

## Biblical Archaeology and Salvation History

<b><i>Proclamation of the Nativity</i></b>	<b>Archaeological Period in Syro-Palestine</b>
The Twenty-fifth Day of December, when ages beyond number had run their course from the creation of the world, when God in the beginning created heaven and earth, <b>and formed man in his own likeness</b> ;	<b>Paleolithic:</b> ca. 1.5 mya to 10,000 BC ~First humans outside Africa, first art
When century upon century had passed since the Almighty set his bow in the clouds after the <b>Great Flood</b> , as a sign of covenant and peace;	<b>Neolithic:</b> 10,000 to 5000 BC ~ First farmers and first cities <b>Chalcolithic:</b> 5000 to 3400 BC ~ First use of metal
In the twenty-first century since <b>Abraham</b> , our father in faith, came out of <b>Ur of the Chaldees</b> ;	<b>Early Bronze Age:</b> 3400 to 2000 BC ~ First civilizations <b>Middle Bronze Age:</b> 2000-1550 BC ~ Canaanites/Hyksos; Patriarchs
In the thirteenth century since the People of Israel were led by Moses in the <b>Exodus</b> from Egypt;	<b>Late Bronze Age:</b> 1550-1200 BC ~ New Kingdom Egypt, Hittites, ~ Exodus (probably 1250 BC) <b>Iron Age I Period:</b> 1200-1000 BC ~ Joshua and Judges: Israelite settlement by 1208 BC
Around the thousandth year since <b>David</b> was anointed King;	<b>Iron Age IIA Period:</b> 1000-900 BC ~ Kingdom of David and Solomon <b>Iron Age IIB/C Period:</b> 900-586 BC ~ Divided Kingdom: Jerusalem vs. Samaria; Prophets
In the sixty-fifth week of the prophecy of <b>Daniel</b> ;	<b>Babylonian Period:</b> 586-539 BC <b>Persian Period:</b> 539-330 BC ~ Exile/Return, Prophets; Canonical OT compiled/edited
In the one hundred and ninety-fourth <b>Olympiad</b> ;	<b>Hellenistic Period:</b> 330-63 BC ~ Conquest by Alexander the Great, Greek rule; Maccabees; Judea free
In the year seven hundred and fifty-two since the foundation of the <b>City of Rome</b> ; In the forty-second year of the <b>reign of Caesar Octavian Augustus</b> , the whole world being at peace,	<b>Early Roman/Herodian Period:</b> 63-4 BC ~Roman Conquest by Pompey; rule by Herod on behalf of Augustus 37-4 BC
<b>JESUS CHRIST</b> , eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to consecrate the world by his most loving presence, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and when nine months had passed since his conception, was born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judah, and was made man: The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.	<b>Birth of Jesus Christ:</b> between 7 and 4 BC or 1 BC (traditional)

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