Introduction

The intent of this book is to put the Bible in chronological order - at least in a chronological order that I believe is correct or as close to correct as I can get with the limited information I have at my disposal. Although we have access to tons of information on the internet, the truth is that in spite of all we have at our fingertips, people really KNOW very little. There are tons and tons and tons of theories, but no one truly knows what happened and when. History is full of pieces. It is a vast puzzle, and it is so easy to fit pieces into the wrong slots.

So, why am I doing this? I'm doing this both for myself and for those like me who sometimes want to see things from a more chronological perspective. The Bible bounces around chronologically almost constantly, and that can make things very difficult when you are trying to piece together the story of someone's life; not to mention trying to put together the history of lots and lots of people.

I like to think of the Bible as a collection of true stories told by normal people who were inspired by God to write them down. They are written in a way that best tells us what we need to know. The message is FAR more important throughout the Bible than the chronology. So keep in mind while you are reading it that the human author will often bounce around in time, telling only what fits into his main point for that particular passage.

Thus, what you will find even in the very beginning is that Moses, the author of the first five books, begins writing about the Creation Week. As he is doing so, he is writing with the purpose of teaching all Israel and the world that God did it all by Himself, and He did it through the power of His Word. He spoke, and His Word was obeyed - every time. This was to put down all teachings of Egypt which taught that multiple gods created the universe and the Earth, and they did it in various ways.

With this in mind, Moses brings us to, for example, Day 3, and he tells us that God called for plants. But then, in Genesis 2, he goes back in time to tell us that before Man was created, no plants had sprung forth. He does this with animals too. In Genesis 1, he tells us that land animals were created on Day 6 and air animals on Day 5, both before Mankind, but then in Genesis 2 it sounds almost as if animals sprang up AFTER God made Man.

I'll go into this particular event later in the notes, but for now just know that this is a common practice in the Bible. Again, Genesis 1's primary focus was to teach that God spoke, and His Word was obeyed. He called forth plants, and they obeyed and sprang forth. Meanwhile, Genesis 2 was meant to focus more on Mankind and the specific details surrounding his creation - including the Two Trees. It was also meant to teach Israel that the ONLY suitable companion/mate for Man was Woman. Animals were NOT suitable companions, even though they had been created from the dust of the Earth as well.

Therefore, please understand that while you read this version of the Bible, it is fallible in regards to its chronology. I am not in any way, shape, or form suggesting that I received divine revelation from God who told me that this is, in fact, 100% the correct order of things. I'm sure some will read this and find flaws, and if they do, great. We can discuss it. I can make corrections.

One final note, some scriptures will be repeated at various points in time. After all, they fit in multiple places. For example, Ezekiel 28:12-19 is clearly not about the King of Tyre but about the spirit behind the King of Tyre; that spirit being Satan. Therefore, you will find that passage listed in multiple places. Whenever I do this, you may find a footnote that explains why I did what I did. If there is no footnote, I probably found it to be self-explanatory.

Now, with that out of the way, let me present to you: Alpha & Omega: From Beginning To End (NKJV).

Chapter 1: Creation

Psalm 90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You *are* God. **John 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. **2** The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.[1]

3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. **4** And God saw the light, that *it was* good; and God divided the light from the darkness. **5** God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

6 Then God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." **7** Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament; and it was so. **8** And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day.

9 Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry *land* appear"; and it was so. **10** And God called the dry *land* Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that *it was* good.

11a Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed, *and* the fruit tree *that* yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed *is* in itself, on the earth";
Genesis 2:8a The Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden,[2]

Genesis 2:4 This *is* the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day[3] that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, **5** before any plant of the field was in the earth and before any herb of the field had grown. For the Lord God had not caused it to rain on the earth, and *there was* no man to till the ground; **6** but a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground.

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[1] See Chapter 1 Notes: When Angels Were Made.
[2] See Chapter 1 Notes: When The Garden of Eden Was Planted.
[3] Better translation would be "in the days".

Genesis 1:12b And God saw that *it was* good. **13** So the evening and the morning were the third day.

14 Then God said, “Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; **15** and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth”; and it was so. **16** Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. *He made* the stars also. **17** God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, **18** and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that *it was* good. **19** So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

20 Then God said, “Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens.” **21** So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that *it was* good. **22** And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” **23** So the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

24 Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, *each* according to its kind”; and it was so. **25** And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that *it was* good.

26 Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” **Genesis 2:7** And the Lord God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

Genesis 1:11b and it was so.[4] **12a** And the earth brought forth grass, the herb *that* yields seed according to its kind, and the tree *that* yields fruit, whose seed *is* in itself according to its kind.

[4] At this point, crops and plants and trees began to spring up as God commanded on Day 3. See Chapter 1 Notes: When The Garden of Eden Was Planted.

Genesis 2:9 And out of the ground the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life *was* also in the midst of the garden[5], and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

10 Now a river went out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four riverheads. **11** The name of the first *is* Pishon; it *is* the one which skirts the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold. **12** And the gold of that land *is* good. Bdellium and the onyx stone *are* there. **13** The name of the second river *is* Gihon; it *is* the one which goes around the whole land of Cush. **14** The name of the third river *is* Hiddekel; it *is* the one which goes toward the east of Assyria. The fourth river *is* the Euphrates.

15 Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it. **Genesis 2:8b**, and there He put the man whom He had formed.[6]

Genesis 2:18 And the Lord God said, "*It is* not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." **19** Out of the ground the Lord God [had] formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and [so, He] brought *them* to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that *was* its name. **20** So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him.[7]

21 And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. **22** Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. **23** And Adam said: "This *is* now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man." **24** Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. **25** And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Genesis 1:27 So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. **28** Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

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[5] Alternate translation: And out of the ground in the Garden of Eden, the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The Tree of Life and the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil were also in the midst of the Garden.
[6] See Chapter 1 Notes: The Location of Eden.
[7] See Chapter 1 Notes: Slight Alterations In Text.

29 And God said, “See, I have given you every herb *that* yields seed which *is* on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. **30** Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for food”; and it was so.

Genesis 2:16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; **17** but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

Genesis 1:31 Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed *it was* very good.[8] So the evening and the morning were the sixth day. **Genesis 2:1** Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. **Genesis 5:1** This is the book of the genealogy of Adam. In the day that God created man, He made him in the likeness of God. **2** He created them male and female, and blessed them and called them Mankind in the day they were created.

Genesis 2:2 And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. **3** Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

[8] See Chapter 1 Notes: Everything Was Very Good, Including Satan.

Chapter 1 Notes:

When Angels Were Made

I think it is at this time that God created the angels. Angels are the servants of God. This is clear throughout scripture. Thus, I believe He would have created them before He started fashioning all the stars and planets, etc. so that He would not need to do the work alone. Having servants to help Him would make the work more enjoyable and would give His servants an intimate knowledge of everything that was made in the Heavens so that they could help Him sustain them without Him having to micromanage everything Himself.

It is also fairly clear in Job 38:7 that the timing is accurate because it discusses God laying the foundation of the Earth. It says that He laid the foundations "When the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy." In this particular instance, the term "sons of God" refers to angels. Well, that is, most theologians believe this to be true, for who else, that we know of in scripture, would have existed during the founding of the Earth? Also, there is a difference in the Hebrew text between "sons of God" in Job 38 and "sons of God" elsewhere in scripture. This will be discussed later when we get to the topic of the Nephilim.

Finally, notice how throughout creation God commands things, and they are done. This implies that He is giving orders for others to do the work. Then, when we get to the creation of Adam, there is a shift in how it is worded. Instead of simply commanding Adam to be created, like He did with everything else, He said, "Let US make Man…" Then it even says that God fashioned Adam Himself.

Therefore, I believe that God first set up the spiritual system for the universe, fashioning angels and spirits of every kind. This was the true foundation of all creation. These beings dwelled in the heavens. After setting up the system, God then gave commands to everything, and the spirits of the universe obeyed His commands. When He said, "Let there be light," the spirits of light sprang into being, producing physical light. When He said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters," the spirits reacted to His command and created breathable air above the oceans.

Thus, I believe that God created the basic elements and assigned spirits to them that would control their behavior. Then He made angels and assigned them to shepherd the lesser spirits; to guide them and mold them based on the commands of God. This is supported by various scriptures that indicate that if something has life, it has a spirit. Also, there are scriptures that mention rocks crying out, winds that have spirits, etc.

Another thing that is interesting is that this would then fit well with the imagery Ezekiel saw in Ezekiel 1. Before anyone knew what an atom was, Ezekiel saw the likeness of one. The wheels within wheels with many eyes are eerily similar to the

model scientists have developed for atoms. The eyes are the electrons, and the wheels are the electron shells or rings.

Could it be that atoms are lesser spirits, the foundational spirits God created that He then commands even to this day? That would certainly explain why even the very elements obey God. I mean, think about it. The elements would have to be spirits - servants with the ability to obey their King - right? If God speaks, and they obey, they must have enough intelligence to first hear His voice, then understand what He is commanding, and then do it. Something to think about.

When The Garden of Eden Was Planted

This is a bit of a reversal from the original text I had written here. Upon closer study of this text, I found that it simply doesn't make sense that God called forth all plants and trees and so forth on Day 3 and yet in Genesis 2:4 it says that God did not have the plants spring up right away, nor did He allow it to rain. There was a mist, first, and all this was BECAUSE Mankind hadn't been created yet.

