Extra-Biblical Witnesses to the Final Millennium of Revelation Chapter 20

We have been kept ignorant of important historical developments.

Ken Johnson (biblefacts.org) discusses the nature and role of the Essenes of Jesus' day and contrasts them with the unbelieving religious leaders. The Essenes, believing in prophecies of the coming Messiah, preserved the books now known as the Dead Sea Scrolls (DSS). These ancient manuscripts have now come alive to show us things kept hidden from us. For instance, the Book of Enoch was only first brought into the pubic from the Ethiopic Orthodox scriptures in 1773, even though fragments have now later been found in the DSS. Another very important find in the DSS are the writings titled the Ancient Testaments of the [Biblical] Patriarchs, which have been translated into English by Ken Johnson.

<u>Second Baruch</u> also needs to be considered as it is included in the Syrian scriptures. You can verify this by going to Ken Johnson's work at <u>Biblefacts.org</u>, and in the Resources Section click on the link to "Canon Studies", and once there click on the "Canon" link).

In the New Testament times, we need to reconsider what Barnabas the apostle said in his <u>Epistle of Barnabas 13:3-6</u> or <u>15:3-5</u> (reference depends upon the translator's chapter & verse organization).



Written in Ge'ez an ancient dead language of Ethiopia these manuscripts are nearly 800 years older than the King James Version. They contain 81-88 books compared to 66. It includes the Book of ENOCH, Esdras, Baruch, all 3 Books of MACCABEE, and a host of others... Link

How Relevant is the Book of Enoch?

The Book of Enoch, preserved by the Ethiopians, when compared with the fragments from the Dead Sea Scrolls (DSS) is garbled in some places, but shows us it is still in reasonable condition. Hopefully additional ancient sources will be found in the coming years.

Someone might say, "The Book Enoch isn't even in our Bible, so why should we consider it?"

Consider that the apostle Jude himself was reading the book of Enoch because he references it and also alludes to it in one short letter.

1) <u>Jude:</u> ¹⁴ Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men 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." (NKJV)

2) ⁶ And those angels not having kept their first place, but having deserted their dwelling-place, He has kept in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of a great Day; (LITV)

The second reference is described in the Book of Enoch as well as by Peter.

This first reference is a quote from the Book of Enoch. Why would the Holy Spirit have Jude use this source? What does it mean for angels to leave or desert their dwelling-place or "abode" (NJKV) or domain? Hebrews 13:2 says to remember to be hospitable, "for by this some unknowingly took in angels as guests." Did those guest angels leave their "dwelling-place" in heaven on a God-given assignment to enter earth's material domain to serve us? Yes. Then isn't it plausible that Enoch properly recorded the actions of angels who went against God's will for nefarious activity here on earth. REMEMBER, Jude is referencing the Book of Enoch which he is reading and believes to be important history. If this book is so important to Jude, why isn't it important to us? What other treasures might it have?

Another BIG reason to consider the Book of Enoch is that other writings in the Dead Sea Scrolls (DSS) make reference to it. Ken Johnson's translation of the <u>Ancient Testaments of the Patriarchs</u> from the DSS, reveals that each of the sons of Judah, before passing on in Egypt, called all their family together for final instructions and most of them referred to the book of Enoch. Besides the fact that almost every one of these Patriarchs referred to Enoch's words, they also charged their descendants to READ the Book of Enoch because he spoke of the Messiah to come. Indeed, the Book of Enoch has MANY astounding Messianic references! (Get a copy and enjoy!) The unbelieving religious leaders in the preceding centuries leading up to the time of Jesus were minimizing truths regarding the Messiah in those writings. While there are fragments of the Book of Enoch in the Dead Sea scrolls, it wasn't until 1956 that a full Aramaic version was found in another Dead Sea cave. It may well prove to be have all the books of Enoch in one and thus authenticate the current text once it is made available and translated.

