

### TO THE LAW AND THE TESTIMONY

Examining Claims of Lost or Hidden Books



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# The Measuring Rod

**Isaiah 8:20** To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, *it is* because *there is* no light in them.

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

2 Timothy 3:16

### The Term 'Canon'

- Derived from the Greek 'Kanon'
  - a measuring rod
- Our interest here:
  - The list of books that belong in the Bible



"The church no more gave us the Canon than Sir Isaac Newton gave us the force of gravity. God gave us gravity, by His work of creation, and similarly He gave us the Canon, by inspiring the individual books that made it up."

J. I. Packer

God Has Spoken

2 Peter 1:21 For no prophecy ever came by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke, being moved by the Holy Spirit.

Mark 12:36 For David himself said by the Holy Spirit, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou on My right hand, till I make Thine enemies Thy footstool.

1 Kings 17:24 And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou art a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in thy mouth is truth.

2 Samuel 23:2 The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and His word was in my tongue.

Luke 1:70 (As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets who have been from of old),

1 Corinthians 1:10-13 God has shown these things to us through His Spirit. The Spirit understands all things. He understands even the deep things of God. Who can know the thoughts of another person? Only a person's own spirit can know them. In the same way, only the Spirit of God knows God's thoughts. What we have received is not the spirit of the world. We have received the Spirit who is from God. The Spirit helps us understand what God has freely given us. That is what we speak about. We don't use words taught to us by people. We use words taught to us by the Holy Spirit. We use the words taught by the Spirit to explain spiritual truths.

John 1:45 Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the Law, and the Prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

Acts 15:21 For **Moses of old time** hath in every city them that preach him, **being read** in the synagogues every Sabbath day.

Luke 16:31 And he said unto him, If they hear not **Moses and the Prophets**, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

Luke 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

Luke 24:44 And He said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms, concerning Me.

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An inaccurate Bible contradicts God's character quality of absolute truthfulness.

Titus 1:2—"God who cannot lie."

Hebrews 6:18—"It is impossible for God to lie."

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From the days of Artaxerxes to our own times every event has indeed been recorded; but these recent records have not been deemed worthy of equal credit with those which preceded them, on account of the failure of the exact succession of prophets. There is practical proof of the spirit in which we treat our Scriptures; for, although so great an interval of time has now passed, not a soul has ventured to add or to remove or to alter a syllable; and it is the instinct of every Jew, from the day of his birth, to consider these Scriptures as the teaching of God, and to abide by them, and, if need be, cheerfully to lay down his life in their behalf.

Against Apion 1:8

## The Scriptures:

From Creation to the days of Artaxerxes (465 BC to 424 BC)

Any writings done after this time are not considered part of the Hebrew canon

#### The Law (Torah)

- 1. Genesis
- 2. Exodus
- 3. Leviticus
- 4. Numbers
- Deuteronomy

#### The Prophets (Nebhim)

#### A. Former Prophets

- 1. Joshua
- Judges
- 3. Samuel
- Kings

#### **B.** Latter Prophets

- 1. Isaiah
- 2. Jeremiah
- 3. Ezekiel
- 4. The Twelve

#### The Writings (Kethubhim or Hagiographa)

#### A. Poetical Books

- 1. Psalms
- 2. Proverbs
- 3. Job

#### B. Five Rolls (Megilloth)

- Song of Songs
- 2. Ruth
- 3. Lamentations
- 4. Esther
- 5. Ecclesiastes

#### C. Historical Books

- 1. Daniel
- 2. Ezra-Nehemiah
- 3. Chronicles

Luke 11:51 From the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who was killed between the altar and the house of God; yes, I tell you, it shall be charged against this generation

Genesis 4:8 - blood of Abel

2 Chronicles 24:20 - blood of Zechariah

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Deuteronomy 25:4 Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn.

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Matthew 10:10 Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat.

Luke 10:7 And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for **the labourer is worthy of his hire**. Go not from house to house.

2 Peter 3:15-16 And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other Scriptures, unto their own destruction.

For this cause we also thank God without ceasing, that, when you received from us the word of the message of God, you accepted it not as the word of men, but, as it is in truth, the word of God, which also works in you who believe.

1 Thessalonians 2:13

If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

1 Corinthians 14:37



For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.



## Lost Scripture?

Numbers 21:14 Wherefore it is said in the book of the wars of the LORD, What He did in the Red sea, and in the brooks of Arnon,

1 Kings 11:41 And the rest of the acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, are they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon?

2 Chronicles 9:29 Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, are they not written in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo the seer against Jeroboam the son of Nebat?

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- 1 Kings 14:19 And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.
- 1 Kings 14:29 Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
- 1 Chronicles 29:29 Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,

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- 2 Chronicles 12:15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, are they not written in the book of Shemaiah the prophet, and of Iddo the seer concerning genealogies? And there were wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.
- 2 Chronicles 16:11 And, behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.
- 2 Chronicles 20:34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of Jehu the son of Hanani, who is mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.