So, according to Genesis 2, God didn't actually bring forth the vegetation until AFTER He created Adam - or at least immediately before. Basically, it implies that He caused His Word, His command, on Day 3 to come to fruition on Day 6. So, on Day 3, He called the plants to come forth, but they did not actually spring up until Day 6 after He made Mankind. Once Man was created, He THEN caused the plants to spring up to provide food for all Mankind, the beasts of the field, and the birds of the air. At that time, He then also caused the Garden of Eden to spring up.

But I asked myself, "Why would He do this?" The answer? For Man's sake. He did it to show Adam that He had done it and had provided it all for him. HE was the provider of food. Notice the way it is even worded in Genesis 1:29-30. It is as if God is pointing out to Adam and Eve that He is the provider. "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food". It's as if He demonstrated for Adam that He'd created the plants, and then He told him that He was giving it all to him to supply his every need.

So it makes more sense, actually, that God waited to allow the plants to spring up until after Adam was created and conscious. In that way, God could display His wondrous power to His son, and He could make sure He understood that God Himself was His source.

This is why it then makes sense to place Genesis 2:16-17 directly after Genesis 1:29-30. As God is showing Adam and Eve that everything He made is theirs, He then

turns and warns them that there is but one type of fruit that is forbidden from them. That is the fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Now some may argue with the timing of this last point. One of the things I've heard many say is that God told Adam alone not to eat of the Tree of Knowledge, and it was his job to tell Eve what God said. He failed to tell her correctly, so that was why it was his fault she sinned - or something of that nature (there are variations).

But that not only doesn't make sense to me, it also doesn't fit right into scripture. It doesn't make sense to me because Eve was Adam's equal and partner in a PERFECT world. They were to be AS ONE even as God is One. That means that in the perfect world, they would have been in harmony with one another, never fighting or arguing about anything and never miscommunicating. They would have always been in agreement, God's Spirit granting them insights and a soft heart to help them maintain their oneness and to help them communicate with absolute perfect precision. So why would God NOT tell her directly as well? And if God knew that Adam would not tell her perfectly and accurately, why would God set up Eve for failure like that?

No. It makes no sense to me that God would NOT have told both of them together especially because Genesis 1:29-30 shows that AFTER Eve was created God told them both that they could eat of ANY tree of the whole world. All the herbs and trees and so forth were theirs to eat. To not tell Eve right then and there the exception to that rule, that would have been a HUGE oversight for God to commit. He basically would have told Eve that it was okay for her to eat of the Tree of Knowledge because He literally told both of them that they could eat of any tree in the world.

So it ONLY makes sense if He first said it was okay to eat of any tree in the whole world but then He immediately told them both the exception to the rule. That way, He didn't lie to Eve. He told her and Adam both which tree was the exception.

I think part of the issue is that Genesis 2 jumps around chronologically, and so people put the verses together when they shouldn't be. Part of this stems from translations throwing various verses together in the same paragraph and/or section, thus making them seem like they belong to the same thought and idea and thus the same chronology of events.

So look closer at Genesis 2. Notice that in verses 8-15, it is talking specifically about the Garden of Eden. It details that the Tree of Life and the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil are there. So one of the primary points Moses was trying to make in verses 8-17 is that God created the Garden of Eden, He put Man there to tend it, and He put the Two Trees there. One of them was the one He told Adam He should not eat from.

In fact, if you really look more closely, you find that THIS is the entire point of the entire chapter starting from verse 4 and going all the way through verse 17. It is one primary thought. God made plants for Mankind, He made Man, He placed Man in the

Garden, and He told Man not to eat of that one tree. Verses 1-3 are actually meant to be more of a conclusion for Genesis 1, and I have never really fully understood why translators and scribes put Genesis 2:1-3 in the beginning of a new chapter as opposed to at the end of Genesis 1. But I digress.

Anyway, verse 18 begins an entirely new primary point. This portion has NOTHING to do with the entire rest of the chapter that came before it. It is all about the naming of animals, why God created Eve, and how He created Eve - basically all about Adam's suitable partner and equal. The ONLY thing that glues this entire chapter together is that it is all setting the stage for Genesis 3. Otherwise, it is a chronological mess BECAUSE it is three main points that are being glued together into one chapter.

Honestly, if I was transcribing Genesis 2, I'd have put Genesis 2:1-3 at the end of Genesis 1, and I'd have put Genesis 2:4-17 in a chapter by itself while putting Genesis 18-25 in a chapter by itself. The fact that the scribes and translators didn't do it this way creates unnecessary confusion - but that's just my opinion.

Anyway, the whole point is that you shouldn't put verses 17 and 18 in the same chronology because they are both parts of two different primary points that Moses was making in Genesis 2. And so, it doesn't make sense, when you look at the overall story, that God would have told Adam BEFORE creating Eve that he could eat of any tree but the Tree of Knowledge and then AFTER creating Eve He went and told Adam and Eve together that they could eat of any tree at all without then specifying to Eve that she couldn't eat of the Tree of Knowledge. Leaving that to Adam means God technically lied to Eve, and God does not lie.

The Location of Eden

Notice. God did not create Man in the Garden of Eden. He created Man elsewhere and put him into the Garden to tend it. Eden was eastward from where God created Mankind. I believe this indicates, actually, that Eden is Israel, and the Garden of Eden is Jerusalem.

Why? Let's look a bit at history. There are two cities that are considered the oldest in the world. One is Eridu in southern Mesopotamia - aka modern day Iraq, which was ancient Sumer and later Babylon. The other is Urusalim, which is the first name given to Jerusalem. Now, according to historians, where did the earliest civilization spring up? Sumer. Where is Eridu and Sumer? East of Jerusalem and Israel. Where did Cain go to settle after he killed Abel? Nod, a land east of Eden.

Therefore, it makes sense that Sumer is Nod since Cain fled there and he built a city dedicated to his son. We also know, based on scripture, that Cain and his family were the ones to introduce major advances in technology. Consequently, Sumer did as well. The parallels are a bit uncanny.

Finally, it makes sense that Israel is Eden because of all the nations in the world, God has always favored the land of Israel, and particularly Jerusalem. Even when the Israelites didn't own it, God's eyes were on the land of Canaan. He made it to prosper, "a

land flowing with milk and honey" even when the inhabitants were filthy, terrible and wicked. Why would God care so much about that land in particular unless its origins go way back to Adam and Eve?

To add to this, it then makes Jesus' death in Jerusalem all the more meaningful. The very spot where sin entered the world because of a tree, the Garden of Eden, that is where Jesus died for the sins of the world, on a tree, so that Mankind could be restored as kings and queens; rulers of the Earth who were perfect in God's eyes. And where will Jesus rule from for all eternity? The same place where Adam was originally supposed to rule from. How appropriate!

Slight Alterations In Text

Please note: I have added "had" to the text, as well as "so, He" so that there is less confusion. God had formed the beasts and birds and such on previous days, and then He brought them to Adam on the sixth day. He did not form them after Adam was created.

The scripture details this event to emphasize that like Adam, animals were all made from the ground as well. It is also because God was showing Adam that animals would not be suitable helpers for him. Nothing God had made thus far would be a perfect mate for him.

Thirdly, this event was also meant to introduce Adam to his servants, and by having him name them, God was showing the whole Earth that Adam was the king. God was firmly establishing him as the ruler of the whole world. This was the very first coronation/inauguration ceremony.

Please also note that I did not do this without a good deal of hesitation. Some would say, "The Bible is clear that we are NOT to change any wording or even punctuations from scripture." To this I would like to point out that what we are reading when we read the Bible in English is a translation. It is not the original text. Therefore, it is important that we translate the scripture so that we understand its original meaning. The original meaning is that Man was created on the sixth day, but animals were created before Adam on the sixth day and fifth day, as Genesis 1 makes clear. Therefore, it is not wrong to include a few words to make the translation clearly understood without confusion for the meaning of the text.

Everything Was Very Good, Including Satan

Notice here that it says that "everything that He had made" was "very good". Also notice that in Genesis 2:1 it says, "Thus THE HEAVENS and the earth, and ALL THE HOST OF THEM, were finished." THEN "on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done."

This is pretty clear. All the angels and mankind and everything in the universe was "very good" between the sixth and seventh days. God had made everything to perfection. There was not an evil thing anywhere. Therefore, contrary to the belief of many, Satan had not rebelled against God prior to the creation of Earth and Mankind. His rebellion against God would not come until the Fall of Adam and Eve.

If Satan was evil at this time, it would not be true, then, that “God saw EVERYTHING that He had made, and indeed it was very good.” There would have been an exception if Satan had rebelled before this point. It would have said something like, “God saw everything that He had made, and except for Lucifer, who was now called Satan, and all his fallen angels, indeed it was very good.” See the next chapter for more on this.

Chapter 2: The Fall

Genesis 4:1a Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived.[9] **Genesis 3:1** Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made.[10] And he said to the woman, “Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden’?”

2 And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; **3** but of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’ ”

4 Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. **5** For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

6 So when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. **7** Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

9 Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, “Where *are* you?”

10 So he said, “I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.”

11 And He said, “Who told you that you *were* naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?”

12 Then the man said, “The woman whom You gave *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.”

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[9] See Chapter 2 Notes: Timing of Cain and Abel’s Births.
[10] See Chapter 2 Notes: The Serpent and Satan.

13 And the Lord God said to the woman, “What *is* this you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

14 So the Lord God said to the serpent: “Because you have done this, You *are* cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life. **15** And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.”

Ezekiel 28:12b “You *were* the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. **13** You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone *was* your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created.

14 “You *were* the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God[11]; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. **15** You *were* perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you.

16 “By the abundance of your trading[12] You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones. **17** “Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you.

