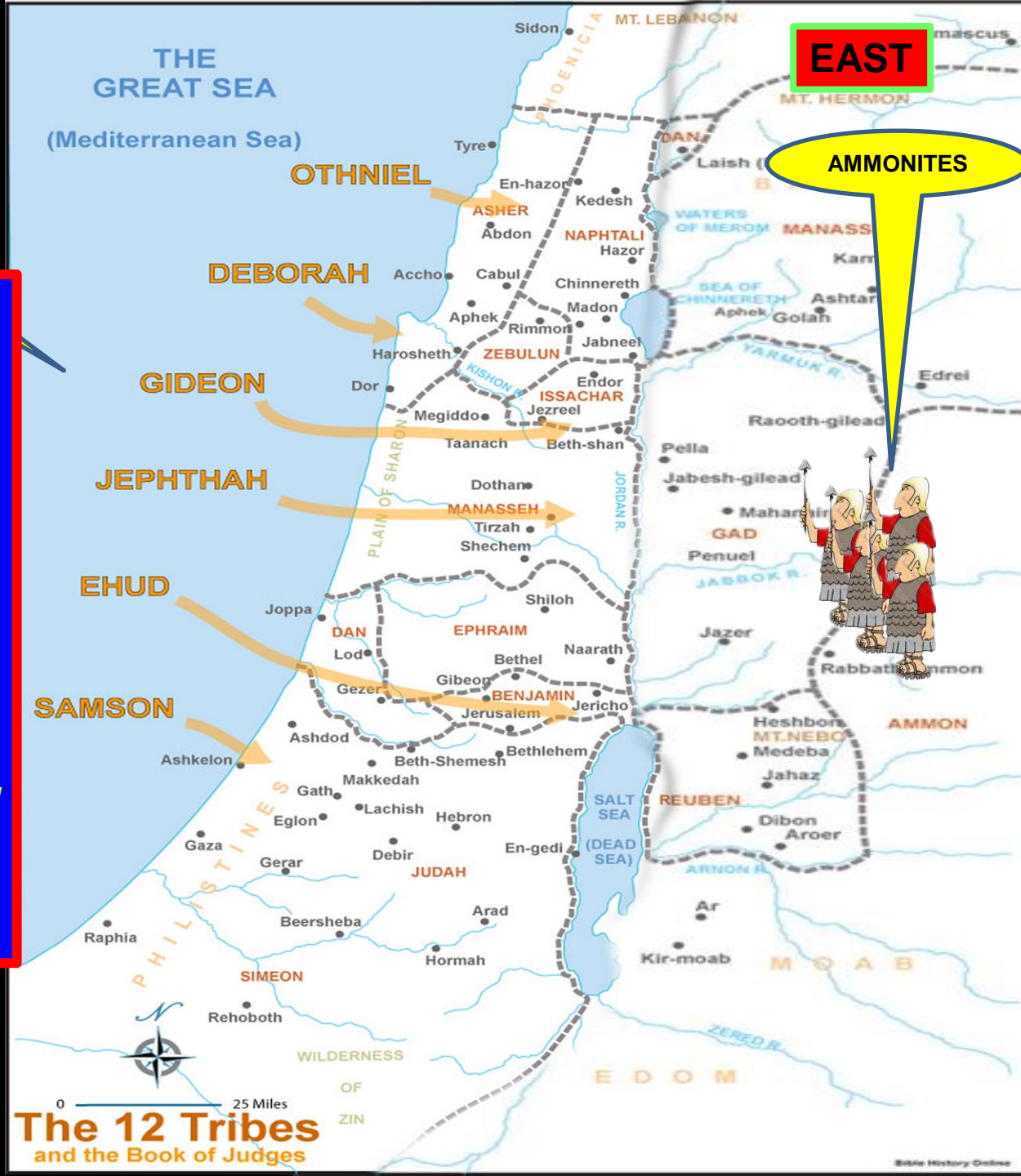
PHILISTINES

EAST

AMMONITES

If We read Judges 10: 9 It tells “.....oppressed the children of Israel on the other side (EAST) of Jordan in the land of the Amorites & passed over Jordan (WEST) to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that ALL Israel was sore distressed”

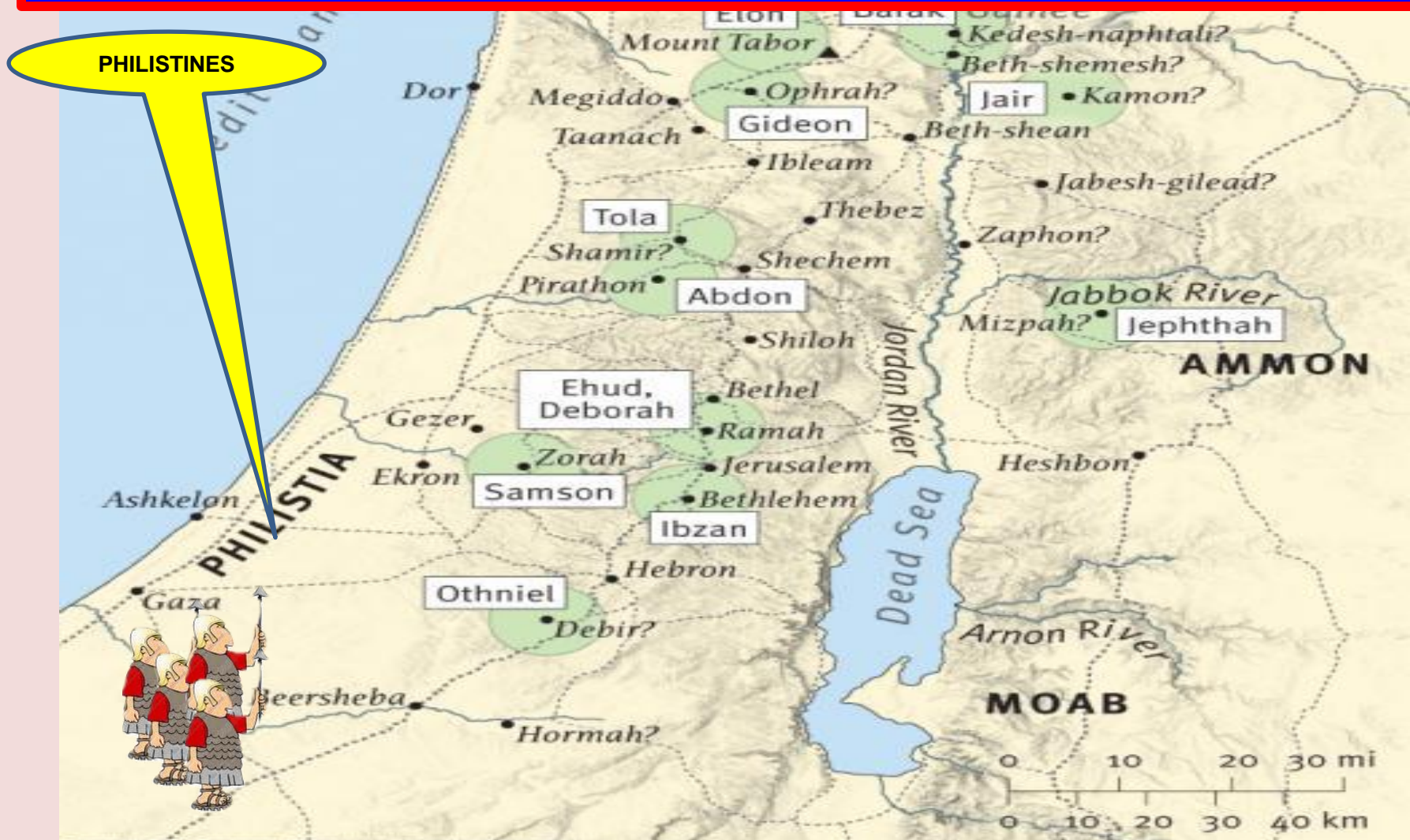
If Philistines were oppressing on West why & how did the Amorites cross over to West & oppress ALL Israel?



The 12 Tribes
and the Book of Judges

Judges 13: 1 tells that “..the children of Israel did evil **AGAIN** in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD delivered them into the hand of the Philistines forty years....”

- The people of Israel did evil **AGAIN** because of which God delivered them into the hands of the Philistines.
- It does not say that this is the same oppression that began in chapter 10.
- This nullifies to concept of divided Israel or 2 oppression at a time.

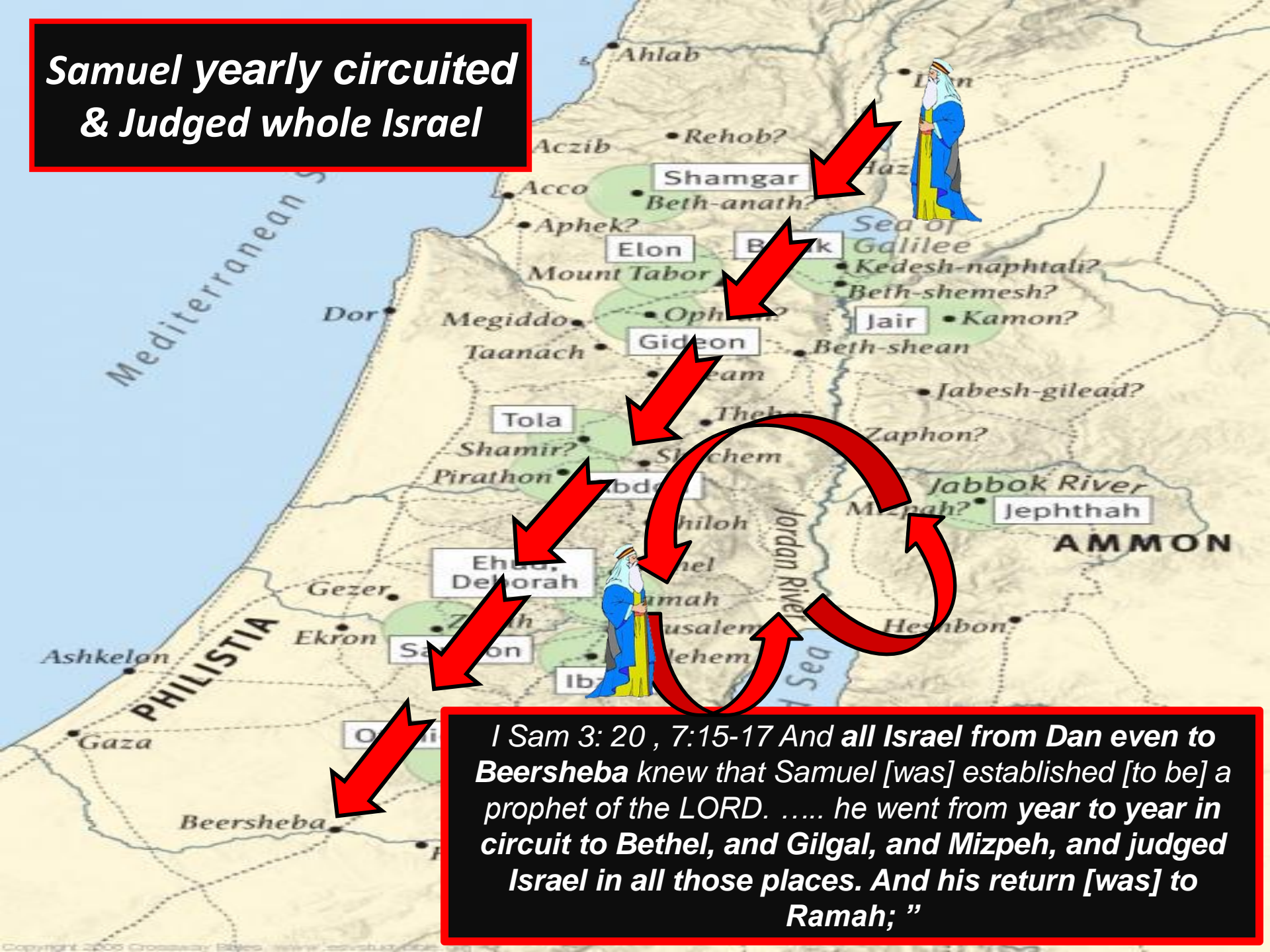


*How can
Israel be
divided
into
2 parts,
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After
Death
Of
Solomon
I Kings 11:11 &
How can there be
2 thrones I Chr
29:23*