# Are These Lost Scripture??

### What is the Old Testament Apocrypha?

- Apocrypha (from the Greek word απόκρυφα meaning "those having been hidden away") are texts or writings of uncertain authenticity or questionable authorship.
- The Apocrypha is a collection of manuscripts, though not considered part of the canon of scripture of the Christian or any other bible, is included in the Catholic Bible.

1 and 2 Esdras

**Tobit** 

Judith

Rest of Esther

Wisdom

Ecclesiasticus (Sirach)

Baruch and the Epistle of Jeremy

Song of the Three Children

Story of Susanna

The Idol Bel and the Dragon

Prayer of Manasses

1 and 2 Maccabees

### What About the Apocrypha?

Reasons for its Exclusion

- The Jewish people did not consider them worthy to be scripture
- 2. It is recognized in the apocrypha that there were no prophets of God at the time
- 3. There was no dispute between J esus and the J ews over the extent of the Old Testament Canon
- 4. All 295+quotes of the writings of the Scriptures are from the Old Testament; not once is the Apocrypha quoted
- 5. Contains teachings inconsistent with the rest of scripture

Salvation by works:

Ecclesiasticus / Sirach 3:3,30 "Whoso honoureth his father maketh an atonement for his sins...Water will quench a flaming fire; and alms maketh an atonement for sin"

Tobit 4:11 "For alms deliver from all sin, and from death, and will not suffer the soul to go into darkness."

Tobit 12:9 "For alms delivereth from death, and the same is that which purgeth away sins, and maketh to find mercy and life everlasting."

2 Maccabees 12:43 And making a gathering, he sent twelve thousand drachmas of silver to Jerusalem for sacrifice to be offered for the sins of the dead, thinking well and religiously concerning the resurrection.

Basis for the doctrine of purgatory

Judith 1:5, "Now in the twelfth year of his reign, Nabuchodonosor, king of the Assyrians, who reigned in Ninive the great city, fought against Arphaxad and overcame him."

2 Kings 24:10 At that time the servants of **Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon** came up against Jerusalem, and the city was besieged.

Baruch 6:2 "And when you are come into Babylon, you shall be there many years, and for a long time, even to seven generations: and after that I will bring you away from thence with peace."

Jeremiah 25:11 This whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon **seventy years**.

Divorce if your wife does not obey you

**Sirach 25:26** 

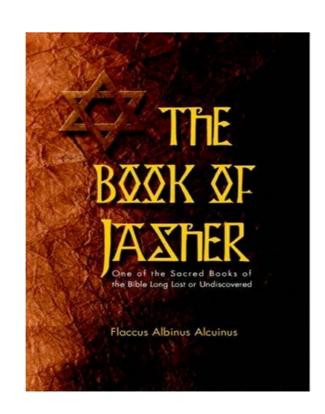
for from garments comes the moth, and from a woman comes woman's wickedness. Better is the wickedness of a man than a woman who does good; and it is a woman who brings shame and disgrace.

**Sirach 42:14** 

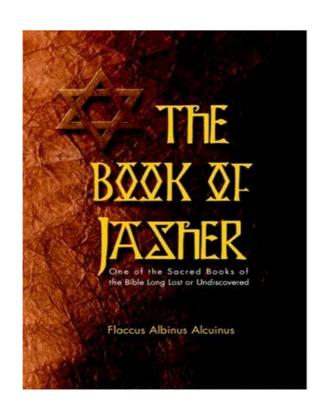
The Pseudepigrapha are "a collection of Jewish books containing various forms of literature, using names of famous people in Israel's history for the titles of the books. The real authors are unknown. Such names as Ezra, Baruch, Enoch, Solomon, Moses, and Adam are used to add authority to the writing"

Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary, 1986 article: "Pseudepigrapha"

2 Samuel 1:18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)



Joshua 10:13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.



#### Jasher

Here are some of the things that were said about Jasher back in 1840.

N.Y. Observer. "translator thinks a monument of history"

Albion: "in no instance contradicting the Old Testament text"

Philadelphia Spirit of the Times: It differs but little from the Bible"

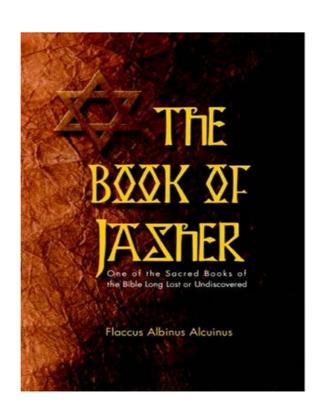
In the *Preface* page VI -- "every thing that we have in Jasher we find recorded in the Bible, with this difference, that in Jasher the occurrences of the Bible are amplified and detailed at length" M. M. Noah

#### Bow and Error

2 Samuel 1:18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)

Only teach thy sons the bow and all weapons of war, in order that they may fight the battles of their brother who will rule over his enemies.