18 “You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your trading; Therefore I brought fire from your midst; It devoured you, And I turned you to ashes upon the earth In the sight of all who saw you. **19** All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; You have become a horror, And *shall be* no more forever.”””

Genesis 4:16 To the woman He said: “I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire *shall be* for your husband, And he shall rule over you.”

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[11] I believe this is the Garden of Eden. See Chapter 2 Notes: The Serpent and Satan.
[12] See Chapter 2 Notes: Trading.

17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed *is* the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat *of* it All the days of your life. **18** Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field. **19** In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you *are,* And to dust you shall return."

Genesis 4:1b Now Adam [13][had been intimate with] Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and said, "I have acquired a man from the Lord." **2** Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel. **Genesis 3:20** And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. **21** Also for Adam and his wife the Lord God made tunics of skin, and clothed them.

22 Then the Lord God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"— **23** therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. **24** So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.

Revelation 12:7 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, **8** but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. **9** So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. **Revelation 12:4** His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth.

Isaiah 14:12 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *How* you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! **13** For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; **14** I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' **15** Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit." **Jude 6** And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day.[14]

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[13] See Chapter 2 Notes: Timing of Cain and Abel's Births.
[14] See Chapter 2 Notes: Fallen Angels.

Chapter 2 Notes:

Timing of Cain and Abel's Births

The Fall likely occurred within 9 months of creation. Why do I think this? First, if you notice, scripture implies that Eve was able to conceive easily before the Fall. This is why God said that He would greatly multiply, or increase, her sorrow and conception. It basically means that the reason why human females have a much harder time conceiving than any other race of creatures in the world is because God cursed Eve in the Garden of Eden on that fateful day. He could only increase the difficulty of conception back then if conception was much easier than it is presently.

And, if you think about it, doesn't that make sense? When God made all things, wouldn't He have made it super easy for His most precious creation to conceive? What was the curse, to Eve? It was a shame to her because now all other animals, who were supposed to be her servants, would be able to conceive and bear LOTS of children while she struggled to do so. The curse was meant to humble her because the reason for her sin was pride.

Also, it makes sense that they would have conceived immediately because in a perfect world where there was only Adam and Eve and animals, the two would have been having intimate relations all the time. They had no work or hardships and no children, so there was nothing to prevent or hinder them from doing such a thing all the time. They also were naked all the time. They didn't wear clothes and didn't even know what such things were. And then, just to make it even more likely that they would have conceived right away, Adam and Eve were commanded by God to have lots of sex and children. It was His first commandment to them.

Now, to add even more to this concept, think about a woman's period. Ask any woman and they'll tell you that they hate them. In a perfectly created paradise, would God have made Eve so that she'd suffer from a period? Either she had the ability to control when she would ovulate, or she had conceived before her first period.

If you think about it, in a perfect world, both were probably true. Eve probably could control if and when she would get pregnant, for it was her body and she was the Queen of the Earth. ALL things were subject to her and Adam. They were like Jesus who could command and even the elements had to obey (or even the woman's issue of blood would be stopped).

So Eve could probably control her ovulation and never have periods; only having children when she wanted to. But being a brand new experience, and being a command of God's, why would she prevent it? She would be excited to know what it was like.

This is why I think it is most likely that they conceived in the first month of Spring, when the world was made, along with all animals at that time - the first mating season, and she was to give birth in the Fall. Since all things start to die in the Fall, it makes sense that the first year of the world set the standard for all the seasons from that time on. And so, it is likely that Adam and Eve were about to have at least Cain when the Fall occurred.

Another potential theory, of course, is that Eve had periods prior to the Fall, but they were not uncomfortable or painful. This is also quite possible, for animals have periods that are not like human periods. They are much more tame in comparison.

The problem I have with this theory is that a period is technically the death of an egg - a failure to fertilize it. But death and imperfections were not introduced to humanity until AFTER the Fall. Only after they disobeyed God was perfection shattered and imperfection became Mankind's way of life. Again, in a perfect world, would any of a woman's eggs have not been fertilized, passing out of the woman's body without life? Doesn't seem quite perfect to me.

And again, periods are no fun, regardless of how bad they are. I have a hard time believing that in a perfect world Eve would have had even one period. I really think God created Eve to naturally control when she'd ovulate, and she'd determine when she wanted to have another baby.

Now, going along with this, why do I think she gave birth in the Garden of Eden just after the curse was given? Because the Bible paused the story to say that Adam called her Eve right then and there. Eve means "mother of all living". So why did Adam call her the mother of all living at that time unless she actually gave birth to her first child right then and there? I think that after the curse was given, she went into labor and gave birth to at least Cain. Why did I include Abel? Find out in the next chapter. All I'll say here is that I think they were actually twins.

The Serpent and Satan

The word "serpent" means "dragon". It does not mean snake. This implies something akin to dinosaurs or the traditional dragons one might find in ancient mythology. Please notice that this was a living, breathing animal. It was not, contrary to popular belief, simply Satan in the form of a serpent.

We know this because of God's curse. He says that the offspring of the serpent will hate and try to kill Eve and her offspring - "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed." The word "Seed" in many translations is capitalized because many attribute the meaning to Jesus. Satan's followers will hate Jesus and Jesus will crush Satan in the end.

However, although this interpretation is not wrong, it is not the only interpretation that fits. The original meaning is "offspring". It means that the offspring of the serpent, or dragon, would hate and want to kill Eve and her offspring. It isn't specific to Jesus only - though of all of Eve's descendants, Jesus would obviously be the most hated by Satan and his demons.

The Bible is pretty clear. Dragons (aka dinosaurs) existed. They were the enemies of Mankind. They had legs, for God said, "On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life." So, all dragons started with legs, but over time they became two-legged and even no legged, as the curse took effect over generations of time. This would be similar to how God cursed Mankind to die, but it wasn't instant, and later He even reduced Mankind's lifespan to 120 years. Again, it didn't happen the day God issued the curse. It happened over time. So, in a sense, evolution occurred, but

it was God initiated and controlled. Actually, I would call it de-evolution, for dragons started off superior to the versions that came later.

Thus, it makes sense that first dragons were good and plant eating and friendly to all things, just as scientists tell us, but then they became meat eating carnivores on two legs who hunted animals and Mankind, ruling most of the world at that time as they produced offspring much quicker while Adam and Eve struggled to survive and multiply.

Why don't we see human carcasses alongside dinosaurs? Because Eve's reproductive organs were cursed so that she would struggle to conceive and have children. Meanwhile, dragons and animals of all kinds were producing at a much faster rate?

But why don't we see other animals like mammals along with dinosaur carcasses? Dragons rebelled against Mankind and God, which is clear based on this passage of scripture. Meanwhile, other animals did not. Mankind would undoubtedly need help to survive during those early days, and animals were created to be their servants. Therefore, it makes sense that Mankind and the bulk of animals, especially those most like humans, would remain clustered together in various pockets of the world while dragons spread out because they were so huge.

This also explains why the bulk of dinosaur fossils can be found in regions of the world around the Middle East but not actually so much IN Israel or the Middle East. You might find a few here and there in those lands, but most are in Asia or North and South America, Europe, Africa, etc. Pretty much everywhere but the Middle East, you'll find lots and lots of dinosaur fossils.

So, it is most likely that even friendly dragons spread out because Eden was cursed and didn't provide food. Thus, they went to other lands that had more crops, and the massive carnivores pursued them instead of humans. After all, humans were smaller, harder to kill because of God's protection, and they didn't provide much sustenance. They might hate humans, but these giants needed to live, and other dragons would make MUCH better meals for them to survive on.

This also makes sense because early mythology depicts dragons as one of, if not THE primary enemies of Mankind. Why were they so prevalent in ancient mythology in cultures all throughout the world - even places isolated from one another? They existed WITH humanity; at the same time that is, and whenever they ran into humans, they hated them and attacked them with intensity.

This means that either Satan WAS literally a dragon and once he died he became a renegade spirit that continues to influence the people of the world to do evil even to this day, OR Satan was an angel, presumably Lucifer because of Isaiah 14 (Lucifer means "Daystar"), who was the spirit behind the first rebellious dragon's actions. It is probably the latter, for Satan seems to believe that he can defeat even God, continuing to do everything in his power throughout scripture to destroy God's work and attempt to break His Word. Only someone who was second to God would even think himself powerful enough to overthrow Him. A serpent who was a "beast of the field" would in no way think that he could overthrow God.

I mean, I guess Satan could just be a total idiot, but nothing in scripture indicates that Satan is, in any way, stupid. In fact, he appears to be a master strategist, a VERY

powerful adversary, and someone who contends with angels. Therefore, he must have been God's second, for only an idiot would actually think that they could take on the Big Boss when there are others who are over him; between him and the Boss. I mean, if Michael, the Archangel, for example, was more powerful than Satan, why would Satan think he could take on God when he couldn't even take on Michael? Only if no one else was more powerful than he was would Satan believe that he could actually accomplish it.

Also, there are several instances in scripture where it is clear that God is addressing the spiritual force behind certain rulers, for who else could God be talking about in Ezekiel 28 but Satan? This type of thing is common mostly in prophecies. Many times, God is addressing a particular earthly ruler, but He is also referring to the spiritual force behind that ruler; Satan.

If Ezekiel 28 is referring, then, to Satan, it is clear that Satan was THE Guardian Angel, or Cherub Who Covers. Thus, it makes more sense that Satan was actually the Chief Angel of God, the Captain of the Royal Guard, prior to Michael, and Satan led a third of the angels to join him in rebellion against God when he convinced the serpent to try to kill Adam and Eve.