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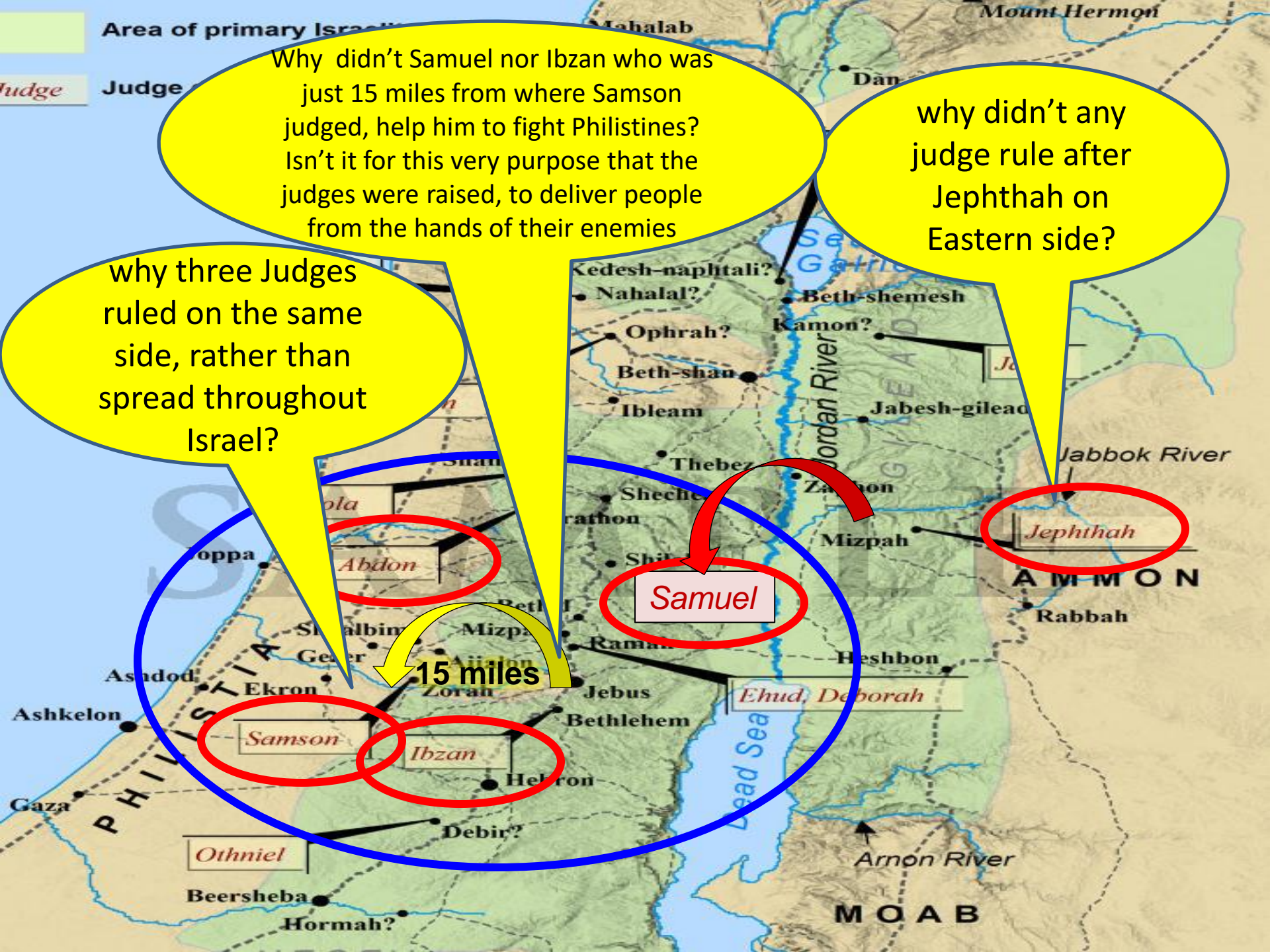
**Samuel yearly circuited
& Judged whole Israel**



I Sam 3: 20 , 7:15-17 And all Israel from Dan even to Beersheba knew that Samuel [was] established [to be] a prophet of the LORD. he went from year to year in circuit to Bethel, and Gilgal, and Mizpah, and judged Israel in all those places. And his return [was] to Ramah; ”

Next Judge ruled only after the death of previous judge as per the scriptures, then how they can be contemporary Judges

- **Othniel - Judges 3:10;**
- **Ehud - Judges 3:15;**
- **Deborah - Judges 4:4;**
- **Gideon - Judges 6:14;**
- **Tola - Judges 10:2;**
- **Jair - Judges 10:3;**
- **Jephthah - Judges 12:7;**
- **Ibzan, Elon, and Abdon - Judges 12:8-14, Samson - Judges 15:20 & 16:31;**
- **Eli - 1 Samuel 4:8; Samuel - 1 Samuel 7:15-17**



Area of primary Israelite activity

Judge

Why didn't Samuel nor Ibzan who was just 15 miles from where Samson judged, help him to fight Philistines? Isn't it for this very purpose that the judges were raised, to deliver people from the hands of their enemies

why didn't any judge rule after Jephthah on Eastern side?

why three Judges ruled on the same side, rather than spread throughout Israel?



Samuel

Jephthah

Samson

Ibzan

Othniel

Ehud, Deborah

Arnon River

MOAB

Jabbok River

AMMON

Rabbah

Heshbon

Jebus

Bethlehem

Hebron

Debir?

Hormah?

Beersheba

Asadod?

Ekron

Gazer

Shalbin

Oppa

Abdon

Ramah

Shiloh

Shechem

Shechem

Shechem

Thebez

Ibleam

Beth-shan

Ophrah?

Nahalal?

Kedesh-naphtali?

Kamon?

Beth-shemesh

Jabesh-gilead

Jordan River

Sea of Galilee

Dan

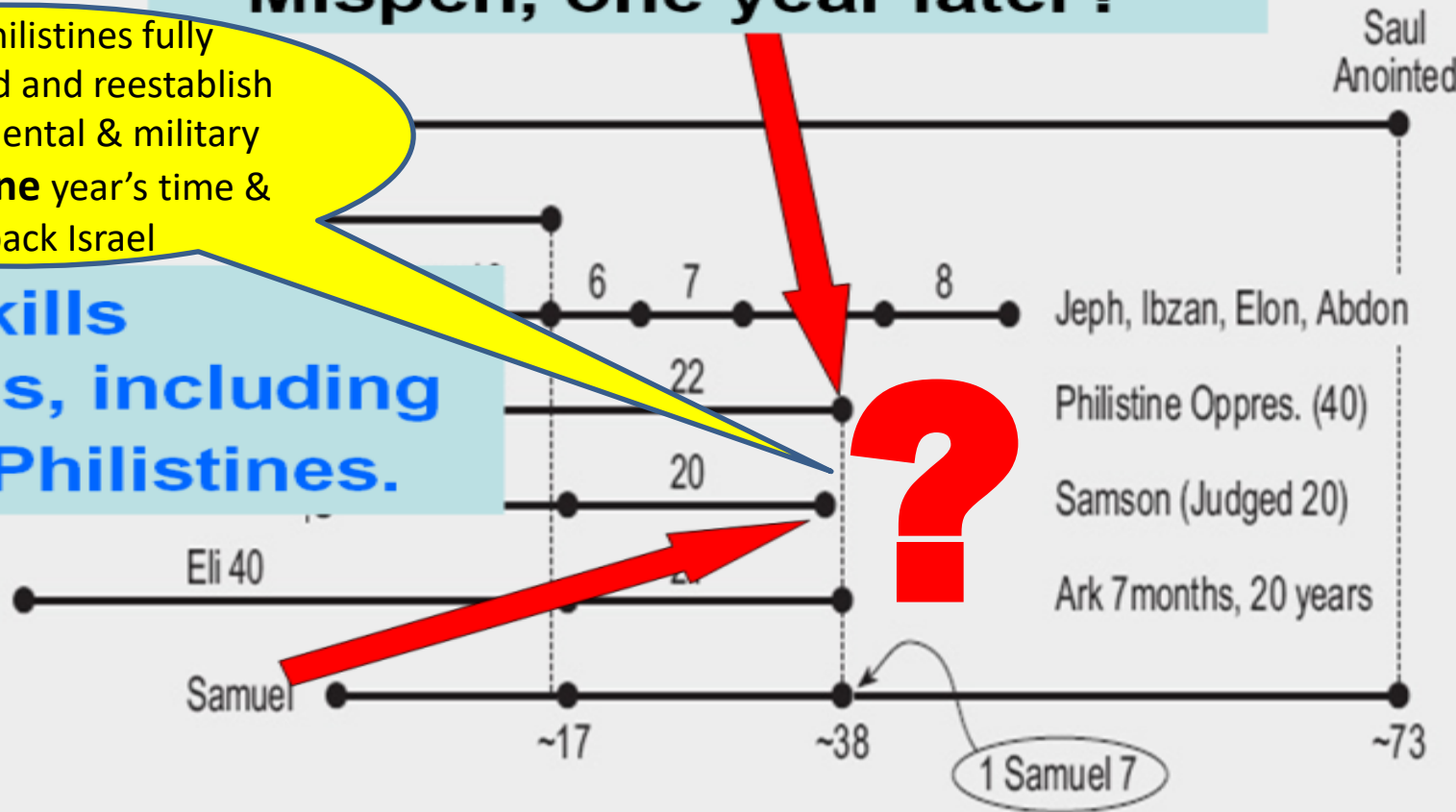
Mahalab

Mount Hermon

Philistines attack Israel at Mispheh, one year later?

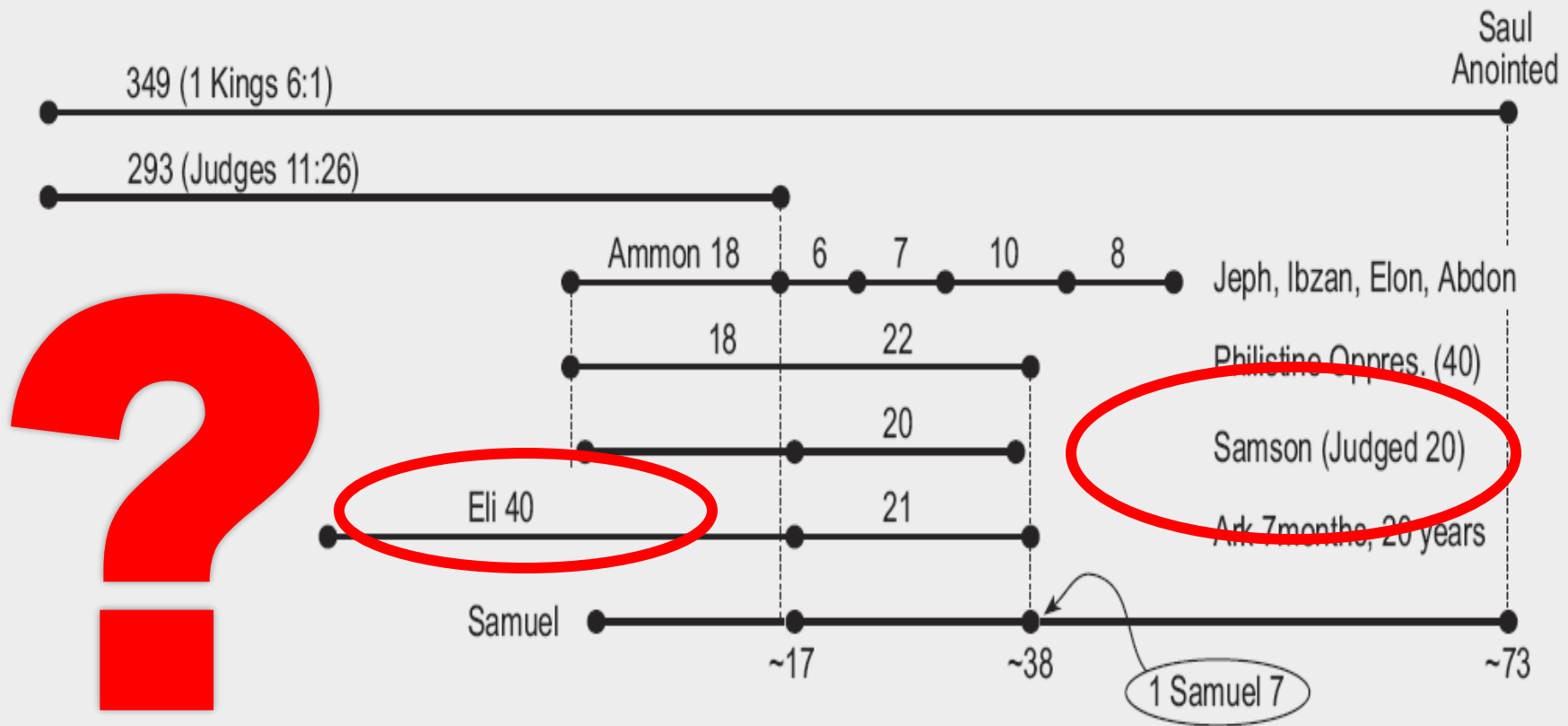
How can Philistines fully recover, rebuild and reestablish their governmental & military bases in just **one** year's time & attack back Israel

Samson kills thousands, including Lords of Philistines.



As per Judges 16: 24 & 27 Samson slew all the Philistine Lord's - "And when the people saw him..... they said ...the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us..... Now the house was FULL of men and women; and ALL the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and womenSamson ... bowed himself with [all his] might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon ALL the people that [were] therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than [they] which he slew in his life."

- *Eli comes before several Judges like Tola, Jair & Samson, How*
- *Samuel is contemporary with Eli, How ?*



Regarding the compressing of period of Judges **McClintock & Strong** say in Volume IV, page 1078 under the subject "JUDGES, BOOK OF" and section *IX as follows*

... all these combinations are arbitrary. reckoning the dates successively as far as Jair, but makes Jephthah and the three following judges contemporary with the 40 years of the Philistine oppression (comp. 10:6-13:1) and by compressing the period between the Philistine wars to the death of Saul into 39, & ultimately arriving at the 480 years. Fwald and Bertheau have proposed ingenious but unsatisfactory explanations — differing in details, ... But the whole theory of the parallel or contemporaneous rule of two or more judges, upon which all these shortenings of the period in question proceed, is purely arbitrary....