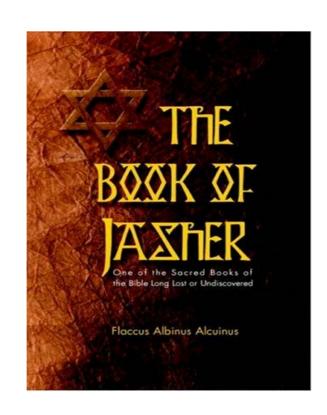
(Jasher 56:9)



#### **Bow and Errors**

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The use of the bow - "The use of" is not in the Hebrew; it is simply "the bow," that is, a song thus entitled. - Adam Clarke



2 Samuel 1:17-27 And David lamenteth with this lamentation over Saul, and over Jonathan his son; and he saith to teach the sons of Judah `The Bow;' lo, it is written on the book of the Upright: -- `The Roebuck, O Israel, On thy high places is wounded; How have the mighty fallen! Declare it not in Gath, Proclaim not the tidings in the streets of Ashkelon, Lest they rejoice--The daughters of the Philistines, Lest they exult--The daughters of the Uncircumcised! Mountains of Gilboa! No dew nor rain be on you, And fields of heave-offerings! For there hath become loathsome The shield of the mighty, The shield of Saul--without the anointed with oil. From the blood of the wounded, From the fat of the mighty, The bow of Jonathan Hath not turned backward; And the sword of Saul doth not return empty. Saul and Jonathan! They are loved and pleasant in their lives, And in their death they have not been parted. Than eagles they have been lighter, Than lions they have been mightier! Daughters of Israel! for Saul weep ye, Who is clothing you in scarlet with delights. Who is lifting up ornaments of gold on your clothing. How have the mighty fallen In the midst of the battle! Jonathan! on thy high places wounded! I am in distress for thee, my brother Jonathan, Very pleasant wast thou to me; Wonderful was thy love to me, Above the love of women! How have the mighty fallen, Yea, the weapons of war perish!'

He bade them teach the children of Judah *the use of* the bow, קשת *kasheth* .

The word *kasheth* is to be understood of the title of the song which immediately follows, and not of the use of the bow, as our translation intimates.

Many of David's Psalms have titles prefixed to them; some are termed Shosannim, some Maschil, Nehiloth, Neginoth, etc., and this one here, Kasheth or The Bow, because it was occasioned by the Philistine archers. 1Sa 31:3: "And the archers hit him."

But especially respecting the bow of Jonathan, "which returned not back from the blood of the slain," as the song itself expresses. And David could not but remember the bow of Jonathan, out of which "the arrow was shot beyond the lad," 1Sa 20:36. It was the time when that covenant was made, and that affection expressed between them "which was greater than the love of women."

On these accounts the song was entitled *Kasheth*, or The song of the Bow, and David commanded the chief musicians, Ethan, Heman, and Jeduthun, to teach the children of Judah to sing it.

#### **Like Moses**

Deuteronomy 31:19 Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel.

Jasher 5:20 And all the days of Lamech were **seven hundred and seventy years**, and he died.

Genesis 5:31 And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.

Jasher 5:36 And it was at that time Methuselah the son of Enoch died, **nine hundred and sixty years old was he, at his death**.

Genesis 5:27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

Jasher 4:18 And their judges and rulers went to the daughters of men and took their wives by force from their husbands according to their choice, and the sons of men in those days took of the cattle of the earth, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air, and taught the mixture of the animals of one species with the other, in order therewith to provoke the Lord; and God saw the whole earth was corrupted its ways upon earth, all men and all animals.

Jasher 36:30-35 -- 120 terrible animals from the wilderness came to the asses of Anan. Their shape was from the middle downward of the children of man, and from their middle upward some the likeness of bears, some keephas with tails behind them from between their shoulders reaching down to earth.

Jasher 61:15 And Zepho went and he saw and behold there was a large cave at the bottom of the mountain, and there was a great stone there at the entrance of the cave, and Zepho split the stone and he came into the cave and he looked and behold, a large animal was devouring the ox; from the middle upward it resembled a man, and from the middle downward it resembled an animal, and Zepho rose up against the animal and slew it with his swords

Genesis 1:20-22 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

Genesis 1:24-25 And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

Jasher 7:24-30 And the garments of skin which God made for Adam and his wife, when they went out of the garden, were given to Cush. For after the death of Adam and his wife, the garments were given to Enoch, the son of Jared, and when Enoch was taken up to God, he gave them to Methuselah, his son. And at the death of Methuselah, Noah took them and brought them to the ark, and they were with him until he went out of the ark. And in their going out, Ham stole those garments from Noah his father, and he took them and hid them from his brothers. And when Ham begat his first born Cush, he gave him the garments in secret, and they were with Cush many days. And Cush also concealed them from his sons and brothers, and when Cush had begotten Nimrod, he gave him those garments through his love for him, and Nimrod grew up, and when he was twenty years old he put on those garments. And Nimrod became strong when he put on the garments...