Why a third of the angels? How do we know this? Revelation tells us that the Red Dragon took a third of the stars with him when he rebelled. It later refers to Satan and his demons, implying that the stars in the vision were angels turned demons because of rebellion. They are Satan's chief minions. Although I think they were angels of varying degrees of strength, I think it makes the most sense that these demons were likely the most powerful angels in Heaven prior to the Fall. Why? Because like Satan, they would be the ones who thought they were actually powerful enough to take over God's Kingdom.

Think about it, who are the ones who join rebel leaders in their attempts to overthrow a king? They are those closest to the rebel leader who support him and think he has a shot at taking down the king and seizing his throne; his co-conspirators. Either that, or they are the foolish people who just obey orders or believe whatever they hear without thinking things through.

If this is true for humans, I see no reason to believe that it wouldn't also have been true for God's angels. Those powerful angels who were closest to Satan were likely the first who joined him when he began his war, and they undoubtedly bullied and tricked the unwise into siding with them.

Now here's another interesting thing to note about Ezekiel 28. Satan was the Guardian Angel in the Garden of Eden, on the Mountain of God. That means it was HIS responsibility to protect Adam and Eve. From what? In their perfect world where they ruled everything, what could possibly hurt them?

There was only one thing that could kill them. If they ate of the Tree of Knowledge, God said that they would die. Therefore, it makes sense to me that Satan was THE angel in charge of keeping them away from the fruit of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. That means that if Satan was influencing the serpent, he actually DID commit a very great sin. Not only was he tricking Adam and Eve through the serpent, using the

dragon as a shield for his own misconduct, but he was also NOT protecting them from the tree that would be their deaths.

I also think it's interesting to note that there is a mention of the fiery stones on the Mountain of God. What were these? Well, who knows, quite frankly, but I speculate that they were also in the Garden of Eden, and since Satan walked on them, they were likely surrounding the Tree of Knowledge. Could it be that they were an added defense for Adam and Eve; something to help them avoid accidentally finding one of the fruits of the tree and eating it? After all, if it would kill them, wouldn't God put up defensive barriers to help them avoid accidentally killing themselves? In that way, IF they were to eat from that tree, they'd need help, and they'd HAVE to do it of their own volition. It would not just be an accident.

Anyway, whether all that is true or not, I think it is pretty clear from scripture that Satan was an angel, he was God's second, he was the guardian of Adam and Eve in Eden, and he purposely plotted and executed a plan that would murder Adam and Eve - the exact opposite of what he was supposed to do. Instead of keeping them safe, he sought to trick them into killing themselves, and he used the serpent to do it.

But why did he need the serpent? Well, in some cultures, dragons were the guardians of humanity. Could it be that the original serpent in the garden - presumably a red serpent because of the book of Revelation - was supposed to be Mankind's physical guardian just as Satan was Mankind's spiritual guardian? Was that red dragon supposed to also guard the Tree of Knowledge so that no one would eat from it?

It makes sense that God would provide both a spiritual and physical guardian over the tree. After all, Adam and Eve were His children, His most beloved creation. If He created the tree and put it in the Garden of Eden, he would want to make sure that it was clear that it was off limits, locked away and guarded, so that there would be no mistake.

Another interesting tidbit that makes me think that the serpent in the Garden of Eden was actually the physical guardian of Adam and Eve is that in Greek mythology we find a parallel story. Ladon was a great dragon that was coiled around the Golden Apple Tree in the Garden of Hesperides. He guarded the apples which were said to give eternal life to the gods.

Trading

"Trading" implies that Lucifer was a highly skilled and intelligent manager of God's Kingdom. Even in Heaven, people were trading things to one another. This makes sense, if you think about it. The main difference between Heaven and Earth would be that trading in Heaven would be fair and just and good. People wouldn't use dishonest scales or methods to trick one another, but life itself implies that individuals would say, "Hey. Wanna trade? I have this thing that I'm not as interested in anymore, and you have something I would like to have."

I mean, there's nothing inherently wrong with trading. It can even be fun, which is why children will trade with cards, toys, etc. When you read scripture, it seems fairly clear that life will go on after death. In the New Heaven and New Earth, we will still

enjoy one another's company, trade things with one another, and so on and so forth, similar to now except without fighting, warring, and manipulating.

Lucifer, being superior to others, seems to have been good at negotiating the better bargains from other angels, and so he was able to amass riches in Heaven beyond measure. Again, there's nothing wrong with this. If the people he made deals with were happy with the trade - and there was no manipulation involved - then it was a fair and good trade. God doesn't mind trading. It's the manipulating and the stingy withholding of goods from those who need them that God detests.

Also, I think that "trading" in Ezekiel 28 can be translated to mean "negotiating" or "discussing" or "conspiring", as in one who sits and trades ideas and plans and schemes. When you read the overall passage, "trading" seems to be something more than an exchange of goods.

It says that "By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within." Doesn't that seem like more than just buying and selling goods? He became violent within. That sounds more, to me, like he was discussing his ideas with others, and he and his associates worked each other up until they reached a level of anger that was so intense that they contemplated murder. I imagine they complained and complained, basically, about how things were until they were so upset that they were more than ready to kill. Isn't that typically how people work? Since Adam and Eve were the targets, it is likely that their complaints centered around them.

My guess is that Lucifer thought it was beneath him to be their guardian. Meanwhile, from God's point of view, who would be better to protect His children than His Captain of the Guard? Regardless of what God thought, I think Lucifer grew proud and considered himself too great for such tasks. He complained with his companions and peers and pointed out a lot of "flaws" that he perceived existed.

Then Lucifer and his closest peers began to scheme and plot and plan, just like evil people do here on Earth. Behind closed doors where they thought God could not hear them, they devised a way to defeat God. Then Lucifer executed the plan. He tricked Adam and Eve into eating from the forbidden fruit, expecting that on the day they ate of it, they would die, just as God said. It is pretty clear based on scripture. Lucifer's intent was murder.

This is why Jesus called him a "murderer from the beginning", John 8:44. It was because right from the very beginning of creation, Lucifer desired to murder God's Children. Consequently, Jesus also called him "the father of lies" because the very first sins he committed were lying and murder.

By lying to Eve, he literally committed murder. Their deaths were that day, just as God said, for they were cut off from the Tree of Life, and thus cut off from the fruit that would give them eternal life. From that day onward, their bodies began to die, dying slowly and more and more each day. It wasn't a sudden, instant death, as Satan probably planned, but they died nonetheless on that day.

Also, they were no longer the people they had been when God first made them. They spiritually died that day. The old, perfect Adam and Eve were dead. The new, rebellious Adam and Eve were VERY different. They were undoubtedly angry, mean, bitter, scared, nasty, violent, selfish, self-centered, uncaring and unfeeling towards one

another a good amount of the time. In short, they became just like a lot of us even today, struggling to survive and often blaming one another for all of their problems instead of taking ownership of their own mistakes and asking for forgiveness.

Fallen Angels

Who are the angels that Jude is referring to? After all, we know that Satan isn't bound in everlasting chains. Satan and his fallen angels (demons) are at work in the world, manipulating people to do bad things. After all, the New Testament has plenty of examples of individuals being demon possessed. If demons are all bound in chains under darkness and reserved for judgment, how are they then free and possessing people?

So what is Jude talking about? To understand this, you must look at Revelation. If you notice in Revelation (the day of judgment), there are certain demons that are set loose upon the Earth (such as Abaddon, the Destroyer, in Revelation 9). These demons wreak havoc upon the world, causing all sorts of pain and suffering.

Keeping this in mind, I believe that after that first War In Heaven, some of the most powerful and devious and destructive demons were bound in chains while others escaped capture. Those bound in chains are held prisoner in the darkest depths of Hell to this day and unable to be set free until the End Times; reserved for that great day.

Chapter 3: Prehistoric Times

Genesis 4:2 Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. **3** And in the process of time[15] it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord. **4** Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and his offering, **5** but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. **Hebrews 11:4a** By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts.

Genesis 4:6 So the Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? **7** If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire *is* for you, but you should rule over it."

8 Now 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 killed him.

9 Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where *is* Abel your brother?"

He said, "I do not know. *Am* I my brother's keeper?"

10 And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground." **Hebrews 11:4b** and through it (Abel's faith and his sacrifice), he being dead still speaks.

Genesis 4:11 "So now you *are* cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. **12** When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you.[16] A fugitive and a vagabond you shall be on the earth."

13 And Cain said to the Lord, "My punishment *is* greater than I can bear! **14** Surely You have driven me out this day from the face of the ground; I shall be hidden from Your face; I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond on the earth, and it will happen *that* anyone who finds me will kill me."

15 And the Lord said to him, "Therefore, whoever kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the Lord set a mark on Cain, lest anyone finding him should kill him.

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[15] See Chapter 3 Notes: The First 130 Years.
[16] See Chapter 3 Notes: Cain The Hunter.

1 John 3:11 For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another, **12** not as Cain *who* was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous. **Genesis 4:16** Then Cain went out from the presence of the Lord and dwelt in the land of Nod on the east of Eden.[17]

Genesis 4:25 And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and named him Seth, "For God has appointed another seed for me instead of Abel, whom Cain killed." **Genesis 5:3** And Adam lived one hundred and thirty years, and begot *a son* in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth. **4** After he begot Seth, the days of Adam were eight hundred years; and he had sons and daughters. **5** So all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years; and he died.

Genesis 6:1 Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, **2** that the sons of God[18] saw the daughters of men, that they *were* beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose. **Genesis 6:4** There were giants on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore *children* to them. Those *were* the mighty men who *were* of old, men of renown.

