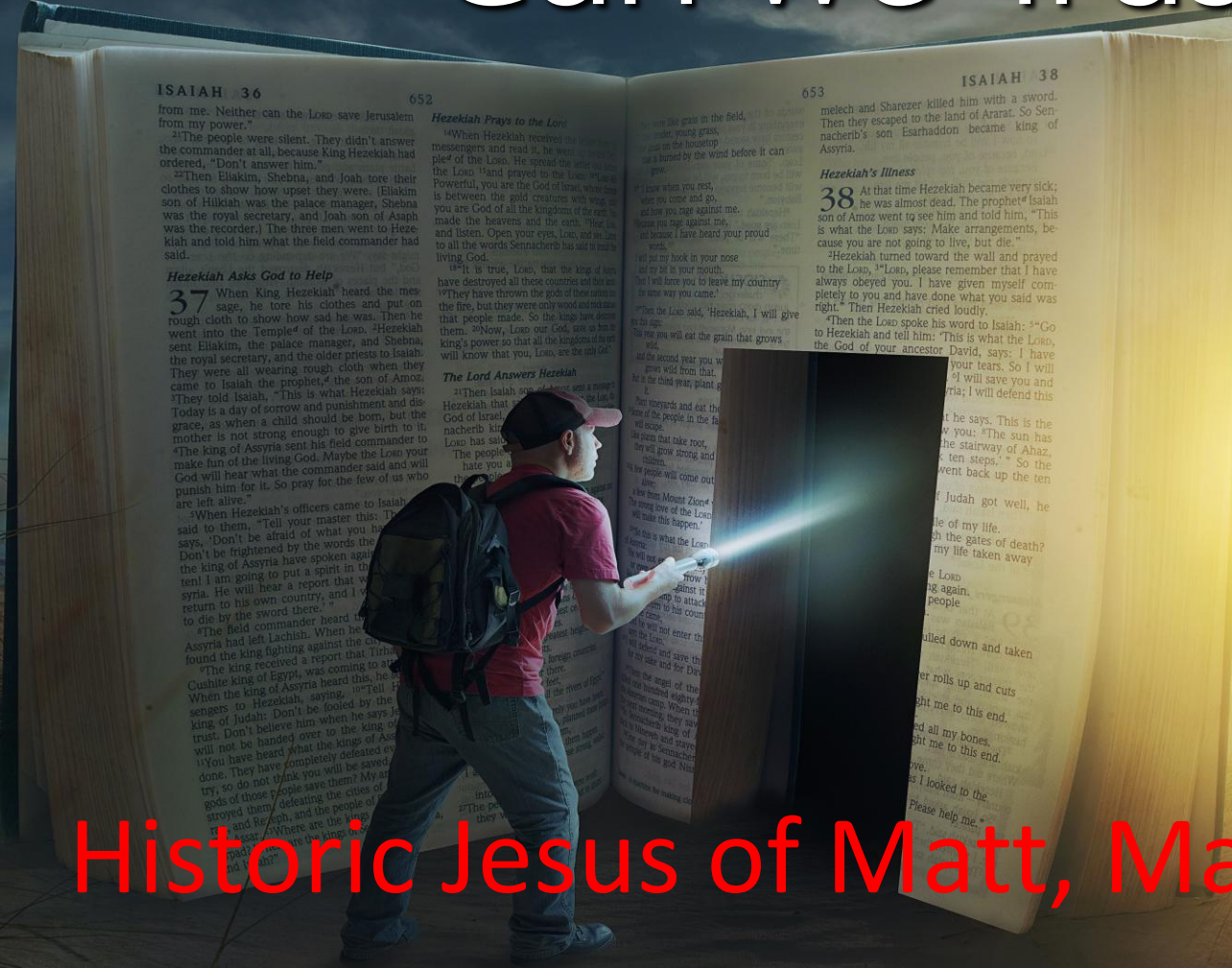


Can we Trust the Bible?



Lesson Three

Historic Jesus of Matt, Mark, Luke, & John

Only pre-conceived Notions and Cigars were delightfully harmed in this Exercise.

Angelic Prophecies of Daniel: Unraveling the Connection to Hanukkah!

Lesson 0	Introduction	The Miracle of the Bible
Lesson 1	Old Testament	Aleph – Tav 7,300 instances, Manuscripts, Prophecy, 430 Silent Years, In the Beginning...
Lesson 2	Dr. Todd Pickle	History of writing, language, OT nations & Hebrew scriptures and a little bit of the canon
Lesson 3	New Testament	Historic Jesus of Matt, Mark, Luke, & John
Lesson 4	Dr. Todd Pickle	Roman era, contemporary languages, writing materials & methods such as papyrus and then a quick view of how our modern English Bible came to be, also including some comments on the canon
Lesson 5	Conclusion	What do you Believe?

THE DUNNING - KRUGER EFFECT



Try not to mistake the cautiousness of experts as a lack of understanding, nor to give much credence to lay-people who appear confident but have only superficial knowledge.



The more you know, the less confident you're likely to be. Because experts know just how much they don't know, they tend to underestimate their ability; but it is easy to be over confident when you have only a simple idea of how things are.

CONFIDENCE
PERCEIVED ABILITY



High



Low

I know everything

There's more to this than I thought

It's starting to make sense

I'm never going to understand this

Trust me. It's complicated

Huh?

IMPOSTER SYNDROME



VALLEY OF DESPAIR



Low

Low

High



KNOWLEDGE IN FIELD
ACTUAL ABILITY



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- [Christianity: The Biography: 2000 Years of Global History: Shaw, Ian J.: 9780310536284: Amazon.com: Books](#)

Jesus Christ and him crucified

Anchor of the entire Bible is the Historical Jesus of Matt, Mark, Luke, & John

“ Moreover, the claim that Jesus was simply made up falters on every ground. ”

Bart D. Ehrman
DID JESUS EXIST?

“ When we have once made up our minds that we have not the materials for a complete Life of Jesus, but only for a picture of His public ministry, it must be admitted that there are few characters of antiquity about whom we possess so much indubitably historical information, of whom we have so many authentic discourses. ”

Albert Schweitzer
THE QUEST FOR THE HISTORICAL JESUS

PLINY THE YOUNGER

GENRE: POLITICAL
DATES: 61-113 AD

Mentions that Christ's followers sing to Christ "as to a god."

TACITUS

GENRE: HISTORY
DATES: 61-116 AD
Discusses Jesus' crucifixion

THALLUS

GENRE: HISTORY
DATES: c. 52 AD
Describes strange phenomena in Judea on the day of Jesus' death.

LUCIAN

GENRE: ANCIENT SATIRE
DATES: 115-200 AD
Mentions Jesus' crucifixion and habits of his followers

CELCUS

GENRE: PHILOSOPHY
DATES: c. 175 AD
Says Jesus was born in Judea, lived part of his childhood in Egypt and was a miracle worker. Accuses Jesus of using "magic powers" he learned during his upbringing in Egypt.

GOSPELS

GENRE: BIOGRAPHIES
DATES: 50s - 90s AD
Includes at least 5 independent sources (Mark, Matthew, Luke, John, Q).

PAUL'S LETTERS

GENRE: EPISTLES
DATES: 40s - 60s AD
Paul cites sayings, notes Jesus' lineage, describes the Last Supper, lists witnesses to the resurrection.

IGNATIUS

GENRE: LETTERS
DATES: 33-103 AD

CLEMENT

GENRE: LETTERS
DATES: c. 95 AD

POLYCARP

GENRE: LETTERS
DATES: 69-150 AD

THE HISTORICAL JESUS



BIBLICAL



EARLY CHRISTIANS



ROMANS



GREEKS



EARLY JEWS

JOSEPHUS

GENRE: HISTORIES
DATES: c. 90s AD
Mentions Jesus, James the brother of Jesus, and John the Baptist

The Design of the Gospels

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
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The Camp of Israel

Numbers 2

Judah	74,600
Issachar	54,400
Zebulun	<u>57,400</u>
	186,400

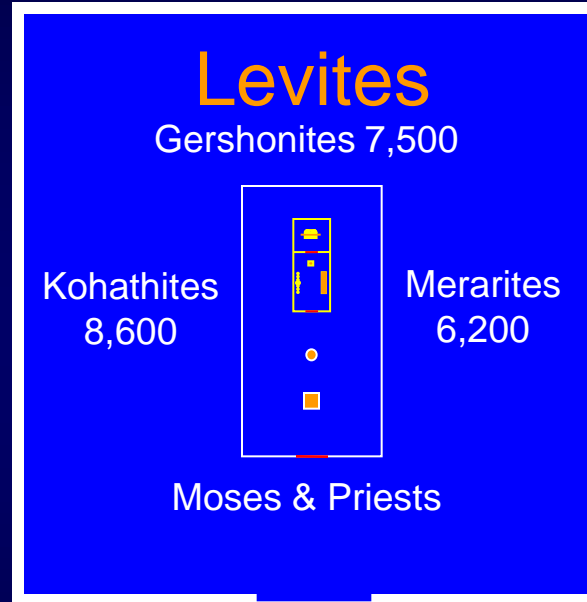
Reuben	46,500
Simeon	59,300
Gad	<u>45,650</u>
	151,450

Ephraim	40,500
Manasseh	32,200
Benjamin	<u>35,400</u>
	108,100

Dan	62,700
Asher	41,500
Naphtali	<u>53,400</u>
	157,600

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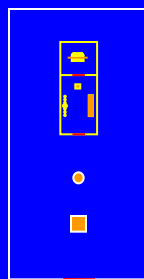


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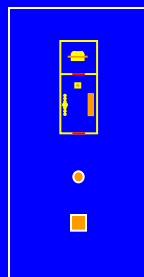
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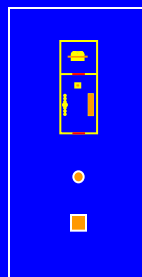
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Rabbinical Precision

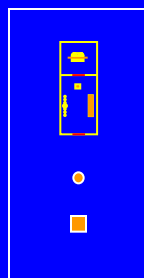
- The Camp of Judah: **East** of Levites
- The Camp of Reuben: **South** of Levites
- Strict obedience denies area **Southeast**
- Thus, only **cardinal directions** ordained
- Only **width** of Levite's camp allowed
- Length **proportional** to population

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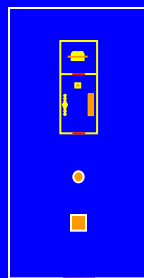
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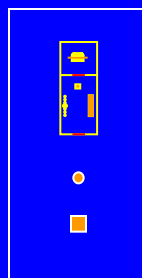
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Levites

Gershonites 7,500

Kohathites
8,600

Merarites
6,200



Moses & Priests

22,300

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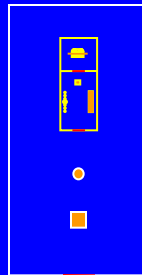
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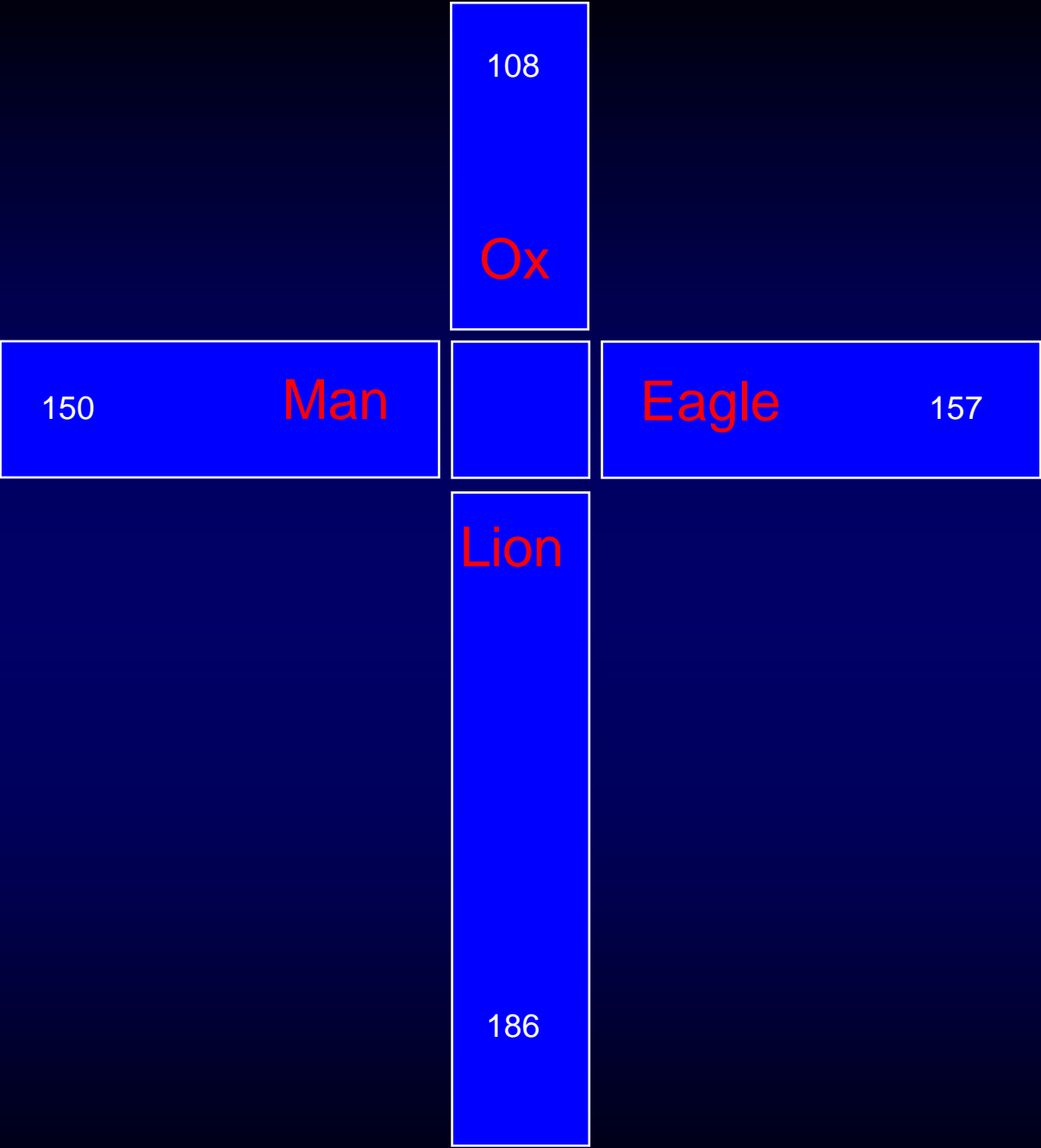
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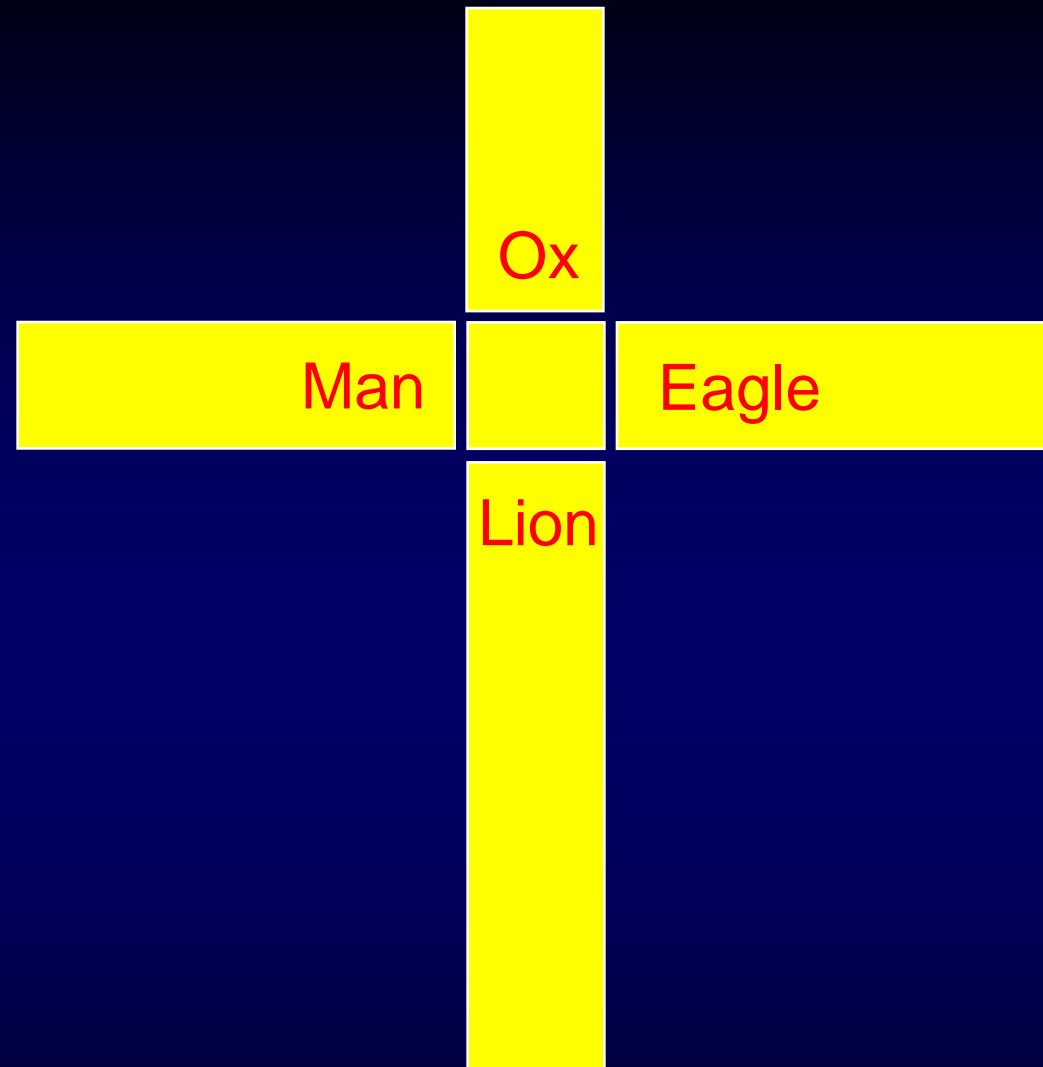
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LION



Faces

- Eze 1:10 *for the likeness of their faces, each had the face of a man; each of the four had the face of a lion on the right side, each of the four had the face of an ox on the left side, and each of the four had the face of an eagle.*
 - Rev 4:7 *The first living creature was like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle.*
1. Human being: symbolizes intelligence.
 2. Lion: represents sovereignty.
 3. Ox: signifies diligence.
 4. Eagle: symbolizes agility.



Camping out in imitation of the Throne Room of God

Theology

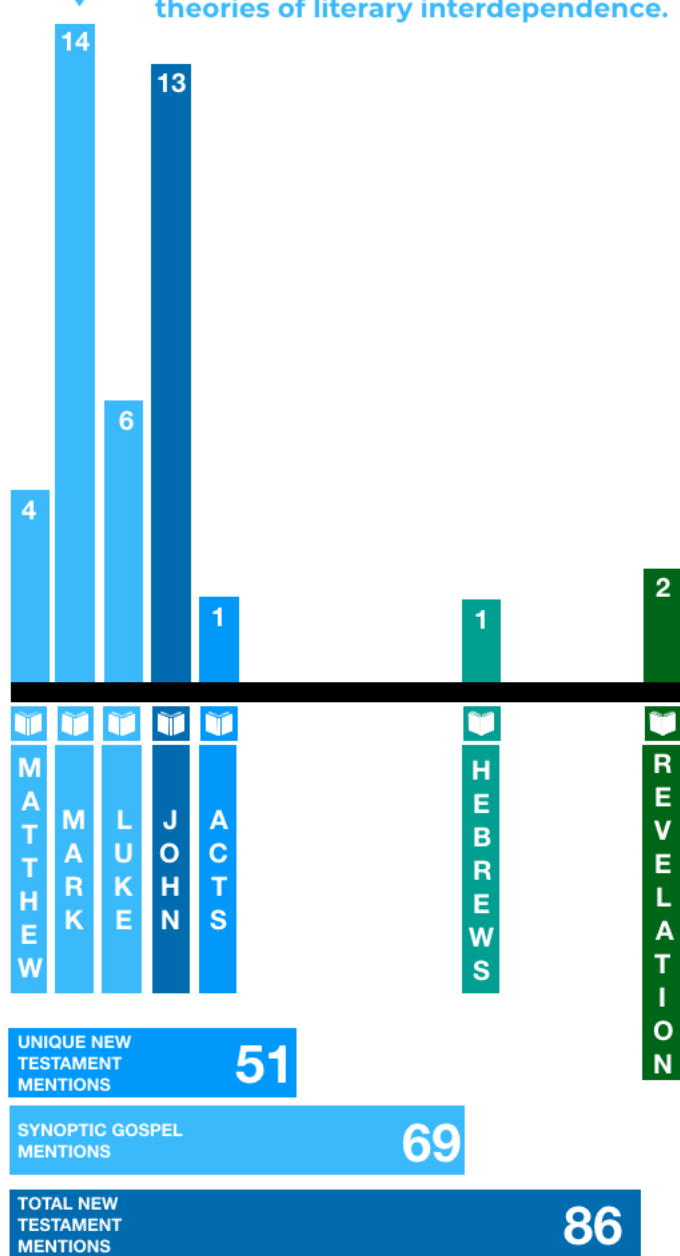


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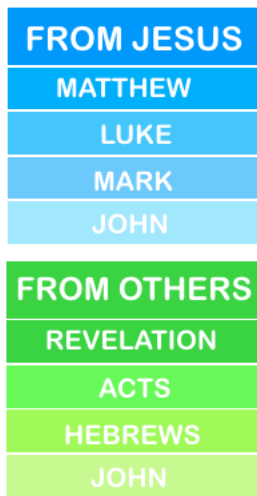
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THE "SON OF MAN" SAYINGS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew, Mark, and Luke are referred to as the *Synoptic Gospels* due to their similar content, sequencing, wording, and language, which has led to theories of literary interdependence.



Q is an abbreviation for the German word *Quelle*, meaning "source." Q represents a hypothetical source of Jesus sayings drawn from both Matthew and Luke. Matthew and Luke have 235 virtually identical verses that are not found in Mark. These 235 verses are collected together in what is referred to as Q



THE "SON OF MAN" AS DIVINE

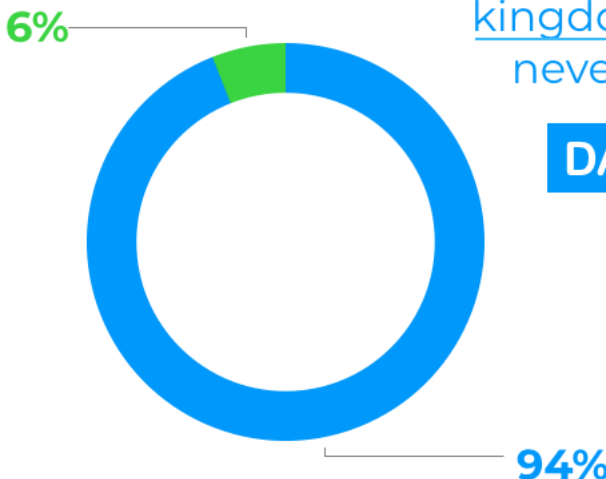
The only figures who "come on the clouds of heaven" in both Ancient Israelite and Ancient Near Eastern literature are divine. (Michael Heiser, *The Unseen Realm: Recovering the Supernatural Worldview of the Bible* (Bellingham: Lexham Press, 2015).

