#### Genesis 5

#### Verse 1-2

This is the book of the generations of Adam. On the day when God created man, He made him in the likeness of God. <sup>2</sup> He created them male and female, and He blessed them and named them "mankind" on the day when they were created.

# The generations of Adam

The Hebrew word for <u>generations</u> is used to introduce the 10 sections of the Book of Genesis

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> section

The first section was in Genesis 2:4

## And named them "mankind"

The Hebrew word *adam* is translated as <u>Adam</u>

The Hebrew word ha-adam is usually translated mankind

Verse 3-5

<sup>3</sup> When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered *a son* in his own likeness, according to his image, and named him Seth. <sup>4</sup> Then the days of Adam after he fathered Seth were eight hundred years, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>5</sup> So all the days that Adam lived were 930 years, and he died.

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Seth was a believer like his brother Abel and his father Adam

This is why Seth is listed in the line of the Patriarch

Verses 6 - 32

<sup>6</sup> Now Seth lived 105 years, and fathered Enosh. <sup>7</sup> Then Seth lived 807 years after he fathered Enosh, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>8</sup> So all the days of Seth were 912 years, and he died.

<sup>9</sup> Now Enosh lived ninety years, and fathered Kenan. <sup>10</sup> Then Enosh lived 815 years after he fathered Kenan, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>11</sup> So all the days of Enosh were 905 years, and he died.

<sup>12</sup> Now Kenan lived seventy years, and fathered Mahalalel. <sup>13</sup> Then Kenan lived 840 years after he fathered Mahalalel, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>14</sup> So all the days of Kenan were 910 years, and he died.

<sup>15</sup> Now Mahalalel lived sixty-five years, and fathered Jared. <sup>16</sup> Then Mahalalel lived 830 years after he fathered Jared, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>17</sup> So all the days of Mahalalel were 895 years, and he died.

<sup>18</sup> Now Jared lived 162 years, and fathered Enoch. <sup>19</sup> Then Jared lived eight hundred years after he fathered Enoch, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>20</sup> So all the days of Jared were 962 years, and he died.

<sup>21</sup> Now Enoch lived sixty-five years, and fathered Methuselah. <sup>22</sup> Then Enoch walked with God three hundred years after he fathered Methuselah, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>23</sup> So all the days of Enoch were 365 years. <sup>24</sup> Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.

<sup>25</sup> Now Methuselah lived 187 years, and fathered Lamech. <sup>26</sup> Then Methuselah lived 782 years after he fathered Lamech, and he fathered o*ther* sons and daughters. <sup>27</sup> So all the days of Methuselah were 969 years, and he died.

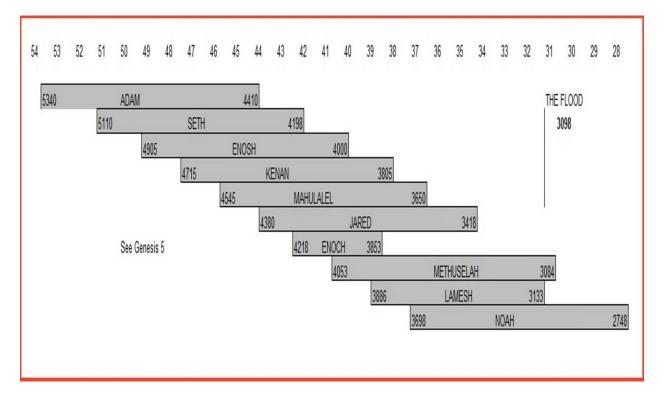
<sup>28</sup> Now Lamech lived 182 years, and fathered a son. <sup>29</sup> And he named him Noah, saying, "This one will give us comfort from our work and from the hard labor of our hands *caused* by the ground which the Lord has cursed." <sup>30</sup> Then Lamech lived 595 years after he fathered Noah, and he fathered *other* sons and daughters. <sup>31</sup> So all the days of Lamech were 777 years, and he died.

<sup>32</sup> Now after Noah was five hundred years old, Noah fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

This pattern of giving the age of a patriarch when one of his sons was born

And the total number of years the patriarch lived is of great importance

# See Chart 505



Since there is overlap between each person

We can be sure that there are no missing years in this chronology

Because of this:

We know how old the world is

We know when the global flood occurred

And it also helps establish the dates of other events in the bible

No doubt there were many children born to each of these patriarchs

After all, they were living for 900 plus years before the flood

But only those who were believers and heads of the family line are recorded

They were not perfect; they sinned in various ways

But they stood above their fellow brothers in faith and character

#### Verse 24

## Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.

He was the most righteous man of the pre-flood world

1. Enoch walked with God

This phrase takes us back to the Garden of Eden

When Adam had a close fellowship with God

2. Enoch did not experience physical death

See Hebrews 11:5

What did this convey to those who were faithful to God?

That God has power over death

Which means God can forgive sins

And the grave is not the end of life for mankind

#### Verse 29

# And he named him Noah, saying, "This one will give us comfort from our work and from the hard labor of our hands *caused* by the ground which the Lord has cursed."

The cursing of the ground made the life of man more difficult

But how did Noah comfort mankind in his work?

As far as we know, people after the flood faced the same difficulties as those who lived before the flood

Perhaps Noah invented instruments of ploughing or discovered a way to fertilize

This would have increased their productivity and reduced the price of food

Of course this is speculation and should be seen as such

Verse 32

# <sup>32</sup> Now after Noah was five hundred years old, Noah fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Shem stands ahead of his brothers in this list, but he was not the oldest

He received this honor because he was a believer

In Genesis 11:10 we find out that Shem was 100 years old, two years after the flood

So Shem must have been 97 at the beginning of the flood

And 98 at the end of the flood

# Concerning the dates in my charts

The dates I use after the time of Nahor **do match** what the majority of creationists and others agree with. So why are the dates I use from **Adam to Nahor different than what they use**? This is because I use the dates given in the Septuagint. If this subject interests you there are three videos that you should watch.

The Septuagint 1 5:26 min

http://www.levickfamily.com/8.61.html

The Septuagint 2 15:24 min

http://www.levickfamily.com/8.62.html

Genesis 11 Genealogy 14:36 min

http://www.levickfamily.com/8.63.html

I know this may come as a big surprise to many people, but I believe we should always seek the truth and be willing to share it even when it goes against the norm.