Genesis 5:6 Seth lived one hundred and five years, and begot Enosh. **Genesis 4:26** And as for Seth, to him also a son was born; and he named him Enosh. Then *men* began to call on the name of the Lord. **Romans 8:14** For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

Genesis 4:17 And Cain knew his wife, and she conceived and bore Enoch. And he built a city, and called the name of the city after the name of his son—Enoch. **Jude 7** and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. **8** Likewise also these dreamers defile the flesh, reject authority, and speak evil of dignitaries. **Jude 10** But these speak evil of whatever they do not know; and whatever they know naturally, like brute beasts, in these things they corrupt themselves. **11a** Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain. **Jude 12** These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving *only* themselves. *They are* clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; **13** raging waves of the sea,

[17] See Chapter 3 Notes: The Foundation of Sumer.
[18] See Chapter 3 Notes: Sons of The Gods.

foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

Genesis 4:18 To Enoch was born Irad; and Irad begot Mehujael, and Mehujael begot Methushael, and Methushael begot Lamech. **19** Then Lamech took for himself two wives: the name of one *was* Adah, and the name of the second *was* Zillah. **20** And Adah bore Jabal. He was the father of those who dwell in tents and have livestock. **21** His brother's name *was* Jubal. He was the father of all those who play the harp and flute. **22** And as for Zillah, she also bore Tubal-Cain, an instructor of every craftsman in bronze and iron. And the sister of Tubal-Cain *was* Naamah.

23 Then Lamech said to his wives: "Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; Wives of Lamech, listen to my speech! For I have killed a man for wounding me, Even a young man for hurting me. **24** If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, Then Lamech seventy-sevenfold."[19]

Genesis 5:7 After he begot Enosh, Seth lived eight hundred and seven years, and had sons and daughters. **8** So all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years; and he died. **9** Enosh lived ninety years, and begot Cainan. **10** After he begot Cainan, Enosh lived eight hundred and fifteen years, and had sons and daughters. **11** So all the days of Enosh were nine hundred and five years; and he died.

12 Cainan lived seventy years, and begot Mahalalel. **13** After he begot Mahalalel, Cainan lived eight hundred and forty years, and had sons and daughters. **14** So all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years; and he died. **15** Mahalalel lived sixty-five years, and begot Jared. **16** After he begot Jared, Mahalalel lived eight hundred and thirty years, and had sons and daughters. **17** So all the days of Mahalalel were eight hundred and ninety-five years; and he died.

18 Jared lived one hundred and sixty-two years, and begot Enoch. **19** After he begot Enoch, Jared lived eight hundred years, and had sons and daughters. **20** So all the days of Jared were nine hundred and sixty-two years; and he died.

21 Enoch lived sixty-five years, and begot Methuselah. **22** After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters. **23** So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years.

Jude 14 Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men (referring to Jude 4: For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the

[19] See Chapter 3 Notes: The Legacy of Cain.

only Lord God) also, saying, “Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, **15** to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.” **16** These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling *words*, flattering people to gain advantage.

Genesis 5:24 And Enoch walked with God; and he *was* not, for God took him. **Hebrews 11:5** By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, “and was not found, because God had taken him”; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God. **6** But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him,* for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Genesis 5:25 Methuselah lived one hundred and eighty-seven years, and begot Lamech. **26** After he begot Lamech, Methuselah lived seven hundred and eighty-two years, and had sons and daughters. **27** So all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred and sixty-nine years; and he died.

28 Lamech lived one hundred and eighty-two years, and had a son. **29** And he called his name Noah, saying, “This *one* will comfort us concerning our work and the toil of our hands, because of the ground which the Lord has cursed.” **30** After he begot Noah, Lamech lived five hundred and ninety-five years, and had sons and daughters. **31** So all the days of Lamech were seven hundred and seventy-seven years; and he died.

Chapter 3 Notes:

The First 130 Years

How much time? In Genesis 5, it mentions that Adam lived 130 years. Then Seth was born to him. Look what Eve says about Seth. "For God has appointed another seed for me instead of Abel, whom Cain killed."

This makes it pretty clear to me that the murder of Abel was just before Seth's birth. Seth was the next male child to be born after Abel's death, which is why she gave him the name Seth, which means "appointed or placed".

Seth was appointed as a replacement to Abel. Why was he a replacement for Abel? Wasn't Cain the oldest? Also, why was Cain so upset that God had accepted Abel's offering instead of his? I mean, Cain was SO angry that he killed Abel. So why would someone who obviously didn't love God enough to offer a proper sacrifice to him kill his brother when God rejected it?

Could it be that Cain killed Abel for the same reason Esau wanted to kill Jacob; the same reason Saul wanted to kill David? Keep in mind that Adam was considered King of the Earth at this time. He was the ultimate, ONLY ruler of humanity. Therefore, Adam would need to name an heir.

This is why I think that Cain and Abel were twins. If Cain and Abel were twins, then both were the oldest children of Adam and Eve. Thus, either one of them could have been the heir to the throne.

I think THIS is the true significance of this particular offering. I think God was to determine who would be Adam's successor. Whoever God chose, that person would be the one to rule when Adam passed away. That would explain why Cain became so angry. It wasn't that God was rejecting him. It was that he was no longer considered the "appointed" heir to the Throne of Man.

Notice what it says in Genesis 5:3. "And Adam lived one hundred and thirty years, and begot *a son* in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth." Eve considered Seth "appointed", a replacement for Abel, and Genesis 5:3 says that Seth was "in his own likeness, after his image."

So it really seems to me that Seth replaced Abel as Adam's heir. Why would he have been the heir if he was younger than Cain? And were there any other children contesting the right to be heir? After all, at least 120-something years had passed since the dawn of creation. Surely, there were more children by this time. Cain is even so scared about "others" finding him and trying to kill him. So obviously there were lots of children born to Mankind by this point. And, to add to this, Cain was able to build a city after he ran off to Nod. How could he build a city if there weren't more humans around?

And then, last but not least, the way Genesis 4 is worded, it sounds almost as if after Cain was born, Abel came right after. You see, typically in scripture when time goes by between the conception and births of multiple children, it says something like, "Then [insert husband here] knew [insert wife here] his wife again, and she conceived and gave birth to [insert child here]." But with Cain and Abel, it isn't worded like that. It says, "Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel." It is almost as if Abel is tagged

on to Cain's birth. So, just to be clear, with Cain it says, "she conceived and bore", but with Abel it just says, "she bore again".

Thus, the most logical explanation to me is Cain and Abel were twins, and they both had a potential right to be Adam's heir, since they were both technically the same age born at the same time and probably born in the Garden of Eden just before they were kicked out. It makes much more sense, then, that the sacrifice was to determine who the heir would be, and since Cain had lost, he murdered Abel because of his jealousy and lust for power.

But, again, this is mostly theory. There is nothing in scripture that specifically says that Cain and Abel were twins, that they were born in the Garden of Eden, nor does it say that the sacrifice was to determine Adam's heir. I am only sharing this because I think it is a pretty good theory, and it seems to be supported by various elements of scripture. Either way, it truly seems that the Cain and Abel story occurred roughly around 129ish years after the Creation of the World.

So what was going on, then, in the world from the time of Creation until the Year 130 when Seth was born? Who knows? I personally think Mankind was just trying to survive and increase in numbers. Since God cursed women to have a harder time conceiving, animals would have spread throughout the world much faster, including dinosaurs (dragons). Since food was difficult to produce, because God cursed the ground, it would have been very hard to support large numbers of people.

For this reason, I think that Mankind fought to live, and after a time, they probably spread out because the land in Eden was no longer able to support everyone. I think this is why Cain was afraid that others would find him and kill him. Even though humans spread out, I think they were still relatively keeping in touch, and when they found out that Cain killed Abel, anyone in the world who met up with Cain would try to kill him.

So Cain was afraid that others would find him and kill him because others existed out in the world, not just in Eden. This, then, also explains how Cain was able to go to the Land of Nod and build a city. Since there were others living there already, he was able to build a city and rule over his brothers and sisters that were already in that land.

Cain The Hunter

This implies that Cain was the first carnivorous human. Why does history say that humans were hunters and gatherers before becoming farmers and such? I believe it is because Cain could no longer farm. No matter what he did, his crops were ruined.

Therefore, to survive, he went the way of the evil dragons (carnivorous dinosaurs). He became like the serpent's offspring, hunting and killing for food. By this time, other animals were probably doing the same thing. After all, the earth was cursed so that it would be very hard to produce crops.

Thus, with food being scarce, some previous plant-eaters would start turning to eating other animals in order to survive. Since I also believe that Cain went on to establish the earliest civilization, Sumer, this fits with what modern history teaches (except, of course, that they believe Mankind developed over thousands upon thousands of years instead of hundreds).

The Foundation of Sumer

And this is why I believe Cain was the founder of Sumer. Sumer is Mesopotamia, which is modern-day Iraq. It is east of Israel/Jerusalem, which I believe was the original location of the Garden of Eden. Why do I think this?

Israel is considered east of the center of the world, and it has been east of the center pretty much from the beginning of history. Israel is VERY important to God and HAS always been important to God. Why? Could it be that it was originally Eden, the seat of the Throne of Man (Adam)?

But that's just the tip of the iceberg. When you study historical cities, Urusalim (which is where modern-day Jerusalem exists) is one of, if not THE, oldest city in history. The second oldest, or potentially THE oldest, is Eridu in Sumer. So, if Cain fled east from Eden, and if the earliest civilization of Mankind was Sumer, it makes sense that Eden, where Adam and Eve lived, was to the west. What's west of Sumer? Israel and Urusalim.