Without the powerful knowledge found in these DSS fragments that the Essenes were preserving, the religious rulers exalted themselves and their opinions to keep the people blind to God's plans. (John 12:42-43) It seems that similar efforts to keep us ignorant and persisted through the centuries, yet now God is getting more truth released.

The Essenes

The Essenes, who preserved the Book of Enoch, had a 7000 year calendar for earth's history before the new heaven and earth of <u>Revelation 21</u>. Tom Horn does a good job laying it out in https://youtu.be/k4MJabvEr20?si=hzfnwSluyZoph3pf. That and more 7000 year calendars can be found at: https://dsscalendar.org/. Isn't it exciting that we are very near the 6000th year and entering the last 1000th year of earth's history!? (Revelation.20)

Enoch's 10 Week Prophecy of 7000 Years of Earth's History

10 Weeks: approx & rounded		
1	4000 to 3300 BC	
2	3300 to 2600 BC	
3	2600 to 1900 BC	
4	1900 to 1200 BC	
5	1200 to 500 BC	
6	500 BC to 200 AD	
7	200 to 900 AD	
8	900 to 1600 AD	
9	1600 to 2300 AD	
10	2300 to 3000 AD	

In Enoch Chapter 92, Enoch explains that he was born on the 7th day of the first week (92:4). We can calculate from the genealogy in Genesis 11 that he was born in the 622nd year after the fall. That makes each day of the week 100 years, and a week 700 years. Year 0 through 100 was the first day,... and 600 to 700 was the 7th day of the first week. With Enoch born 622 after the fall, he was thus born on the 7th day. Now, Enoch records specific things he was revealed by God that would happen during each of the

DAY	YEARS
1	1 – 100 th
2	101-200 th
3	201-300 th
4	301-400 th
5	401-500 th
6	501-600 th
7	601-700 th

revealed by God that would happen during each of the 10 weeks that would wrap up current earth history before we would enter a new heaven and earth. 10 weeks of 700 years each equals 7000 years!

(The more we know history, the more we'll be able to fill in what Enoch is talking about in this chapter. See this link for the details.)

Although we don't know the exact date when God created the world or how long Adam and Eve were in the garden before they sinned, the Bible gives us many key ways to fairly accurately calculate it. With creation happening sometime between 3925 B.C. and 4004 B.C., with Jesus being born about 4 B.C., with the approximate 4000 years before Jesus plus 2000+ years after Jesus' resurrection would bring us very close to completing 6000 years so far.

In Enoch's 10 week prophecy, when would the last 1000 years start? Wouldn't it be around the middle of the 9th week, with 300 years to go in the 9th week, plus another 700 years in the 10th and last week? This would then total 1000 years, right?

So, let's see what Enoch wrote in Chapter 92.

^{14c} "After, this, in the ninth week, shall the judgment of righteousness be revealed to the whole world. ¹⁵ Every work of the ungodly shall disappear from the whole earth; the world shall be marked for destruction; and all men shall be on the look out for the path of integrity.

Sounds a lot like <u>Daniel 7</u>:27. Also, you know what that sounds like to me? It sounds like there will be a tremendous exposure of evil as a judgement of righteousness, with God orchestrating from heaven through true justice systems on earth for major trials of evil people to occur. People world-wide would be shaken by this, so that whether they truly know God or not, they would know they must follow the "path of integrity" or wind up like those on whom real justice falls! A growing number of patriots have been aware of these events building and going on behind the scenes since October 2017 when President Donald John Trump used military intel

via anonymous posts signed by "Q" and "Q++" to awaken people to research and "expose the evil deeds of darkness" according to Eph 5:11. These Q "drops", as they have been called, were often a series of questions that enable each one of us to research and in progress in truly thinking for ourselves instead of relying on the corrupted main-stream media. We are coming into some AMAZING times ahead in the last 1000 years! The Satanic Deep-State controllers will not fulfill Satan's plan. Just as in the story of Esther when wicked Haman hanged on gallows he built for the righteous Mordecai, so too the evil elite globalists will be annihilated instead of the billions of humans they planned to kill! Their "kingdom" will blow away like chaff in the wind. Daniel 2:34-35 & 43-45

Enoch 92 - ¹⁶ And after this, on the seventh day of the tenth week, there shall be an everlasting judgment, which shall be executed upon the Watchers; and a spacious eternal heaven shall spring forth in the midst of the angels. ¹⁷ The former heaven shall depart and pass away; a new heaven shall appear; and all the celestial powers shine with sevenfold splendor for ever. Afterwards likewise shall there be many weeks, which shall externally exist in goodness and in righteousness.