"Yahweh has established His throne in the heavens, and His sovereign power rules over all." Psalm 103:19

"... for you shall not worship any other... for Yahweh, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God." Exodus 34:14

"In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed."

DANIEL 7:13-14



"I am Yahweh; that is my name; I will not give my glory to another, nor my praise to carved idols." Isaiah 42:8

"For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with skillful psalm. God reigns over the nations, God sits on His holy throne." Psalm 47:7-8

"Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting." Psalm 93:2

"They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom and talk of Your power... Your mighty acts and the glory of the majesty of Your kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations." Psalm 145:10-13



READING THROUGH THE GOSPELS

It should take approximately 10 hours in total to read all four Gospels and the book of Acts. If you spend 20 minutes per day, you could read all 5 books in just 1 month.

THE GOSPELS (IN THEIR ORIGINAL GREEK) HAVE:

**TIME IT SHOULD TAKE
YOU TO FINISH IT IN
ONE SITTING:**



28 chapters

1 071 verses



18 345 words



2 hours,
21 minutes



16 chapters

678 verses



11 304 words



1 hour,
23 minutes



24 chapters

1 151 verses



19 482 words



2 hours,
24 minutes



21 chapters

879 verses



15 635 words



1 hour,
51 minutes

**YOU SHOULD BE
ABLE TO FINISH THE
GOSPELS & ACTS IN:**

BY READING :

1 WEEK →

1 hour, 28
minutes per
day

1 MONTH →

20 minutes per
day

6 MONTH →

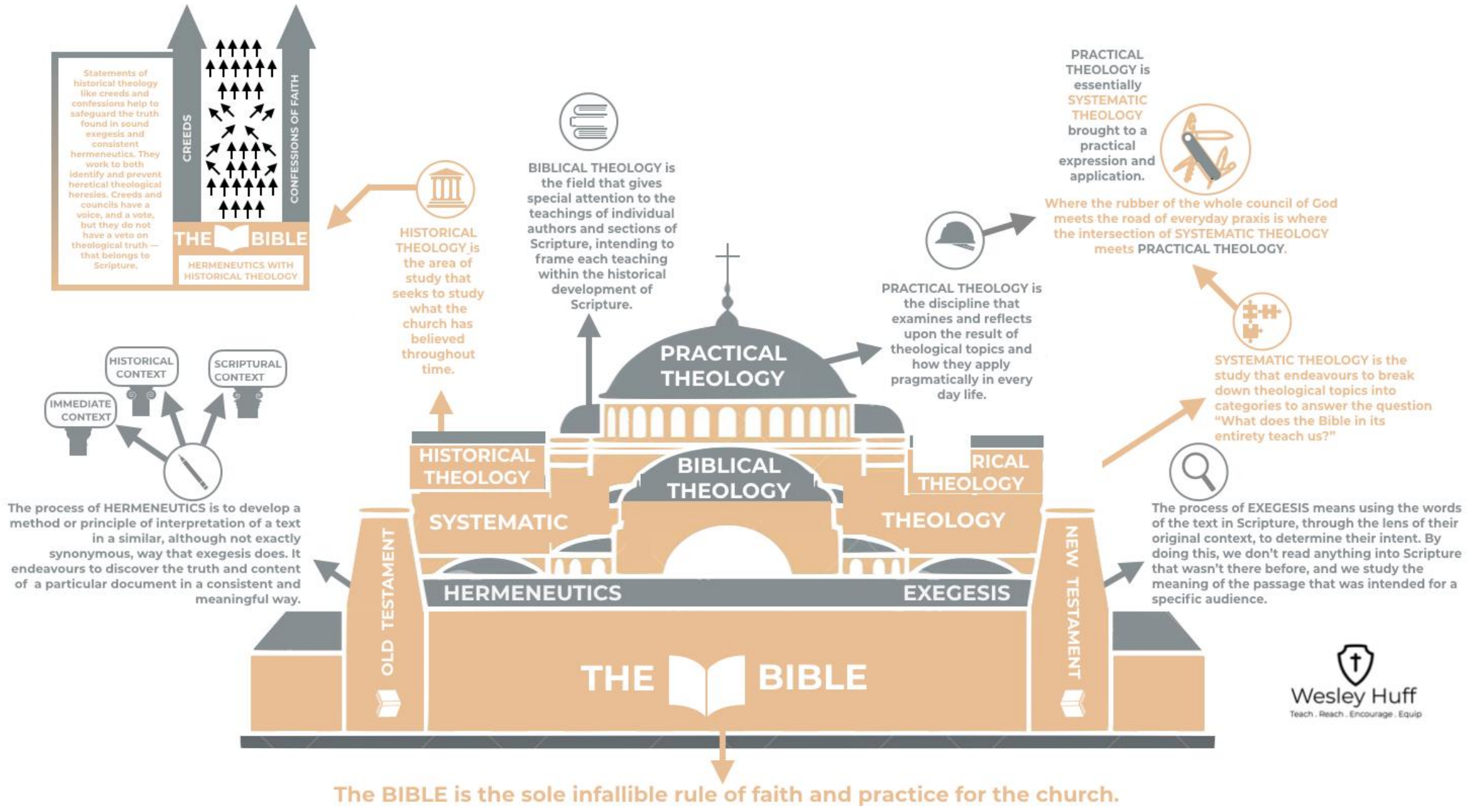
3 minutes per
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1 YEAR →

2 minutes per
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The average person speed-reads
between 200-250 words per minute



Translation

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ΜΑΡΚΟΝ.

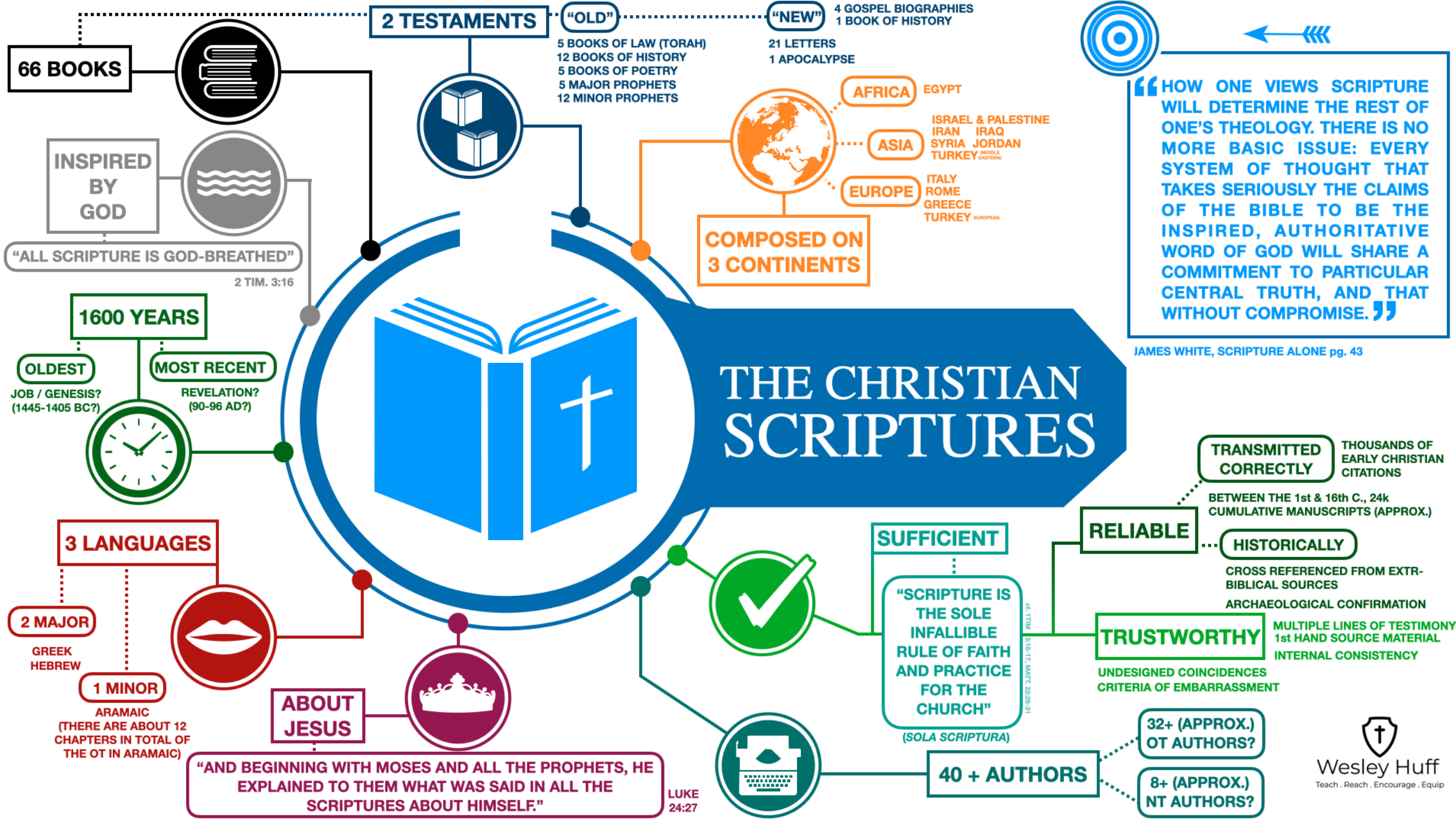
ΚΕΦΑΛΑΙΟΝ Α. Ι.



1 ΠΡΗ' τῷ εὐαγγελίῳ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ υἱοῦ
2 τοῦ Θεοῦ. Ὡς γέγραπται ἐν τοῖς προφή-
ταις, Ἰδοὺ ἐγὼ ἀποστέλλω τὸν ἀγγελόν μου
προπορεύσασάν σου, ὅς σε κατασκευάσῃ τὴν
3 ὁδόν σου ἡμετέρῳ δεῖ σὺ. Φωνὴ βοῶντος ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, Ἐπι-
4 μάσατε τὴν ὁδὸν Κυρίου, εὐθείας ποιήτε τὰς τρίβους αὐ-
5 τοῦ. Ἐγένετο Ἰωάννης βαπτίζων ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, καὶ κηρύσσων
6 βάπτισμα μετάνοίας εἰς ἄφεσιν ἁμαρτιῶν. Καὶ ἐξεπορεύθη
7 αὐτὸς αὐτοὶ πάντα ἢ Ἰερουσαλὴμ, καὶ οἱ ἱεροσολυμίται καὶ
8 ἡ βαπτίζοντο πάντες ἐν τῷ Ἰορδάνῃ ποταμῷ ὑπὸ αὐτοῦ, ἐξ-
9 μολογόμενοι τῷ ἁμαρτίας αὐτῶν. Ἦν δὲ Ἰωάννης ἐν-
10 δυμένος τρίχας καμήλης, καὶ ζώῳ δερμα πίνου παρὶ τῷ
11 ὀσφυ αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἰσθίον ἀκείρας καὶ μέλι ἄριστον. Καὶ ἐκ-
12 ρυσσε λέγων, Ἐρχεται ὁ ἰσχυρότερός μου ὀπίσω μου, καὶ ἐγὼ εἰμι
13 ἰσχυρὸς κύβητος λύσω τὸν ἱμῶνά μου ὑποδύματά μου ἀνέ-
14 ξω. Ἐγὼ μὲν ἐβάπτισα ὑμᾶς ἐν ὕδατι· αὐτὸς δὲ βαπτίσει ὑμᾶς
15 ἐν Πνεύματι ἁγίῳ. Καὶ ἐγγίγνεται ἐν ἐκείναις ταῖς ἡμέραις,
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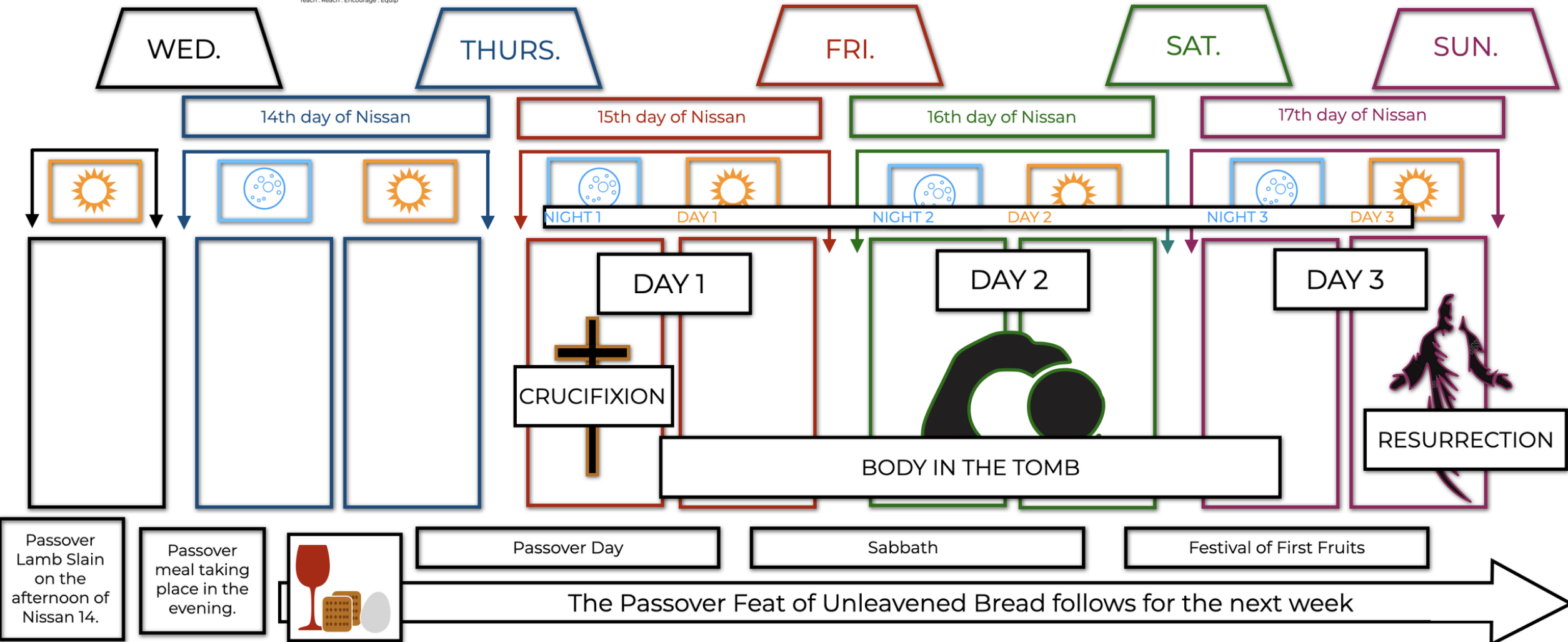


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Material in Common

	Common Material	Independent Contribution
Matthew	58%	42%
Mark	93%	7%
Luke	41%	59%
John	8%	92%

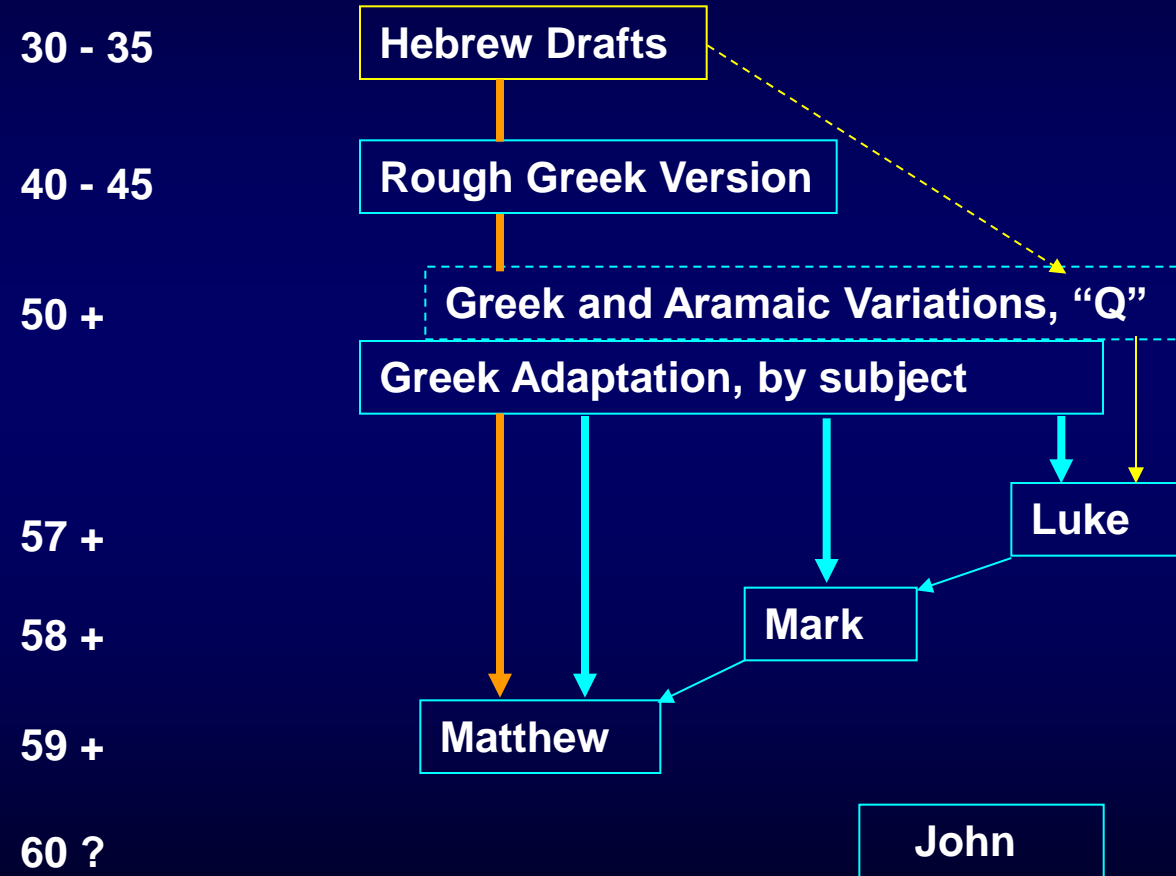
Jesus' Linguistics

- Common language: Aramaic
(Mark 15:34)
- Also Spoke Greek
(Mark 7:24-30)
- Spoke initially Greek to Mary until
addressing her in Aramaic
(John 20:11-18)
- Pilate fluent in Hebrew, Greek, &
Latin
(John 19:19)

Syntactic Peculiarities in NT

- Semitic sentence structure:
Hebrew more likely than Aramaic
 - Mark quotes Luke in hundreds of places
 - Mark quotes Acts in 150 places
 - Mark knew Thessalonians, Corinthians, Romans, Colossians, James
 - 600 evidences of early date of Luke
- David Flusser, Hebrew University;
Robert Lindsey

The Jerusalem School



Paul's Letters

Thessalonians	Spring 50; 50-51
1 Corinthians	Spring 55
1 Timothy	Fall 55
2 Corinthians	Spring 56
Galatians	Fall 56
Romans	Spring 57
Titus	Fall 57
Philippians	Summer 58
Colossians	Summer 58
Ephesians	Summer 58
2 Timothy	Fall 58



Other NT Books

James	47 – 48
Jude	61 – 61
Peter	61 – 62
Acts	57 – 62
1, 2, 3 John	60 – 65
1 Peter	Spring 65
Gospels	40 – 65

Textus Receptus

- End of 3rd century, Lucian of Antioch compiled Greek text to become primary standard throughout Byzantine world.
- 6th – 14th century majority of NT texts produced in Byzantium in Greek.
- 1525: Erasmus, using 5 or 6 Byzantine manuscripts, compiled first Greek text produced on printing press. Basis for TR.

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HOW ENGLISH HAS CHANGED OVER THE LAST 1000 YEARS:

THE 23rd PSALM



OLD ENGLISH
800-1066

Drihten me raet, ne byth
me nanes godes wan. And
he me geset on swayth
good feohland. And fedde
me be waetera stathum.

Our Lord governeth me,
and nothyng shal defailen
me. In the step of pastur he
sett me ther. He orissed me
upon water of fyllyng.

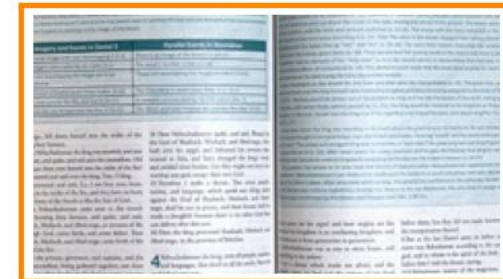
MIDDLE ENGLISH
1100-1500



KING JAMES BIBLE
1611

The Lord is my shepherd,
I shall not want. He
maketh me to lie downe in
greene pastures: he leadeth
mee beside the still waters.

MODERN ENGLISH
1989-2019



The Lord is my shepherd,
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English Bibles

Prior to the King James Bible

John Wycliffe, a theologian, biblical scholar, and professor at Oxford, translated the first English Bible in 1000 years. The *Wycliffe Bible* was translated from the Latin Vulgate.



Wycliffe Bible
1382-1395

William Tyndale, a gifted English linguist, translated the first English Bible derived from the Greek and Hebrew. The hostile reception to the project caused him his life.



Tyndale Bible
1492-1536

Although numbers range, it has been estimated that as much as 80% of the 1611 KJV's New Testament and 75% of the KJV's Old Testament is near identical to the Tyndale Bible.

The *Thomas Bible* was published by John Rogers, under the pseudonym "Thomas Matthew." It was largely an amalgamation of previous translations including the Tyndale and Coverdale Bibles.



Thomas Matthew's Bible
1537

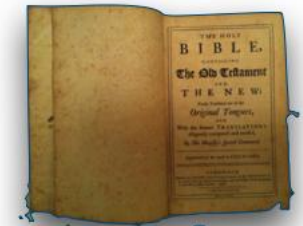
Tyndale was strangled and then burned in Oct. 1536.

The *Bishop's Bible* was a translation project by the established Church of England. As the Geneva Bible was largely associated with Presbyterianism, the Bishop's Bible was undertaken by individuals like Matthew Parker, the then Archbishop of Canterbury, in order to establish the role of the Church in English life and religion.



Bishop's Bible
1568

Benjamin Blayney, an Oxford trained linguist, is best known for his revision of the KJV in 1769. The vast majority of modern KJV Bibles sold today are not the original 1611 AV but versions of the later 1769 *Blayney Revision*.



King James Bible
(Blayney Revision)
1769

There are a total of 421 changes between the 1611 and the 1769.

We have a glut of modern English Bible translations. However, that has not always been the case. At times there were only one or two translations available, and they were often very expensive and sometimes even illegal to own. The modern translations we now have (and often taken for granted) owe a debt to individuals of the past who risked life and limb to get them out of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew, and into the hands of people who could read them in their own language.



Miles Coverdale Bible(s)
1488-1569

Miles Coverdale, an Augustinian friar turned Puritan preacher, who became the Bishop of Exeter, was responsible for multiple editions of English Bibles.