Surely we can't build our faith on arbitrary & unsatisfactory things

Some may quote from Br C.T. Russell's comments in Vol 2nd & say we should not consider the period of Judges recorded in book of Judges

Quote from Volume II "The record given in the books of Judges and 1 Samuel mentions nineteen periods, approximating a total of four hundred and fifty years; but **they are disconnected, broken, lapped and tangled so much that we could arrive at no definite conclusion from them, and should be obliged to conclude as others have done, that nothing positive could be known on the subject,**

Many stop here & come to a conclusion that Judges period recorded in book of Judges is wrong. But wait! Let us read further

Quote from Volume II contd. **were it not that the Testament supplies the deficiency. Paul states** that after God divided their land to them by lot, "He gave unto them Judges about [during] the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the Prophet. Afterward they desired a king, and God gave unto them Saul." [Acts 13:19-21](#)"

Br C.T. Russell never tells **NOT** to believe the Judges period mention in book of Judges but says that the deficiency is supplied in the New Testament by Apostle Paul as 450 yrs. If one is so bent on believing these words of Br C.T. Russell, he should also believing his word about 450 yrs period of Judges.

Translation Mistake

- **Some say that Act 13 : 20 is a translation mistake & is not speaking of Judges period.**
 - Except**
 - **KJV,**
 - **DIAGLOTT &**
 - **TAMIL BIBLE**
- **All other translation give different picture**

Acts 13: 17 – 21 NIV

17 The God of the people of Israel chose our fathers; he made the people prosper during their stay in Egypt, with mighty power he led them out of that country,

18 he endured their conduct for about forty years in the desert,

19 he overthrew seven nations in Canaan and gave their land to his people as their inheritance.

20 All this took about 450 years.

21 "After this, God gave them judges until the time of Samuel the prophet. Then the people asked for a king, and he gave them Saul son of Kish, of the tribe of Benjamin, who ruled forty years.

Acts 13: 17 – 21 NASB

- **“¹⁷ The God of this people Israel chose our fathers and ^[b]made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with an uplifted arm He led them out from it.**
- **¹⁸ For a period of about forty years He put up with them in the wilderness.**
- **¹⁹ When He had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, He distributed their land as an inheritance—all of which took about four hundred and fifty years.**
- **²⁰ After these things He gave them judges until Samuel the prophet.”**

Acts 13: 17 – 21 *Rotherham*

“The God of this people Israel, chose our fathers, and, the people, he exalted, by their sojourn in the land of Egypt,—and, with a high arm, brought he them out of it; And, for the time of about forty years, bare with their manners in the desert; And, overthrowing seven nations in the land of Canaan, **gave them their land as an inheritance—about four hundred and fifty years. And, after these things, he gave them judges, until Samuel the prophet.”**

Acts 13: 17 – 21 (ESV)

“The God of this people Israel chose our fathers and made the people great during their stay in the land of Egypt, and with uplifted arm he led them out of it. And for about forty years he put up with them in the wilderness. And after destroying seven nations in the land of Canaan, he gave them their land as an inheritance. **All this took about 450 years. And after that he gave them judges until Samuel the prophet.”**

All these translations tell that From selection of fore fathers till division of land is 450 yrs. If this is correct translation then this period should be 450 yrs. Let us examine & see

So 476 & not 450

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Promises

Law

Wilderness

Land division

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$$430 + 40 + 6 = 476$$

Few may say that the forefather referred is Isaac the promised seed & not Abraham & so this period has to be calculated from birth of Isaac. Let us examine & see if this is true.

So these translation cannot be considered as true

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yr.
about 450 yrs

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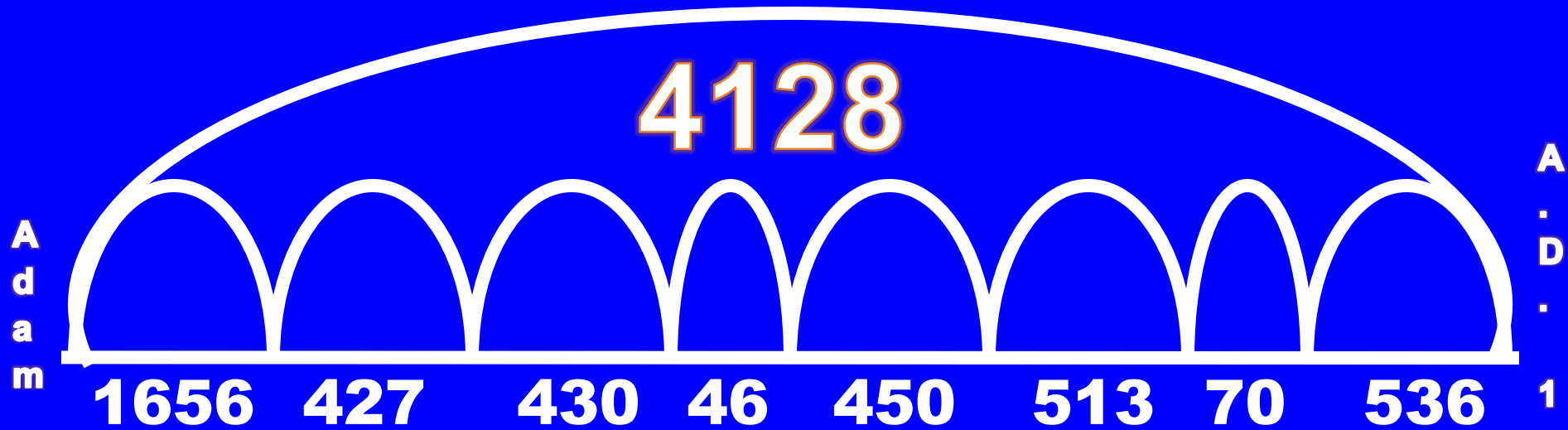
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One more translation to be considered Acts 13: 17 – 21 (ASV)

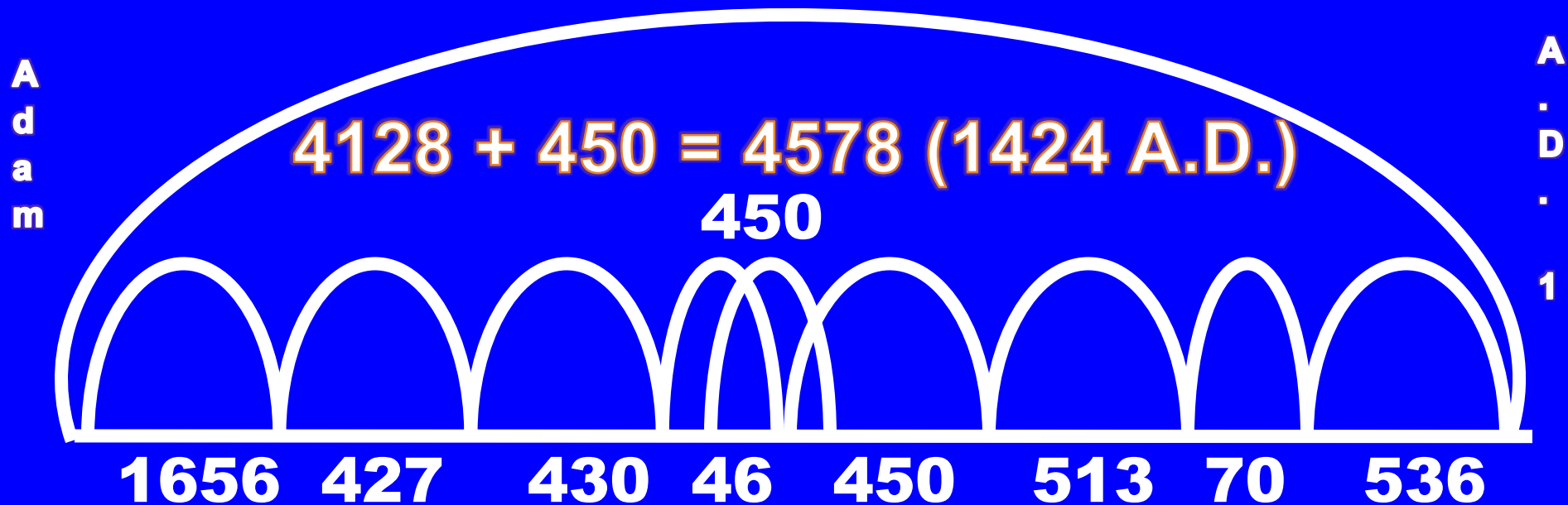
Acts 13:17-20 “¹⁷The God of this people Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they sojourned in the land of Egypt, and with a high arm led he them forth out of it.
¹⁸And for about the time of forty years as a nursing-father bare he them in the wilderness
¹⁹And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, **he gave them their land for an inheritance, for about four hundred and fifty years:** ²⁰**and after these things he gave them judges** until Samuel the prophet”.

As per this translation Israel were in the land for 450 yrs after which God gave them Judges

**Then we need to add 450 yrs for
over all chronology**

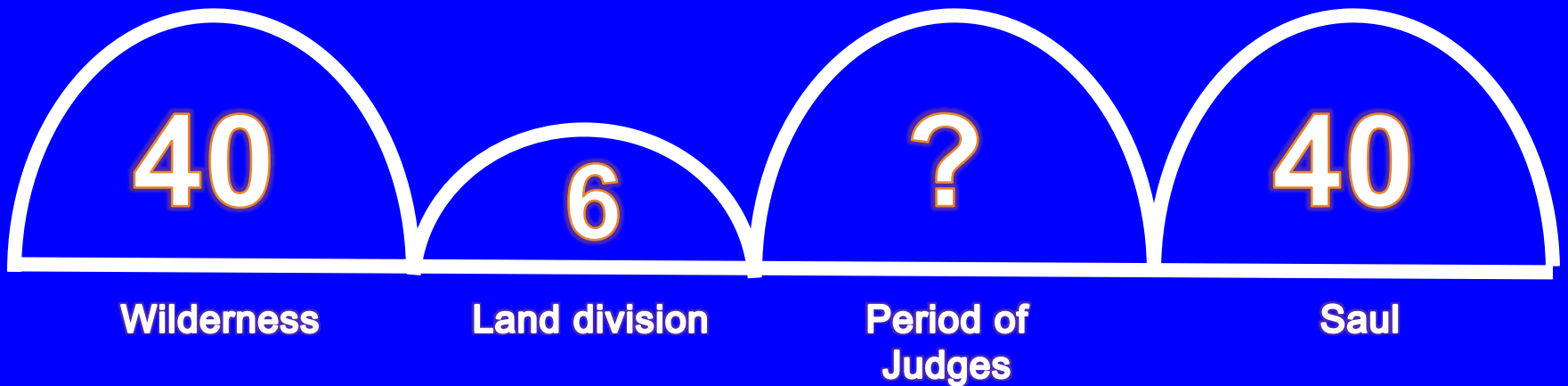


Adding 450 yrs for over all chronology would bring end of 6000 years to 1424 A.D.



As we see no fulfillment of prophecies of Mat 24; Dan 12; Acts 3:19-21; Rev 2, 3, 12, 13, 17, 18 & 20 regarding our Lord's second coming in 1424 A.D. Therefore this ASV translation is beyond consideration. Nor can other translation be taken into consideration

In the above translations Apostle Paul spoke about 40 yrs in wilderness & 40 yrs of king Saul, but doesn't speak about the period of Judges, why would he tell about the before & after period & miss this in between 450 yrs of judges period?



$$40 + 6 + ? + 40$$

WHY MISS JUDGES PERIOD?

**If we can accept Apostles words for King Saul's 40 yr reign,
why not accept his words on Judges period as 450 yrs?
Instead of twisting & turning the scriptures just to prove one
verse I Kings 6:1 right it is better to trust the words of
Apostle Paul on Acts 13:17-20 to be correct.**

It is just a matter of understanding the manner of writings of Apostle Paul. See what Apostle Peter has to say in *II Pet 3:15, 16* "... our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; As also in all [his] epistles, speaking in them of these things; **in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as [they do] also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.**"



**Other evidence used to prove 349 yrs of
judges period –
Genealogy mentioned in Ruth 4 : 18 - 22**

*Ruth 4: 18-22 “Now these [are] the generations of Pharez:
Pharez begat Hezron,
And Hezron begat Ram,
and Ram begat Amminadab,
And Amminadab begat Nahshon,
and Nahshon begat Salmon,
And Salmon begat Boaz,
and Boaz begat Obed,
And Obed begat Jesse,
and Jesse begat David.”*



**Generation in
which Judges
Period comes**

Examining generation in which Judges Period comes Based on genealogy mentioned in Ruth 4 : 18 - 22

Period of Land division	–	6 yrs
Period of Judges (as per new chronology)	–	349 yrs
Period from reign of king Saul till birth of David <i>[King Saul ruled for 40 yrs after which David became king at 30 yrs of age, so David must be born during Saul's 10th yr reign (40 yrs of Saul – 30 yrs age of David – II Sam 5:4)].</i>	–	10 yrs
Total yrs for 4 generations from Rehab to David	-	365 yrs

365

325

40

$325 / 3 = 108$ average age
for 3 generation to beget children

Rehab

Boaz, Obed, Jesse

Is it possible to beget at 108 years ?