Enoch 92:16 then speaks about those disobedient Watcher angels being judged that Jude referred to in verse 6, and Enoch 92:17 starts speaking about the new heaven and earth which we'll come into per Revelation Chapter 21. Beautiful!!!

Depending on the calculations of Biblical timelines, it seems that from any time between 2024 and 2075 we will reach the end of the 6000 years since Adam and Eve were removed from the Garden.

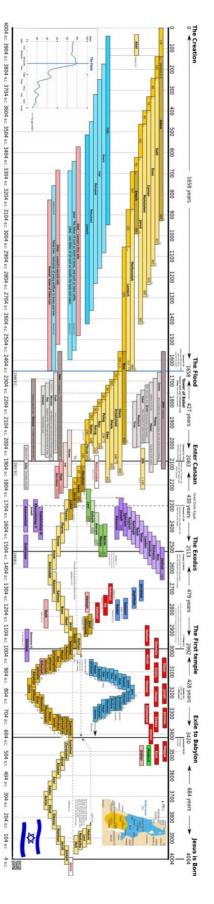
We're close. That's exciting!

Epistle of Barnabas

Why is it appropriate to consider the Epistle of Barnabas? Guess what? Biblical scholars are well aware that Barnabas did in fact write it. The Epistle of Barnabas is not to be confused with the "Gospel of Barnabas". The "Gospel" is a false letter written centuries after Barnabas' death. It is true, as some have stated, that no one knows why this Epistle/Letter is not in the canon. History does not convey that to us. My suspicion is that it came so hard against the false beliefs in Judaism, that many Jewish believers had a hard time with it. I imagine that Paul and Barnabas were thrown out of the synagogues on their missionary travels because they had some hard-hitting truths undoing Sacrifices and Sabbaths, etc.. Paul's letter to the Galatians showcases his uncompromising passion for the pure Gospel of Jesus' atonement.

So let's take a look at a what Barnabas says in <u>13:3-6</u> or <u>15:3-5</u>, depending on chapter/verse organization:

- 3 "And even in the beginning of the creation He makes mention of the Sabbath. And God made in six days the works of His hands; and He finished them on the seventh day, and He rested the seventh day, and sanctified it." (Gen 2:2)
- 4 "Consider, my children, what that signifies, He finished them in six days. The meaning of it is this; That in six thousand years the Lord God will bring all things to an end."
- 5 "For with Him one day is a thousand years; as He Himself testifies, saying, Behold this day shall be as a thousand years. Therefore, children, in six days, that is, in six thousand years, shall all things be accomplished." (Ps 90:4)
- 6 "And what is that He said, And He rested the seventh day: He means this; that when His Son shall come, and abolish the season of the Wicked One, and judge the ungodly; and shall change the Sun and the



Moon, and the Stars; then He shall gloriously rest in that seventh day." (Gen 2:1-3; Isa 11:10)

That sounds a lot like the very relevant Revelation Chapter 20, where the apostle John states that Jesus will continue His reign during the last 1000 years referred to as "The Millennium". That will be covered in another study. The key here is to notice that Barnabas is saying that each day of creation corresponds to 1000 years, and after the first 6000 years of earth's history is complete, there will be a judgment against Satan and the ungodly, so that life is very different during the 7th day of Rest, the last 1000 years.