The Great Bible
1539-1540

The "Great Bible" was a production by Miles Coverdale, working under commission of Thomas Lord Cromwell.



Geneva Bible 1557-1560

Proceeding the KJV by 51 years, the Geneva was arguably the primary English Bible of the 16th century. It was the Bible brought over to the Americas as the Puritans travelling on the Mayflower were skeptical of the KJV due to its political ties to the English Crown.

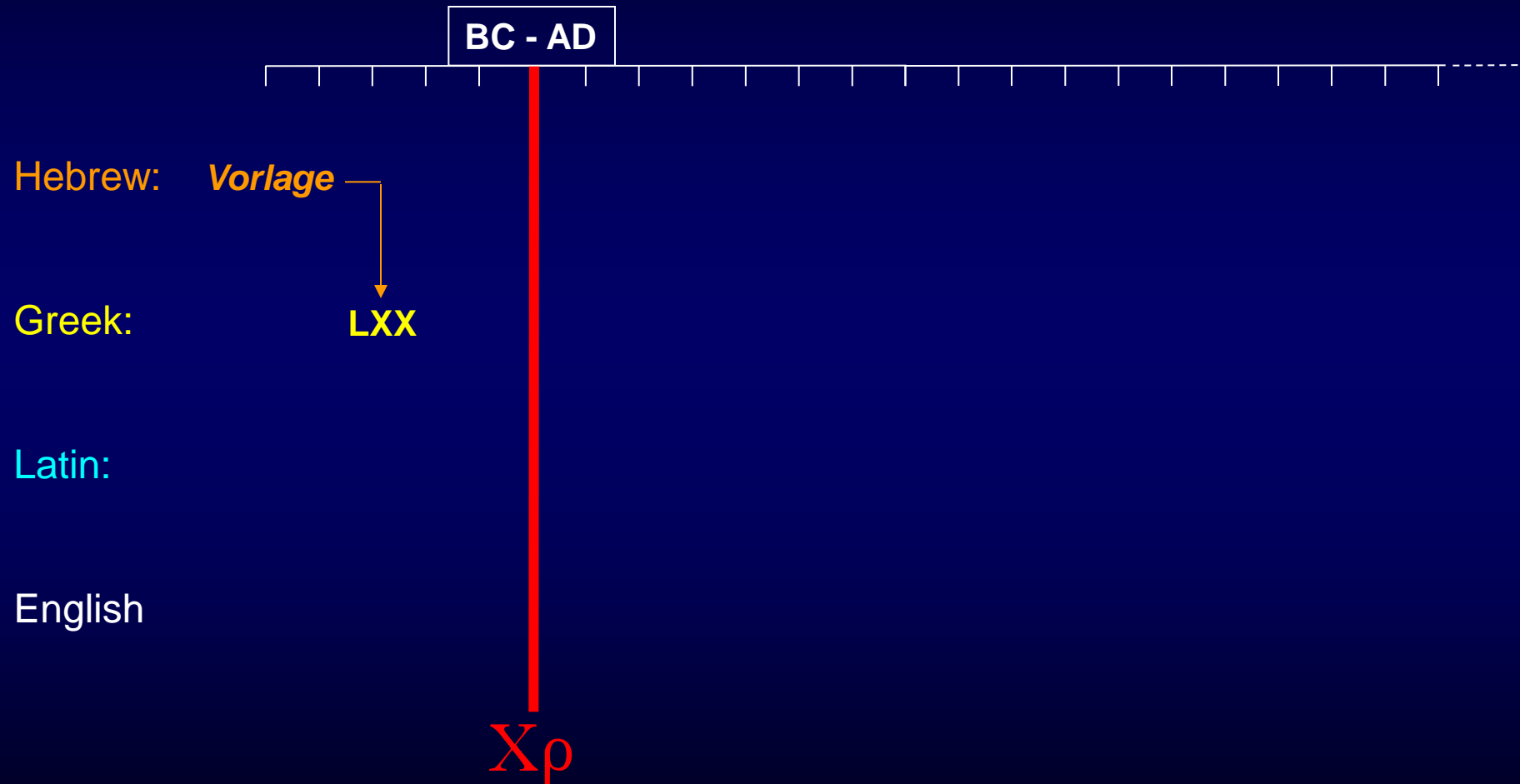


King James Bible
(Authorized Version)
1611

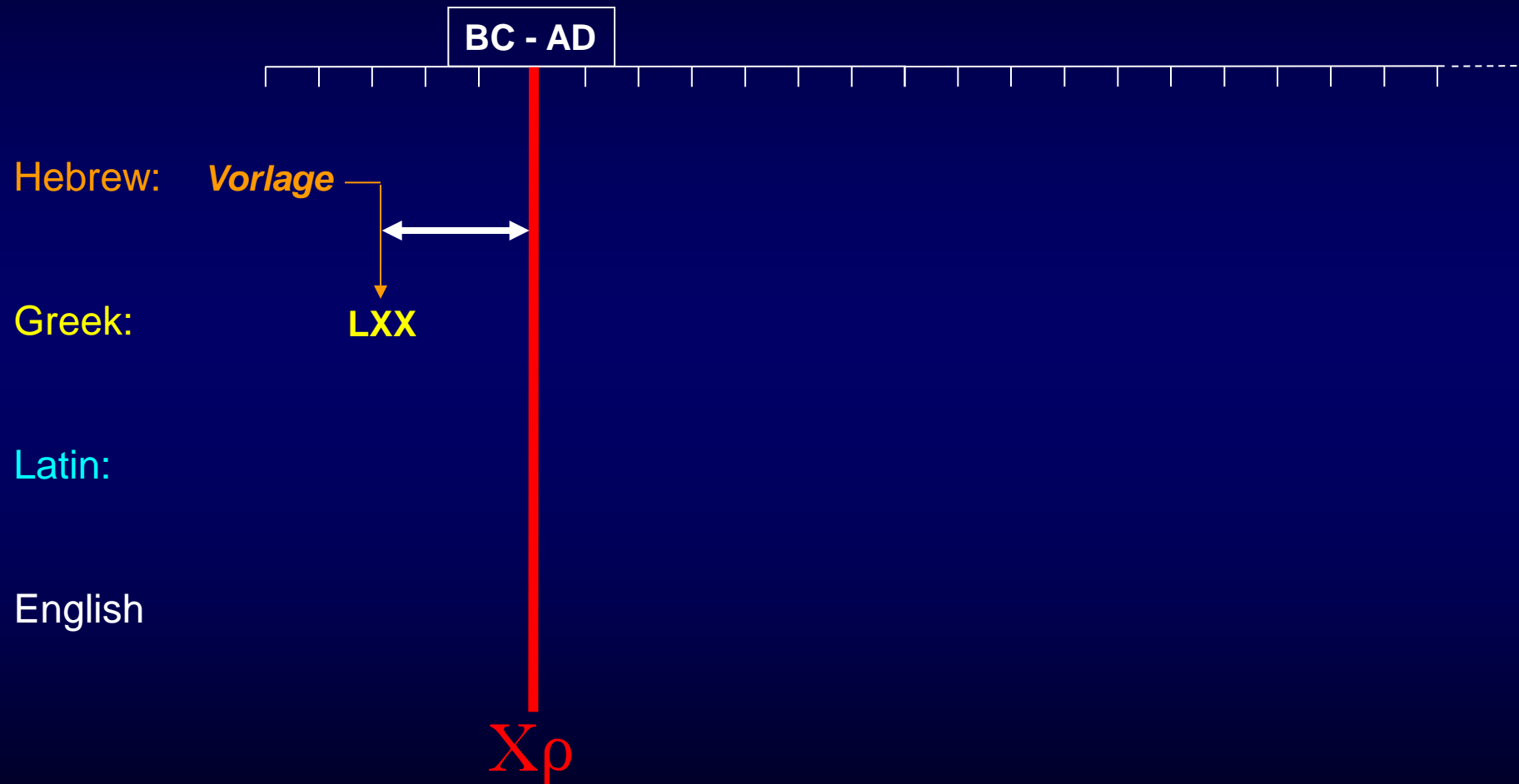
The King James Bible (or KJV) was translated between 1604-1611. It was sponsored under King James VI, accomplished by 6 panels of translators made up of between 50-60 men. An expansive project, the KJV owes a debt many to previous English translations.

The original printing was made before the international standardization of spelling in English. Depending on the printer, words were expanded and contracted in different places so as to achieve an even column of text. V was often set for u and v. "Ye" would often replace "the" for space reasons more so than for its common use in vernacular phraseology.