Jasher 7:22 And Peleg his brother begat Yen, and Yen begat Serug, and Serug begat Nahor and Nahor begat Terah, and **Terah was thirty-eight years old, and he begat Haran and Nahor**.

Genesis 11:26 And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

Jasher 13:5 Arise now, take thy wife and all belonging to thee and **go to the land of Canaan** and remain there, and I will there be unto thee for a God, and I will bless thee. And Abram rose and took his wife and all belonging to him, and he went to the land of Canaan as the Lord had told him; and **Abram was fifty years old when he went from Haran**.

Genesis 12:4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and **Abram was seventy** and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

Hebrews 11:8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, **not knowing whither he went.** 

Jasher 16:23 And Sarai, the daughter of Haran, Abram's wife

Genesis 20:12 And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

Jasher 42:31-33 And Joseph cried aloud upon his mother's grave, and he said, O my mother, my mother, O thou who didst give me birth, awake now, and rise and see thy son, how he has been sold for a slave, and no one to pity him.

O rise and see thy son, weep with me on account of my troubles, and see the heart of my brethren.

Arouse my mother, arouse, awake from thy sleep for me, and direct thy battles against my brethren. O how have they stripped me of my coat, and sold me already twice for a slave, and separated me from my father, and there is no one to pity me.

Jasher 42:37-40 And Joseph heard a voice speaking to him from beneath the ground, which answered him with bitterness of heart, and with a voice of weeping and praying in these words:

My son, my son Joseph, I have heard the voice of thy weeping and the voice of thy lamentation; I have seen thy tears; I know thy troubles, my son, and it grieves me for thy sake, and abundant grief is added to my grief. Now therefore my son, Joseph my son, hope to the Lord, and wait for him and do not fear, for the Lord is with thee, he will deliver thee from all trouble. Rise my son, go down unto Egypt with thy masters, and do not fear, for the Lord is with thee, my son. And she continued to speak like unto these words unto Joseph, and she was still.

Ecclesiastes 9:5-6 For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.

Jasher 51:37 And Joseph went out from them and came into the chamber, and wept a great weeping, for his pity was excited for them, and he washed his face, and returned to them again, and he took Simeon from them and ordered him to be bound, but Simeon was not willing to be done so, for he was a very powerful man and they could not bind him

Genesis 42:24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

Jasher 51:42-43 And Manassah the son of Joseph rose up to Simeon, and Manassah smote Simeon a heavy blow with his fist against the back of his neck, and Simeon was stilled of his rage. And Manassah laid hold of Simeon and he seized him violently and he bound him and brought him into the house of confinement, and all the sons of Jacob were astonished at the act of the youth.

Genesis 41:46-47 And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt. And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.

Genesis 45:6 For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest.

Jasher 50:15 And Joseph's wife Osnath the daughter of Potiphera bare him two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim, and Joseph was thirty-four years old when he begat them.

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Jasher 71:1-11 And when Moses was eighteen years old, he desired to see his father and mother and he went to them to Goshen, and when Moses had come near Goshen, he came to the place where the children of Israel were engaged in work, and he observed their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian smiting one of his Hebrew brethren.

And when the man who was beaten saw Moses he ran to him for help, for the man Moses was greatly respected in the house of Pharaoh, and he said to him, My lord attend to me, this Egyptian came to my house in the night, bound me, and came to my wife in my presence, and now he seeks to take my life away.

And when Moses heard this wicked thing, his anger was kindled against the Egyptian, and he turned this way and the other, and when he saw there was no man there he smote the Egyptian and hid him in the sand, and delivered the Hebrew from the hand of him that smote him.

Jasher 71:1-11 And the Hebrew went to his house, and Moses returned to his home, and went forth and came back to the king's house. And when the man had returned home, he thought of repudiating his wife, for it was not right in the house of Jacob, for any man to come to his wife after she had been defiled. And the woman went and told her brothers, and the woman's brothers sought to slay him, and he fled to his house and escaped. And on the second day Moses went forth to his brethren, and saw, and behold two men were quarreling, and he said to the wicked one, Why dost thou smite thy neighbor? And he answered him and said to him, Who has set thee for a prince and judge over us? dost thou think to slay me as thou didst slay the Egyptian? and Moses was afraid and he said, Surely the thing is known?

Jasher 71:1-11 And Pharaoh heard of this affair, and he ordered Moses to be slain, so God sent his angel, and he appeared unto Pharaoh in the likeness of a captain of the guard. And the angel of the Lord took the sword from the hand of the captain of the guard, and took his head off with it, for the likeness of the captain of the guard was turned into the likeness of Moses. And the angel of the Lord took hold of the right hand of Moses, and brought him forth from Egypt, and placed him from without the borders of Egypt, a distance of forty days' journey.