Wouldn't it also makes sense that another reason this book may not be in our Bibles is because those examining whether or not to include it, knowing they had only completed about 4000 years of earth history, would have concluded that Barnabas is saying there were be another 2000 years until the 1000 years of Rest. They would have had a hard time reconciling having to wait 2000 years with Jesus having said in Revelation 22:12, "I am coming soon." Yet, here we are!

While looking at Barnabas' letter about a day for each 1000 years, let's consider two other possible connected ideas.

Hosea 6:2 – "After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live in His sight." Could this be a prophecy not only of Jesus 3rd day resurrection, but also of the 2,000 year Messianic Church Age, to then be followed by the last 1000 years?

The Jewish Talmud refers to an "Epistle of Elijah", which we do not have today. Talmud in Sanhedrin 97 says¹: "The *Tanna debe Eliyyahu* teaches: The world is to exist six thousand years. In the first two thousand there was desolation; [i.e. no Torah. It is a tradition that Abraham was fifty-two years old when he began to convert men to the worship of the true God; from Adam until then, two thousand years elapsed] two thousand years the Torah flourished; and the next two thousand years is the Messianic era, [i.e. Messiah will come within that period] but through our many iniquities all these years have been lost. [He should have come at the beginning of the last two thousand years; the delay is due to our sins.]""

The above would mean that from Jesus' resurrection and being given the kingdom in all power and glory (Dan 7), we would enter the 2000 year period of what is what is typically called the "Church Age". With Jesus' birth happening sometime between 6 BC to 2 BC and thus his crucifixion and resurrection at 33 years old somewhere between 27 AD to 31 AD, here 2000 years later, we must be very close to the fulfillment of coming into the last 1000 years! Of course it may not have to be an exact 2000 years. Also, some things might be more transitional into the final millennium rather than cataclysmic. This transitional aspect is something to ponder so we can think outside the boxes we tend to create.

2 Baruch's on the Millennium

There is a 1 Baruch of 6 chapters accepted in different scriptures as having been written by Baruch the scribe for Jeremiah (<u>Jer 36:4</u>). This book of 2 Baruch is found in the Syrian scriptures. Just as many unbelieving sceptic "scholars" do not accept that Moses actually wrote Genesis through Deuteronomy, and question even the supernatural miracles God did through Moses, it is possible that 2 Baruch may come under undue criticism. After Baruch accompanied Jeremiah into Egypt after Nebuchadnezzar's capture of Jerusalem (<u>Jer 42</u>:15b-17 & <u>chapter 43</u>), there is every possibility in later life he went and lived with his people in Babylon who were captive there, and charged to now seek the peace and prosperity of their new place. (Jer 29:7).

2 Baruch mainly deals with what the Israelites went through, with periods of sin and departure from God described as "black waters", followed by periods of return to God and blessings as "bright lightnings". I'll provide two online source links for this book: $\underline{1} \& \underline{2}$. Following, is the more compact text from the 2^{nd} for the last "bright lightnings":

72. 1 "Now also hear about the bright lightnings which comes at the end following these black waters. This is the word: ² After the signs have come, of which I have previously told to you, when the nations become confused and the time of my Anointed-One comes, he will call all nations; and some of them he will spare, and some of them he will kill. ³ Therefore, these things will befall the nations which will be spared by him: 4 Every nation which has not known Israel and has not trodden down the seed of Jacob will indeed live. 5 And this is because some from every nation will be subjected to your people. ⁶ But all those who have ruled over you or have known you, will be delivered up to the sword. 73.1 "And it will happen, that after he has brought low everything which is in the world, and has sat down in eternal peace on the throne of the kingdom, then joy will be revealed and rest will appear. ² And then healing will descend in dew, and disease will vanish, and anxiety and anguish and lamentation will pass away from among men, and joy will encompass the entire earth. ³ And no one will ever again die untimely, nor will any adversity take place suddenly. ⁴ And judgment, and condemnations, and contentions, and revenges, and blood, and passions, and envy, and hatred, and all such things will go into condemnation at the time when they are uprooted. ⁵ For these are the things which have filled this world with evils; and because of them, the life of man has been greatly troubled. ⁶ And the beasts will come from the forest and serve men, and the asps [i.e. snakes] and dragons will come out of their holes to subject themselves to a child. ⁷ And women will no longer have pain when they give birth, nor will they suffer torment when yielding the fruits of their womb.