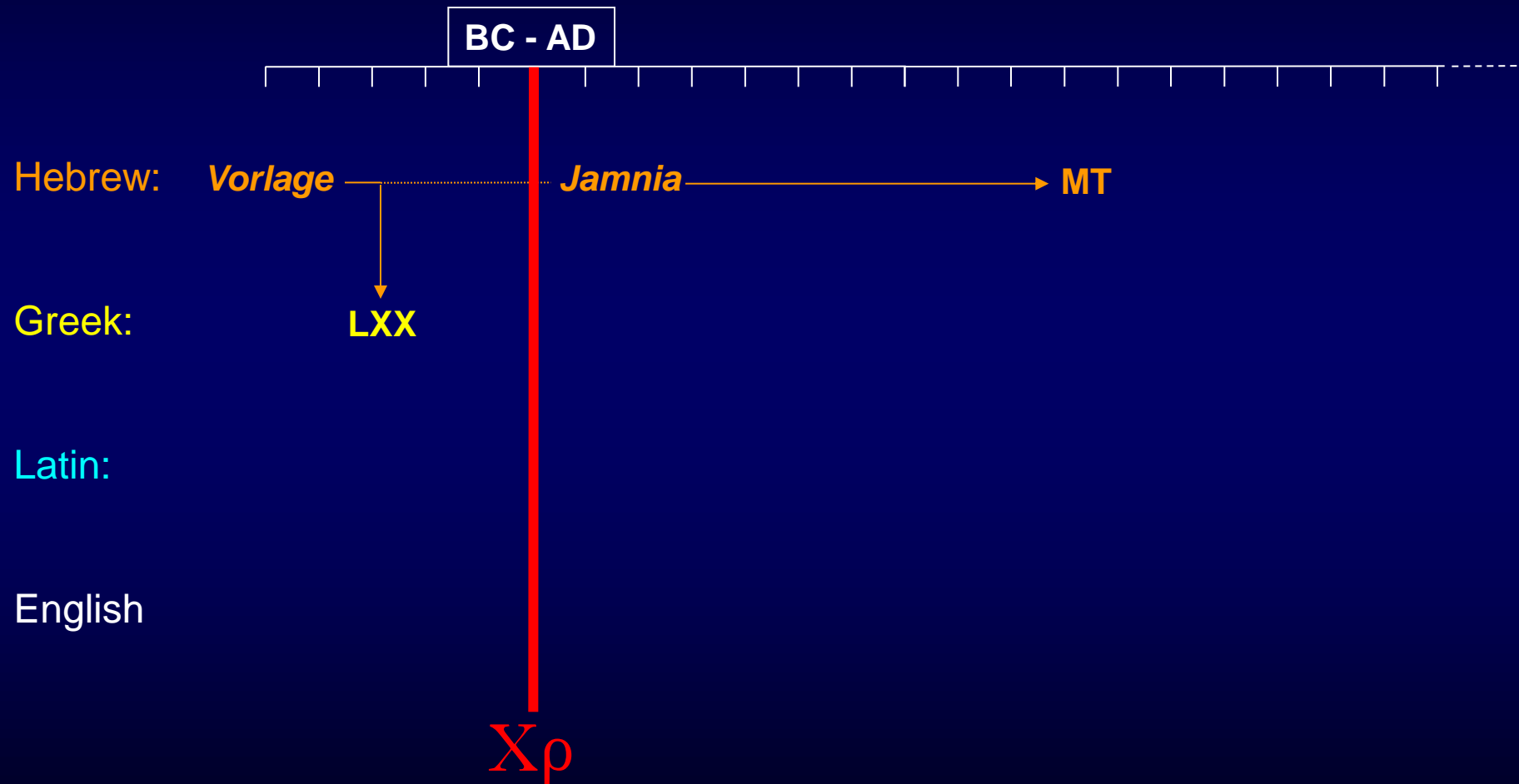
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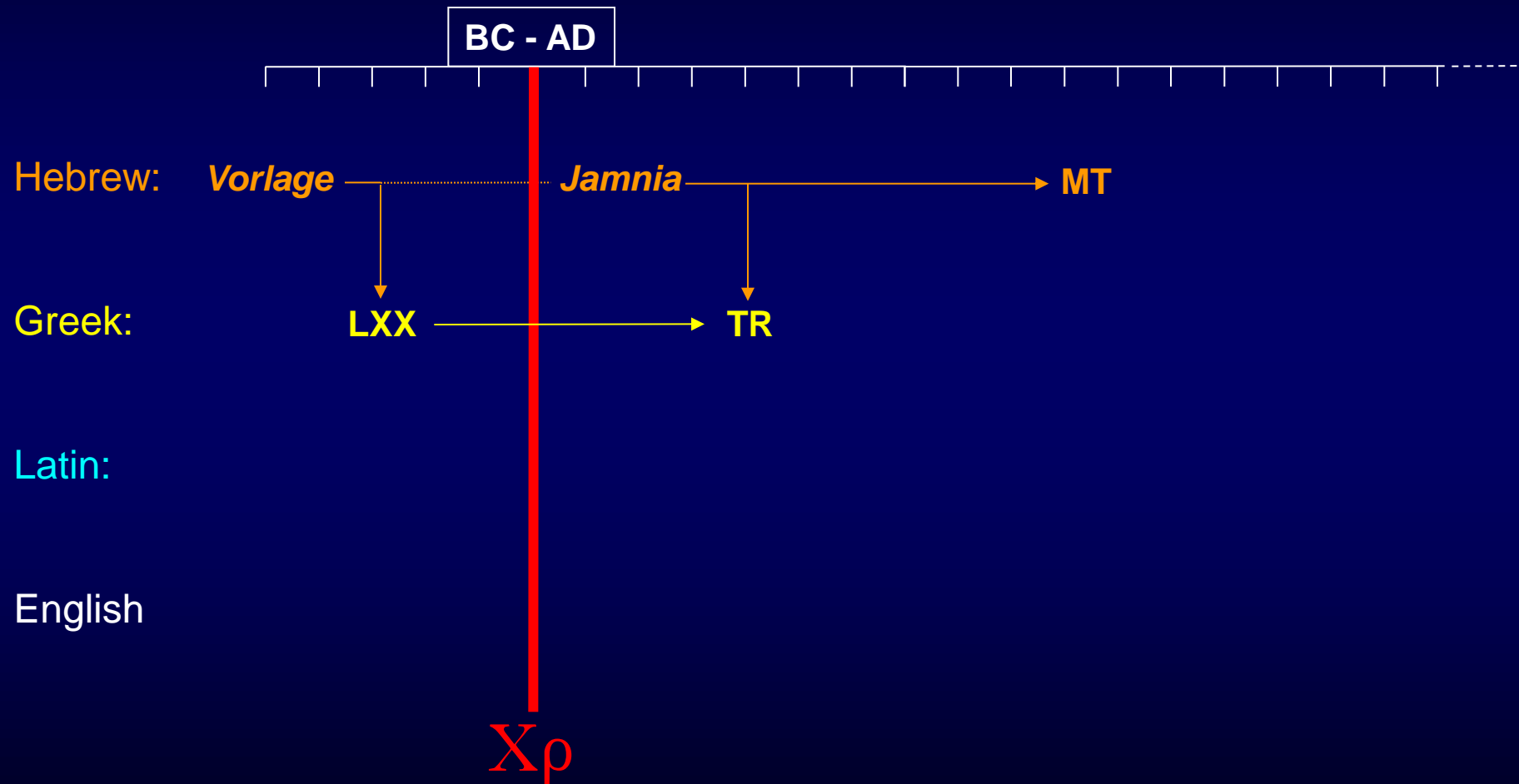
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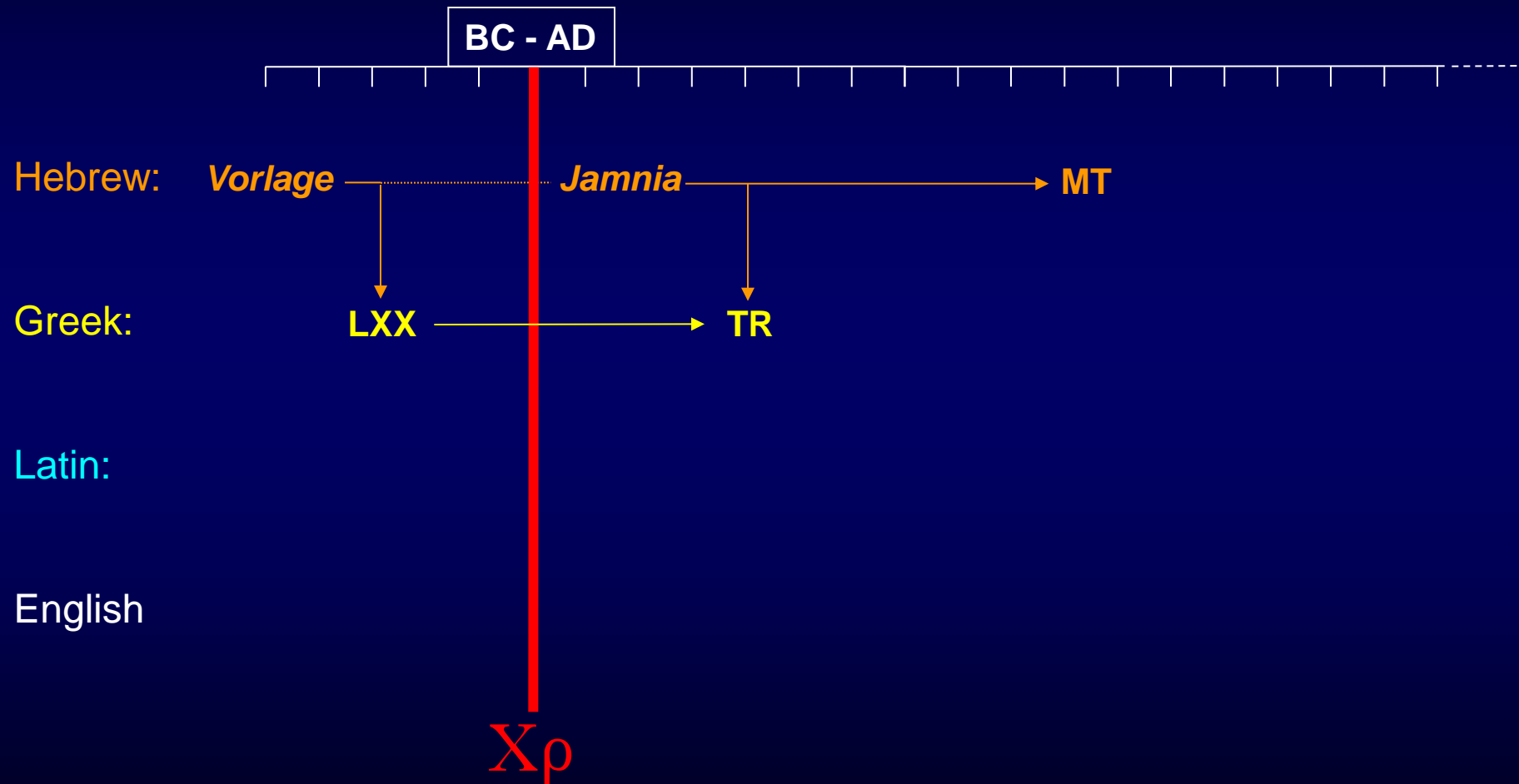
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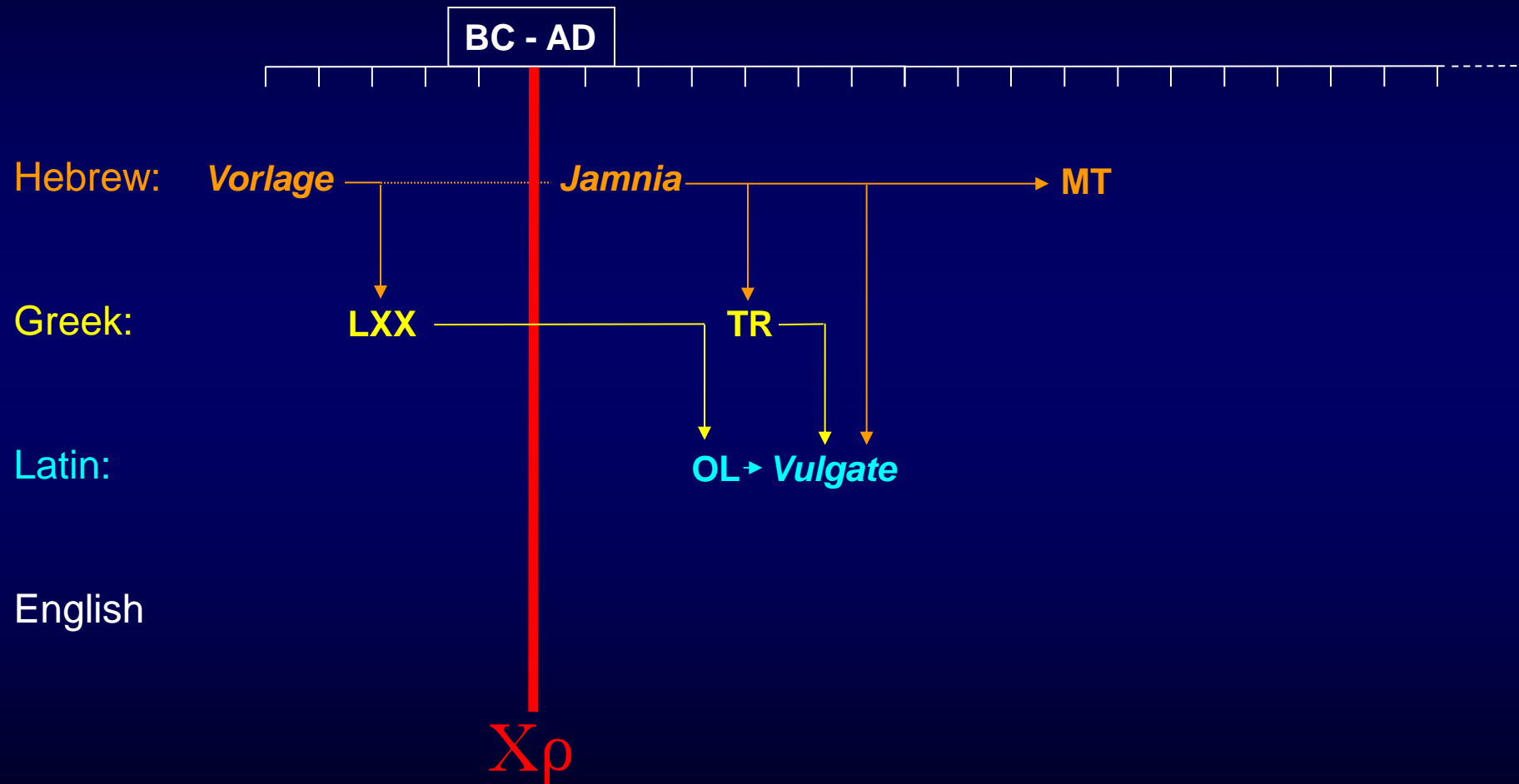
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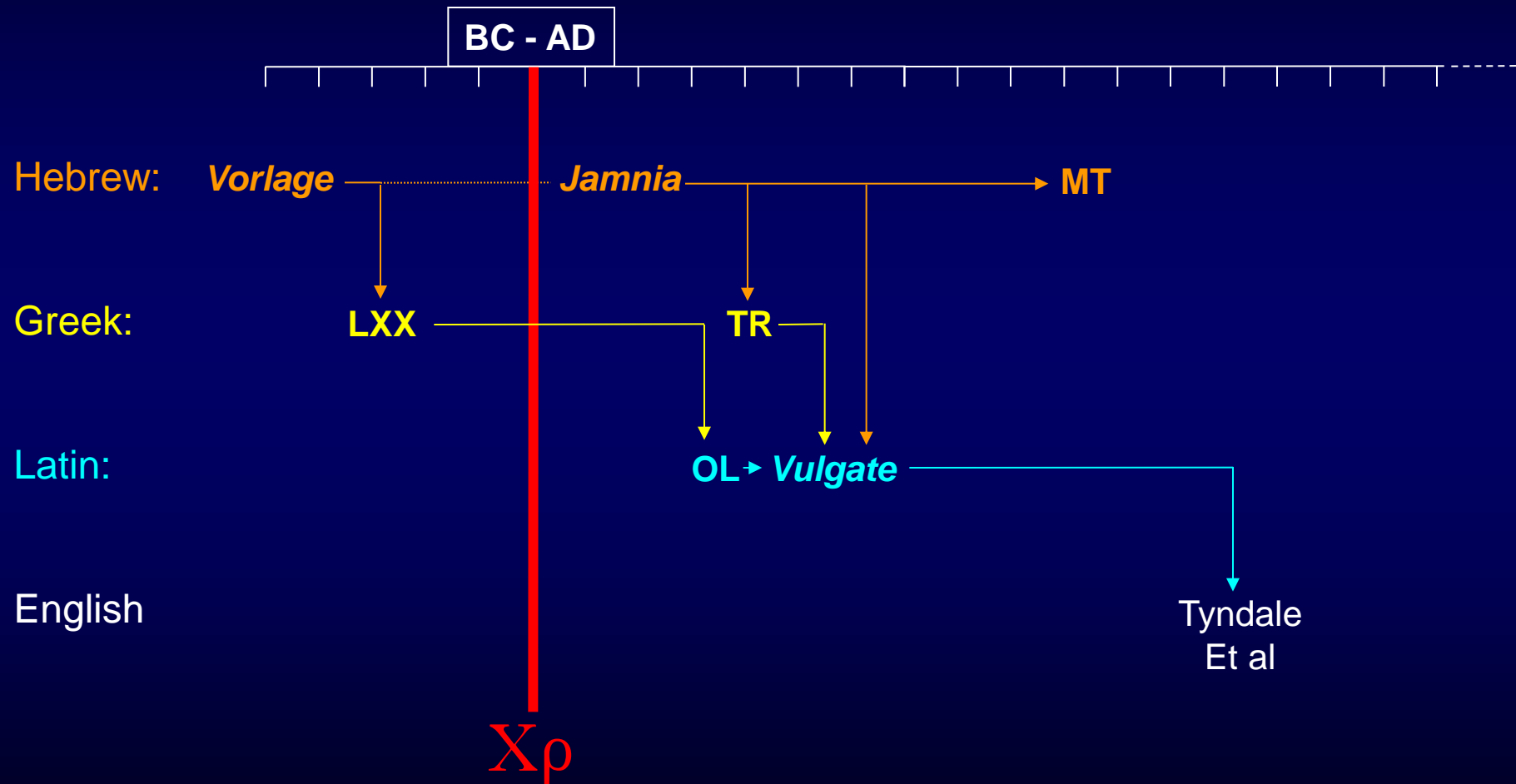
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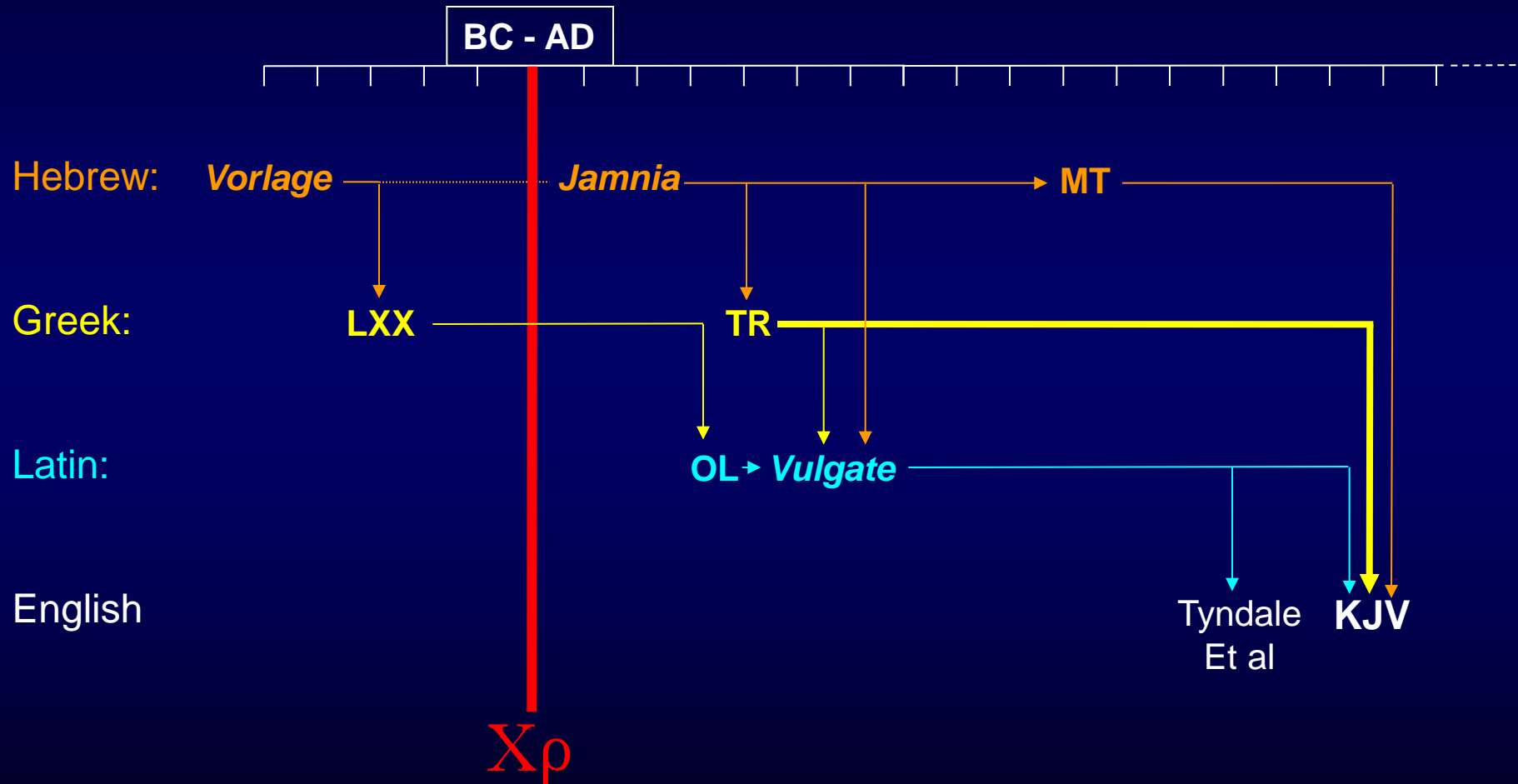
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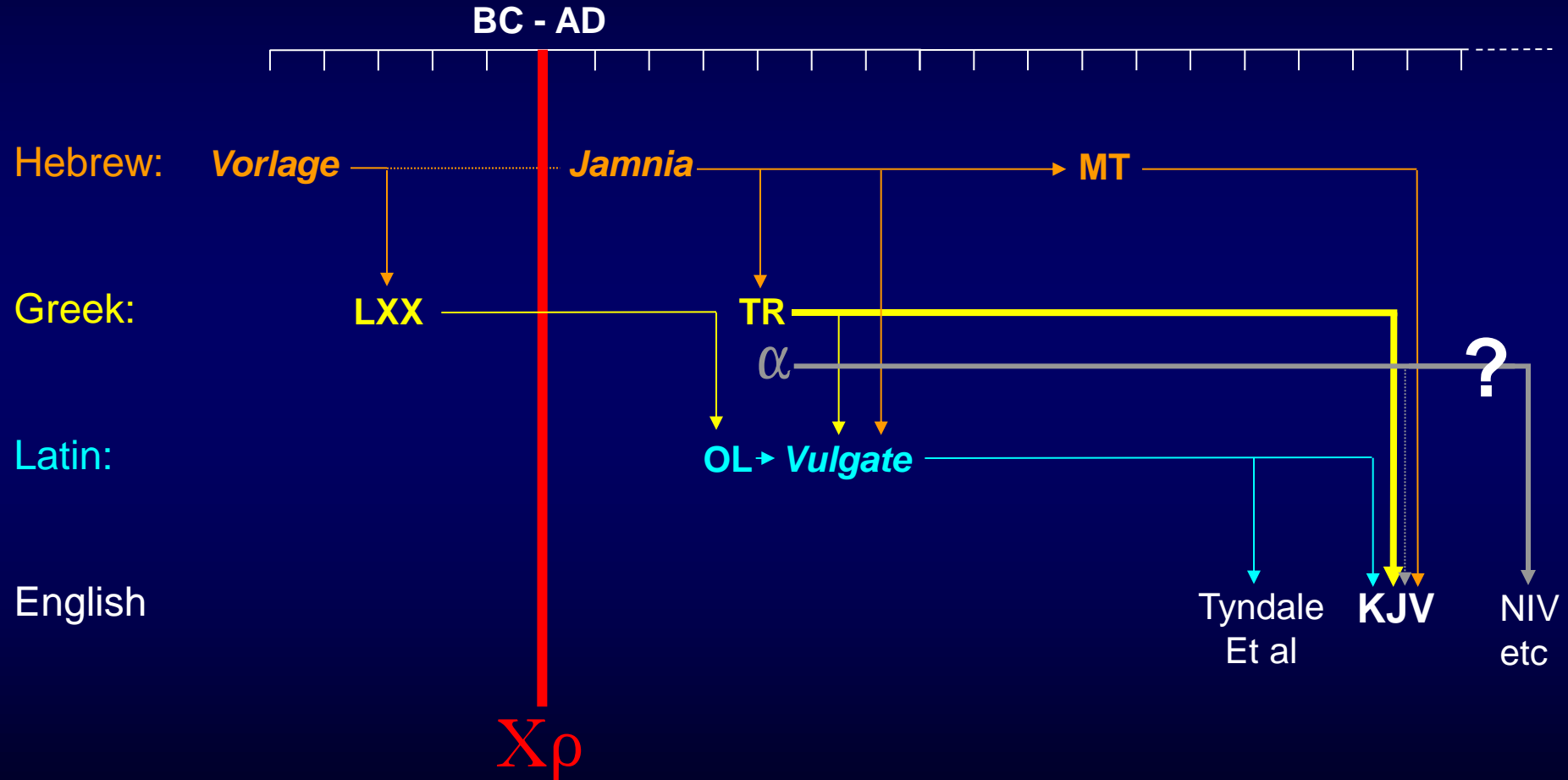
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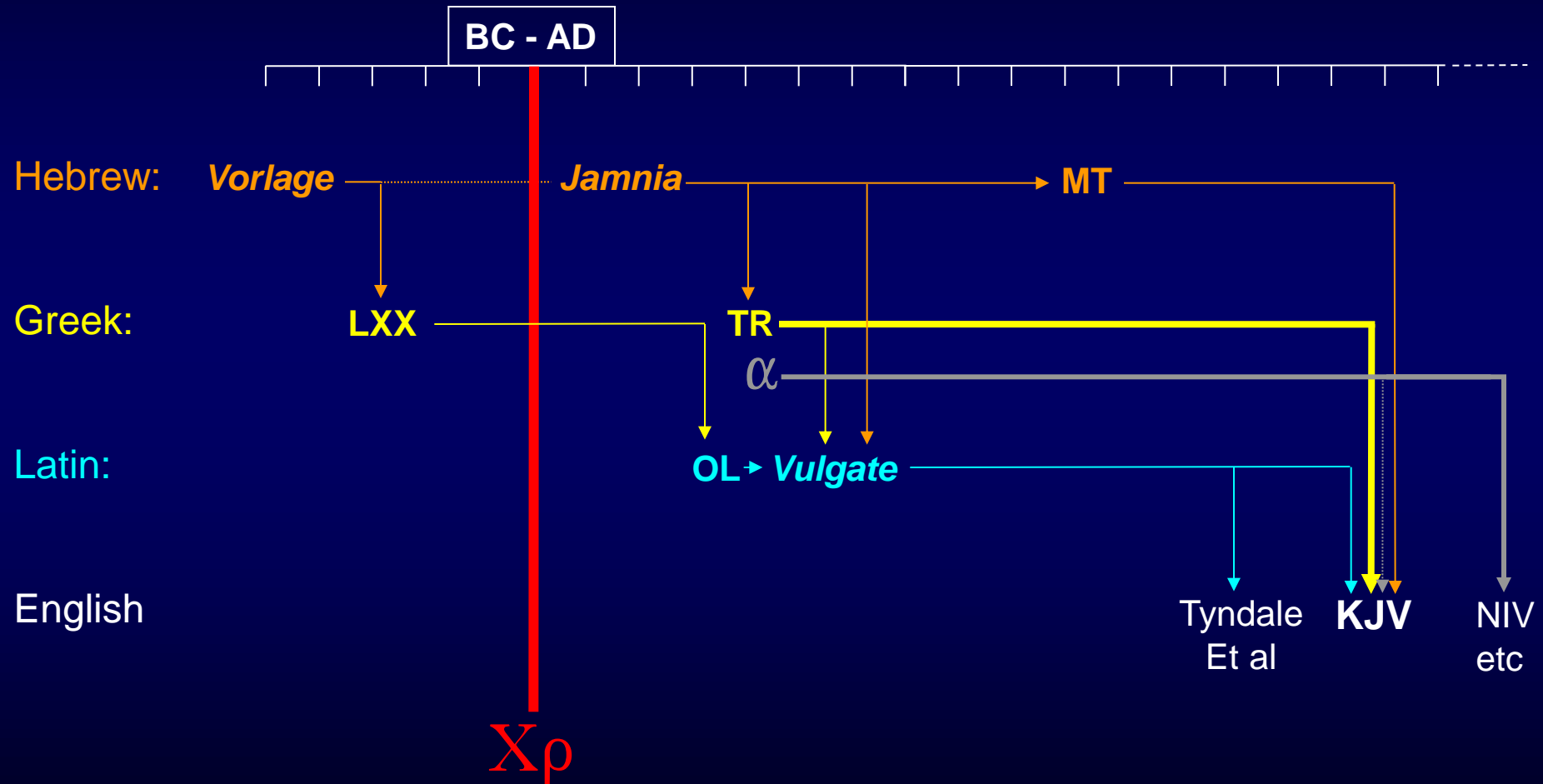
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1382	Wycliffe Bible	(from Vulgate)
1525	Erasmus' NT	(Greek; TR basis)
1526	Tyndale Bible	(1 st English NT)
1534	Luther's Bible	(1 st German)
1535	Coverdale's	(1 st complete)
1537	Matthew Bible	(from Tyndale's notes)
1539	Great Bible	(Coverdale's revision)
1560	Geneva Bible	(Whittingham, et al)
1568	Bishop's Bible	(Revised "Great Bible")
1609	Douay/Rheims Bible	(Vulgate rendering)
1611	King James Version	

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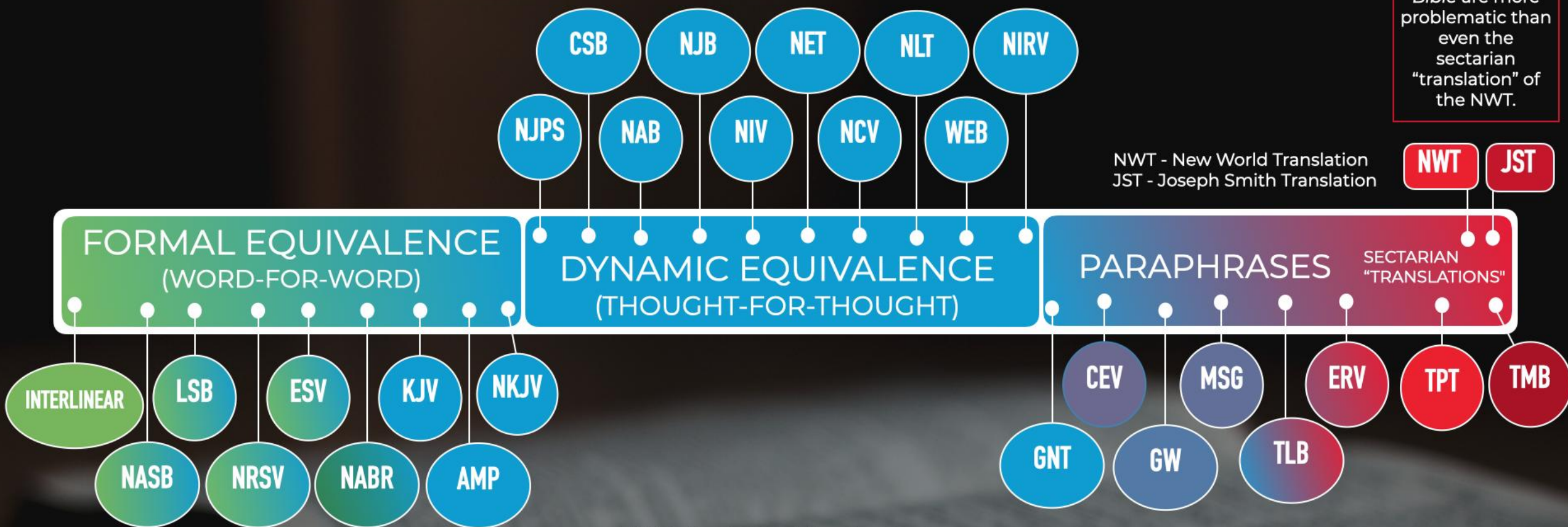
- James VI of Scotland becomes King of England (known as “James I”)
- 1607: More than 50 scholars, thru prayerful committees
- 5556 manuscripts available; major reliance on *Textus Receptus*
- Heralded as “the noblest monument of English prose.”



BIBLE TRANSLATION PHILOSOPHIES



In many ways "translations" like TPT or the *Mirror Bible* are more problematic than even the sectarian "translation" of the NWT.



NWT - New World Translation
JST - Joseph Smith Translation

NWT

JST

SECTARIAN
"TRANSLATIONS"

PARAPHRASES

DYNAMIC EQUIVALENCE
(THOUGHT-FOR-THOUGHT)

FORMAL EQUIVALENCE
(WORD-FOR-WORD)

NJPS - Jewish Publication Society

CSB - Christian Standard Bible

NAB - New American Bible

NJB - New Jerusalem Bible

NET- New English Translation

NIV - New International Version

NCV - New Century Version

NLT - New Living Translation

WEB- Word English Bible

NIRV - New International Reader's Version

GNT - Good News Translation
(Good News Bible)

CEV - Contemporary English Version

TLB - The Living Bible

TPT - The Passion Translation

ERV - Easy to Read Version

GW - God's Word

MSG - The Message

TMB - The Mirror Bible

NASB - New American Standard Bible

AMP - Amplified Bible

NRSV - New Revised Standard Version

KJV - King James Version

NABR - New American Bible Revised Edition

NKJV - New King James Bible

LSB - Legacy Standard Bible

ESV - English Standard Version

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Rev 2:8 “And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write, ‘These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life:

Rev 2:9 “I know your works, tribulation, and poverty (but you are rich); and I know the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.

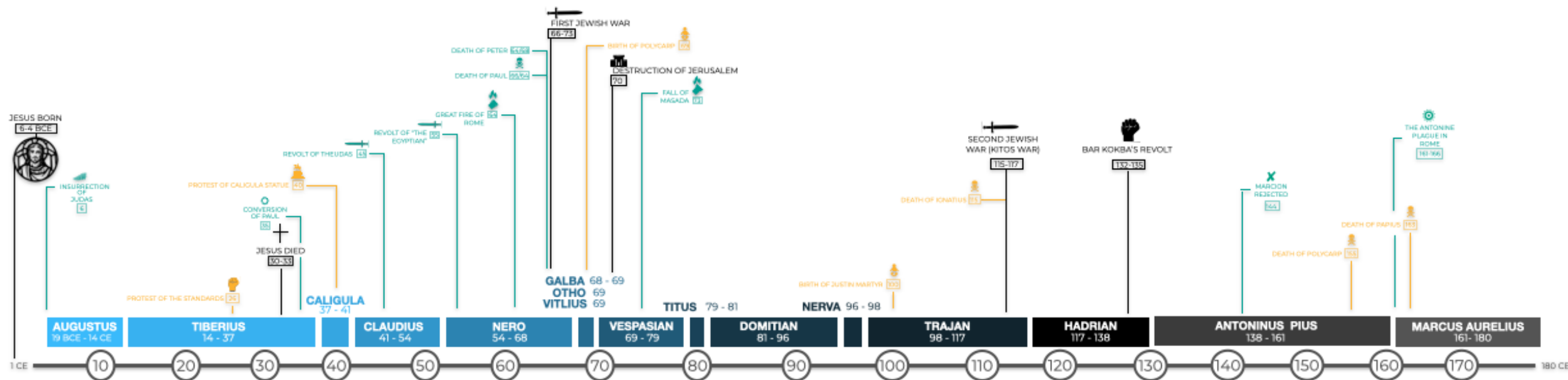
Rev 2:10 “Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have **tribulation ten days**. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Rev 2:11 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.” ’

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

“10 Days” 10 total: 250 years!

- Nero, (54-68) (Paul beheaded; Peter crucified upside down.)
- Domitian, (95-96); (John exiled)
- Trajan, (104-117); (Ignatius burned at the stake)
- Marcus Aurelius (161-180); (Polycarp martyred)
- Septimus Severus, (200-211); (He killed Irenaeus)
- Maximinus, (235-237); (He killed Ursula and Hippolytus)
- Decius, (249-251)
- Valerian, (257-260)
- Aurelian, (270-275)
- Diocletian (303-313) (Worst of all)



- MAJOR EVENTS
- RELEVANT EVENTS
- MINOR (BUT RELEVANT) EVENTS

Early Church Events Timeline



NON-CANONICAL GOSPELS, DUE TO THEIR LATE DATE OF COMPOSITION, DISQUALIFY THEMSELVES AS ACCURATE GOSPEL ACCOUNTS. IF FOR NO OTHER REASON THAN THE NAMES ATTACHED TO THEIR AUTHORSHIP ("PETER," "THOMAS," "JUDAS," ETC.) WERE DECEASED, (IN SOME CASES FOR CENTURIES) PRIOR TO THE INCEPTION/COMPOSITION OF THESE DOCUMENTS.