Jasher 72:22,23 And Moses was eighteen years old when he fled from Egypt from the presence of Pharaoh, and he fled and escaped to the camp of Kikianus, which at that time was besieging Cush. And Moses was nine years in the camp of Kikianus king of Cush, all the time that they were besieging Cush, and Moses went out and came in with them.

Jasher 73:1 In the fifty-fifth year of the reign of Pharaoh king of Egypt, that is in the hundred and fifty-seventh year of the Israelites going down into Egypt, reigned Moses in Cush. Moses was twenty-seven years old when he began to reign over Cush, and forty years did he reign.

Jasher 76:12:21 So Moses went forth from the land of Cush, and went home and ceased to reign over Cush, and Moses was sixty-six years old when he went out of the land of Cush, for the thing was from the Lord, for the period had arrived which he had appointed in the days of old, to bring forth Israel from the affliction of the children of Ham. So Moses went to Midian, for he was afraid to return to Egypt on account of Pharaoh, and he went and sat at a well of water in Midian. And the seven daughters of Reuel the Midianite went out to feed their father's flock. And they came to the well and drew water to water their father's flock. So the shepherds of Midian came and drove them away, and Moses rose up and helped them and watered the flock. And they came home to their father Reuel, and told him what Moses did for them. And they said, An Egyptian man has delivered us from the hands of the shepherds, he drew up water for us and watered the flock. And Reuel said to his daughters, And where is he? wherefore have you left the man? And Reuel sent for him and fetched him and brought him home, and he ate bread with him. And Moses related to Reuel that he had fled from Egypt and that he reigned forty years over Cush, and that they afterward had taken the government from him, and had sent him away in peace with honor and with presents.

Acts 7:22-30 And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds. And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel. And seeing one of them suffer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him that was oppressed, and smote the Egyptian: For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would deliver them: but they understood not. And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying, Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another? But he that did his neighbour wrong thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us? Wilt thou kill me, as thou diddest the Egyptian yesterday? Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he begat two sons. And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sina an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.

The Book of Jasher lists 15 plagues on the Egyptians (Book of Jasher 80:2-51). The Bible says there were 10 plagues (Exodus 7-12)

#### Jasher 80:2-51 lists these Plagues;

- 1. Waters into blood (v. 3) / Exodus 7:20
- 2. Frogs (v. 6) / Exodus 8:6
- 3. Lice (v. 10) / Exodus 8:17
- 4. The Lord sent all kinds of beasts into Egypt and destroyed all Egypt (v.13) / Not in Exodus
  - 5. Fiery serpents, scorpions, mice, weazles, toads (v. 14) / Not in Exodus
  - 6. Flies, hornets, fleas, bugs, gnats (v. 15) / Exodus 8:24
- 7. All reptiles and winged animals came and grieved the Egyptians (v.16) / Not in Exodus
- 8. God ordered the Sulanuth from the sea, she had long arms, 10 cubits in length and she went upon the roofs and uncovered the raftering and flooring and stretched forth her arm and removed locks and bolts and opened the houses of Egypt. (v. 19-21) / Not in Exodus
  - 9. Pestilence (v.24) / Exodus 9:3
  - 10. Burning inflammation (v. 27) / Not in Exodus
  - 11. Boils (v. 28) / Exodus 9:10
  - 12. Hail and fire (v. 30-31) / Exodus 9:23
  - 13. Locusts (v. 33) / Exodus 10:13
  - 14. Darkness (v.36) / Exodus 10:22
  - 15. First born killed (v. 43) / Exodus 12:29

Jasher 81:38 And the waters of the sea were divided into twelve parts, and the children of Israel passed through on foot, with shoes, as a man would pass through a prepared road.

Exodus 14:22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand and on their left.

Jasher 81:39-41 And the Lord manifested to the children of Israel his wonders in Egypt and in the sea by the hand of Moses and Aaron. And when the children of Israel had entered the sea, the Egyptians came after them, and the waters of the sea resumed upon them, and they all sank in the water, and not one man was left excepting Pharaoh, who gave thanks to the Lord and believed in him, therefore the Lord did not cause him to perish at that time with the Egyptians. And the Lord ordered an angel to take him from amongst the Egyptians, who cast him upon the land of Ninevah and he reigned over it for a long time.

Psalms 136:14-15 And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for His mercy endureth for ever: **But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea**: for His mercy endureth for ever.

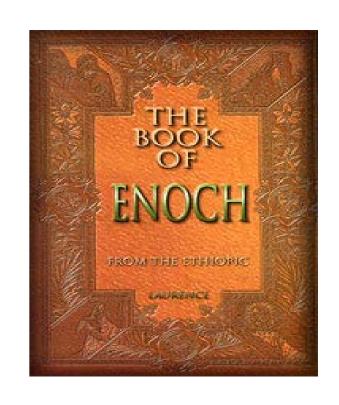
### When Was "Jasher" Written?