74.¹ And it will happen in those days, that the reapers will not grow weary, nor will the builders be worn-out from work, because the products will shoot out speedily on their own, together with those who work on them, in full tranquility.

² For that time is the consummation of what is corruptible, and the beginning of what is incorruptible. ³ Therefore, everything which was previously said will happen in it. Therefore, it is far away from the evil things, and near to what is undying. ⁴ This is the bright lightnings which followed the final dark waters."

The Anointed-One coming will be discussed on the study of Revelation 20.

This text could not be talking about the new heaven and earth because there will be no birthing there; yet giving birth will no longer be painful, nor will there be pain or postpartum suffering after that birth (73:7). In 74:3 "... Therefore, it is far away from evil things, and near to what is undying", indicates that there is still dying, but the time for this will soon be over because the last 1000 years will be followed by the new heaven and earth with our newly resurrected bodies (Revelation 21).

There is much to ponder in this passage about days to come. "The best is yet to come!"

Let's consider a some parallels to the Bible:

2 Baruch	Bible
72 ^{2b} when the nations become confused and the time of my Anointed-One comes, he will call all nations; and some of them he will spare, and some of them he will kill.	This sounds like parts of Zechariah 14 & 8:22 and would include Revelation 18, 19 & 20, as well as Romans 11:11-12 & 26-27; & Isaiah 2:3 & 4 which all happens at the start of the Millennium. Isaiah 2:4 - He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore. (Also Micah 4:1-4)
(I believe Jesus, reigning in Spirit, without being physically seen in Jerusalem, can accomplish this through revamped earthly justice systems – some currently going on behind the scenes in Military Tribunals (2016-2024) and some to be publicly seen in the future in various ways.)	IF <u>Zechariah 14</u> is more literal, then the sacrifices would look BACK to what Jesus finished on the cross. If it's more spiritual symbology then we ARE the Temple (<u>1 Cor 6:19 w/John 4</u> : <u>21 & 23</u>) joined with amazing believers in Israel (<u>Rom 11</u>). Mt 25:31-34, I believe, happens at the <u>end</u> of the Millennium.
73 ² And then healing will descend in dew, and disease will vanish, and anxiety and anguish and lamentation will pass away from among men, and joy will encompass the entire earth. ³ And no one will ever again die untimely, nor will any adversity take place suddenly. ⁷ And women will no longer have pain when they give birth, nor will they suffer torment when yielding the fruits of their womb.	Isaiah 65 ²⁰ "No longer will babies die when only a few days old. No longer will adults die before they have lived a full life. No longer will people be considered old at one hundred! Only the cursed will die that young! 22For my people will live as long as trees, and my chosen ones will have time to enjoy their hard-won gains.
73 ⁴ And judgment, and condemnations, and contentions, and revenges, and blood, and passions, and envy, and hatred, and all such things will go into condemnation at the time when they are	Could this be due to the prior Justice/Judgement? And/Or could it be due to Satan (and all demons too?) being removed from control? Rev 20:2 "He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;"

uprooted. ⁵ For these are the things which have filled this world with evils; and because of them, the life of man has been greatly troubled.	
74.¹ And it will happen in those days, that the reapers will not grow weary, nor will the builders be worn-out from work, because the products will shoot out speedily on their own, together with those who work on them, in full tranquility.	Amos 9:13 "The time will come," says the LORD, "when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested. Then the terraced vineyards on the hills of Israel will drip with sweet wine!" Isaiah 65 ²² Unlike the past, invaders will not take their houses and confiscate their vineyards my chosen ones will have time to enjoy their hard-won gains. They will not work in vain, and their children will not be doomed to misfortune. For they are people blessed by the LORD, and their children, too, will be blessed.

Amazing days are ahead!!!