What got me to pondering this was that some believed Sumer WAS Eden. They determined that because the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers shared the same names as two of the original rivers of the Garden of Eden, they must BE the same rivers. So I initially assumed this to be true, and I started researching more into Sumer and what is east of there.

What I found is that there were no major ancient cities east of Sumer during that time, and Sumer was NOT a godly place. In fact, if you look at Sumer's history, and the things they developed, they line up almost perfectly with Cain's family.

To add to this, I considered that the Great Flood covered the whole world, so why would we believe that ANY of the same landmarks still existed? I mean, when Noah and his sons resettled the world, it makes sense that they would name things the same as what existed beforehand. I mean, people did this all the time when they discovered new lands. But would places really be in the same exact locations as they were before such a major cataclysm? Not likely.

This led me to then see what was west of Sumer, and Eridu in particular because it was the oldest city in Sumer. When I looked on a map, it clicked. Jerusalem is almost exactly west of Eridu. After that, everything else started to fall into place. Jesus died in Jerusalem. Why did He have to die in Jerusalem? Could it be that it is because that was the very spot where sin entered the world? And is the reason Jesus will rule from Jerusalem because it is actually where Eden was and where Adam, therefore, ruled from initially?

Finally, notice in Genesis 4:17. Cain's son was named Enoch, which means "dedicated". It says that Cain dedicated the city after the name of his son. Eridu means "mighty place" and it was dedicated to the patron God of Sumer, Enki. It was THE center of worship in those lands. So even that fits if Cain made himself the god Anu, the sky god, and his son the god Enki.

If Sumer is Nod, and Eridu is the city of Enoch, this then also fits with Sumerian history. Before the Sumerians brought civilization to the land of Sumer, there were primitive people living there called the Ubaidians. I think the Ubaidians were

descendants of Adam and Eve who left Eden early on before the Year 130, before Cain killed Abel and fled there.

Assuming Eden couldn't provide for everyone since God had cursed the land, it makes sense that it wouldn't have taken but maybe a few generations before families started migrating out of that land. I think the Ubaidians were one of these families, and when Cain arrived, they were already there. Since they were primitive, I'm guessing they lost touch with Eden and thus didn't know Cain had killed his brother.

Cain could, therefore, tell them whatever he wanted. He could make up anything, and if they were primitive enough, they'd likely believe him, especially if he brought with him some fairly new and amazing ideas about building cities and defenses and so forth.

So I think Cain became their leader, built a city, and proclaimed himself a god, and proclaimed his son a god as well. They accepted this, for Cain brought many new ideas and concepts to them to make life easier for everyone, and they were safer within the walls of Eridu from the evils of dragons and other wild and dangerous creatures.

Interestingly, the primary God of Eridu was Enki. Enki was the god of wisdom, fresh water, intelligence, trickery and mischief, crafts, magic, exorcism, healing, creation, virility, fertility, and art. Enki literally means, "Lord of the Earth".

This would have been an appropriate title for Cain to give himself or to give his son whom he wanted to rule in his place. Cain would have viewed himself as Adam's Heir and therefore having the right to become the "Lord of the Earth".

But Cain wasn't a farmer anymore. He was a wanderer. He was a hunter. So being a stable king would have been difficult for him. This is why I think he actually made himself out to be Anu, the sky god and primary creator and king of the universe while making Enki, his son - the god Eridu was dedicated to - the actual king of Sumer. Since people, at least nobles, lived for hundreds of years, and if Cain and his family practiced sorcery and witchcraft, it wouldn't have been too hard for them to convince people they were gods.

Also interesting is the fact that Anu wasn't a very popular god in spite of the fact that he was superior to Enki and Enki's father. Enki has a more solid history while Anu's is vague. Historians don't even know for certain who Anu's wife was. It seems he may have had potentially numerous consorts. If Cain was Anu and a wanderer, that makes sense, for more individuals would know and worship a deity that ruled directly over them as opposed to someone who was a hunter and wanderer and who was only there now and then.

Sons of the Gods

This is somewhat confusing, so clarification is needed. "Sons of God" in English has many Hebrew translations. In Romans 8, for example, "Sons of God" refers to those who are led by the Holy Spirit. They are like Children of God, reborn in His likeness and image, even as Adam was before he sinned. So those who are truly Christians, who have given their hearts and lives to Him, are basically "Sons of God" (not meant to be gender specific but it is meant to be "Descendants of God" including both men and women).

But “Sons of God” in Genesis 6 is translated from bene-ha elohim in Hebrew. This is literally translated to “sons of the gods”. Elohim, you see, is the plural form of eloha which means “god”. But elohim is often attributed to the God of Israel, signifying that Jehovah has always been a Trinity and yet one God.

However, bene-ha elohim, in this case, would not make sense as “Sons of God” but makes more sense to me as “sons of the gods”. Why? First, Jesus is the ONLY begotten Son of God. So we know that whoever Genesis was referring to, they weren’t actual children conceived by God. Only Jesus was conceived by God with Mary.

Now, besides that, think about the story of Zeus and Heracles (better known as Hercules). If “sons of the gods” is the translation, then it fits with legends and myths that exist. Why does THAT make more sense?

Because Adam considered himself a god and Lord of the Earth. Likewise, then, Cain also would have. The people of Sumer certainly believed, just like the ancient Egyptians and Oriental kings, that their kings were the children of the gods, and their first kings WERE the gods themselves.

What I’m suggesting is that the first gods actually existed, but they weren’t immortal deities. They were human beings who said that they were gods and ruled over their people as if they were immortal. Think about it. It makes sense that they would. As mentioned before, many lived for hundreds of years. So they most likely believed themselves to be undying.

And again, as mentioned above, add witchcraft to this so that they could actually perform supernatural powers, and the fact that the common person probably didn’t live even a tenth of the lifespan of the nobility, and viola! A definite distinction would have existed between “the gods” and “mortal men”.

So who do I think the bene-ha elohim were and who were the “Daughters of Men”? I think the Bible is basically saying that some of those ancient myths like Zeus and Heracles actually happened. I mean, don’t get me wrong, I don’t think they happened EXACTLY like the myths say, but I think the myths are based on the truth. Just look at how many myths exist, and some of them are based on the truth. Take Noah and the Great Flood, for example. There are SO many Flood “myths” that exist in the world. The Bible says there was a Great Flood. So were the myths total lies? No. They were based on the truth and twisted into lies.

So I’m suggesting the same thing about the gods and the Nephilim (Nephilim is the Hebrew word found in Genesis and other places that is translated to mean “giant”). I think a Zeus-like noble, who was acting like a god, saw a common woman, and their union produced a giant of a man, like Heracles.

Again, just think about it. Heracles fits the description of a Nephilim. Doesn’t he? They were “mighty men who were of old, men of renown.” Doesn’t that align? Heracles in Greek mythology was a mighty man who did all sorts of wondrous deeds of great renown.

So, my thinking is, if the Bible says it, and a myth lines up with it, the myth might be a great big lie - I’m not saying that it isn’t - but it may be based on some truth as well. It certainly makes a lot more sense to me that the “sons of the gods” were people who

made others believe they were gods, and they had great warrior giant children, than any other theories I've heard about who the bene-ha elohim and Nephilim were.

But why were giants conceived? What was it about this union of "the sons of the gods" and "the daughters of men" that produced giants? Well, who knows? It's all just theories. However, I assume witchcraft probably played a role in it. We know witchcraft is real, for various scriptures in the Bible indicate that it is. It is also expressly forbidden in the Law of Moses, so we know that it is an abomination to God. Only if witchcraft was real would God view it as such a terrible thing. And since Mankind was practicing witchcraft a lot in this first age - which so many sources indicate - I can only assume that magic (aka demonic influence) was playing havoc on the genetics of Mankind, producing powerful men and women who could do extraordinary things - again like Heracles.

Well, now that I've told you the theory that I accept, let me give you a few others. That way you can decide for yourself. The first is that bene-ha elohim refers to angels and that angels mated with human women. This is partially because "Sons of God" is a term also used in the book of Job, and in that book it is believed that the "Sons of God" were angels.

But this is, again, where translation causes confusion. Instead of bene-ha elohim, Job 38:7's "Sons of God" are bene elohim. Interestingly, in Job 1 and 2, we find bene-ha elohim. So, to me, that implies that these are two separate groups of beings. After all, why wouldn't the same writer use the same term in all instances unless they were two different groups of beings? Also interestingly, Deuteronomy 32:8 uses bene elohim, so what do both mean?

To determine the difference, we need to look at the overall meaning of the text surrounding both terms. Job 38:7's is the most obvious. It reads, "When the morning stars sang together, and all the bene elohim shouted for joy?"

Well, who else could "Sons of God" be in this passage but angels? After all, it couldn't be talking about humans, for it is referring to a time when God laid the cornerstone of the Earth and laid its foundations. Mankind wasn't created until the sixth day, so it couldn't be humans. The only beings that we know of who existed at that time were maybe angels. So "Sons of God" does appear to be talking about angels in this instance, meaning bene elohim means angels in Job 38.

But if that's true then Deuteronomy 32:8 also means angels, right, if it also uses bene elohim? Ah, but it doesn't make sense that Moses was talking about angels in this passage because it talks about God dividing the inheritance of Israel. Depending on the translation you look at, some versions say "sons of Israel" or "children of Israel", but the true, original text is bene elohim.