Jasher 10:7 "And the children of Gomer, according to their cities, were the <u>Francum</u>, who dwell in the land of <u>Franza</u>, by the river Franza, by the river Senah"

Jasher 10:15 "And the children of Elishah are the Almanim, and they also went and built themselves cities; those are the cities situate between the mountains of Job and Shibathmo; and of them were the people of Lumbardi who dwell opposite the mountains of Job and Shibathmo, and they conquered the land of Italia and remained there unto this day."

### **Examining "Enoch"**

Jude 1:14-15 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints, To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.



of His holy ones, to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the ungodly of all their ungodly deeds which they have done in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him. (NASB) Jude 1:14-15

. . . Behold, he will arrive with ten million of the holy ones in order to execute judgment upon all. He will destroy the wicked ones and censure all flesh on account of everything that they have done, that which the sinners and the wicked ones committed against him. - Enoch 1:9

None of the Aramaic or Greek fragments of the alleged "Book of Enoch" contain this quote – only the Ethiopian translations include it.

### Where Did Jude Get This From?

Jude 1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

### Inspired Books?

Titus 1:12 One of themselves, even a prophet of their own, said, "The Cretians are alway liars, evil beasts, slow bellies."

Epimenides, Περι χρησμων Concerning Oracles.

Κρητες αει ψευσταικακα θηριαγαστερες αργαι

The Cretans are always liars; destructive wild beasts; sluggish gluttons

### **Inspired Books?**

Acts 17:28 For in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, "For we are also his offspring."

For we are also his offspring. This precise expression is found in Aratus, (Phaenom. v. 5,) and in Cleanthus in a hymn to Jupiter. Substantially the same sentiment is found in several other Greek poets. Aratus was a Greek poet of Cilicia, the native place of Paul, and flourished about 277 years before Christ. As Paul was a native of the same country, it is highly probable he was acquainted with his writings. Aratus passed much of his time at the court of Antigonus Gonatas, king of Macedonia. His principal work was the Phaenomena, which is here quoted, and was so highly esteemed in Greece that many learned men wrote commentaries on it.

### **Inspired Books?**

1 Corinthians 15:33 Don't be deceived! "Evil companionships corrupt good morals."

Menander (343-291 B.C.) from his play Thais

John 20:30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

John 21:25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

Enoch 106:1 And after some days my son, Methuselah, took a wife for his son Lamech, and she became pregnant by him and bore him a son. 2 And his body was white as snow and red as a rose; the hair of his head as white as wool and his demdema beautiful; and as for his eyes, when he opened them the whole house glowed like the sun -rather the whole house glowed even more exceedingly. 3 And when he arose from the hands of the midwife, he opened his mouth and spoke to YAHWEH with righteousness. 4 And his father, Lamech, was afraid of him and fled and went to Methuselah his father. 5 And he said to him, "I have begotten a strange son: He is not like an ordinary human being, but he looks like the children of the malakim of heaven to me; his form is different, and he is not like us. His eyes are like the rays of the sun, and his face aglow."

Matthew 22:29-30 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

Enoch 7: 1 It happened after the sons of men had multiplied in those days, that daughters were born to them, elegant and beautiful. 2 And when **the angels\*, the sons of heaven**, beheld them, they became enamoured of them, saying to each other, Come, let us select for ourselves wives from the progeny of men, and let us beget children.

<sup>\*</sup> An Aramaic text reads "Watchers" here (J.T. Milik, Aramaic Fragments of Qumran Cave 4 [Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1976], p. 167).

Jasher 4:18 And their judges and rulers went to the daughters of men and took their wives by force from their husbands according to their **choice**, and the sons of men in those days took of the cattle of the earth, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air, and taught the mixture of the animals of one species with the other, in order therewith to provoke the Lord; and God saw the whole earth was corrupted its ways upon earth, all men and all animals.

Enoch 7:10 Then they took wives, each choosing for himself; whom they began to approach, and with whom they cohabited; teaching them sorcery, incantations, and the dividing of roots and trees. 11 And the women conceiving brought forth giants, 12 **Whose stature was each three hundred cubits**. These devoured all which the labor of men produced; until it became impossible to feed them

Genesis 6:15 And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

Enoch 19:2 And the women also of the angels who went astray shall become sirens.

Genesis 6:5-7 And GOD saw that the wickedness of man ['adam] was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And it repented the LORD that He had made man ['adam] on the earth, and it grieved Him at His heart. And the LORD said, I will destroy man ['adam] whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man ['adam], and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth Me that I have made them.

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Adam fathered Seth 130 years Seth fathered Enosh 105 years 90 years **Enosh fathered Cainan** Cainan fathered Mahaleel 70 years Mahaleel fathered Jered 65 years Jered fathered Enoch 162 years Enoch fathered Methusaleh 65 years Methusaleh fathered Lamech 187 years Lamech fathered Noah 182 years

Genesis 5:23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years

Enoch's days were thus complete 69 years before Noah was born

Enoch 58.1 In the five hundredth year, and in the seventh month, on the fourteenth day of the month, of the lifetime of Enoch...