Example of Abraham - Rom 4: 19 “And being not weak in faith, he considered not his *own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old*, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb”

Average age during those days?

Psalms 90:10 “The days of our years [are] *threescore years and ten*; and if by reason of strength [they be] *fourscore years*, yet [is] their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.”

70 or 80, so how can one beget @ 108 ?

**What is the reasoning behind Genealogy
mentioned in Ruth 4 : 18 – 22 ?**

**Jesse really was the father of David
Boaz really was the father of Obed &
Salmon really the father of Boaz**

**Obed was not really the father of Jesse
As there is no proof ?
Then there must be some missing generations
between Obed and Jesse.**

Other Examples Of Missing Generations

I Chr 1:17-18 "The sons of Shem were Elam, Asshur, Arphaxad, Lud, Aram, Uz, Hul, Gether, and Meshech. **Arphaxad begot Shelah** and Shelah begot Eber."

Luke 3:35, 36 "the son of Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of **Shelah, the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad**, the son of Shem, ..." Between Arphaxad & Shelah, Cainan is recorded thus Arphaxad was not the immediate father of Shelah

Matthew 1:8 "and **Jehoram begat Uzziah...**"

1 Chronicles 3:11-12 "**Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son, Amaziah his son, Azariah (Uzziah) his son.....**" Between Jehoram and Uzziah or Azariah, Ahaziah, Joash & Amaziah are recorded thus Jehoram was not the immediate father of Uzziah

PERIOD OF JUDGES

not 349

But 450

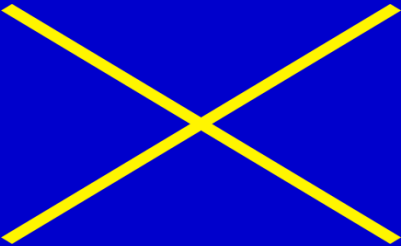
Then what is the meaning of 1-
Kings 6:1

It is not 480

But 580

In Ancient Hebrew Language there is

1
2
3



***No Numerical
like in English***

***They Substitute Alphabets For Numericals
As In Roman System***

1 - I

5 - V

10 - X

As we have the CGS system & SI system of measurement similarly there were different numbering system in Hebrew for example:-

Standard Method

Mispar Gadol Method

Mispar Katan Method

Ordinal Value Method, etc...

(Refer to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hebrew_numerals)

In Standard Method

22 Hebrew Alphabets were used to substitute Numerical

**This 22
Hebrew
Alphabets
Is given in
Psalms 119**

Before Vs. 1 Aleph

Before Vs. 9 Beth

PSALM 119
N Ä'-LĒPH.
BLESSED *are* the ³undefiled
in the way, who walk in
the law of the LORD.
² Blessed *are* they that keep
his testimonies, *and that* seek
him with the whole heart.
^{3^m} They also do no iniquity:
they walk in his ways.

judgments.
⁸ I will keep thy statutes: O
forsake me not utterly.
י BĒTH.
⁹ Wherewithal shall a young
man cleanse his way? by taking

Table showing substitution of Hebrew Alphabets to numerical

The first Hebrew Alphabet	א	Aleph	would represent	1	
The second Hebrew Alphabet	ב	Beth	would represent	2	
The third Hebrew Alphabet	ג	Gimel	would represent	3	
The fourth Hebrew Alphabet	ד	Daleth	would represent	4	
The fifth Hebrew Alphabet	ה	He	would represent	5	
The sixth Hebrew Alphabet	ו	Vou	would represent	6	
The seventh Hebrew Alphabet	ז	Zayin	would represent	7	
The eighth Hebrew Alphabet	ח	Het	would represent	8	
The ninth Hebrew Alphabet	ט	Tet	would represent	9	
The tenth Hebrew Alphabet	י	Yod	would represent	10	
The eleventh Hebrew Alphabet	כ	Kof	would not represent 11 but would represent number 20. It jumps directly from 10 to 20 instead of continuing as 11, 12, 13, etc because in Hebrew there were only 22 Alphabets and if the numbering system would continue like 11, 12, 13, etc then it would stop at 22 and would be difficult to calculate bigger & ascending numbers therefore.		
The 11 th Hebrew Alphabet	כ	Kof	would represent	20	
The 12 th Hebrew Alphabet	ל	Lamed	would represent	30	
The 13 th Hebrew Alphabet	מ	Mem	would represent	40	
The 14 th Hebrew Alphabet	נ	Nun	would represent	50	
The 15 th Hebrew Alphabet	ס	Samech	would represent	60	
The 16 th Hebrew Alphabet	ע	Ain	would represent	70	
The 17 th Hebrew Alphabet	פ	Pe	would represent	80	
The 18 th Hebrew Alphabet	צ	Tzaddi	would represent	90	
The 19 th Hebrew Alphabet	ק	Koph	would represent	100	
The 20 th Hebrew Alphabet	ר	Resh	would represent	200	and not 110 because of limited Hebrew alphabets.
The 21 st Hebrew Alphabet	ש	Schin	would represent	300	
The last 22 nd Hebrew Alphabet	ת	Tau	would represent	400	

In Mispar Gadol Method

Hebrew Alphabets were extended to additional
5 Hebrew Alphabets called as "SOFIT"

The number 500 would be represented by	ך	Kof Sofit	the 23 rd extended Hebrew Alphabet
The number 600 would be represented by	ם	Mem Sofit	the 24 th extended Hebrew Alphabet
The number 700 would be represented by	ן	Nun Sofit	the 25 th extended Hebrew Alphabet
The number 800 would be represented by	ף	Pe sofit	the 26 th extended Hebrew Alphabet
The number 900 would be represented by	ץ	Tsdik sofit	the 27 th extended Hebrew Alphabet

Thus in Hebrew numbers were it is written as follows

$$480 = 80 + 400$$

$$480 = 80 + 400$$

Pe + Tau

פ

+

ת

$$580 = 80 + 500$$

$$580 = 80 + 500$$

פ

+

ך

Pe + Kaf Sofit

The difference between both is just a small line. Due to the much use of the manuscript the letter would have got smudged & 500 would seem to be 400, so the translators would have concluded it 480

*This is what Br. Russell tells in his commentary on
I Kings 6:1.*

*But whatever mistake the translators have done,
we have a strong proof of Apostle Paul
telling that it is 450 yrs in Acts 13:20.*

450

PERIOD OF JUDGES



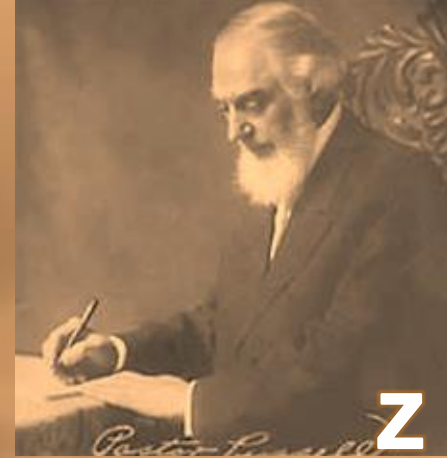
NEXT DIFFERENCE PERIOD OF KINGS



HOW?

50 *Difference*

PERIOD OF KINGS AS PER VOL 2



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PERIOD OF KINGS AS PER NEW CHRONOLOGY



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**PERIOD OF KINGS OF
ISRAEL WITH**



**This is got by
synchronizing**

**PERIOD OF KINGS OF
JUDAH**



Period of kings of JUDAH



*Period
Kings of ISRAEL*

David

Saul

Solomon

Rehoboam

Abijha

Asa

Jehoram

Ahaziah

Athaliah

Jehoshaphat

Uzziah

Amaziah

Jehoash

Jotham

Ahaz

**Synchronizing is not necessary as
God choosen tribe was Judah**

1 Kings 11:11 – 13, 32, and 36.

“Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, ... I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.....

Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; [but] will give one tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen.....”

*Kings Of Judah
But Kings Of Israel*

Double proof

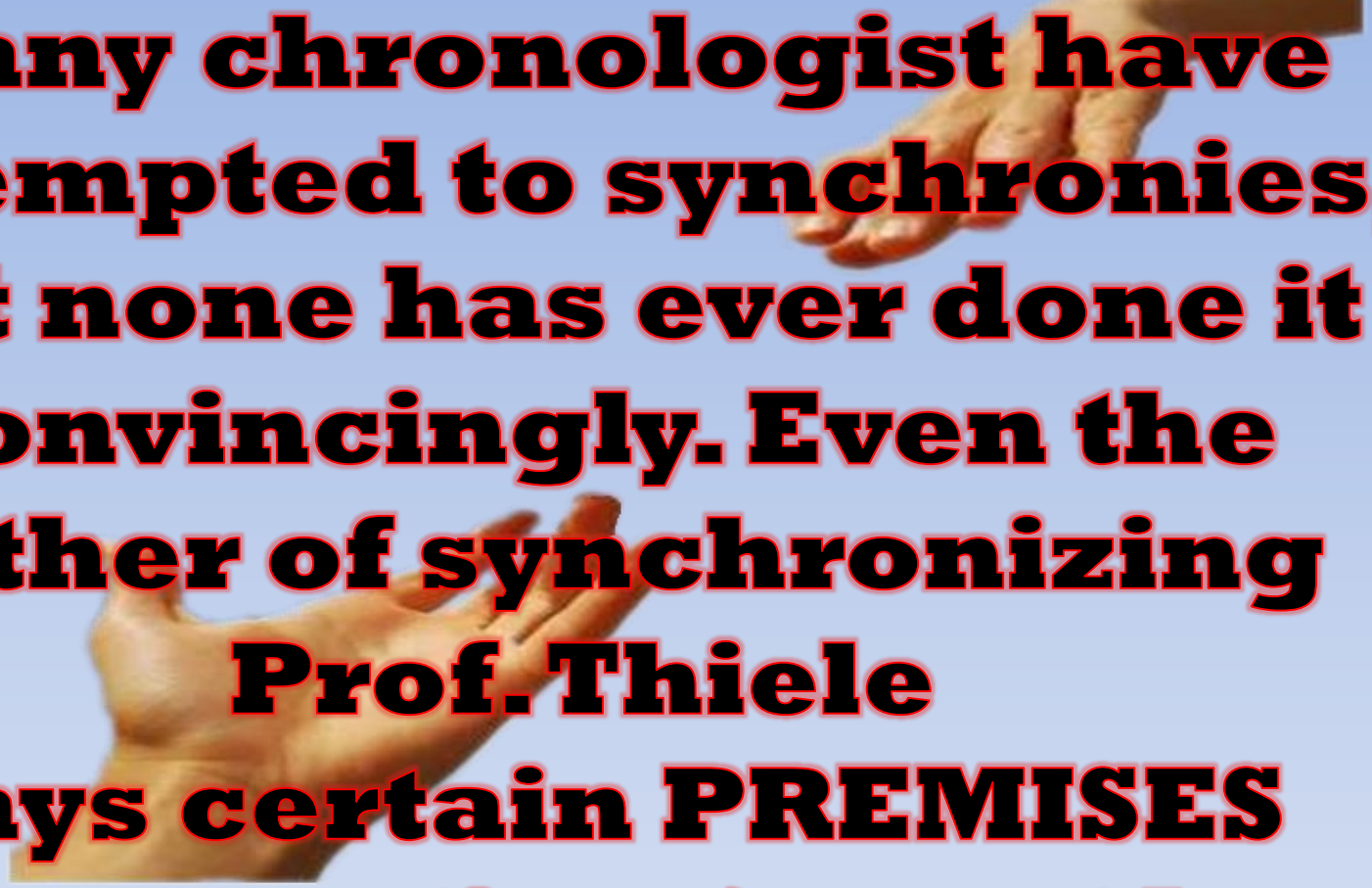
No Double proof

*Book Of
Kings*

*Book Of
Chronicles*

*Genealogy of Jesus Christ in Book
of Mathew & Luke are from Kings
Of Judah none from kings of
Israel*





Many chronologist have attempted to synchronies, but none has ever done it convincingly. Even the Father of synchronizing Prof. Thiele says certain PREMISES (assumptions) must be accepted for this to work, for example :-

*II Kings 15:30 tells
“And **Hoshea** the son
of Elah made a
conspiracy against
Pekah the son of
Remaliah, and smote
him, and slew him, and
reigned in his stead, in
the **twentieth year of**
Jotham the son of
Uzziah.”*