All this to say that you can't determine the meaning of bene-ha elohim or bene elohim simply by looking at the words themselves. You must look at the overall text surrounding the words, and determine each and every time what they are referring to, whether angels or people. You need to keep ALL of scripture in mind as well to determine what makes sense.

Certainly, the "Sons of God" in Genesis couldn't have been angels, for angels cannot mate with humans. Jesus Himself pointed this out when He said in Matthew

22:30, “For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, BUT ARE LIKE ANGELS of God in heaven.” This clearly shows that angels do not marry or give in marriage. Why? They do not mate like humans do. Therefore, to translate bene-ha elohim as “angels”, implying that they mated with human women, is definitely a false interpretation because Jesus Himself told us that angels don’t mate. (If they don’t marry or give in marriage, and marriage is an institution God founded at the beginning of creation, then it only makes sense that IF angels mated, they would marry and give in marriage. Since they don’t marry or give in marriage, we can only conclude that they don’t mate.)

So the only explanation that fits, in my opinion, is that these bene-ha elohim in Genesis were human beings, and they were likely special human beings because they produced giants - mighty warriors who did amazing things. They were either nobles who called themselves gods, probably practicing witchcraft, or something similar.

And what made them so special? Who knows? But it is clear that there was something different about them that made them like gods or like the sons of the gods. So, to me, it makes the most sense that the proper translation at least in Genesis is “the sons of the gods” married “the daughters of men” - meaning people who were nobles, or children of nobles, who pretended to be gods and likely used witchcraft to display supernatural powers - mated with people who were considered common, and their union, for some reason, produced some giants in the world like Heracles.

The Legacy of Cain

Notice that Cain is still alive at this point. He has not passed away, for Lamech says, “If Cain SHALL be avenged sevenfold,” meaning that if anyone kills him presently, he will be avenged. So Cain continued to live on to this time.

Here we see a true split in Mankind. Cain’s family line is clearly going the route of evil while Adam’s line is remaining faithful, at least to some degree, to God. This is why I think Moses made a point to write in Genesis 4:26, “Then men began to call on the name of the Lord.” I think Seth’s line was considered godly, at least at this point, while Cain’s was ungodly.

Now notice what Jude says, and this is why it is included here. Jude refers to individuals in his present time, but he compares them to others who have gone before, including Cain. He says that everyone he is describing has “gone in the way of Cain.” Thus, he is saying that Cain and all who followed him were even as Jude describes. They gave “themselves over to sexual immorality” and they went “after strange flesh.” This means they were committing all sorts of sick and perverted acts. They were “dreamers” who defiled “the flesh.” They rejected “authority” and spoke “evil of dignitaries, speaking “evil of whatever they” did “not know; and whatever they” knew “naturally, like brute beasts, in these things they” corrupted “themselves. They were “without fear, serving *only* themselves.” They were “clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.”

All these things describe Cain's family, and we see that in the story of Lamech. Why did Adam's family begin to call on the name of the Lord around the time when Enosh was born? Could it be because by that time Mankind, especially Cain's family, began to war with one another? I mean, the entire point of Lamech's story seems to be that he murdered someone, and he boasted about it to his wives. Was that story meant to show when warfare began? Did men start calling upon the name of the Lord because they needed Him to save them from their own violent kin - namely Cain's family?

When you look at the history of Sumer, you find warfare was common pretty early on. The closer you get to the time when the Flood occurred, Sumerian records indicate that warfare was so bad that towns and cities on the outskirts of various portions of the land were disappearing. So although they were the first to develop things like writing and musical instruments and so forth, they were the first to truly unleash bloodshed and warfare upon the world. Seems to fit with Cain's Legacy pretty darn well.

Chapter 4: The Great Flood

Genesis 6:5 Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every intent of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually. **Genesis 6:11** The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. **12** So God looked upon the earth, and indeed it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth.

Genesis 6:6 And the Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. **7** So the Lord said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."

8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. **9** This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God. [20]**10** And Noah begot three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. **Genesis 5:32** And Noah was five hundred years old, and Noah begot Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Genesis 6:13 And God said to Noah, "The end of all flesh has come before Me, for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth. **14** Make yourself an ark of gopherwood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and outside with pitch.

15 And this is how you shall make it: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. **16** You shall make a window for the ark, and you shall finish it to a cubit from above; and set the door of the ark in its side. You shall make it *with* lower, second, and third *decks*.

17 And behold, I Myself am bringing floodwaters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which *is* the breath of life; everything that *is* on the earth shall die. **18** But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall go into the ark—you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you.

19 And of every living thing of all flesh you shall bring two of every *sort* into the ark, to keep *them* alive with you; they shall be male and female. **20** Of the birds after their kind, of animals after their kind, and of every creeping thing of the earth after its kind, two of every *kind* will come to you to keep *them* alive. **21** And you shall take for yourself of all food that is eaten, and you shall gather *it* to yourself; and it shall be food for you and for them."

[20] See Chapter 4 Notes: Sons of Noah.

[21]**Genesis 6:3** And the Lord said, “My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he *is* indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years.”

Genesis 6:22 Thus Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did.
Genesis 7:1 Then the Lord said to Noah, “Come into the ark, you and all your household, because I have seen *that* you *are* righteous before Me in this generation. **2** You shall take with you seven each of every clean animal, a male and his female; two each of animals that *are* unclean, a male and his female; **3** also seven each of birds of the air, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth. **4** For after seven more days I will cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made.”

5 And Noah did according to all that the Lord commanded him. **Hebrews 11:7** By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

Genesis 7:7 So Noah, with his sons, his wife, and his sons’ wives, went into the ark because of the waters of the flood. **8** Of clean animals, of animals that *are* unclean, of birds, and of everything that creeps on the earth, **9** two by two they went into the ark to Noah, male and female, as God had commanded Noah.

[22]**10** And it came to pass after seven days that the waters of the flood were on the earth.
Genesis 7:6 Noah *was* six hundred years old when the floodwaters were on the earth.
Genesis 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. **12** And the rain was on the earth forty days and forty nights.

13 On the very same day Noah and Noah’s sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and Noah’s wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered the ark— **14** they and every beast after its kind, all cattle after their kind, every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, every bird of every sort. **15** And they went into the ark to Noah, two by two, of all flesh in which *is* the breath of life. **16** So those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the Lord shut him in.

Matthew 24:38 For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, **39** and did not know until the flood came and took them all away. **Luke 17:27** They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

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[21] See Chapter 4 Notes: De-Evolution.
[22] See Chapter 4 Notes: Timeline of the Great Flood

Genesis 7:17 Now the flood was on the earth forty days. The waters increased and lifted up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. **18** The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth, and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters. **19** And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered. **20** The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered.

21 And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. **22** All in whose nostrils *was* the breath of the spirit of life, all that *was* on the dry *land,* died. **23** So He destroyed all living things which were on the face of the ground: both man and cattle, creeping thing and bird of the air. They were destroyed from the earth. Only Noah and those who *were* with him in the ark remained *alive*. **24** And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty days.

Genesis 8:1 Then God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the animals that *were* with him in the ark. And God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters subsided. **2** The fountains of the deep and the windows of heaven were also stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained. **3** And the waters receded continually from the earth. At the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters decreased.

4 Then the ark rested in the seventh month, the seventeenth day of the month, on the mountains of Ararat. **5** And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month. In the tenth *month,* on the first *day* of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen.

6 So it came to pass, at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made. **7** Then he sent out a raven, which kept going to and fro until the waters had dried up from the earth. **8** He also sent out from himself a dove, to see if the waters had receded from the face of the ground. **9** But the dove found no resting place for the sole of her foot, and she returned into the ark to him, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her, and drew her into the ark to himself.

10 And he waited yet another seven days, and again he sent the dove out from the ark. **11** Then the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, a freshly plucked olive leaf *was* in her mouth; and Noah knew that the waters had receded from the earth. **12** So he waited yet another seven days and sent out the dove, which did not return again to him anymore.

13 And it came to pass in the six hundred and first year, in the first *month,* the first *day* of the month, that the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and indeed the surface of the ground was dry. **14** And in the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dried.

15 Then God spoke to Noah, saying, **16** "Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. **17** Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that *is* with you: birds and cattle and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth."

18 So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. **19** Every animal, every creeping thing, every bird, *and* whatever creeps on the earth, according to their families, went out of the ark.

20 Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. **21** And the Lord smelled a soothing aroma. Then the Lord said in His heart, "I will never again curse the ground for man's sake, although the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done. **22** "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease."

Genesis 9:8 Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying: **9** "And as for Me, behold, I establish My covenant with you and with your descendants after you, **10** and with every living creature that *is* with you: the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you, of all that go out of the ark, every beast of the earth. **11** Thus I establish My covenant with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood; never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth."

12 And God said: "This *is* the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations: **13** I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. **14** It shall be, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow shall be seen in the cloud; **15** and I will remember My covenant which *is* between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. **16** The rainbow shall be in the cloud, and I will look on it to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* on the earth."

17 And God said to Noah, "This *is* the sign of the covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that *is* on the earth."

Genesis 9:1 So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. [23]**2** And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be on every beast of the earth, on every bird of the air, on all that move *on* the earth, and on all the fish of the sea. They are given into your hand. **3** Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. I have given you all things, even as the green herbs.

[23] See Chapter 4 Notes: Fear of Man.

4 But you shall not eat flesh with its life, *that is,* its blood. **5** Surely for your lifeblood I will demand *a reckoning;* from the hand of every beast I will require it, and from the hand of man. From the hand of every man's brother I will require the life of man. **6** "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed; for in the image of God He made man. **7** And as for you, be fruitful and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth and multiply in it."