GOSPEL OF JESUS' WIFE
21st C. FORGERY



GOSPEL OF THE HOLY 12
20th C. FORGERY



SECRET GOSPEL OF MARK
20th C. FORGERY

GOSPEL OF BARNABAS
1500s



JESUS BORN

6-4 BC



GOSPEL OF JOHN

60-95 AD



GOSPEL OF TRUTH
140-180 AD

GOSPEL OF PETER
150-250 AD

GOSPEL OF JUDAS

180-350 AD



GOSPEL OF PHILIP
300 AD



INFANCY GOSPEL OF THOMAS
200-500 AD



GOSPEL OF MARY
200- 300 AD

GOSPEL OF HEBREWS
140 AD

PAUL'S LETTERS

40s-60s AD



GOSPEL OF THOMAS

130-330 AD

GOSPEL OF EBIONITES
120 AD



GOSPEL OF THE EGYPTIANS
120 AD

NAG HAMMADI LIBRARY

300-400 AD



THE HISTORY OF
GOSPELS

FROM CANONICAL

TO APOCRYPHAL

All dates are approximate estimation spans based on early to late ranges. Very few documents from antiquity come with a date attached which makes dating of composition for ancient documents less of an exact science. Instead the process requires both skill and the candid admission that all dates are based on likelihood and probability and not on 100% certainty of a finalized time.



Wesley Huff
Teach · Reach · Encourage · Equip

15-60 YEARS

1st CENTURY BC

1st CENTURY AD

2nd CENTURY AD

3rd CENTURY AD

4th CENTURY AD

5th CENTURY AD AND ONWARD

JESUS DIES

30/33 AD

ACTS

60-65 AD

SYNOPTIC GOSPELS
40s-70s AD



HEBREWS
50-70 AD





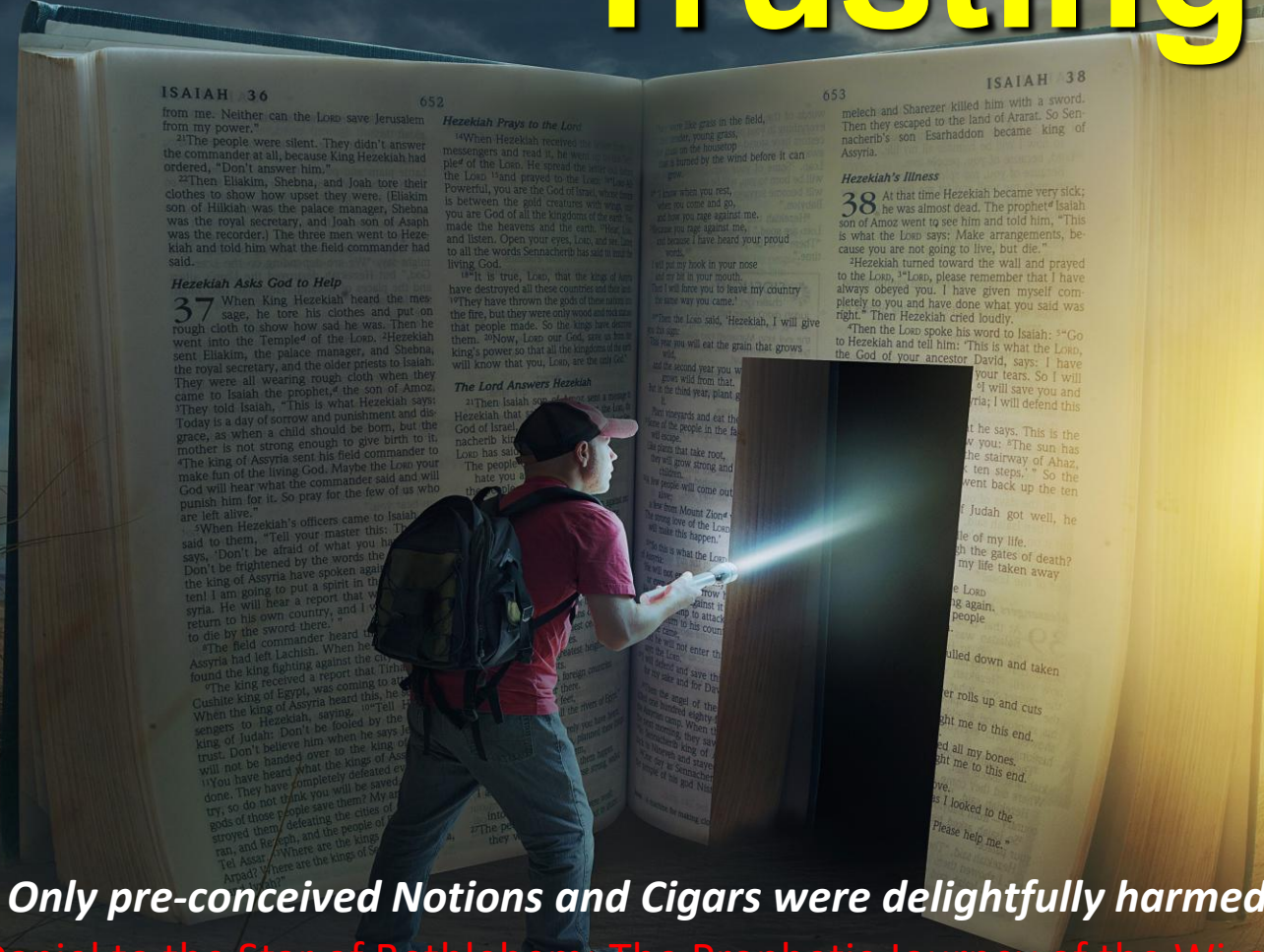
The New Testament

Historical Books	5	
The Gospels		4
Acts		1
Interpretive Letters	21	
Paul's Epistles		14*
Hebrew Christian Epistles		7
The Revelation	1	
		27

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Trusting the Bible



Only pre-conceived Notions and Cigars were delightfully harmed in this Exercise.

From Daniel to the Star of Bethlehem: The Prophetic Journey of the Wise Men #christmas #bible

QUESTIONS?

Additional Slides for study

HERESIES

The New Testament

The Old Testament compiled over several thousand years;

The New Testament compiled within one lifetime:

- Four Gospels (Luke in two volumes)

- Pauline Corpus (and other epistles)

- Circulated with LXX for instruction & worship

Luke & Paul *rely* on contemporary eye-witnesses

Conspicuous NT Omissions

- Nero's persecutions after 64 AD
- Execution of James, 62 AD
- Jewish Revolt against Romans, 66 AD
- Destruction of Jerusalem, 70 AD

The Jesus Papyri

P. Magdalen Greek 17/P64: A segment of the Greek text of Matthew's Gospel appears to have been dated *before* 66 AD. Three fragments, text on both sides, a total of 24 lines, segment of Matthew 26:23, 31. (Corresponds to the *Textus Receptus*).





Advanced Technology to the rescue

A Scanning Laser Microscope can differentiate between 20 μ meter layers of the papyrus, measuring the height and the depth of ink, as well as the angle of the stylus used by the scribe.

Oldest Known Manuscript

- Dr. Carsten Thiede, using a scanning laser microscope, and comparing with four other manuscripts,
 - at Qumran (dated to 58 AD)
 - at Herculaneum (dated prior to 79 AD)
 - at Masada (dated to between 73-74 AD)
 - At Egyptian town of Oxyrynchus (65-66 AD)
- has concluded that this is either an original of Matthew's Gospel, or an immediate copy, written while Matthew and the other disciples and other eyewitnesses were still alive.

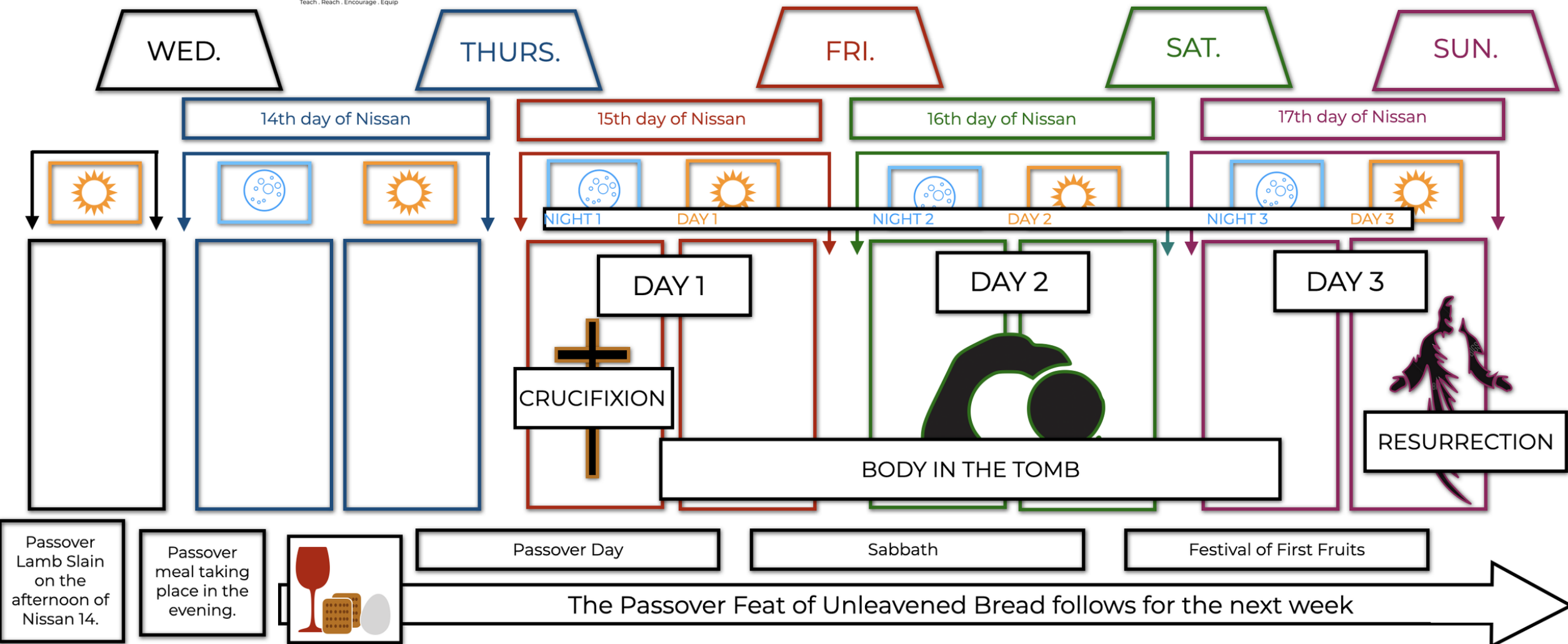


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The Alexandrian Codices

- Codex Alexandrinus
 - About 1630, Codex Alexandrinus was brought to England. A fifth century manuscript containing the entire New Testament.
- Codex Sinaiticus
 - 200 years later, a German scholar name Constantin von Tischendorf discovered the Codex Sinaiticus in St. Catherine's Monastery at (the traditional) Mt. Sinai. This manuscript, dated around 350 AD, is one of the two oldest manuscripts of the Greek New Testament.
- Codex Vaticanus
 - had been in the Vatican Library since at least 1481, but was not made available to scholars until the middle of the 19th century. Dated slightly earlier (325 AD) than Codex Sinaiticus, is regarded by many as one of the most reliable copies of the Greek New Testament.

(These have become controversial for a number of reasons.)



Textus Receptus Dethroned

- 1730's: Johannes Albert Bengel, produced a text that deviated from the *Textus Receptus* relying on the earlier manuscripts.
- 1831: Karl Lachman, produced a text that represented the 4th century manuscripts.
- 1857-72: Samuel Tregelles, self-taught in Latin, Hebrew and Greek, spent his lifetime in publishing a Greek text that came out—in six parts—from 1857 to 1872.



Westcott & Hort

- Brooke Foss Westcott and Fenton John Anthony Hort were Anglican churchmen who had contempt for the *Textus Receptus*.
- They began a work in 1853 that resulted, after 28 years, in a Greek New Testament, based on the corrupt *Vaticanus* and *Siniaticus*.
- Both were influenced by Origen and others who denied the deity of Jesus Christ and embraced the prevalent Gnostic heresies of the period from the headquarters of the Gnostics, Alexandria.
- There are over 3,000 contradictions in the four gospels alone between these manuscripts. They changed the traditional Greek text in 8,413 places.

Church History



NEW TESTAMENT TEXT-TYPES?

As individual New Testament books were received and circulated in the early Christian church, various copies were made and deployed throughout the ancient world. As manuscripts were circulated within particular geographical regions they began to take on particular characteristics / readings, unique to their location, resulting in localized text-types or textual families.

ALEXANDRIAN

The Alexandrian text-type is the form of Greek New Testament that predominates in the earliest surviving documents, as well as the text-type used in Egyptian Coptic manuscripts.



Codex Sinaiticus - 01 N
330-360 AD



Codex Vaticanus - 03 B
300-325 AD

*Although major portions of B are Alexandrian, its text realistically has examples of the other text-type forms within

The two oldest and closest to complete copies of the New Testament, Codex Sinaiticus and Codex Vaticanus,* are representations of the Alexandrian Text Type



Other early manuscripts of note are P66 and P75.



P66
150-200 AD



P75
175-225 AD



Alexandrian manuscripts are characteristic by its majuscule or uncial texts. Above is John 1:1 in Codex Sinaiticus in its upper case majuscule texts



Many, if not most, textual critics today believe that there were two major early text-types that can be ascertained, the Alexandrian and Western. A number of scholars see the Alexandrian and Western text-types as being equally early, with both having their origins in the 2nd century.

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WESTERN

The Western text-type is the form of the New Testament text witness in the Old Latin and Peshitta translations from the Greek, and also in quotations from the 2nd and 3rd century Christian writers, including Cyprian, Tertullian, and Irenaeus.

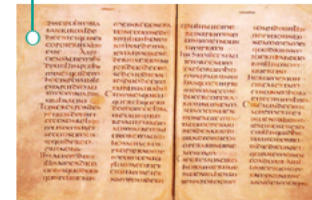
Codex Sinaiticus is considered to be Western in the first eight chapters of John's Gospel



Only one Greek uncial manuscript is considered to transmit a Western text for the four Gospels and the Book of Acts, the fifth century Codex Bezae; the sixth century Codex Claromontanus is considered to transmit a western text for Paul's letters and is followed by two ninth century uncials: F and G.



Codex Bezae - 05 D^{ea}
c. 400 AD



Codex Claromontanus - 06 D^p
c. 550 AD



These four categories are admittedly somewhat of a misnomer. There are many examples of mixed manuscripts that combine typical Alexandrian / Byzantine, and Byzantine / Caesarean characteristics

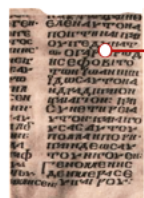


CAESAREAN

The Caesarean text-type was identified as such first by Burnett Hillman Streeter in 1924. Streeter's theory of local texts, identified five different text-types, each in a physical location of which this was one.



Minuscule 565 - 93 ε
800-900 AD



Codex Koridethi - 038 θ
800-900 AD

The closest examples of the Caesarean text would be Minuscule 565, Codex Koridethi, and those of Family 1 and Family 13.



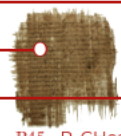
Jerome seems to imply that Caesarea offered a distinctive local text (as a result of Origen's studies) only for the Greek Old Testament. If a distinctive text of the New Testament had also been developed in Caesarea (whether by Origen or by Eusebius, it should be possible to identify it in the writings of one of these Fathers, or preferably of both. But research has not yet been able to establish any such identification.



Larry Hurtado has argued that the Caesarean text at best is a secondary (or derived) and not a primary text-type,¹ and so most textual critics no longer recognize it and do not treat it as one of the three major or distinct text-types.²



In the past it had been posited that earlier texts such as P45 and Codex Washingtonianus, within their Markan text, were Caesarean. This however, has been questioned by most if not all.³



P45 - P. C. Chester Beatty I
250-300 AD



Codex Washingtonianus*
- 032 W
300-500 AD

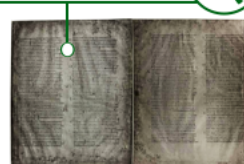
*W is block-mixed and has some significant Alexandrian readings.

BYZANTINE

AKA Majority Text, Traditional Text, Ecclesiastical Text, Constantinopolitan Text, Antiocheian Text, or Syrian Text, is one of several text-types that is used in textual criticism to describe the textual character of the Greek New Testament manuscripts

There are six manuscripts* earlier than the 9th century which conform to the Byzantine text type of which Codex Alexandrinus, in its Gospel texts, is the oldest; the rest of the text is Alexandrian.

* This list could also realistically include Codex Ephraimi (Alexandrian/Byzantine mix); Codex Basilensis (Alexandrian/Byzantine mix); N 022, O 023, P 024, R 027, Σ 042, Φ 043, and Guelferbytanus B.



Codex Alexandrinus- 02 A
400-450 AD

Earliest example of minuscule writing from a 10th century copy of Thucydides



As the latest of the four text-types, Byzantine manuscripts are mostly written in minuscule (lower case) style and in Polytonic orthography handwriting.

The Byzantine Text-Type makes up the largest number of surviving manuscripts, though not in the oldest. It also underlies the Texts Receptus or "received" Greek text.

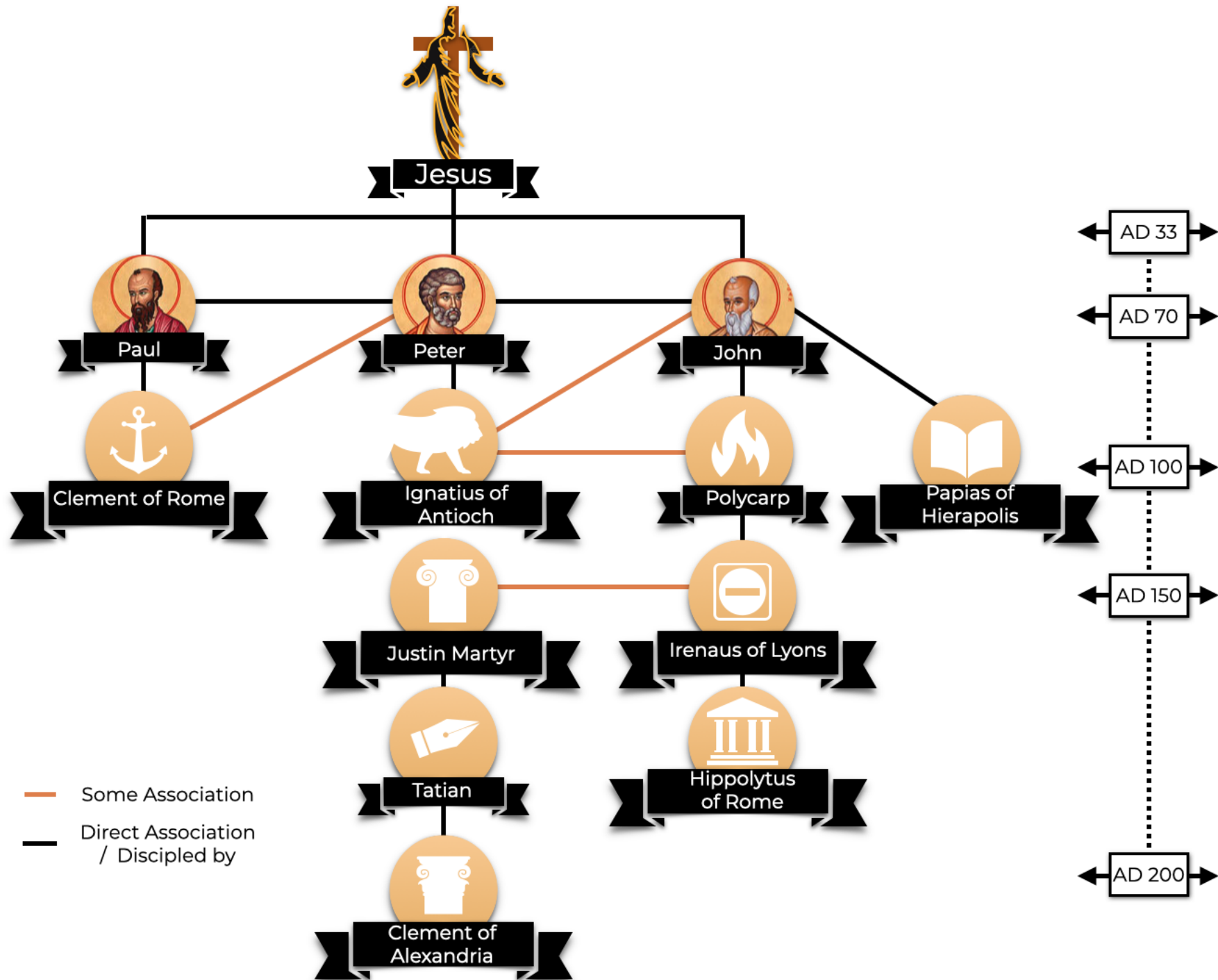


"Although the theory of text types still prevails in current text-critical practice, some scholars have recently called to abandon the concept altogether in light of new computer-assisted methods for determining manuscript relationships in a more exact way. To be sure, there is already a consensus that the various geographic locations traditionally assigned to the text types are incorrect and misleading. Thus, "Western text" is not the only misnomer; the geographical labels of the other text types should be considered with suspicion, too. Some scholars prefer to refer to the text types as "textual clusters."

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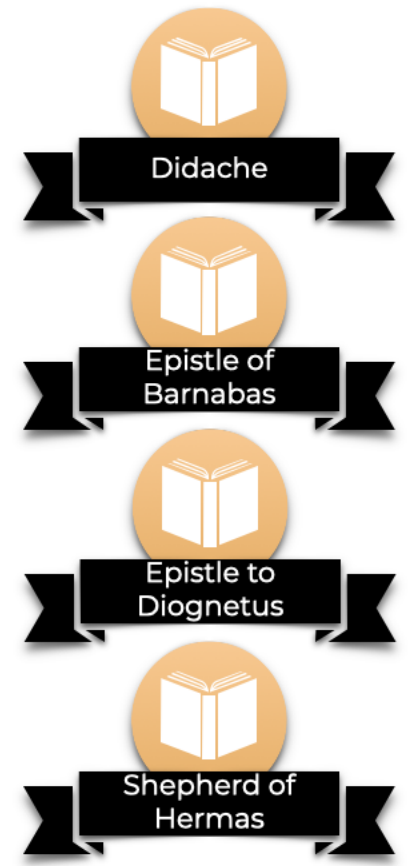
APOSTOLIC CHURCH FATHERS

IN RELATION TO THE APOSTLES THEMSELVES





















HONOURABLE MENTIONS

OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITHIN THE APOSTOLIC FATHERS COLLECTIONS BUT WHOSE AUTHORS ARE NOT CLEARLY KNOWN OR IDENTIFIED



cf. preceden.com/timelines/10328-church-fathers-50---750-a-d-?fbclid=IwAR03UkkSyPlzgtS_gVECuGKcnIEJMKQrhZJEOMgI.8StXQ4_oaYVJsDjGLx4





			
words 	words 	words 	words 
15 445	19 463	11 103	18 347
date written	date written	date written	date written
1st c. AD	1st c. AD	1st c. AD	1st c. AD
earliest complete copy 	earliest complete copy 	earliest complete copy 	earliest complete copy 
4th c. AD	4th c. AD	4th c. AD	4th c. AD
earliest incomplete copy 	earliest incomplete copy 	earliest incomplete copy 	earliest incomplete copy 
2nd c. AD	3rd c. AD	3rd c. AD	2nd/3rd c. AD
language 	language 	language 	language 
GREEK	GREEK	GREEK	GREEK

THE EXTANT LITERARY SOURCES FOR THE LIFE OF

JESUS, COMPARED WITH EMPEROR TIBERIUS,

ONE OF THE BEST ATTESTED CHARACTERS IN ANTIQUITY

	VELLEIUS PATERCULUS ROMAN HISTORY 2.94-131
	TACITUS ANNALS 1-6
	SUETONIUS TIBERIUS
	CASSIUS DIO ROMAN HISTORY 57-58

Synoptic studies speculate which was written first / is the earliest but the consensus is that Mark was most likely written anywhere between ten to thirty years after Jesus' death.