### Book of Enoch, chapter 69:8-11

8 ... And the fourth was named Penemue: he taught the **9** children of men the bitter and the sweet, and he taught them all the secrets of their wisdom. And he instructed mankind in writing with ink and paper, and thereby many sinned from eternity to 10 eternity and until this day. For men were not created for such a purpose, to give confirmation 11 to their good faith with pen and ink.

Enoch 82:4-9 Blessed are all the righteous, blessed are all those who walk in the way of righteousness and sin not as the sinners, in the reckoning of all their days in which the sun traverses the heaven, entering into and departing from the portals for THIRTY DAYS with the heads of thousands of the order of the STARS, TOGETHER WITH THE FOUR WHICH ARE INTERCALATED WHICH DIVIDE THE FOUR PORTIONS OF THE YEAR, WHICH LEAD THEM AND ENTER WITH THEM FOUR DAYS. 5 Owing to them men shall be at fault and not reckon them in the whole reckoning of the year: yea, men shall be at fault, and not recognize them accurately. 6 For they belong to the reckoning of the year and are truly recorded (thereon) for ever, One in the First Portal and One in the Third, and One in the Fourth and One in the Sixth, AND THE YEAR IS COMPLETED IN THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR DAYS, 7 And the account thereof is accurate and the recorded reckoning thereof EXACT for the LUMINARIES, and for the MONTHS and FESTIVALS, and YEARS and DAYS, has Uriel shown and revealed to me, to whom the Lord of the whole creation of the world hath subjected the host of heaven. 8 And he has power over night and day in the heaven to cause the light to give light to men -sun, moon, and stars, and all the Powers of the heaven which revolve in their circular chariots. 9 And these are the orders of the STARS, which SET in their PLACES, and in their SEASONS and FESTIVALS and MONTHS.

Enoch 82:10 And these are the names of those who lead them, WHO WATCH THAT THEY ENTER AT THEIR TIMES, IN THEIR ORDERS, IN THEIR SEASONS, IN THEIR MONTHS, IN THEIR PERIODS OF DOMINION, AND IN THEIR POSITIONS. 11 THEIR FOUR LEADERS WHO DIVIDE THE FOUR PARTS OF THE YEAR ENTER FIRST; and after them the TWELVE LEADERS OF THE ORDERS WHO DIVIDE THE MONTHS; and for the THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY (DAYS) THERE ARE HEADS OVER THOUSANDS WHO DIVIDE THE DAYS; 12 and for the Four Intercalary Days there are the Leaders which sunder the Four Parts Of The Year. 13 And these Heads Over Thousands are intercalated between leader and leader, EACH BEHIND A STATION, but their Leaders make the division. And these are the names of the leaders who divide the four parts of the year which are ordained: 14 Milki'el, Hel'emmelek, and Mel'ejal, and Narel. And the names of those who lead them: Adnar'el, and ljasusa'el, and 'Elome'el- these Three Follow the Leaders of the orders, and there is One that Follows the Three Leaders of the orders which Follow Those Leaders of Stations that Divide the Four Parts of the Year. 15 In the beginning of the year Melkejal rises first and rules, who is named Tam'aini and SUN, and all the days of his dominion whilst he bears rule are NINETY-ONE DAYS.

Jubilees 6:34-38 And all the children of Israel will forget and will not find the path of the years, and will forget the Months, and Seasons, and Sabbaths and they will go wrong as to all the order of the years. For I know and from henceforth will I declare it unto thee, and it is not of my own devising; for the book (lies) written before me, and on the heavenly tablets the division of days is ordained, lest they forget the feasts of the covenant and walk according to the feasts of the Gentiles after their error and after their ignorance. For there will be those who will assuredly "MAKE OBSERVATIONS OF THE MOON –how (it) DISTURBS THE SEASONS and comes in from year to year ten days too soon.

For this reason the years will come upon them when they will Disturb (the order), and make an Abominable (Day) the Day of Testimony, and an Unclean Day a Feast Day, and they will confound all the days, the holy with the unclean, and the unclean day with the holy; for THEY WILL GO WRONG AS TO THE MONTHS AND SABBATHS AND FEASTS AND JUBILEES. For this reason I command and testify to thee that thou mayst testify to them; for after thy death thy children will disturb (them), so that they will not make the year Three Hundred and Sixty-Four Days Only, and for this reason they will go Wrong as to the Months and Seasons and Sabbaths and Festivals, and they will eat all kinds of blood with all kinds of flesh.

And they placed them on the heavenly tablets, each had thirteen weeks; from one to another (passed) their memorial, from the first to the second, and from the second to the third, and from the third to the fourth. 30 And all the days of the commandment will be Two and Fifty Weeks of days, and (these will make) the entire year complete. Thus it is engraven and ordained on the heavenly tablets. 31 And there is no neglecting (this commandment) for a single year or from year to year.