But II Chron 27:1

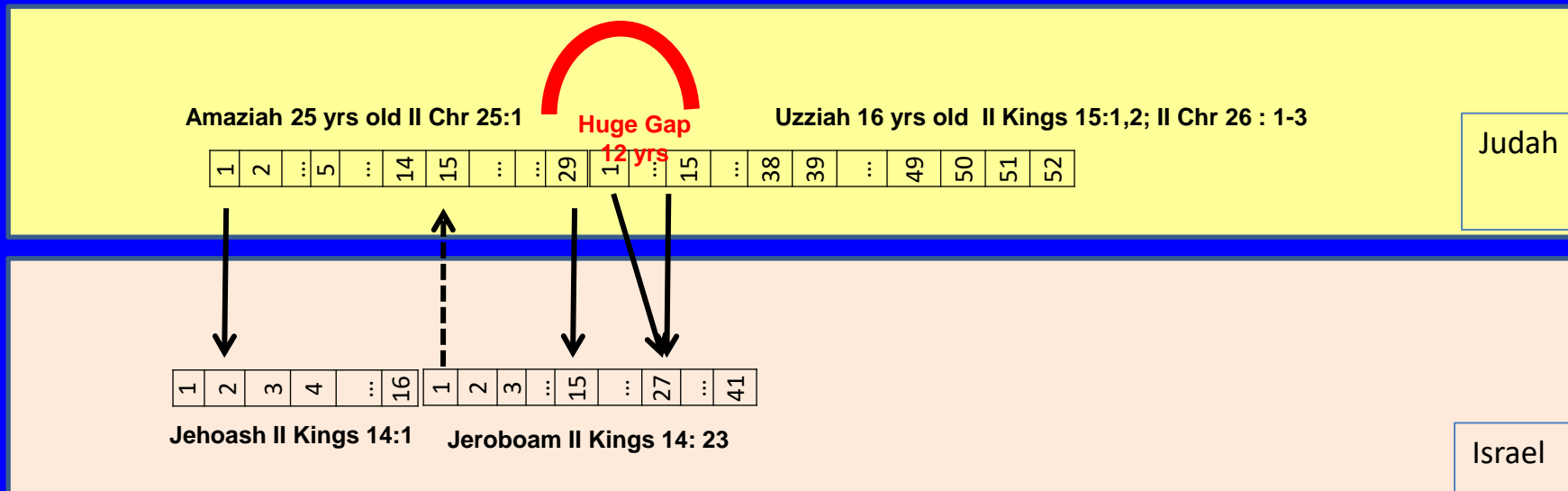
*“**Jotham
Reigned sixteen
years in***

Jerusalem....”

*If Jotham reigned
only 16 yrs, then
how can Hoshea
kill Pekah in his
20th year ?*

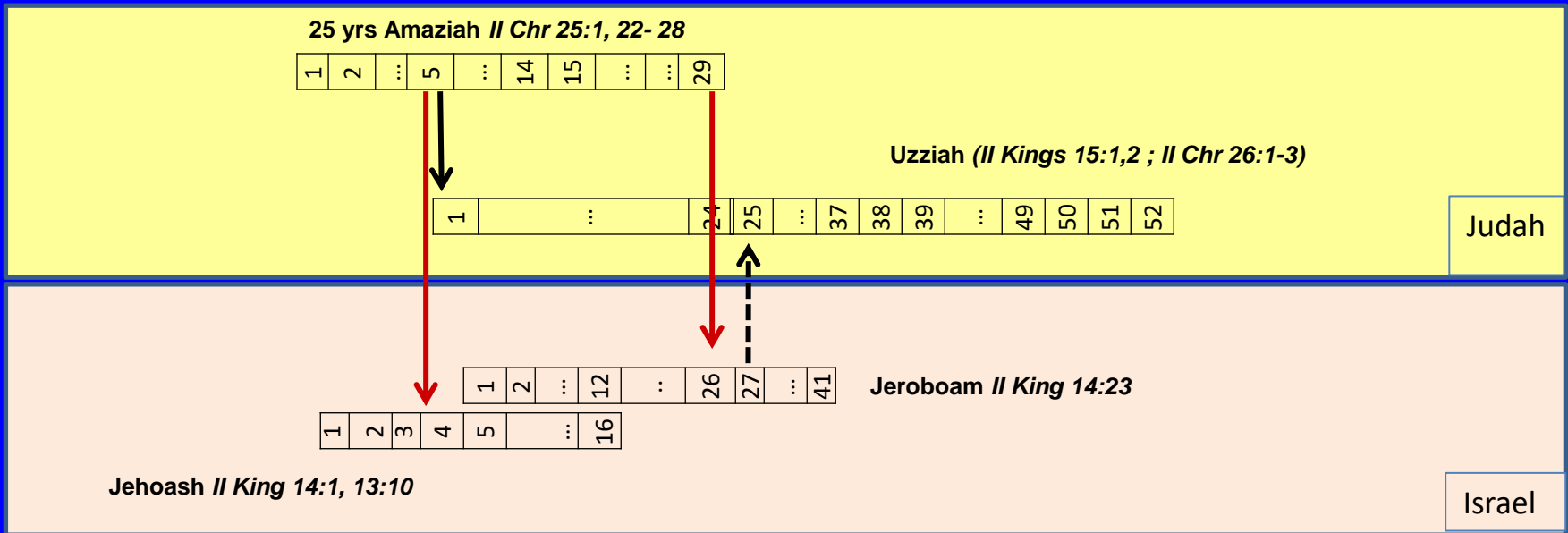


Co regency of Uzziah with his father Amaziah



As per *II Chr 25:1* “Amaziah king of Judah was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem.” This was in the second year of Jehoash king of Israel, who ruled for 16yrs (*II Kings 13:10, 14:1*) After the death of Jehoash king of Israel his son Jeroboam began to rule for 41 yrs, this was in the 15th yr of Amaziah (*II Kings 14: 23*). After the death of Amaziah at the age of 29yrs which falls in the 15th year of Jeroboam king of Israel, his son Uzziah also known as Azzariah who was 16yrs old ruled for 52 yrs. But the scriptures say that this was during the 27th yr of Jeroboam king of Israel (*II Kings 15:1, 2; II Chr 26:1-3*). Thus there arises a huge gap of 12 yrs between the deaths of Amaziah & Uzziah’s reign. Thus it is claimed that there exists a coregency of Uzziah with his father Amaziah, when he lost the war against Jehoash & was taken captive to Samaria, his son Uzziah ruled over Judah. ***Does the Bible agree with this?***

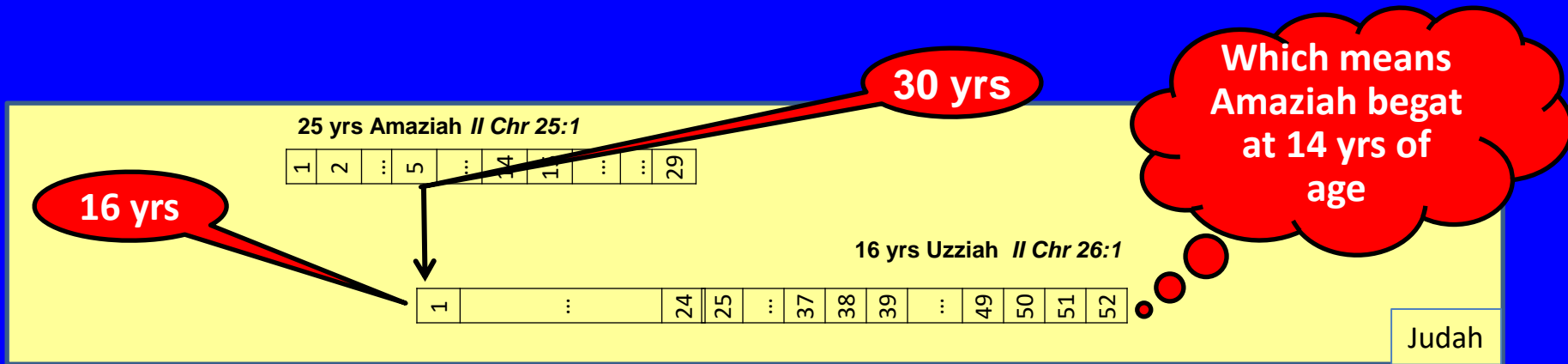
Co regency of Uzziah with his father Amaziah



No, co regency of Uzziah with his father Amaziah – See II Chr 25: 22- 28 & II Chr 26: 1-3

II Chr 25: 22- 28 & II Chr 26: 1-3 “And Judah was put to the worse before Israel, and they fled every man to his tent. And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah..... and brought him to Jerusalem **(but never took him to captivity)**, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem ... And [he took] all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of Godand the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria **(but not with Amaziah)**. And **Amaziah ... king of Judah lived after the death of Joash King of Israel fifteen years.....** After the time that Amaziah did turn away from following the LORD they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there. And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of Judah. **Then (only after killing Amaziah, the people made Uzziah as king & not along with Amaziah)** all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who [was] sixteen years old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah... he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem...”

If there was co regency of Uzziah with his father Amaziah, Then?



As per the above chart :-

Uzziah's coregent rule with his father was in his father's 5th yr at which his age was 16yrs and his father's age 30 yrs (II Chr 26:1 & II Chr 25:1) which means that Uzziah must have been born when his father was just 14rs old (30 yrs -16 yrs = 14 yrs).

If son has to be born at 14 yrs then he should have got married at 13 yrs of age.

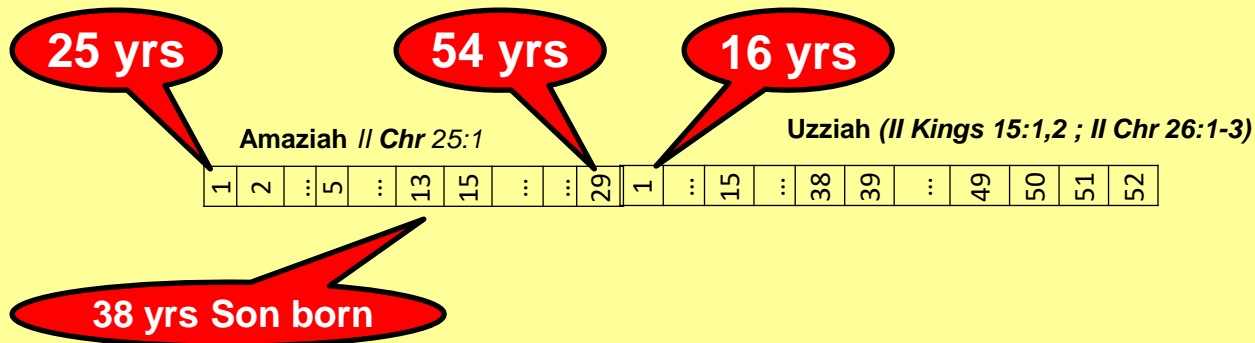
One comes to maturity only in his **teens**,
how can one come to maturity immediately at **thirteen**
& get married so as to give birth?
Does the scripture support this? No!

The scriptures say that Amaziah began to rule at the age of 25 yrs & ruled for 29 yrs, which mean that he died at 54 yrs of age (25 yrs + 29 yrs = 54 yrs).

During this Uzziah was 16 yrs old.

If we go back 16yrs from 54 yrs we get the age of Amaziah during which his son Uzziah was born at 38 yrs & not at 13yrs of age (54 yrs - 16 yrs = 38 yrs).

II Chr 25:1 Amaziah [was] twenty and five years old [when] he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name [was] Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.



Therefore all this synchronizing doesn't work properly & not even required to calculate because the scriptures says that it is after the death of the previous king that the next king ***reigned in his room*** or ***in his stead***,
Meaning ***instead, in its place***

- II Chr 12: 16 “and Abijah his son reigned ***in his stead***.”
14:1 “and Asa his son reigned ***in his stead***”
17: 1 “Jehoshaphat his son reigned ***in his stead***”
21:1 “And Jehoram his son reigned ***in his stead***”
22:1 “Ahaziah his youngest son king ***in his stead***”
24:27 “Amaziah his son reigned ***in his stead***”
26:1 “made him king ***in the room of his father***”
27:9 “Ahaz his son reigned ***in his stead***”
28: 27 “Hezekiah his son reigned ***in his stead***”
32:33 “Manasseh his son reigned ***in his stead***”
33: 20 “Amon his son reigned ***in his stead***”
36:1 “made him king ***in his father's stead***”

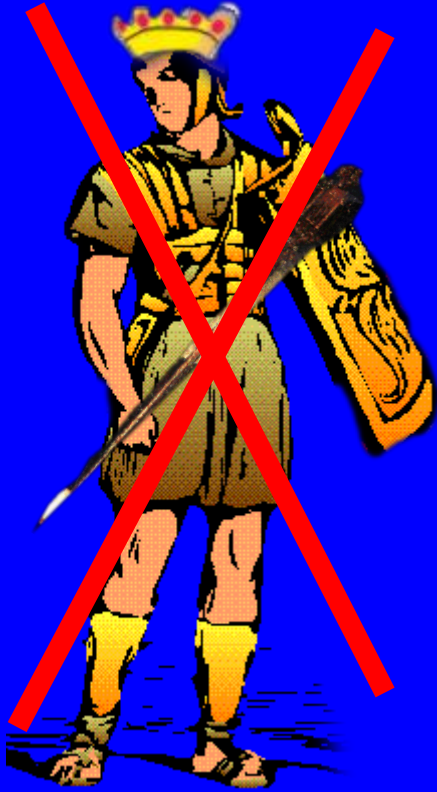


God is not a God of Confusion for He would not give us such important details in such a complicated way so difficult to understand.