The Pauline letters, although not nearly as in depth as the Gospels, are even earlier.

Paterculus himself, was a political propagandist for Tiberius and his testimony is valued less than the other three writers.

Apart from Velleius Paterculus, who was a contemporary of Tiberius, all the sources about Tiberius come eighty or more years after the events they narrate.

EMPEROR TIBERIUS

REIGN: 14-37AD 

BORN: ROME 

FATHER: NERO 

ADOPTED FATHER: AUGUSTUS 

MOTHER: LAVIA DRUSILLA 

DEATH: 37AD 

















STARVED? 

SMOTHERED? 

POISONED? 



1ST C. ROMAN DENARIUS WITH THE INSCRIPTION: CAESAR DIVI AVG. P. AUGUSTUS PATER PONTIF.

LATIN language 	LATIN language 	LATIN language 	LATIN language 
1st c. AD	2nd c. AD	2nd c. AD	9th c.
earliest incomplete copy 	earliest incomplete copy 	earliest incomplete copy 	earliest incomplete copy 
16th c.	9th c.	9th c.	9th c.
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1st c. AD	2nd c. AD	2nd c. AD	2nd/3rd c. AD
date written	date written	date written	date written
6 489	48 200	9 310	14 293
words 	words 	words 	words 

JESUS

MINISTRY 28-33 AD 

3 BC - 30 / 33 AD

BORN BETHLEHEM 

FATHER: JOSEPH 

MOTHER: MARY 

DEATH: 30/33AD 

CRUCIFIXION 



4TH C. COINAGE FROM CONSTANTINOPLE, WITH CH-RHO: FIRST TWO LETTERS IN THE GREEK WORD CHRISTOS MEANING CHRIST; FLANKED WITH A (ALPHA) AND Ω (OMEGA)

MATTHEW
GOSPEL ACCORDING TO 

MARK
GOSPEL ACCORDING TO 

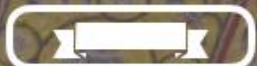
LUKE
GOSPEL ACCORDING TO 

JOHN
GOSPEL ACCORDING TO 



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TRADITIONALLY
THOUGHT TO BE IN
ATTENDANCE



FORMED THE ORIGINAL
NICENE CREED, 20 CANONS,
AND A SYNODAL EPISTLE

ARIUS

Presbyter in Alexandria
(256-336 AD)

"The Son, being
begotten apart from
time by the Father, and
being created and
founded before ages,
did not exist before his
generation... the Son is
not eternal or co-equal
or co-unoriginate with
the Father."

Arias,
Letter to Alexandria 4:458

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FIRST
ECUMENICAL
COUNCIL



CONVENED BY
CONSTANTINE
THE GREAT

MAY

325 AD



AUGUST



HOSIUS OF CORDUBA
(MOST LIKELY)
PRESIDED OVER THE
COUNCIL

WHAT
THE
COUNCIL
DID NOT
ADDRESS



THE BOOKS
OF THE BIBLE

INVENTING THE
DEITY OF
CHRIST



CREATION OF
THE TRINITY

SUPPRESSION
OF WOMEN



REINCARNATION

THE COUNCIL OF NICAEA
HAD ABSOLUTELY NOTHING
TO DO WITH THE CHOOSING OF
THE BOOKS OF THE
NEW TESTAMENT

WHAT THE COUNCIL *DID* ADDRESS

ARIANISM



Nicaea's main purpose was to sort out the *Arian Controversy*, a Trinitarian view teaching not only that the Son of God was eternally subordinate to the Father, but that the Son was not everlasting but was created by the Father at a specific point in time.



DATE OF EASTER

A secondary issue of the council concerned a definitive date on the celebration of Easter.

Gnostic Heresies

- Satan's Strategy (Genesis 3: doubt; additions and amendments...)
- 55 AD: Twisting begins
 - 2 Peter 2:1-3
 - 1 John 1, 4
- Disparaged existing writings; mixed Greek philosophy and concepts with the revelation of God.



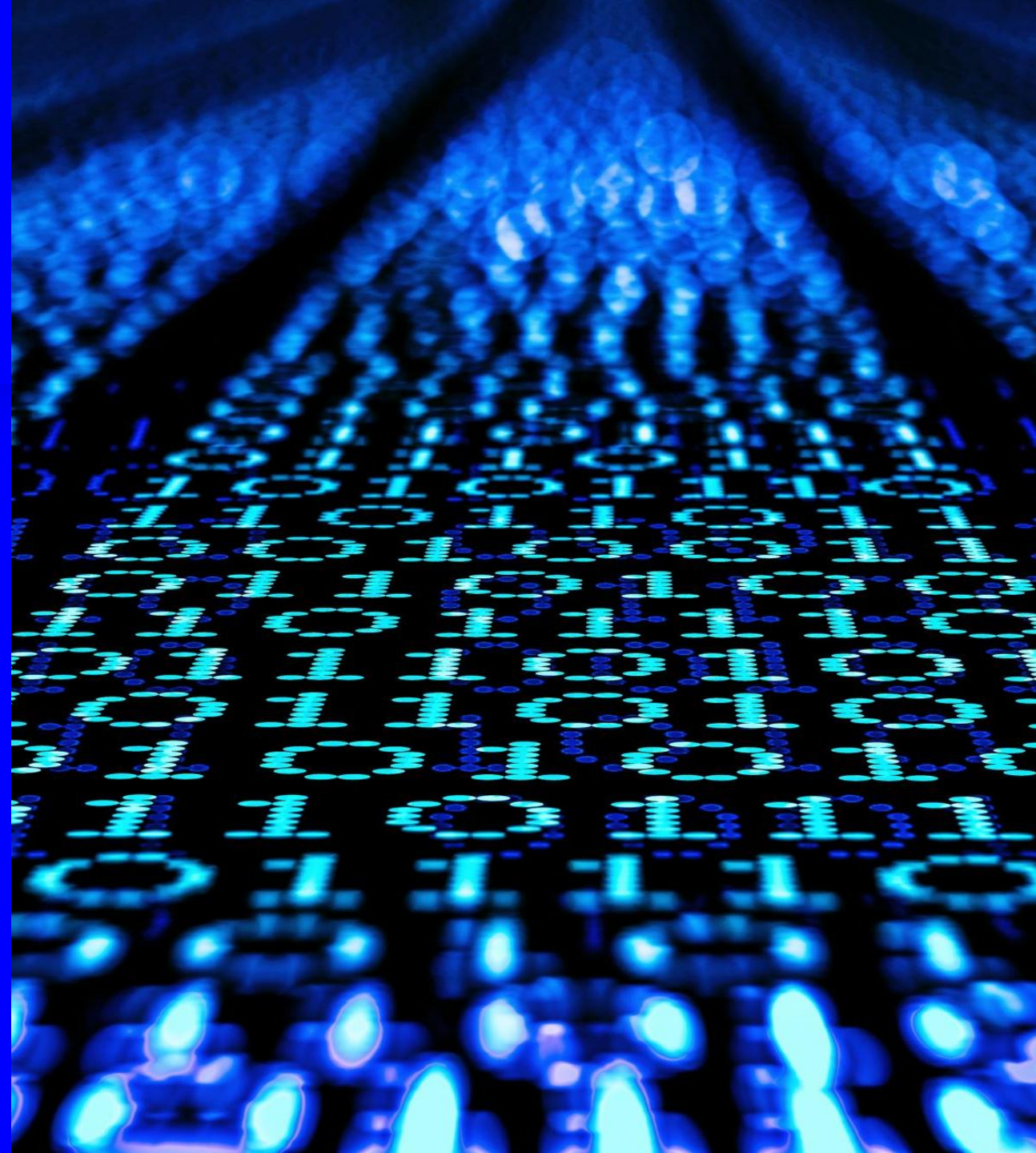
Expurgating Scriptures

- Gnostics known for mutilating the Scriptures:
- 156 AD, Irenaeus (of the Gnostics): “Wherefore they and their followers have betaken themselves to mutilating the Scriptures which they themselves have shortened.”
- HQ for Gnostics: Alexandria

A Little Math...

Authentication Codes?

- An automatic security monitor, watching over every single letter of the text, that doesn't rust or wear out, running continually over several thousand years...
- Fingerprint signature of the Author
- Non-compromisable design



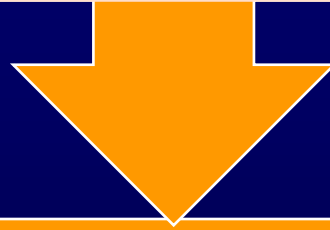
Sevens in the Bible

Occur in over 600 passages

Some overt

Some structural

Some hidden



Heptadic Structures as a signature?

Design Challenge: A Genealogy

- The number of words must be divisible by 7, evenly.
- The number of letters must also be divisible by 7, evenly.
- The number of vowels and the number of consonants must also be divisible by 7.



Additional Requirements:



- The number of words that begin with a vowel must be divisible by 7.
- The number of words that begin with a consonant must be divisible by 7.



Additional Requirements:

The number of words that
occur more than once
must be divisible by 7.
occur in more than one
form
must be divisible by 7.
occur in only one form
must be divisible by 7.



Additional Requirements:

The number of nouns shall be divisible by 7.

Only 7 words shall not be nouns.

The number of names shall be divisible by 7.

Only 7 other kinds of nouns are permitted.



Additional Requirements:

- The number of male names shall be divisible by 7.
- The number of generations shall be divisible by 7. (21)
- *This is the genealogy of Jesus Christ found in Matthew 1:1-11, (in Greek)!*

Dr. Ivan Panin

- Born in Russia Dec 12, 1855
- Exiled at an early age; emigrated to Germany, and then the U.S.
- Graduated from Harvard in 1882;
- Discovered Christ;
- Discovered the heptadic structures underlying the Biblical text in 1890;
- Committed the rest of the 50 years of his life generating 43,000 pages of discoveries;
- Went to his Lord on October 30, 1942.

A LITTLE MORE MATH...

Last 12 Verses of Mark?

- Westcott & Hort: Last part of Mark (16:9-20) = a later addition?
- 150 AD: Irenaeus quotes it in his commentary!
(He must have been clairvoyant.)
- Hypolatus, also, in 2nd century...
...several hundred years *before* the Alexandrian Codices.

The Last 12 Verses of Mark

- Appearance to Mary;
disciples disbelief; 9-11
 - Subsequent appearances; 11-18
 - Conclusion 19-20
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- Simple narrative 9-14
 - Christ's discourse 15-18
 - Conclusion 19-20

The Last 12 Verses of Mark

- Words 175 (7 x 25)
- Vocabulary 98 (7 x 7 x 2)
- Letters 553 (7 x 79)
- Vowels 294 (7 x 42)
- Consonants 259 (7 x 37)

Vocabulary

- Total Vocabulary 98 (7 x 14)
 - Found before in Mark 84 (7 x 12)
 - Only here 14 (7 x 2)
-
- Used in Lord's address 42 (7 x 6)
 - Not part of His vocabulary 56 (7 x 8)

Chances of Multiples of 7

For 2 $7^2 = (7 \times 7)$ 49

For 3 $7^3 = (7 \times 7 \times 7)$ 343

For 4 $7^4 = (7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7)$ etc. 2,401

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For 5	7^5	16,807
For 6	7^6	117,649
For 7	7^7	823,543
For 8	7^8	5,764,801
For 9	7^9	40,353,607

Would you like to try this?

- 8 hrs/day, 40 hrs/wk, 50 weeks/year =
2000 hrs/year, or 120,000 min/year
- 7^9 chances = 40,353,607 attempts
@ average of 10 minutes/attempt =
403,536,070 minutes or 3,362 years!

(It gets worse...)

Words

- Words, total 175 (7 x 25)
- Address of the Lord 56 (7 x 8)
- Rest of the passage 119 (7 x 17)
- vv.9-11 35 (7 x 5)
- vv.12-18 105 (7 x 15)
- v.12 14 (7 x 2)
- vv.13-15 35 (7 x 5)
- vv.16-18 56 (7 x 8)
- vv.19-20 35 (7 x 5)

Greek Alphanumerics

α	1	ι	10	ρ	100
β	2	κ	20	σ ζ	200
γ	3	λ	30	τ	300
δ	4	μ	40	υ	400
ε	5	ν	50	φ	500
ς*	6	ξ	60	χ	600
ζ	7	ο	70	ψ	700
η	8	π	80	ω	800
θ	9	Ϟ*	90	Ϡ*	900

**Vau* (6), *koppa* (90), and *samsi* (900), later became extinct.

Numerical (Gematrical) Values

Total	106,663 (7 x 14,809)
vv9-11	17,213 (7 x 2,459)
v.9	11,795 (7 x 1,685)
v.10	5,418 (7 x 774)
1 st word	98 (7 x 14)
Middle	4,529 (7 x 647)
Last word	791 (7 x 113)
v.11	11,795 (7 x 1,685)
vv.12-20	86,450 (7 x 12,350)

Vocabulary

- Total 98 (7 x 14)
- Not before in Mark 14 (7 x 2)
- Found later in NT 7 (7 x 1)
- Occurrences 35 (7 x 5) times
- Numeric value 8,246 (7 x 1,178)
- v.20 vocabulary 14 (7 x 2)
- found previously 7 (7 x 1)
- found only here 7 (7 x 1)

Word Forms

Total Forms	133 (7 x 19)
Value of total	89,663 (7 x 12,809)
Occur once	112 (7 x 16)
Occurring more than once	21 (7 x 3)
Occurring 63 times	63 (7 x 9)
Total Occurrences	
	$112 + 63 = 175$ (7 x 25)
Total Value	103,663 (7 x 14,809)

θανάσιμος, *deadly*

- Not found elsewhere in New Testament
 - Has a numeric value of 581 (7 x 83)
- Is preceded
 - in the vocabulary by 42 (7 x 6) words
 - In the passage itself by 126 (7 x 18) words

Chances of Multiples of 7

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For 9	7^9	40,353,607
For 10	7^{10}	282,475,249
For 11	7^{11}	1,977,326,743
For 12	7^{12}	13,841,287,201
For 13	7^{13}	96,889,010,047
For 14	7^{14}	678,223,072,849
For 15	7^{15}	4,747,561,509,943
For 16	7^{16}	33,232,930,569,601
For 17	7^{17}	232,630,513,987,207

Chances of Multiples of 7

For 18	7^{18}	1,628,413,597,910,449
For 19	7^{19}	11,398,895,185,373,143
For 20	7^{20}	79,792,266,297,612,001
For 21	7^{21}	558,545,864,083,284,007
For 22	7^{22}	3,909,821,048,582,988,049
For 23	7^{23}	27,368,747,340,080,916,343
For 24	7^{24}	191,581,231,380,566,414,401
For 25	7^{25}	1,341,068,619,663,964,900,807
For 26	7^{26}	9,387,480,337,647,754,305,649
For 27	7^{27}	65,712,362,363,534,280,139,543
For 28	7^{28}	459,986,536,544,739,960,976,801
For 29	7^{29}	3,219,905,755,813,179,726,837,607
For 30	7^{30}	22,539,340,290,692,258,087,863,249
For 31	7^{31}	157,775,382,034,845,806,615,042,743
For 32	7^{32}	1,104,427,674,243,920,646,305,299,201
For 33	7^{33}	7,730,993,719,707,444,524,137,094,407
For 34	7^{34}	54,116,956,037,952,111,668,959,660,849

Still want to try?

- $7^{34} = \sim 5.4 \times 10^{28}$ tries would be needed.
- There are $\sim 3.15 \times 10^7$ sec/year;
- 400 million tries per second?
- At 4×10^8 tries/sec, it would take about 4.3×10^{12} computer-years:
= 1,000,000 supercomputers 4,300,000 years?

And that's with only 34 distinctive features of sevens; Panin has identified 75!

Comprehensive Design

New Testament consists of 27 books;

Terminations: each book begins and ends
with a word: $2 \times 27 = 54$ words:

Total vocabulary of 28 (7×4)

in the Gospels 7 (7×1)

Total gematrical value 46,949 (7×6707)

Value of the shortest word, δ , 70 (7×10)

Value of longest word, ἀποκάλυψις,

1512 ($7 \times 6 \times 6 \times 6$)

Unique Vocabularies?

- Vocabulary unique to Matthew
 - occurs 42 times (7 x 6)
 - with 126 letters (7 x 18).
- How could this have been organized?
 - Prior agreement with other authors?
 - Or was this Gospel written *last*?

Unique Vocabularies

- Gospel of Matthew
- Gospel of Mark
- Gospel of Luke
- Gospel of John
- James, Peter, Jude, and Paul
...*each “written last.”*

Inter-Testament Heptadic Bridges

“Hallelujah”	24	4	28	7 x 4
“Hosanna”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Shepherd”	12	9	21	7 x 3
“Jehovah Sabaoth”	285	2	287	7 x 41
“Corban”	82	2	84	7 x 12
“Milk”	44	5	49	7 x 7
“Isaac”	112	14	126	7 x 18
“Aaron”	443	5	448	7 x 16
“Abaddon”	6	1	7	7 x 1
“Christ at the right hand of God”	2	19	21	7 x 3
“After Melchizedek”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Stone ...refused...headstone...”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Love thy neighbor as thyself”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Uncircumcision of the heart”	6	1	7	7 x 1

Why we accept the Bible

- The authentication **of** Christ
 - LXX: over 300 detailed specifications
 - Daniel “70 Weeks” undeniable
- The authentication **by** Christ
 - The Torah
 - Daniel, et al
- Integrated Design
 - Transcendental Origin

Integrated Design

- 66 Separate Books
 - Penned by over 40 different individuals
 - Over several thousand years
- Design anticipates, in detail, events *before* they happen
 - From *outside* our time domain

Hidden Authentication Codes

- Microcodes
- Macrocodes
 - Genesis 5
 - Genesis 22
 - Ruth
 - Joshua
- Transcendent Numerical Design

How can You know?

- John 7:17

If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself

One Integrated Design

The New Testament

is in the Old Testament concealed;

The Old Testament

is in the New Testament revealed.

The New Testament

Historical Books

5

The Gospels

4

Acts

1

Interpretive Letters

21

Paul's Epistles

14*

Hebrew Christian Epistles

7

The Revelation

1

(*some argue Paul's

authorship of Hebrews) 27

New Testament

Historical Books - 5

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Paul's Epistles - 13

Romans

1, 2 Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1, 2 Thessalonians

1, 2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrew Epistles - 8

Hebrews

James

1, 2 Peter

1, 2, 3, John

Jude

Prophetic - 1

Revelation

New Testament

Historical Books - 5

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Paul's Epistles - 13

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1, 2, 3, John

Jude

Prophetic - 1

Revelation

Footprints of the Messiah

The Prophecies of
the Coming One

Prophetic Scriptures

- 8,362 predictive verses
- 1,817 predictions
- 737 separate matters

J. Barton Payne, *Encyclopedia of Biblical Prophecy*

The Tenach

- The Old Testament was translated into Greek by 270 BC.
- There are over 300 prophecies detailing the Coming Messiah.
- We are going to examine only 8 of them.

Micah 5:2

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

Micah 5:2

- What is the probability of a person, taken at random, of fulfilling this?
- $10,000 / (2 \times 10^9) < 1:10^5$ _

Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

Zechariah 9:9

- How many have presented themselves as a king to Jerusalem riding a donkey?
- $p < 1:100$

Zechariah 11:12

And I said unto them, If ye think good, give me my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver.

Zechariah 11:12

- How many people have been betrayed for 30 pieces of silver?
- $P < 1:1,000$

Zechariah 11:13

And the Lord said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prized at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the Lord.

The Precision of Zech 11:13

- Price: 30 pieces of silver
- Location of the the transaction:
the House of the Lord (Temple);
- Who ends up with the money?
The Potter
- $P < 1:100,000$

Zechariah 13:6

And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands?

Then he shall answer,

Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

Zechariah 13:6

- How many people, taken at random, have been “wounded in their hands” in “the house of their friends”?
- $p < 1:1,000$

Isaiah 53:7

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

Isaiah 53:7

- How many prisoners, accused of a capital crime, make no defense even though innocent?
- $p < 1:1,000$

Isaiah 53:9

And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

Isaiah 53:9

- How many died among the wicked, yet were buried with the rich?
- $p < 1:1,000$

Psalm 22:16

*For dogs have compassed me: the
assembly of the wicked have inclosed
me: they pierced my hands and my
feet.*

Psalm 22:16

(700 years before crucifixion invented)

- How many, taken at random, have died by having hands and feet pierced?
- $p \leq 1:1,000$

8 Prophecies

Micah 5:2	Bethlehem	1:100,000
Zechariah 9:9	King on Donkey	1:100
Zechariah 11:12	30 pieces of Silver	1:1,000
Zechariah 11:13	Temple, Potter, etc.	1:100,000
Zechariah 13:6	Wounds in hands	1:1,000
Isaiah 53:7	No defense; innocent	1:1,000
Isaiah 53:9	Died with wicked Grave with rich	1:1,000
Psalms 22:16	Crucified	<u>1:10,000</u>
		?

Composite Probabilities

- If a population has 60% male and 40% female, what is the probability that one taken at random is female?