**Jubilees 6:29-31** 

The Hebrew word "chodesh" *can* mean "month"-- here is an example:

Numbers 11:19-20 Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; But even a whole month [chodesh **yomim**], until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the LORD which is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?

But this is not its primary sense. As James Strong noted in his lexicon, chodesh (2320) is "the new moon; by implication, a month"

Page 263 of Gesenius' *Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon to the Old Testament* shows that the word for "new moon" (*chodesh*) comes from the root (*chadash*) that refers to something that appears like "a sharp polished splendid sword" (i.e., the crescent moon).

Scripture also illustrates usage of *chodesh* where it clearly is a day, not 30 days (i.e., a month).

- 1 Samuel 20:5 And David said unto Jonathan, **Behold, to morrow is the New Moon** [hineh-chodesh mahar], and I should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field unto the third day at even.
- 1 Samuel 20:18 Then Jonathan said to David, **To morrow is the New Moon [mahar chodesh]**: and thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be empty.
- 1 Samuel 20:24 So David hid himself in the field: **and when the New Moon was come** [*vayehiy hachodesh*], the king sat him down to eat meat.
- 1 Samuel 20:27 And it came to pass on the morrow, which was the second day of the month [vayehiy mimacharat hachodesh ha sheni], that David's place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son, Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to meat, neither yesterday, nor to day?

In these Scriptures, it is obvious that chodesh is NOT a 30 day period. They speak of three days as follows:

**DAY 1** (being the last day of a month): verses 5 & 18 speak of the day before the chodesh

**DAY 2** (being new moon day): verse 24 speaks of the day of the chodesh

**DAY 3** (being the 2nd day of a month): verse 27 speaks of the day after the chodesh

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Leviticus 23:11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: \*\*\*on the morrow after the sabbath\*\*\* [mimacharat ha shabbat] the priest shall wave it. (also verses 15,16)

Numbers 33:3 And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; \*\*\*on the morrow after the passover\*\*\* [mimacharat ha pesach] the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.

## "Enoch" Calendar chodesh & yerach

1 Kings 6:38 And in the eleventh year, in the month [3391 yerach] Bul, which is the eighth month [chodesh], was the house finished throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he seven years in building it.

1 Kings 8:2 And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast in the month [3391 yerach] Ethanim, which is the seventh month [chodesh].

### chodesh & yerach

Deuteronomy 33:14 And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the **moon [3391 yerach].** 

Isaiah 60:20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy **moon [3391** *yerach*] withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

Genesis 37:9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the **moon [3394** *yereach*] and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

Deuteronomy 4:19 And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the **moon [3394** *yereach*], and the stars, even all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

### chodesh & yerach

Psalms 104:19 He appointed the **moon [3394** *yereach*] for seasons (*moedim*): the sun knoweth his going down.



# It will be established forever like the moon, the faithful witness in the sky." Selah. (Psalm 89:37 WEB)

Genesis 7:11-13 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;

Genesis 7:24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth **an hundred and fifty days**.

Genesis 8:1-4 And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged; The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated. And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.

It seems as if in the days of Noah, the months were 30 days each:

The water began to flood the earth on the 2nd month 17th day according to Genesis 7:11. It began to go away after 150 days in the 7th month 17th day Genesis 8:3-4 (after 5 months). 150 days divided by 5 Months = 30 days per month.

### 2nd month 5th month <u>+30</u> 3rd month 6th month +30 +30 4th month 7th month <u>+30</u> +17

### **Counting Time in Scripture**

### **Inclusive Count**

Exodus 19 "Today, tomorrow, and the third day"

Luke 13:32,33 "today, tomorrow, and the third day"

Lev 23:15 "from the morrow after the Sabbath"

Ezekiel 1:1-3 Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I was among the captives by the river of Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. In the fifth day of the month, which was the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity, The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.

Ezekiel 3:14-16 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me. Then I came to them of the captivity at Telabib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days. And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Ezekiel 4:4-6 Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity. For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel. And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year.

Ezekiel 8:1 And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord GOD fell there upon me.

### **Examining Enoch Calender**

364 days from Month 4 Day 5 of Year 5 to Month 4 Day 5 of Year 6

Plus 60 days to reach month 6 day 5 of year 6

= 424 days

14 months of 30 days = 420 days

14 months of alternating 29 and 30 day months = 413 days

15 months of alternating 29 and 30 day months = 442 days

In order for Ezekiel to have lain on his side for 430 days, the 5th year of Jehoiachin's captivity must have had an intercalary or 13th month.

### No books of Scripture are lost

Apocrypha contradicts Scripture

Jasher contradicts Scripture

Jubilees contradicts Scripture

**Enoch contradicts Scripture** 

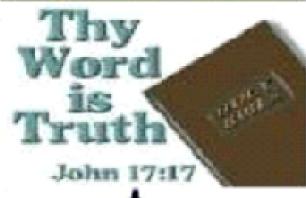
### Lost Books?

Psalms 12:6-7 The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, Thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.

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