Chapter 4 Notes:

Sons of Noah

Although I have stated this in my History of the Earth Timeline, I wanted to include it here as well. I believe that the sons of Noah were not born together but Noah began to have children when he was 500 years old. I think that Japeth was the oldest, Ham was the middle son, and Shem was the youngest.

This is based on Arphaxad who was born 2 years after the Flood when Shem was 100 years old. If the Flood occurred in Noah's 600th year, then Shem must have been born 1,558 years after Creation. That means he wasn't born when Noah was 500 but when Noah was 502 years old.

So either Japheth or Ham were the oldest. Well, in Genesis 10:21, it says that Japheth was the older brother of Shem, and some versions just call Japheth "the elder". So everything seems to imply that Japheth was the oldest brother, born when Noah was 500, Ham was probably the middle born when Noah was 501, which is why he is always listed second, and Shem was the youngest born when Noah was 502 years old.

Either way, these were not young men when the Flood occurred. They were roughly 100 years old. This is amazing to me because God ONLY spared Noah, his sons, and all their wives. There is no mention of any other children or family, and we are told in 2 Peter 2:5 that it was literally only 8 people that were saved. This means that either they literally had no other children at that time or all of their previous children were grown up, moved out, and living exceedingly wicked lives.

I think it is the former, for the Bible implies that Noah was literally the only righteous man in the world. The only reason his sons and all their wives were spared was because of Noah. That means that because they were the only members of his immediate household, they were saved.

We find evidence that Noah's sons were not that righteous. Japheth and Shem seem to have had some morals because of the story in Genesis 9 that takes place after the Flood. However, if you think about it, all of these men lived for hundreds of years beyond the Flood, and they didn't seem to have done anything to try to stop their descendants from living ungodly lives. In fact, it seems that everything started to pick right back up where Mankind left off just before the Flood, making it so God had to step in and separate them all out during the Tower of Babel incident.

So where did all of their descendants get all their old stories from? Why do we see Sumer, for example, rise again as if it never died to begin with, even though in the Sumerian Kings' List we even find a mention of the Flood? It seems to me like Japheth, Ham and Shem told their children all about the old world, their beliefs, their cities and so forth, and their descendants passed down those stories and started using them to

rebuild all that had once been - so much so that once again there was only a very small remnant of those who actually believed that God existed.

De-Evolution

This, to me, is a sign that Mankind was far superior before the Flood to what we are today. God initiated a De-Evolution of Mankind from people who were more godlike and lived for almost a thousand years to a weaker race who suffered illness and disease much more quickly and who wouldn't live beyond 120 years at the most.

Why did God do this? Well, I think it only lends credibility to the theory that the nobles of Mankind were setting themselves up as gods. You see, because they lived so long, I think they were making themselves out to be gods. So, by cutting their lifespans to 120 years, He would ensure that even those who lived to their full potential wouldn't be able to really say that they were immortal. By 100, they'd be considered ancient and falling apart. They certainly wouldn't be able to convince younger generations that they were supreme beings of incredible power.

Regardless, the Bible spits in the eye of the Theory of Evolution with this single passage. It shows that evolution does exist, sure, but it certainly doesn't occur over a gazillion years or without God (or someone) causing it to happen. And Mankind certainly didn't evolve from some lesser ape-like creature. No. In fact, Mankind De-Evolved from a superior race to what we are today. We are in no way as awesome as they were prior to the Flood.

God cursed Mankind to live only 120 years after the Flood, and we see that it did take some time for that to take full effect. As the years progressed, we see in the genealogies that Mankind's lifespan as a whole began to decrease more and more until by the time of Abraham it was finally at about 120 years. It didn't happen overnight. But again, it didn't happen over millions or even thousands of years either.

Another thing we find as we look at the Biblical text is that mutations did occur. Hence, we see that Nephilim existed. We also see that families didn't always have the same exact genetics. When Esau and Jacob were born, Esau was QUITE a bit different than Jacob, even though they were twins. Esau went on to be the father of his own people, his own race, which was different and separate from Jacob.

And this is true with Japheth, Ham and Shem. Each of these three sons went on to father all the races of the Earth that exist today. So even though they had the same father, they had VERY different offspring emerge from each of them. For example, some have said that Ham was the father of all dark-skinned people. However, there is evidence that Shem also had dark-skinned offspring in his family line. So, we can't even make some sort of broad assumption that all people of a particular race descended just from one or the other son of Noah.

Thus, the most likely scenario is that back then each family line had within it LOTS of genetics that could be passed down to different children. A single family could have been quite diverse. I believe wholeheartedly that before and after the Flood, there were people born of many different heights and with many different characteristics.

Where did all the evolutionary chain fossils come from? Humans and apes throughout prehistory both had varying descendants. Some apes looked more human.

Some humans looked more ape-like. Especially since it seems that humans before the Flood were so perverse, it is entirely possible that they were even experimenting with magic and genetics to create such people/creatures as well.

So evolution didn't occur from least to greatest. No. That's not the evidence I have found. I believe mutations occurred so that some were larger than humans, some were shorter, some were more creaturely, some were more powerful, and some were weaker. Either way, it certainly wasn't an evolutionary chain from least to greatest but more like humans giving rise to all sorts of strange versions of different races including their own.

And isn't that REALLY what evolution teaches us? Doesn't it teach us that mutations can occur both up and down, and it doesn't necessarily mean the strongest survive? Nature simply has a way of selecting which type of creature continues. That's what evolution data tells us. Well, that's pretty much what the Bible tells us too except instead of Nature, God selects which type of creature continues - and it isn't always the strongest and smartest and most advanced.

Timeline of the Great Flood

Year 1656	Flood timeline	Month
April 10th	God tells Noah it's time	2
April 17th	The flood begins	2
May 27th	The storms end	3
September 14th	Ark lands on Ararat	7
December 1st	Tops of mountains visible	10
January 9th	Sent out raven and dove	11
January 16th	Sent out dove again, olive branch	11
January 23rd	Sent out dove a 3rd time, didn't return	11
Year 1657 March 1st	Noah opens the Ark and sees dry land on Ararat	1
April 27th	Noah and family leave Ark	2

Fear of Man

Another sign of De-Evolution is this passage regarding animals fearing Mankind. I believe that animals could talk and were more intelligent and generally more powerful prior to the Flood. Why do I think this? Well, partially because of this passage. However, I also believe this because of the account of the serpent in the Garden of Eden.

Notice how in the Garden of Eden, the serpent is called a beast of the field. And yet, when the serpent talks, Eve isn't freaked out. She talks to the serpent as if it was

perfectly normal to do so. It occurred to me that if the serpent couldn't talk prior to this incident, Eve would have probably been suspicious of it. "Why are you talking now? What does this mean? Should I trust you?"

I mean, think about it. If some dog came up to you and started talking to you, telling you that you should go do something you know is wrong, would you just take it at its word, or would you think that some sort of evil spirit must certainly be talking through it?

Aside from this, animals were created to be the servants of Mankind. In a perfect world, such as the one God originally created for Mankind prior to the Fall, how would animals make perfect servants if they couldn't even communicate effectively with people? I mean, think about animals today? How hard is it to communicate with them? Do they make good servants? No. Why? You can't understand what they want or need, and they can't understand what you want or need. It takes a lot of work to train them to be even remotely effective servants.

And then, of course, the fear of Man was put in them after the Flood. Why? Because God needed them to become a food source for Mankind. The world had been destroyed. Crops were not abundant right away. Food would have been running out on the ark. And yet, over that year, animals would have kept on breeding. So, the most prominent food supply would have been animals for a handful of humans.

But how could people eat animals if they could talk to them? I mean, if a cow spoke with a farmer and they were close friends because they shared their lives together, how could the farmer then slaughter the cow for beef after he'd been talking to it as if it was a person? Because he viewed it as a person, he'd struggle to eat it.

Now, if the cow couldn't speak, and the cow suddenly became afraid of her masters, that would put a considerable barrier between them. It would be much easier for humans to eat animals because they would no longer communicate effectively. In fact, humans would have to work hard to domesticate them or hunt them. So animals would become work rather than being servants and friends.

And then, on top of that, if you look at most ancient myths, animals could talk. Many were even venerated as gods. They were given human characteristics, even carrying weapons and wearing armor.

That said, I do think people like Cain ate animals prior to the Flood. I mean, humans were depraved and doing all sorts of terrible things. Eating their intelligent servants, well, I don't think that's far fetched.

But that makes the "Fear of Man" incident after the Flood more meaningful. Whereas prior to the Flood humans were primarily vegetarians, probably viewing those who ate meat as barbarians, after the Flood, God was specifically giving them permission to do it. He was allowing them to eat animals in order so that they would definitely survive.

And notice that immediately after he gives them permission to eat animals, God puts restrictions on it. "Don't eat anything with blood in it," He tells them. This, to me, indicates that this was something people were doing prior to the Flood. After all, God didn't normally give laws to humans unless it was because someone was already doing that detestable thing.

Then He also tells them right away after that, “Whoever sheds man’s blood, by man his blood shall be shed.” This indicates that God wanted to make a point that although it was now okay to kill and eat one type of “person”, aka animals, it was still NEVER okay to kill another type of “person”, aka humans.

So it seems like He had to make a distinction for them. Animals were no longer to be considered people. Though they may have seemed like people in the past, they were not anymore. He wanted them to know that Mankind’s life and blood were FAR more important to God than any animal’s.