40%, or $p = 0.4$

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Composite Probabilities

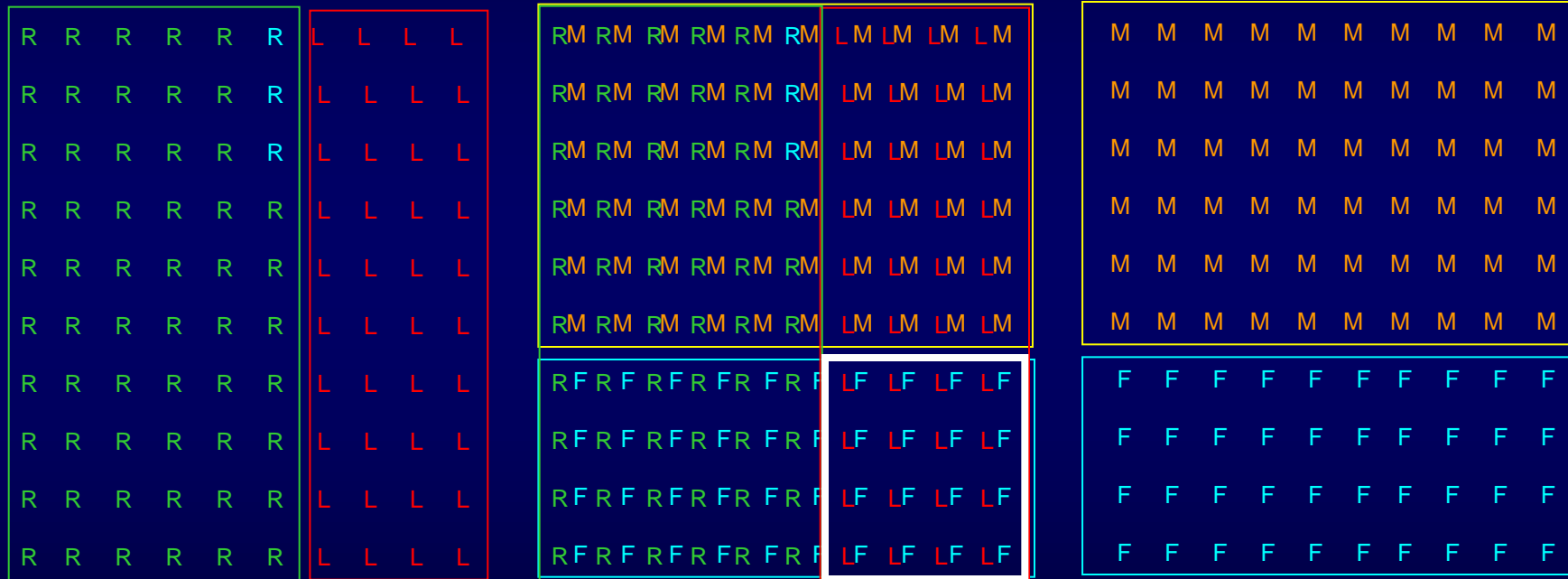
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If a population is 60% right-handed and 40% left-handed, what is the probability that someone taken at random is **left-handed**?

40%, or $p = 0.4$

Composite Probabilities

What is the probability of selecting a **left-handed female**?



$$P = 0.4$$

$$P = 0.4 \times 0.4 = .16$$

$$P = 0.4$$

8 Prophecies

Micah 5:2	Bethlehem	1:100,000
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Psalms 22:16	Crucified	<u>1:10,000</u>
		1:10²⁸

8 Prophecies Combined

- Total population < 100 billion (10^{11})
- Combined probabilities:

$$10^{28}/10^{11} = 10^{17}$$

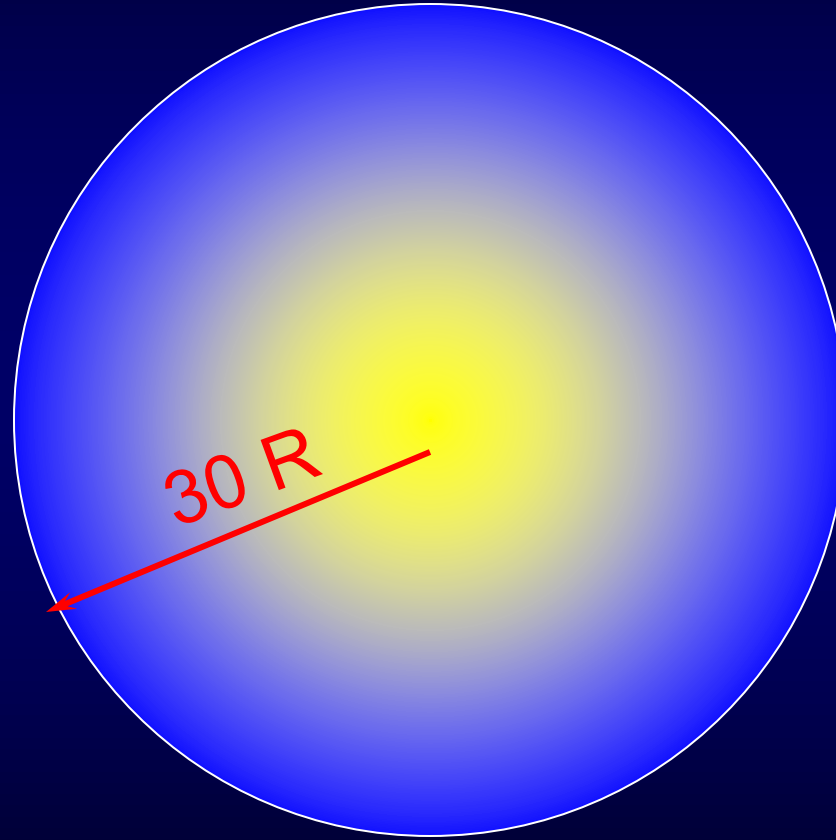
The State of Texas, 2 ft. deep



16 Prophecies Combined

- Over 300 to choose from;
- Assuming no *decrease* in likelihoods:
 $10^{28} \times 10^{28} = 10^{56}$
- $10^{56}/10^{11} = 10^{45}$

30 Times distance of Earth to the Sun



48 Prophecies Combined

- (Over 300 to choose from)
- Assuming no decrease in likelihoods:

$$10^{28} \times 10^{28} \times 10^{28} \times 10^{28} \times 10^{28} \times 10^{28} = 10^{168}$$

$$10^{168}/10^{11} = 10^{157}$$

48 Prophecies: 10^{157}

- Make a “ball”
of every atom in the universe: 10^{66}
- Make one *for each atom* of the universe:
 $10^{66} \times 10^{66} = 10^{132}$
- Repeat this exercise
every second since the universe began:
 $10^{132} \times 10^{17} = 10^{149}$

48 Prophecies: 10^{157}

- 10^{149} vs. 10^{157} ?
- ...we are still short by 10^8 :
100,000,000 times!
- ...and we've dealt with only 48 of over 300 prophecies!

The Most Amazing Ones

- His detailed genealogy
- Old Testament Messianic Prophecies
- The prediction of the precise day that He would present Himself as King to Jerusalem

The Scarlet Thread

- The “Seed of the Woman” Genesis 3:15
 - The Race
- Abraham Genesis 22:18
 - The Nation
- Jacob Genesis 49:10
 - The Tribe
- David 2 Samuel 7:11-16
 - The Family

The Stratagems of Satan

- Corruption of Adam's line *Gen 6*
- Abraham's seed *Gen 12, 20*
- Famine *Gen 50*
- Destruction of male line *Exo 1*
- Pharaoh's pursuit *Exo 14*
- The populating of Canaan *Gen 12:6*
- Against David's line *2 Sam 7*

Attacks on David's Line

- Jehoram kills his brothers *2 Chr. 21*
- Arabians slew all (but Ahazariah)
- Athaliah kills all (but Joash) *2 Chr. 22*
- Hezekiah assaulted, etc. *Isa 36, 38*
- Haman's attempts *Est 3*

New Testament Stratagems

- Joseph's fears: *Matt 1*
- Herod's attempts: *Matt 2*
- At Nazareth: *Luke 4*
- 2 storms on the Sea: *Mark 4; Luke 8*
- The Cross
- Summary: *Rev 12*
...and he's not through...

Prophetic Scriptures

- 8,362 predictive verses
- 1,817 predictions
- 737 separate matters

J. Barton Payne, *Encyclopedia of Biblical Prophecy*

No Other Equivalents

- Islam's *Koran*
- Hindu's *Veda*
- *Bhagavad-Gita*
- *Book of Mormon*
- Nostradamus' *Centuries*
- Occultic mediums, channelers, "New Age" spirit guides, etc.

Major Prophetic Themes

- Israel
- Jerusalem
- Temple
- Babylon
- Russia (Magog)
- Rise of China
- European Super State
- Ecumenical Religion
- Global Government
- Rise of the Occult

Our Challenge

We are being plunged into a period of time about which the Bible says more than about any other period in history

...including the time when Jesus walked the shores of Galilee and climbed the mountains of Judea.

Learn the Bible in 24 Hours

Hour Fourteen

The New Testament



Schedule

Date	Class
	Class 10: How we got the Bible
	Class 11: Gospels
	Class 12: Final Week
	Class 13: Acts
	Class 14: Romans
	Class 15: Church Epistles
	Class 16: Hebrew Epistles
	Class 17: Eschatological Summary
	Class 18: Revelation 1 - 3
	Class 19: Revelation 4 - 22
	Class 20: Conclusion: How sure can we be?

The New Testament

Historical Books

5

The Gospels

4

Acts

1

Interpretive Letters

21

Paul's Epistles

14*

Hebrew Christian Epistles

7

The Revelation

1

(*some argue Paul's authorship of Hebrews)

27

The New Testament

The Old Testament compiled over several thousand years;

The New Testament compiled within one lifetime:

- Four Gospels (Luke in two volumes)

- Pauline Corpus (and other epistles)

- Circulated with LXX for instruction & worship

Luke & Paul *rely* on contemporary eye-witnesses

Conspicuous NT Omissions

- Nero's persecutions after 64 AD
- Execution of James, 62 AD
- Jewish Revolt against Romans, 66 AD
- Destruction of Jerusalem, 70 AD

The Jesus Papyri

P. Magdalen Greek 17/P64: A segment of the Greek text of Matthew's Gospel appears to have been dated *before* 66 AD. Three fragments, text on both sides, a total of 24 lines, segment of Matthew 26:23, 31. (Corresponds to the *Textus Receptus*).





Advanced Technology to the rescue

A Scanning Laser Microscope can differentiate between 20 μ meter layers of the papyrus, measuring the height and the depth of ink, as well as the angle of the stylus used by the scribe.

Oldest Known Manuscript

- Dr. Carsten Thiede, using a scanning laser microscope, and comparing with four other manuscripts,
 - at Qumran (dated to 58 AD)
 - at Herculaneum (dated prior to 79 AD)
 - at Masada (dated to between 73-74 AD)
 - At Egyptian town of Oxyrynchus (65-66 AD)
- has concluded that this is either an original of Matthew's Gospel, or an immediate copy, written while Matthew and the other disciples and other eyewitnesses were still alive.

Material in Common

	Common Material	Independent Contribution
Matthew	58%	42%
Mark	93%	7%
Luke	41%	59%
John	8%	92%

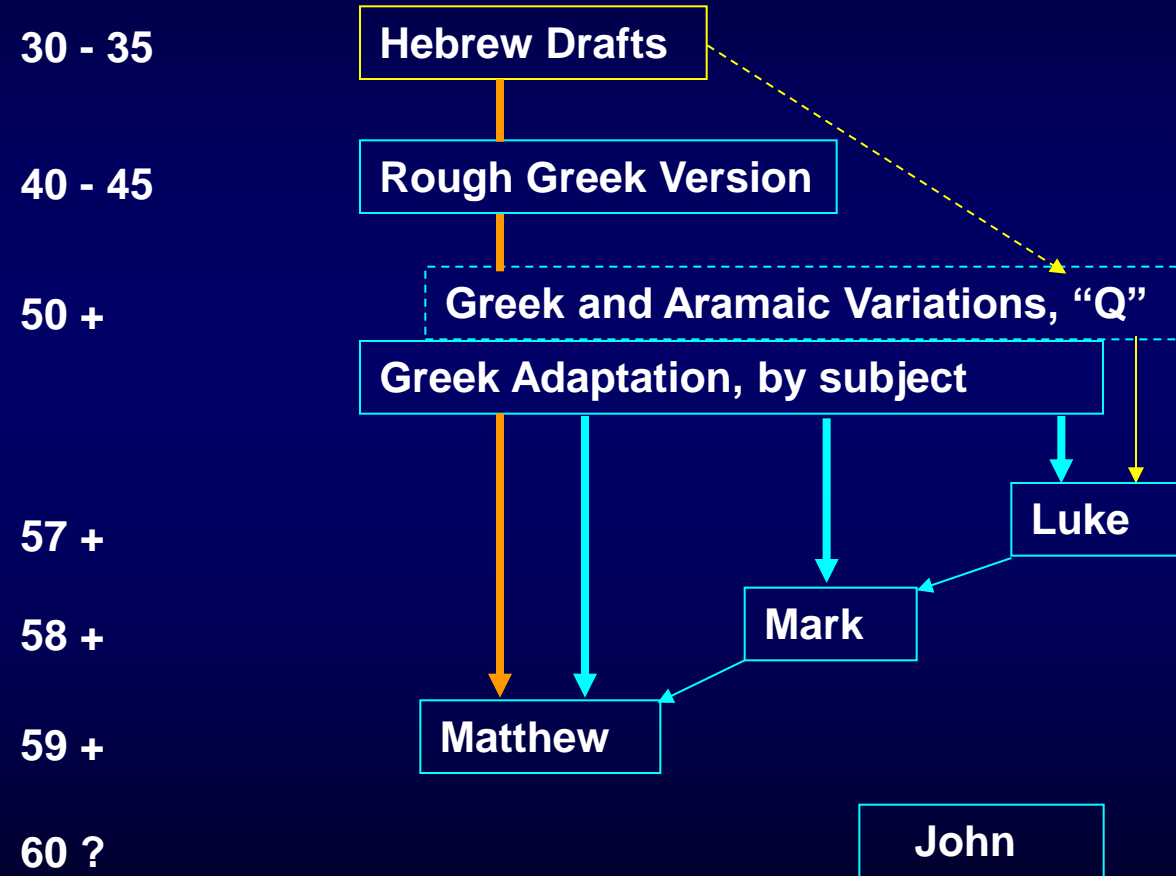
Jesus' Linguistics

- Common language: Aramaic (Mark 15:34)
- Also Spoke Greek (Mark 7:24-30)
- Spoke initially Greek to Mary until addressing her in Aramaic (John 20:11-18)
- Pilate fluent in Hebrew, Greek, & Latin (John 19:19)

Syntactic Peculiarities in NT

- Semitic sentence structure: Hebrew more likely than Aramaic
- Mark quotes Luke in hundreds of places
- Mark quotes Acts in 150 places
- Mark knew Thessalonians, Corinthians, Romans, Colossians, James
- 600 evidences of early date of Luke

The Jerusalem School



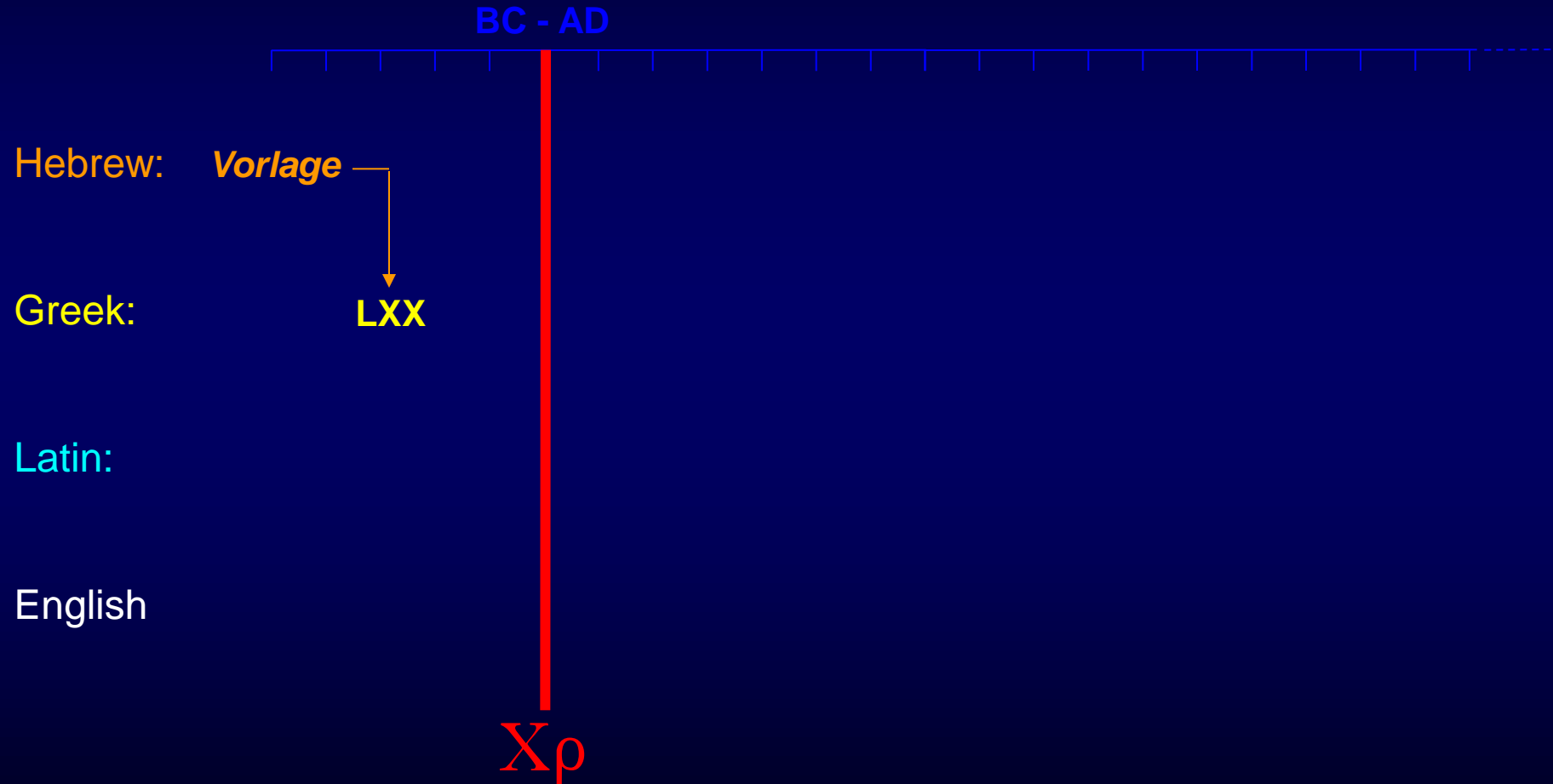
Paul's Letters

Thessalonians	Spring 50; 50-51
1 Corinthians	Spring 55
1 Timothy	Fall 55
2 Corinthians	Spring 56
Galatians	Fall 56
Romans	Spring 57
Titus	Fall 57
Philippians	Summer 58
Colossians	Summer 58
Ephesians	Summer 58
2 Timothy	Fall 58

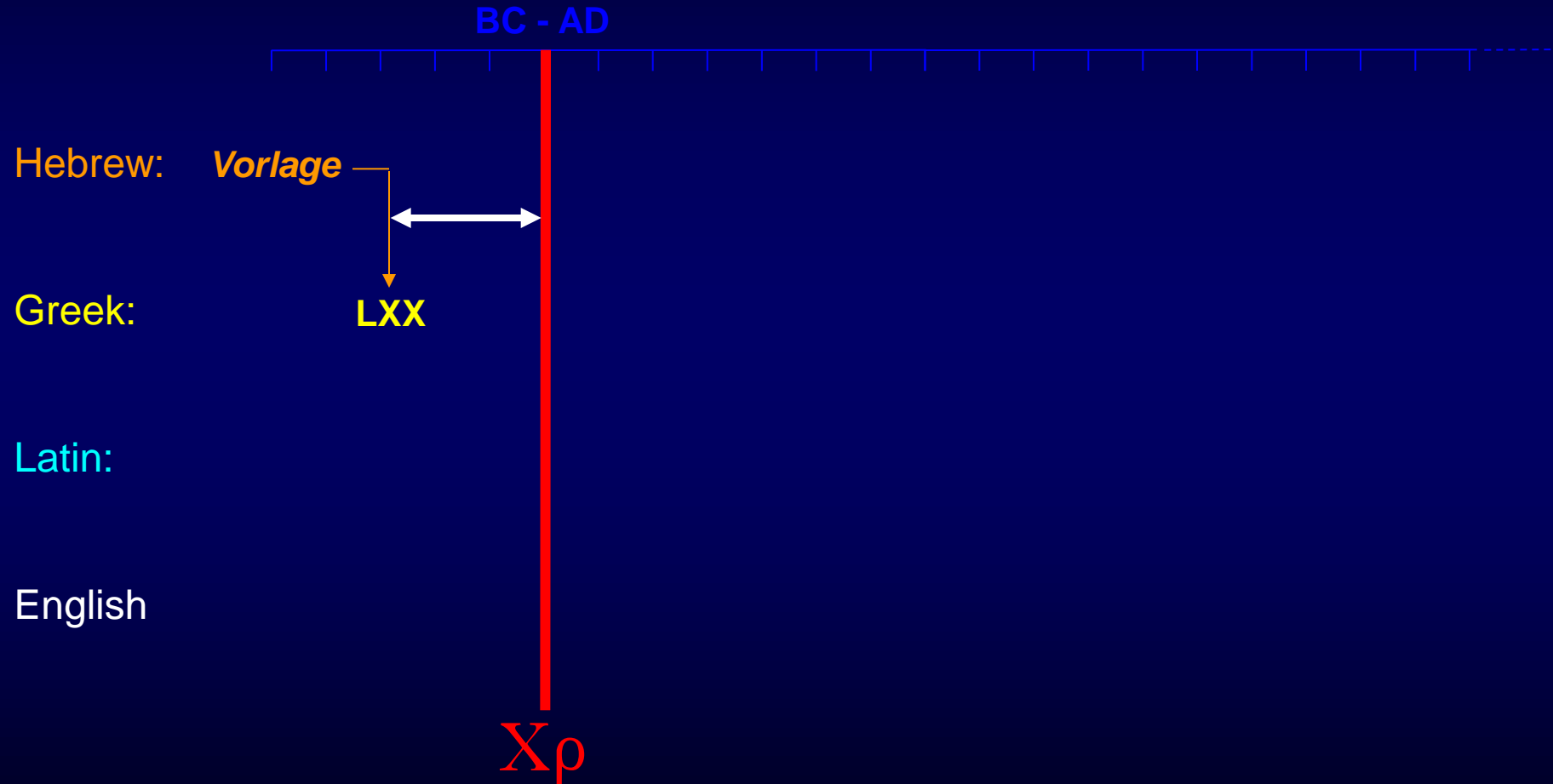
Other NT Books

James	47 – 48
Jude	61 – 61
Peter	61 – 62
Acts	57 – 62
1, 2, 3 John	60 – 65
1 Peter	Spring 65
Gospels	40 – 65