If there were 2 kings trying to rule at a time then God could have clearly mentioned it as he did in I Kings 16: 21 “Then were the people of Israel divided into two parts: half of the people followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king; and half followed Omri.”

God's prophecy to His Last King

Israel



*Ezekiel
21:26 "Thus
saith the
Lord GOD;
Remove
the
diadem,
and take
off the
crown:"*

Judah



Zedekiah

*Never said to Hosea,
King of Israel, Why?*

Because God didn't recognize their king ship

One difference in the calculation of the periods of kings of Judah & kings of Israel is that one used Ascension & Non - Ascension year system.

Dan 1:1 “In the **third year of the reign of Jehoiakim** king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.”

Jer 46:2 “Against Egypt, against the army of Pharaohnecho king of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in the **fourth year of Jehoiakim** the son of Josiah king of Judah.”

3rd yr & 4th yr – Difference = 1 year
As one used Ascension year system
while other used Non - Ascension
year system.

PERIOD OF KINGS		
Saul	40	Acts 13:21
David	40	II Sam 5:4
Solomon	40	I Kings 11:42
TOTAL 120 YRS		

After the death of Solomon there were 19 kings in Israel totaling to 241 yrs, after which Israel went into captivity during the 6th year of Hezekiah (II Kings 18:10). Similarly in Judah there were 13 kings till Hezekiah's 6th year, totaling to 260 yrs.

KINGS OF ISRAEL			
Sl. No.	Name	Yrs	Book of Kings
1	Jeroboam	22	I Kings 14:20
2	Nadab	2	I Kings 15:25
3	Baasha	24	I Kings 15: 33
4	Elah	2	I Kings 16:8
5	Zimri	7d	I Kings 16:15
6	Omri	12	I Kings 16:23
7	Ahab	22	I Kings 16:29
8	Ahaziah	2	I Kings 22:51
9	Joram	12	II Kings 3:1
10	Jehu	28	II Kings 10:36
11	Jehoahaz	17	II Kings 13:1
12	Jehoash	16	II Kings 13:10
13	Jeroboam	41	II Kings 14:23
14	Zachariah	6m	II Kings 15:8
15	Shallum	1m	II Kings 15:13
16	Menahem	10	II Kings 15:17
17	Pekahiah	2	II Kings 15:23
18	Pekah	20	II Kings 15:27
19	Hoshea	9	II Kings 17:1,6
Total		241	

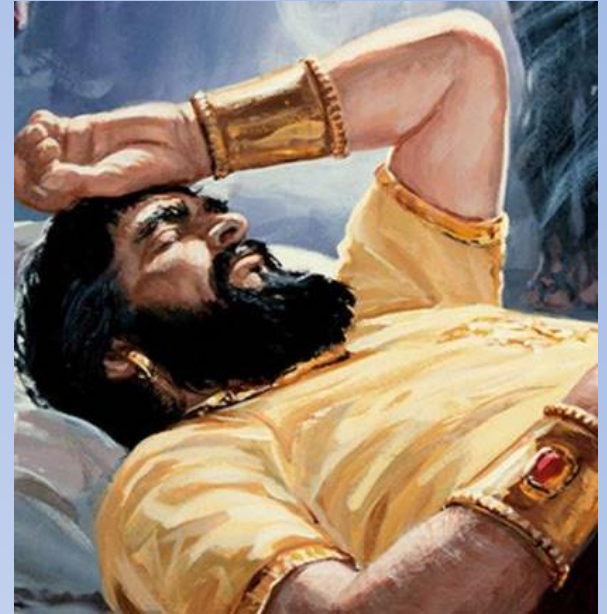
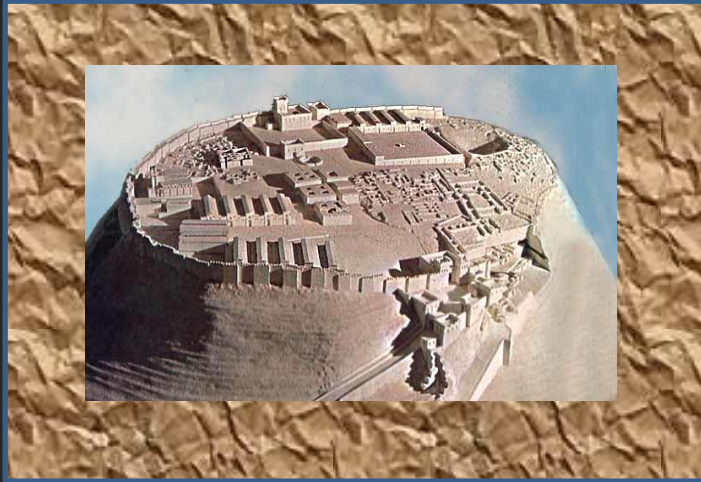
KINGS OF JUDAH				
Sl. No.	Name	Yrs	Book of Chronicles	Book of Kings
1	Rehoboam	17	2 Chron. 12:13	I Kings 14:21
2	Abijah	3	2 Chron. 13:1, 2	I Kings 15:2
3	Asa	41	2 Chron. 16:13	I Kings 15:10
4	Jehoshaphat	25	2 Chron. 20:31	I Kings 22:42
5	Jehoram	8	2 Chron. 21:20	II Kings 8:17
6	Ahaziah	1	2 Chron. 22:2	II Kings 8:26
7	Athaliah	6	2 Chron. 22:12	II Kings 11:3
8	Joash	40	2 Chron. 24:1	II Kings 12:1
9	Amaziah	29	2 Chron. 25:1	II Kings 14:2
10	Uzziah	52	2 Chron. 26:3	II Kings 15:2
11	Jotham	16	2 Chron. 27:1	II Kings 15:33
12	Ahaz	16	2 Chron. 28:1	II Kings 16:2
13	Hezekiah	6	2 Chron. 29:1	II Kings 18:10
	Total	260		

Whatever be the synchronization of kings of Israel with kings of Judah it should take place only within these period. As shown the difference between the either was that one calculated using ascension year system & the other using the non-ascension year system & the difference between them is one year. The difference between these period of kings of Israel & period of kings of Judah is 19 yrs (260 yrs – 241 yrs = 19 yrs), and we can see that there were 19 kings in Israel.

Kingdom	Period (Yrs)
Judah	260
Israel	241
Difference	19
19 years for each 19 kings of Israel = 241 + 19 = 260 yrs period of Kings of Judah	

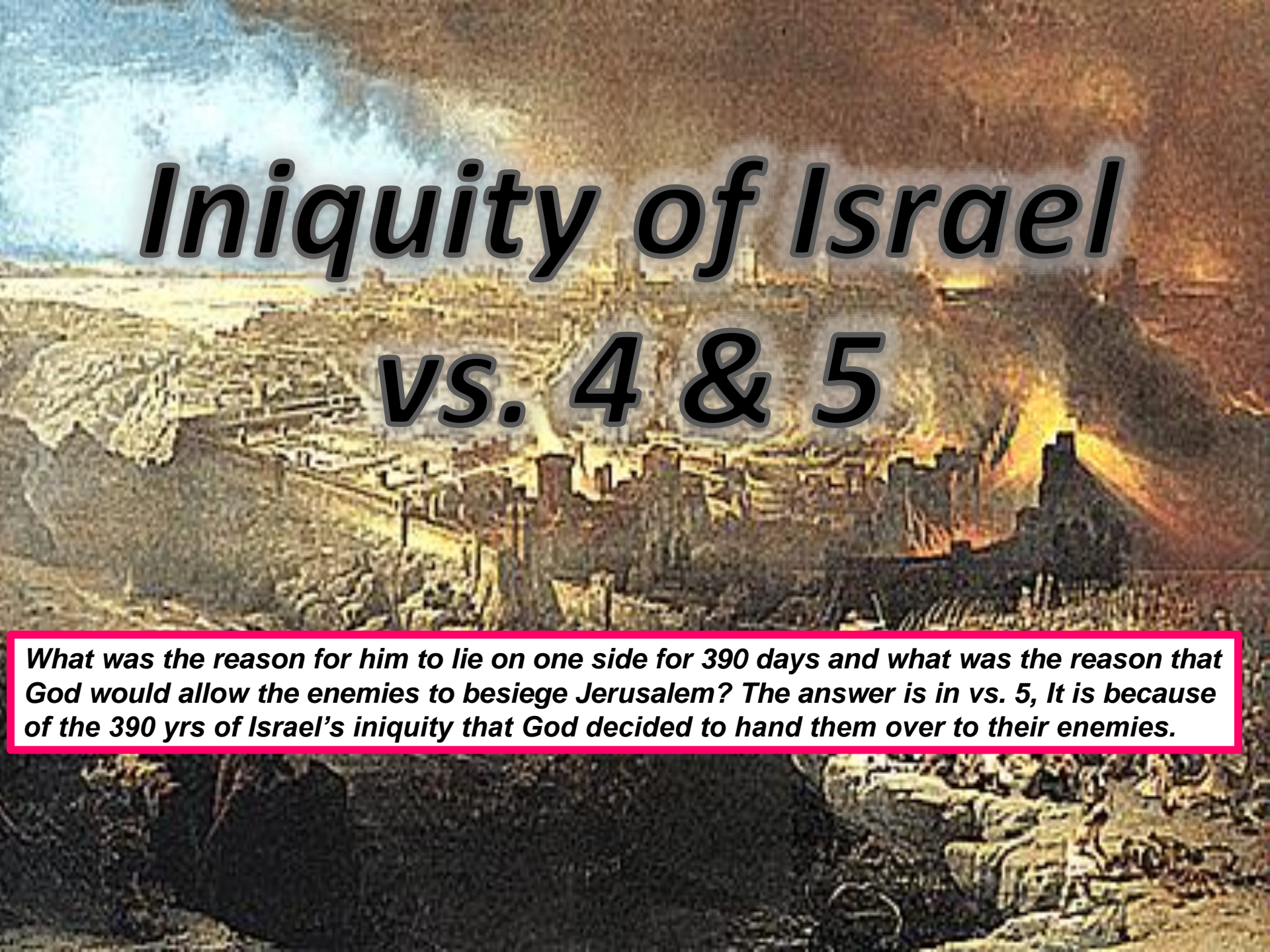
Assuming the difference of one year between ascension year system & non-ascension year system if we add 19 yrs for each 19 kings of Israel we get 260 yrs which is equal to the period of kings of Judah. This is one of the proofs to prove that there is no need of synchronization.

Another proof for 513 yrs is in Ezekiel - 4



390 days

Ezekiel was told to portray Jerusalem city on a tile and to lay siege against it and more over God asked him to set an Iron pan between himself and the city and to set his face against it (vs. 3, 4). This signifies that the siege would be strong like iron and there would be no way of escape. And this was to be a sign to Israel. Then Ezekiel was also told to lie on his left side for 390 days (vs. 5).



Iniquity of Israel

vs. 4 & 5

What was the reason for him to lie on one side for 390 days and what was the reason that God would allow the enemies to besiege Jerusalem? The answer is in vs. 5, It is because of the 390 yrs of Israel's iniquity that God decided to hand them over to their enemies.

What would happen during siege Vs 9 -11

Ezekiel was told to eat bread made of mixed cereals which was considered as defiled and unclean food and that too it should be eaten with measure and even water also drunk with measure (Lev 19:19).

What does this represent?



Vs 16

This represents severe famine that would be in Jerusalem because of the siege such that they would have to eat food and drink water by measure See vs. 16 “Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment.”



Once taken captive they would have to eat defiled food in their enemies land. See vs. 13 "And the LORD said, even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them." Therefore Daniel and his associates were offered defiled food when captive in Babylon (Daniel 1:8).

So what is this 390 yrs? From when did it begin and when did it end? The clue is given there itself that the 390 yrs are the years of iniquity which end at the siege of Jerusalem



*Jerusalem besieged such that there was a severe famine in the 9th yr till
11th yr of Zedekiah - II Kings 25: 1 & 2*

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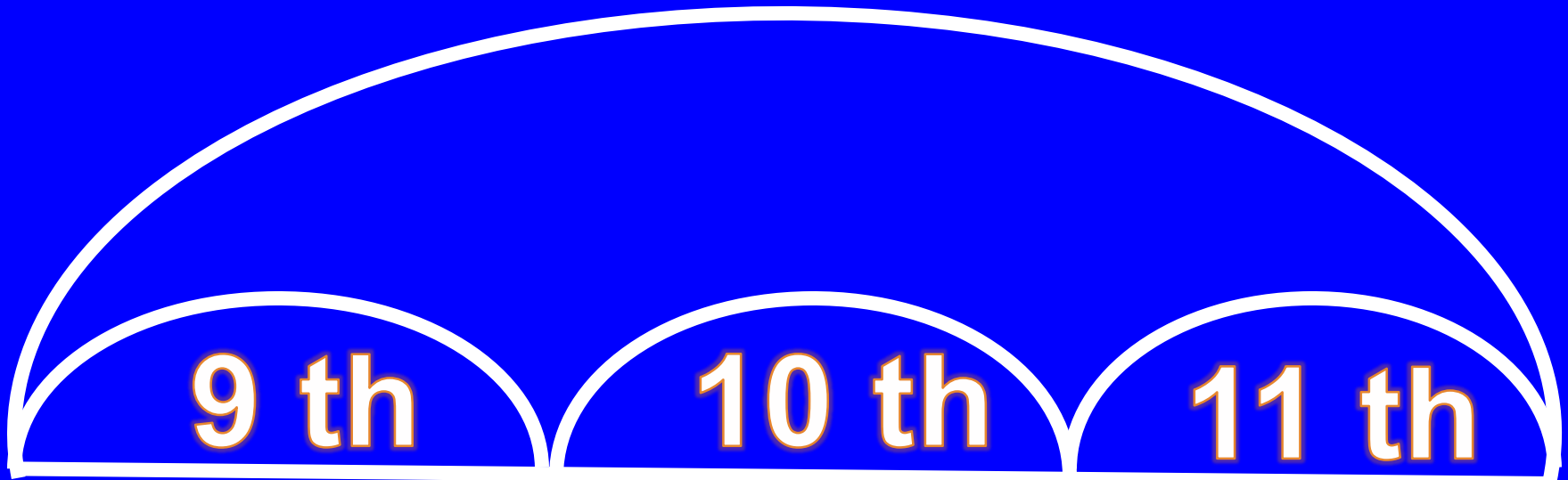
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- *Period of iniquity*
- *When started & when ended ?*
- *It began at the death of Solomon*
 - *I Kings 11: 11, 12.*

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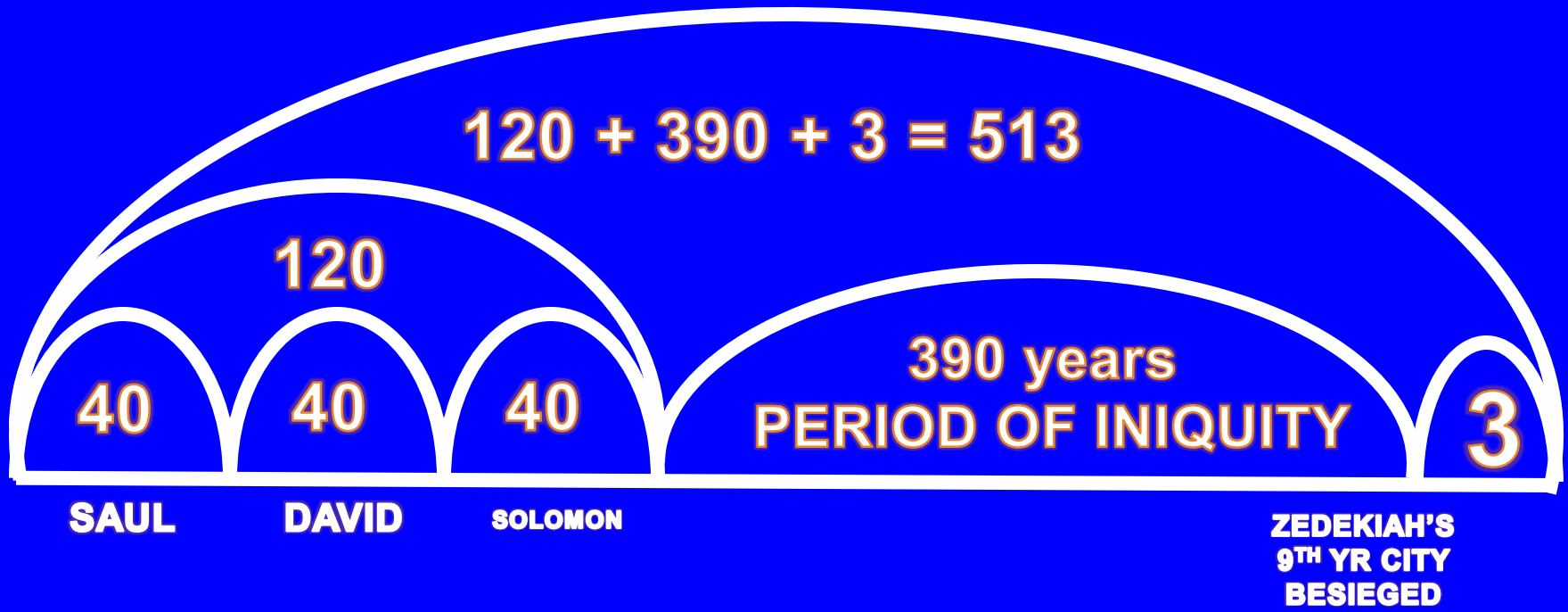
390 years
PERIOD OF INIQUITY

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9th yr

513 PERIOD OF KINGS

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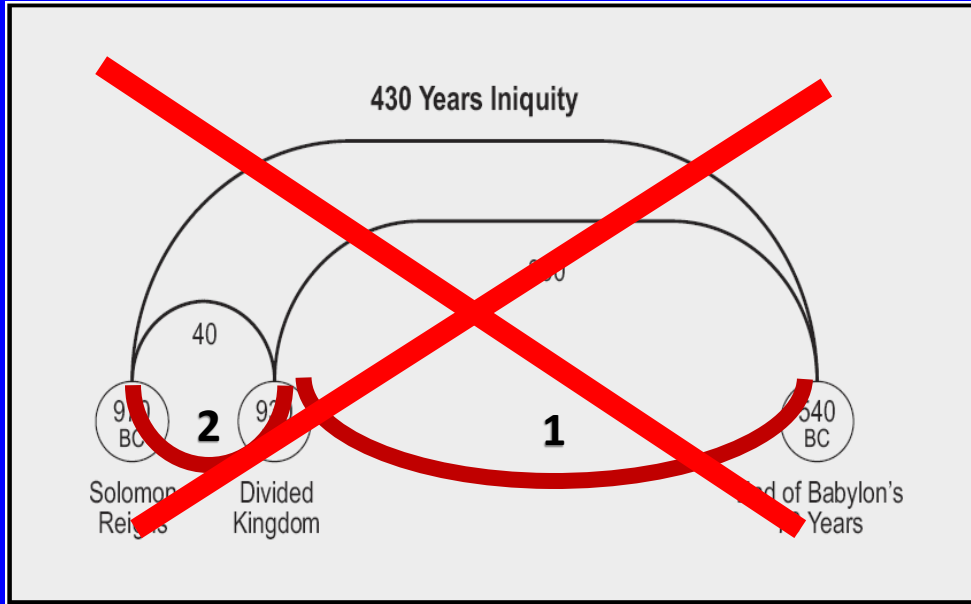


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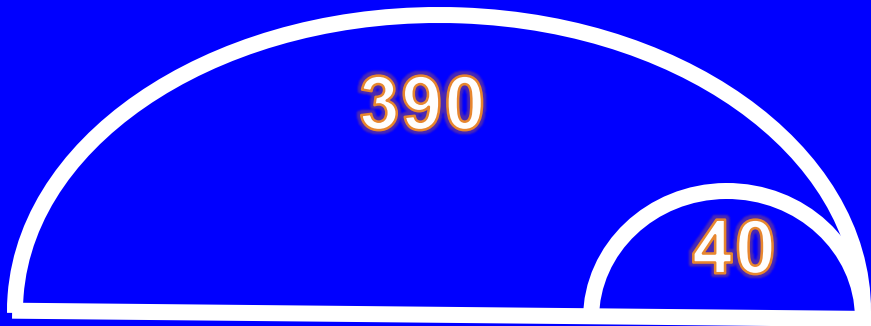
11th yr

- Saul, David and Solomon each ruling for 40 yrs totaling 120 yrs
- Since then 390 yrs of iniquity would bring us to 510 yrs and
 - 3yr of siege would bring us to 513 yrs
 - The exact period of the kings of Judah.

Controversy of Eze 4



390 YRS OF INIQUITY



Solomon's death

Josiah's 21st yr

ZEDEKIAH'S 9TH
YR CITY
BESIEGED

The concept of Ezekiel 4th chapter is calculated as 40 yrs + 390 yrs = 430 yrs as the iniquity of Israel counting from Solomon's reign to the end of 70 years. But the scriptures are very clear in telling that 390 yrs are the years of iniquity of Israel & after which follows the iniquity of Judah. Surely none can apply the 40 yrs of iniquity of Judah to Solomon's reign, when there was absolute peace? If the total years of iniquity of Israel were 430 years then God would have said in vs. 9 to eat defiled food for 430 days? God being silent in this matter is a proof that what God had in His mind, an overall 390 yrs of iniquity of Israel which included 40 yrs of iniquity of Judah in its later part.

This 40 years of Judah began with the days of Joisah, it was during these 40 years that God gave Judah the opportunity to repent, However, the people of Judah did not repent therefore the city and the temple were destroyed after the 40-year period had expired. Thus we see how this 40 year period applied with in the period of 390 yrs.

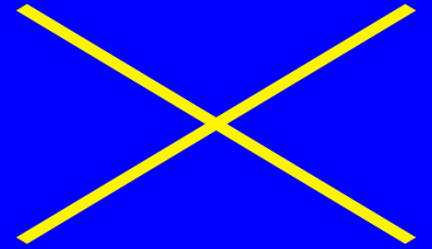
Judah's 40 years	
21st year Reign of King Josiah (2 Kings 22:1)	21
Reign of King Jehoiakim (2 Chr 36 :5)	11
Reign of King Zedekiah till the city was seiged (2 Kings 25:1,2,7)	8
Total	40

NEXT DIFFERENCE

As Per New Chronology

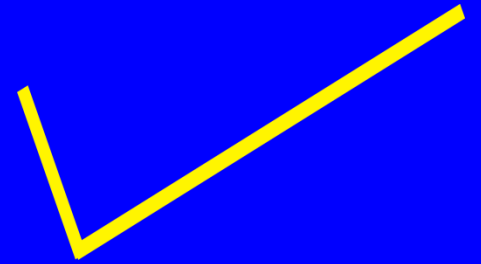
**PERIOD OF
DESOLATION**

70



**PERIOD OF
CAPTIVITY**

51



19

Difference

New thought of Period of desolation

*Jer 25: 11 “And this whole land shall be desolation, [and] an astonishment; and **these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.**”*

70 yrs are for Babylon & not Israel

*Jer 29:10 “For thus saith the LORD, That **after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon** I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.”*

70 yrs are for Babylon & not Israel

*II King 25:8 And in the fifth month, on the seventh [day] of the month, which [is] **the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon**, came Nebuzaradan, captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem:*

Deducting 19 yrs of Nebuchadnezzar from Babylon's
70 yrs gives 51 yrs of Israel's captivity

Let us read Jer 25:9,11; Dan 9:2 & II Chr 36: 19 -22

Jer 25: 9, 11 “Behold, ...saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and **perpetual desolations....** And this **whole land shall be a desolation, [and] an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.**

Dan 9: 2 “In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books **the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.**”

II Chr 36: 19-22 “And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof. And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons **until the reign of the kingdom of Persia: To fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths: [for] as long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath, to fulfill threescore and ten years.** Now in the **first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD [spoken] by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished,** the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and [put it] also in writing, saying,”

All these verses are very clear that 70 years is desolation of Jerusalem & that during its desolation they shall serve Babylon for 70 yrs rather than saying about 70 yrs for Babylon. It is from this prophecy of Jeremiah that Daniel understood about the 70 yrs of desolation of Jerusalem during which the land rested and enjoyed her Sabbaths . If 70 yrs were for Babylon why 3 prophets Jeremiah, Daniel & Chronicler would make a mistake of telling it as period of desolation of Jerusalem?

70 yrs in Zechariah 1 & 7

Zec 1: 1, 12 “In the eighth month, in **the second year of Darius**, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah..... Then the angel of the LORD answered and said, O LORD of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation **these threescore and ten years?**”

Zec 7:1-5 “And it came to pass in the **fourth year of king Darius**, [that] the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah in the fourth [day] of the ninth month, [even] in Chisleu; When they had sent unto the house of God Sherezer and Regemmelech, and their men, to pray before the LORD, [And] to speak unto the priests which [were] in the house of the LORD of hosts, and to the prophets, saying, Should I weep in the fifth month, separating myself, as I have done these so many years? Then came the word of the LORD of hosts unto me, saying, Speak unto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When ye fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh [month], **even those seventy years**, did ye at all fast unto me, [even] to me?”

The above proves :-

1. First is that the 70 years is for Israel & not Babylon.
2. Second is that the punishment upon Israel was 70 yrs and not 51 yrs is confirmed.
3. Third is that the 70 yrs is not a period of captivity but a period of desolation.
4. Fourth is that the 70 yrs punishment upon Israel was already over.
5. 5th verse is a reference is **to those 70 yrs** which is past & one can't claim that event to be a present one even in 4th year of Darius-I

More Evidence for the 70 yrs desolation

Dan 9: 2 "In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood **by books the number of the years, ..that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.**"

Jeremiah + ?

Which books

Dan 9: 13 "As **[it is] written in the law of Moses,** all this evil is come upon us"

Jeremiah + Law of Moses

Lev 26:33-36 "And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: **and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste. Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate,** and ye [be] in your enemies' land; [even] then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths. As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it. And upon them that are left [alive] of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth."

If it was 51 years then God could have said through prophets

- Jeremiah
- Daniel
- Moses - Law
- Ezekiel - to take off the crown.

Period of Captivity & Desolation are different

Eze 40:1 "In the **five and twentieth year of our captivity**, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth [day] of the month, **in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten**, in the selfsame day the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither."

**70 YEARS
NOT
PERIOD OF CAPTIVITY
BUT
PERIOD OF DESOLATION**

which ended in the 1st year of Cyrus at
536 B.C (I CHR 36 :19 – 22)

. A date which is referred in Smith's
dictionary & other dictionaries has been
listed below.

PERIOD OF DESOLATION 536 B. C. (history reference)

At length the seventy years were fulfilled, and **Cyrus, in the first year of his reign at Babylon, B. C. 536,** made a proclamation throughout his empire permitting

the people of God to return to their country, and rebuild the temple
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In the **first year of his reign as king of Babylon (B.C. 536), Cyrus** issued a decree liberating the Jewish captives, and permitting them to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the city and the temple (2 Chr. 36:22, 23; Ezra 1; 2). Easton's Bible Dictionary

At this time only **(B.C. 536) Cyrus became actual king** over Palestine, which became a part of his Babylonian empire. The edict of Cyrus for the rebuilding of Jerusalem marked a great epoch in the history of the Jewish people (2 Chr. 36:22, 23; Ezra 1:1-4; 4:3; 5:13-17; 6:3-5). Easton's Bible Dictionary

Rebuilding of the Temple, 536 BC INTERNATIONAL STANDARD BIBLE ENCYCLOPEDIA

Some may tell “Now a day we have modern tablets and astronomers, Lunar and Solar eclipse details, etc & internet encyclopedias which give a different date for 1st yr reign of Cyrus & 19th year reign of Nebuchadnezzar”.
If God really wanted us to give any information through scientist then why would He give us saints or Bible?
But God would have used Astronomers and Geologists to fix dates for us. But God is against all this.

Stars

Jer 10:2 “Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.”



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Zedekiah (pron.: /zɛdɪˈkiːə/; Hebrew: זְדַכְיָהוּ, Modern *Tsidkiyyahu* Tiberian *Ṣidqiyāhû*; "My righteousness is Yahweh"; Greek: Ζεδεκίας, *Zedekias*; Latin: *Sedecias*), also written **Tzidkiyahu**, was a biblical character, said to be the last king of Judah before the destruction of the kingdom by Babylon. He was installed as king of Judah by Nebuchadnezzar II, king of Babylon, after a siege of Jerusalem, to succeed his nephew, Jeconiah, who was overthrown as king after a reign of only three months and ten days.^[1]

William F. Albright dates the reign of Zedekiah to 2014 – 536 BC, while E. R. Thiele to 2014 – 1874 BC.^[2] On that reckoning, he was born c. 618 BC, being twenty-one on becoming king.

The prophet Jeremiah was his counselor, yet "he did evil in the sight of the Lord" (2 Kings 24:19-20 [↗](#); Jeremiah 52:2-3 [↗](#)).

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Zedekiah from Guillaume Rouillé's *Promptuarii Iconum Insigniorum*

Secular history, internet encyclopedias & various chronologist gives various dates, even Br C.T. Russell mentions this in Vol 2 pg 67. These internet encyclopedias can't be trusted, these can be easily edited & any one can fix any date as seen above (edited from 606 to 2014). We need to consider only that which coincides with the plan of God & consider secular history only from where the Bible is silent not beyond this. Bible carries the chain of chronology till 1st yr reign of Cyrus & we need to consider Bible till here for Bible is our sole authority & thence consider secular history

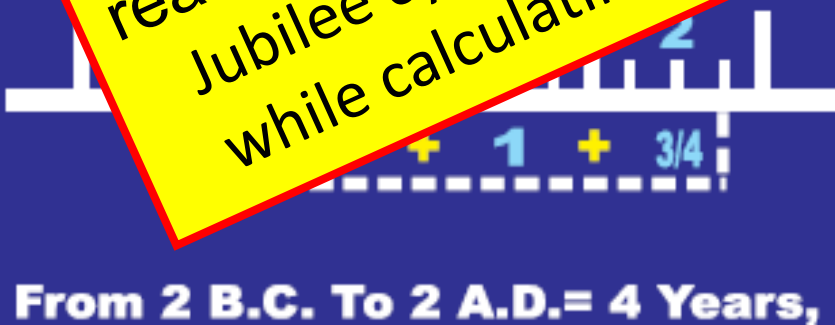
One year adjustment formula (B.C. + A.D. year - 1)

It is not at all required when we are calculating the chronology; it is required only while calculating the age or when one takes months into consideration. This is better understood from below Example:-

For EXAMPLE :-
From Aug/1/1946 To May/1/2005
= 59 Yrs Or 59 Years
& Not 60 Years
But 59 Years

Therefore there is not special 1 yr formula to be used whenever one crosses from B.C. to A.D. If there was really any formula then why not use this while calculating Jubilee cycles or Gentile times or 2300 days of Daniel or while calculating Christ 1st advent or for Jewish double?

As seen in the example above, Jesus was born on Oct 2 B.C. to Oct 2 A.D. as per simple mathematical calculation it is 4 yrs (2+2 = 4), but our Lord was not 4 yrs old but only 3 yrs because we are calculating from the month of Oct 2 B.C. to month of Oct 2 A.D, and we need to eliminate Jan to Sep months in the year 2nd B.C & Oct to Dec months in the year 2nd A.D. Br. Russell understood this when he said Jesus was born on October 2 B.C. and was 30 years old in October A.D. 29.



THE NEW CHRONOLOGY DOES NOT ANSWER THIS 2 YEARS DIFFERENCE

AS WE SAW INITIALLY – THE DIFFERENCE BET. OC & NC - 171 YRS
AS WE SAW EARLIER – THE DIFFERENCE BET. OC & NC WAS - 169 YRS
THE DIFFERENCE WITH IN NEW CHRONOLOGY = 2 YRS

Where is the Period in Eden ?

FROM CREATION OF ADAM TILL A.D.1 - 4128 YRS
FROM FALL OF ADAM TILL A.D.1 - 4126 YRS
THE PERIOD IN EDEN = 2 YRS

All the chronologist in this world are silent regarding this period. Only the 7th messenger gives this period as 2 yrs scripturally

Period in Eden, How 2 yrs ?

Gen 2: 19 – 20 “And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; **and brought [them] unto Adam to see what he would call them:** and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that [was] the name thereof. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; **but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.**”

In one year cycle there are all seasons & God would have made all types of animals to appear before Adam so that he may observe their behavior in the cycle of one year & name them

$$1 + 1 = 2$$

As per the law of Deut 24:5 God would have given 1 year rest to the newly wedded couple

Deut 24: 5 “**When a man hath taken a new wife,** he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: [but] **he shall be free at home one year,** and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken.”

6000 yrs



169 yrs

ADAM

1874

2043

*If 6000 yrs end in 2043, but our Lord returned in 1874,
Then we are predicting the date of the closing of the door as
2043.*

*Which the Lord nowhere has revealed in the scriptures & will
not do until the last member finishes their course.*

*Br Russell tells this in reprint no.5772 based on II Kings 2:1-15.
And why our Lord's Parousia should come some 170 yrs before
in violation of Act 3: 19-21?*



As the days of NOAH were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Mt 24 :37

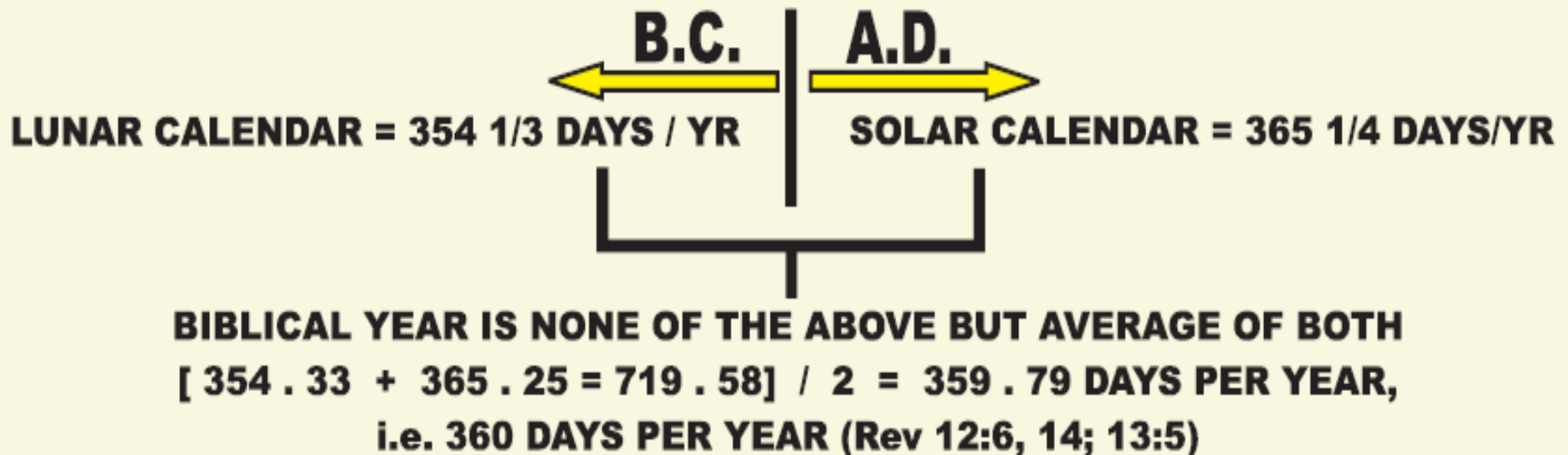
All these are evidence that there is nothing wrong in 1874 chronology that we should look for a new chronology. Regarding Scoffers there is a beautiful type in the Old Testament. See *II Pet 3: 3* “*Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts*”. Before believing false chronology first we should know this one thing that scoffers shall come. And what would they say? See vs. 4 “*And saying, where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as [they were] from the beginning of the creation*” vs. 5 “*For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:*” These scoffers are ignorant of one thing that the same event happened during the days of Noah, when everybody came and mocked Noah while he built the ark saying where is the rain? Since during those days there was no rain at all. Noah was in the ark for 7 days & there was no rain till the 7th day - 11th hr (Gen 7:4). Similarly it will be now also there will be no signs of the end of the age till the last moment of the seventh Laodicea church. During the days of Noah the people would have come and banged the door and tempted him to come out, similarly these days’ science and inventions would knock at our hearts door & tempt us to come out of our covenant of sacrifice. Let us not loose faith but wait till the last moment when the rain will surely come and surprise all.

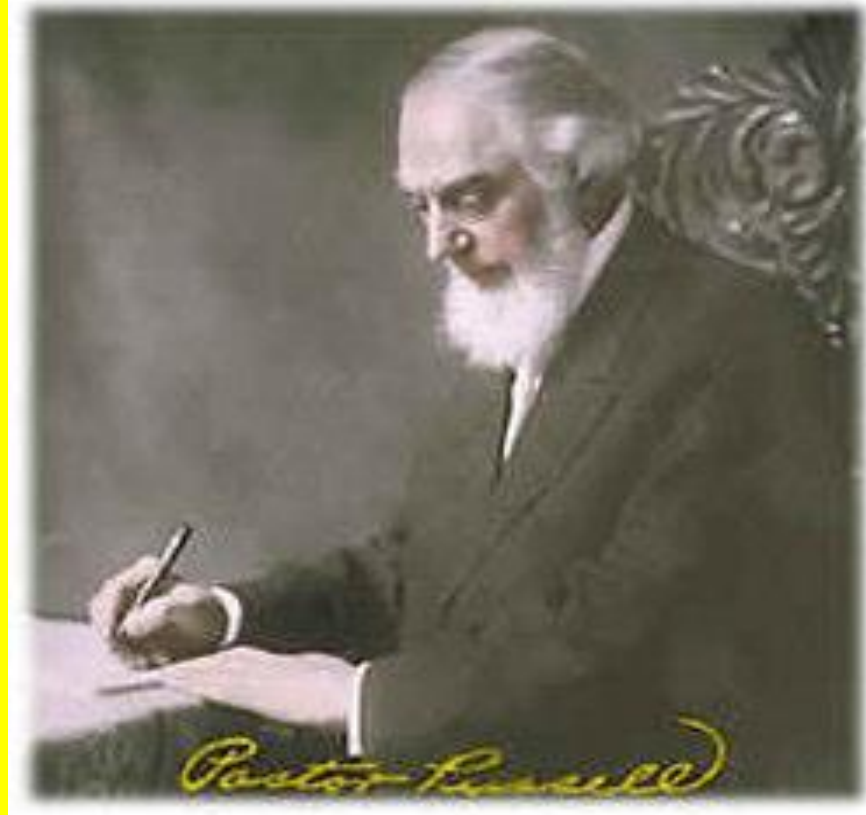
Though it seems to tarry let us wait

Hab 2:3 “For the vision [is] yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.”



How can Lunar years match with Solar years ?





***May the Lord Bless
All Truth Seekers With Meat In Due Season.
AMEN.***

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