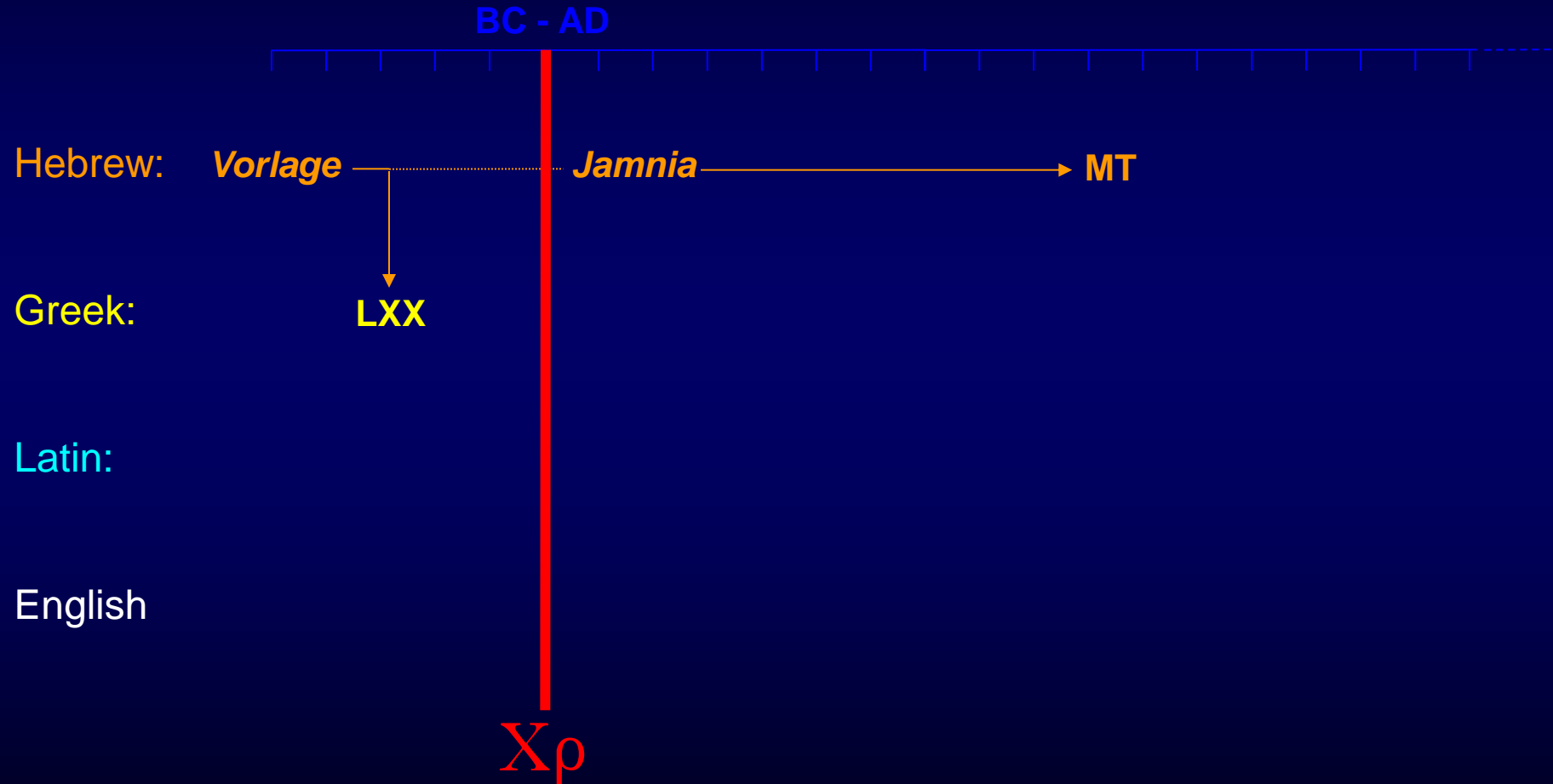
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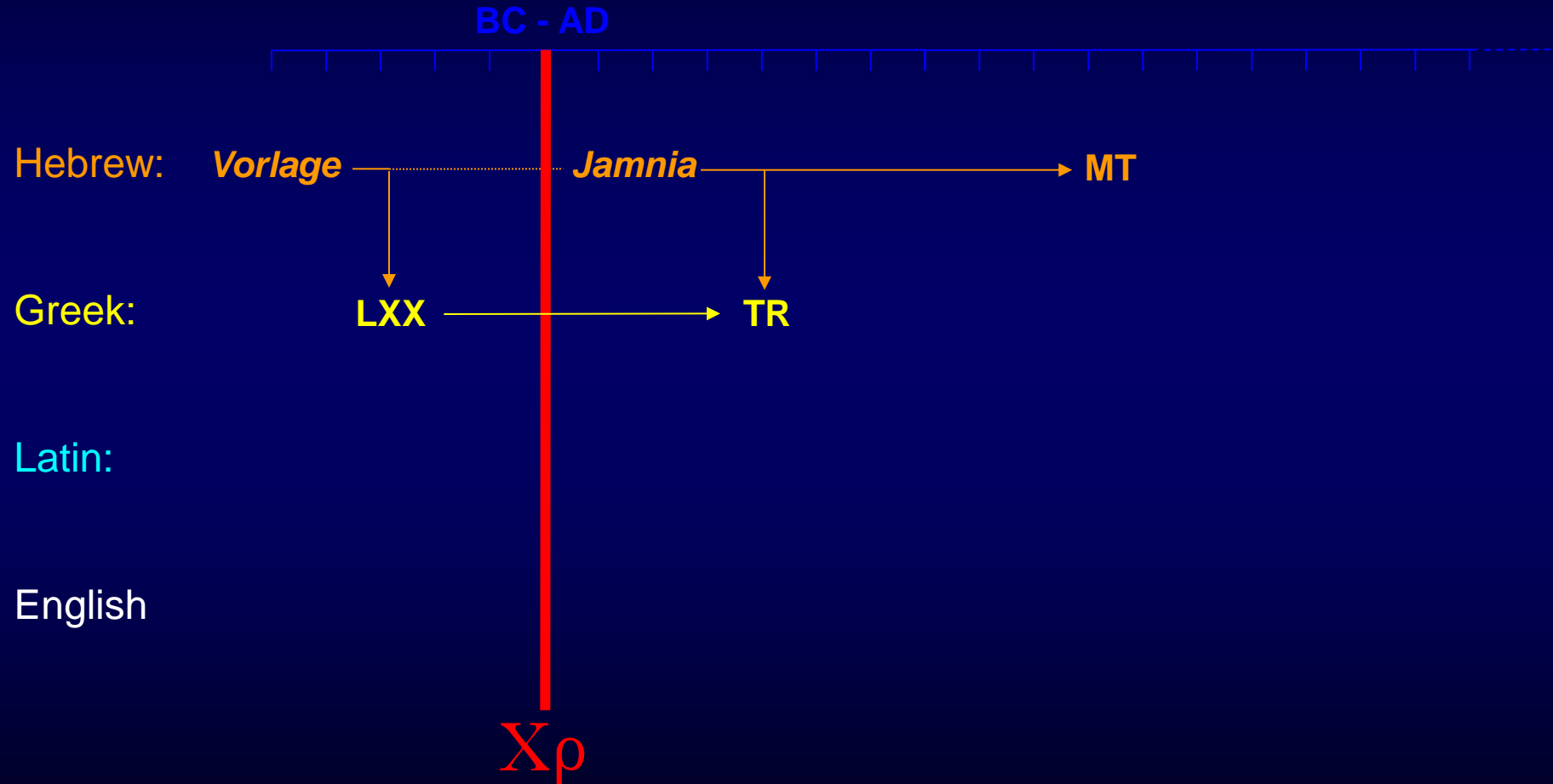
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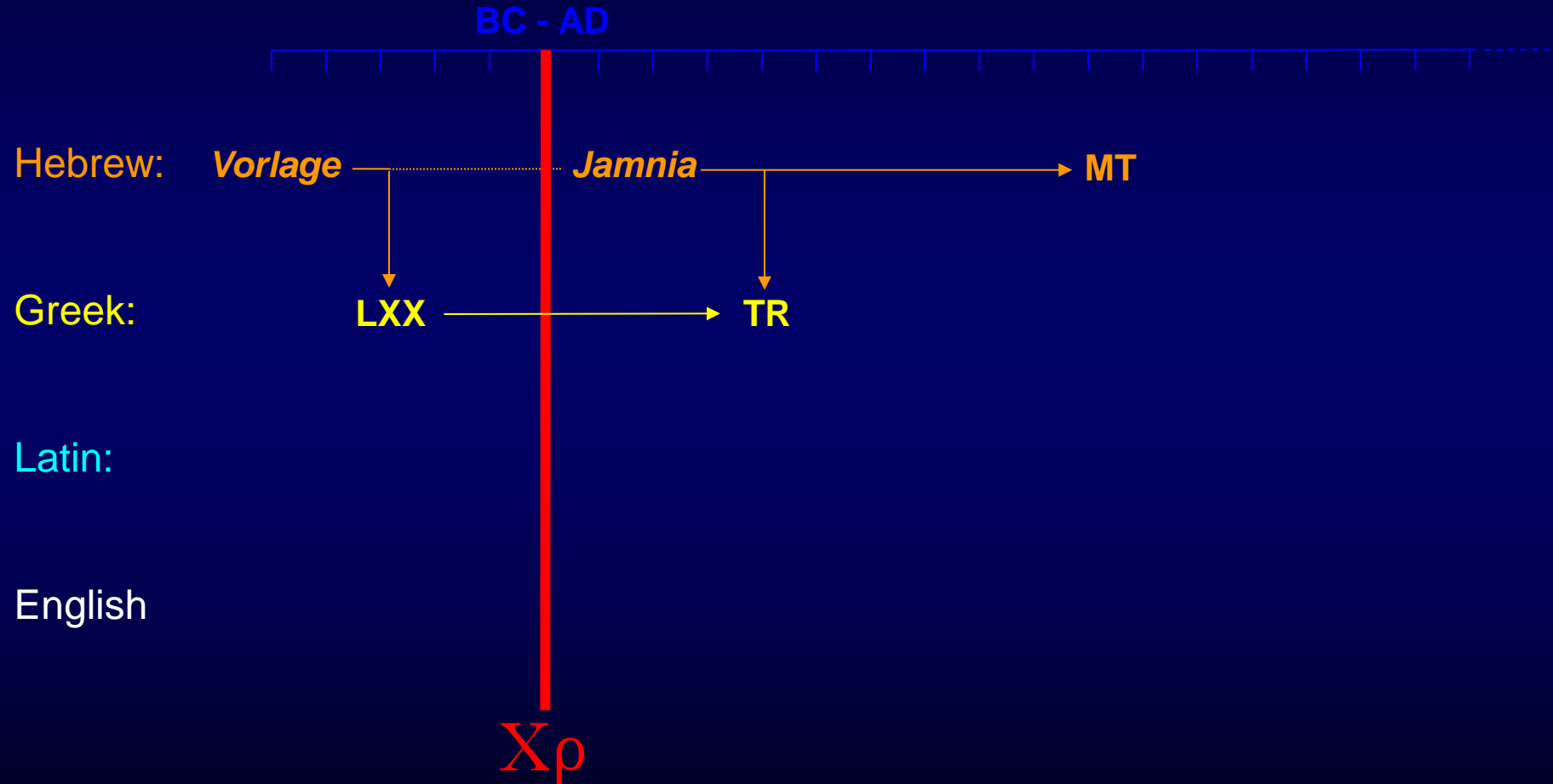
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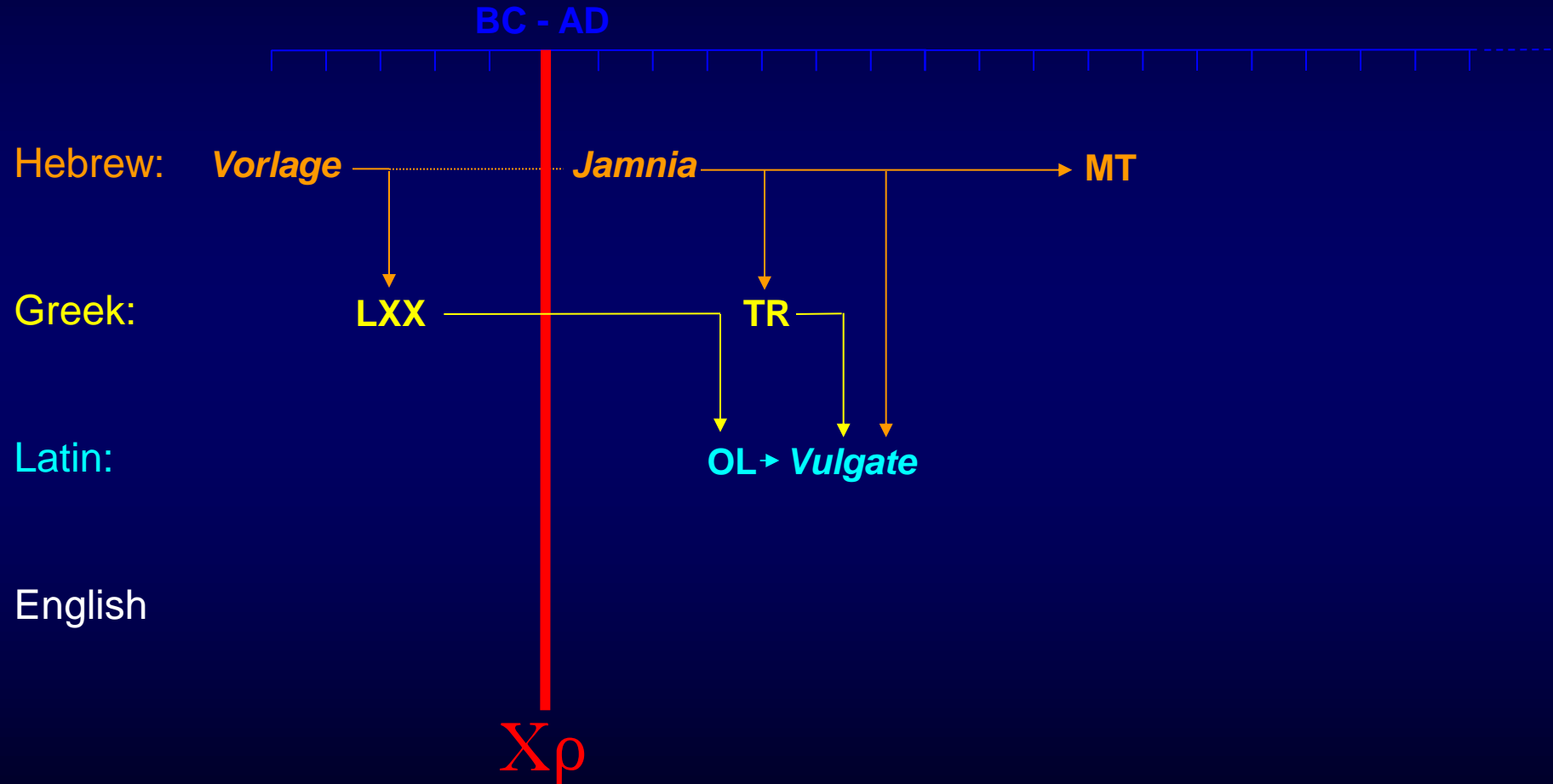
Textus Receptus

- End of 3rd century, Lucian of Antioch compiled Greek text to become primary standard throughout Byzantine world.
- 6th – 14th century majority of NT texts produced in Byzantium in Greek.
- 1525: Erasmus, using 5 or 6 Byzantine manuscripts, compiled first Greek text produced on printing press. Basis for TR.

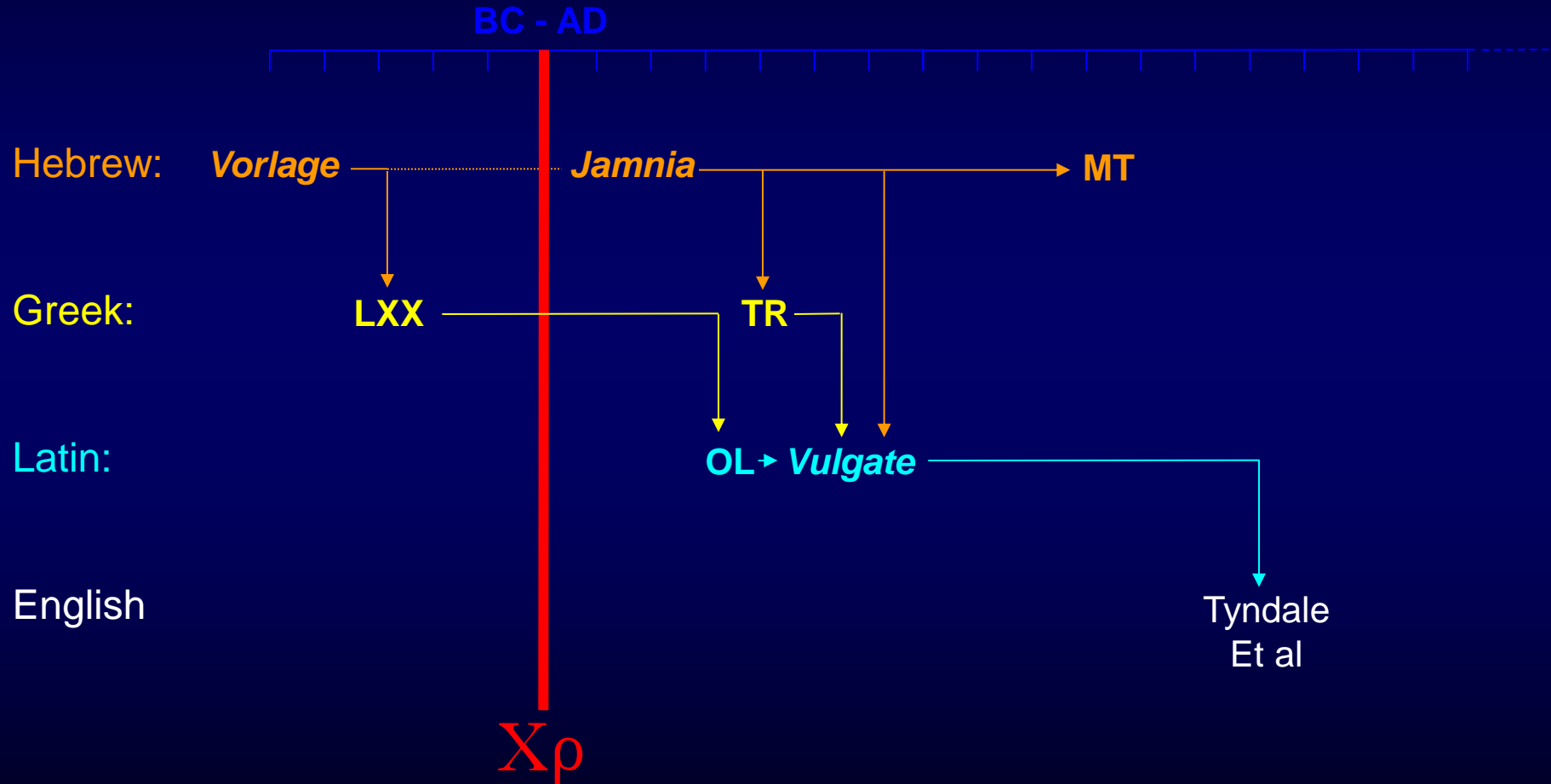
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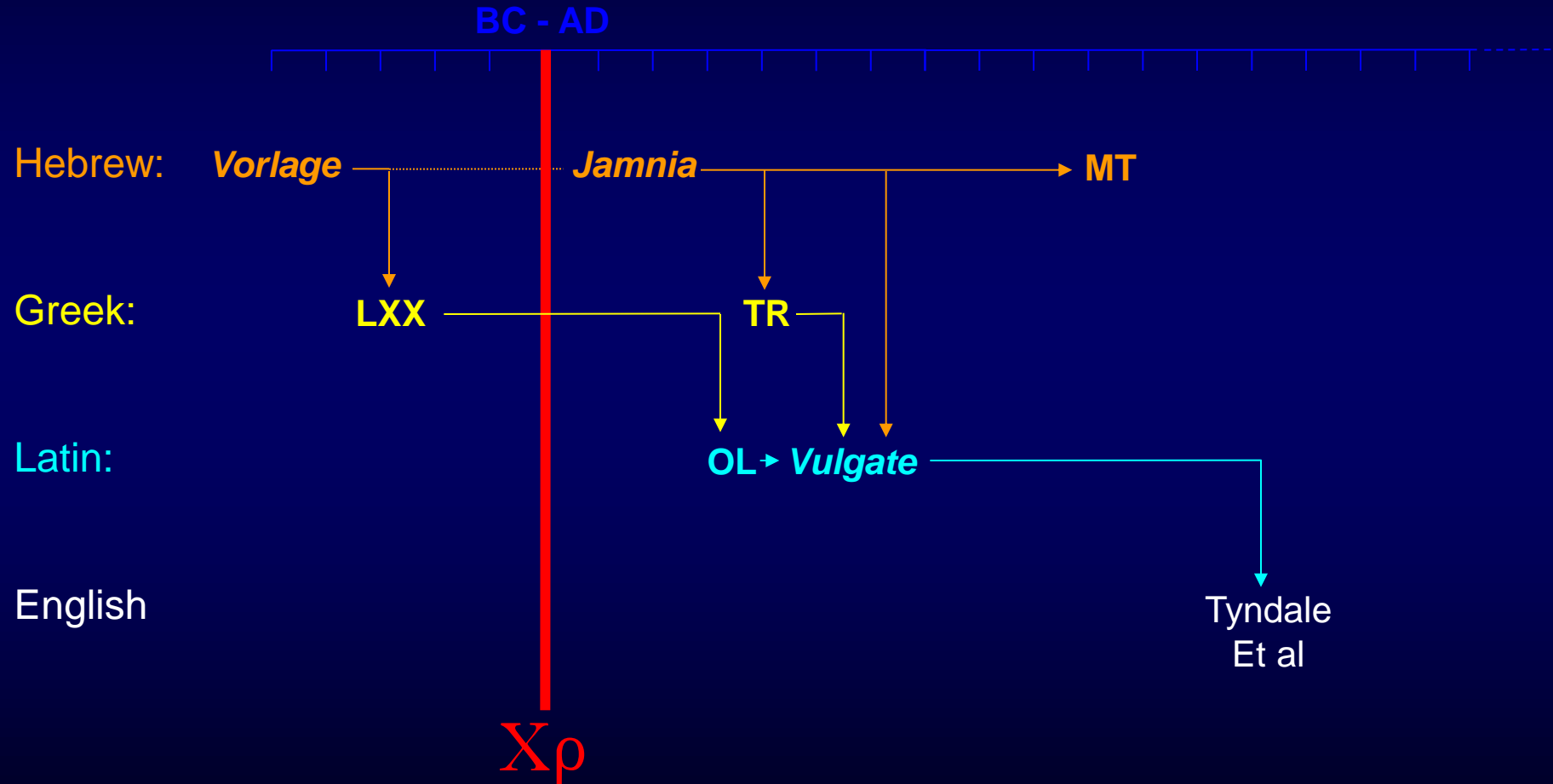
English Bible

- 1382 Wycliffe Bible (from Vulgate)
- 1525 Erasmus' NT (Greek; TR basis)
- 1526 Tyndale Bible (1st English NT)
- 1534 Luther's Bible (1st German)
- 1535 Coverdale's (1st complete)
- 1537 Matthew Bible (from Tyndale's notes)
- 1539 Great Bible (Coverdale's revision)
- 1560 Geneva Bible (Whittingham, et al)
- 1568 Bishop's Bible (Revised "Great Bible")
- 1609 Douay/Rheims Bible (Vulgate rendering)
- 1611 King James Version

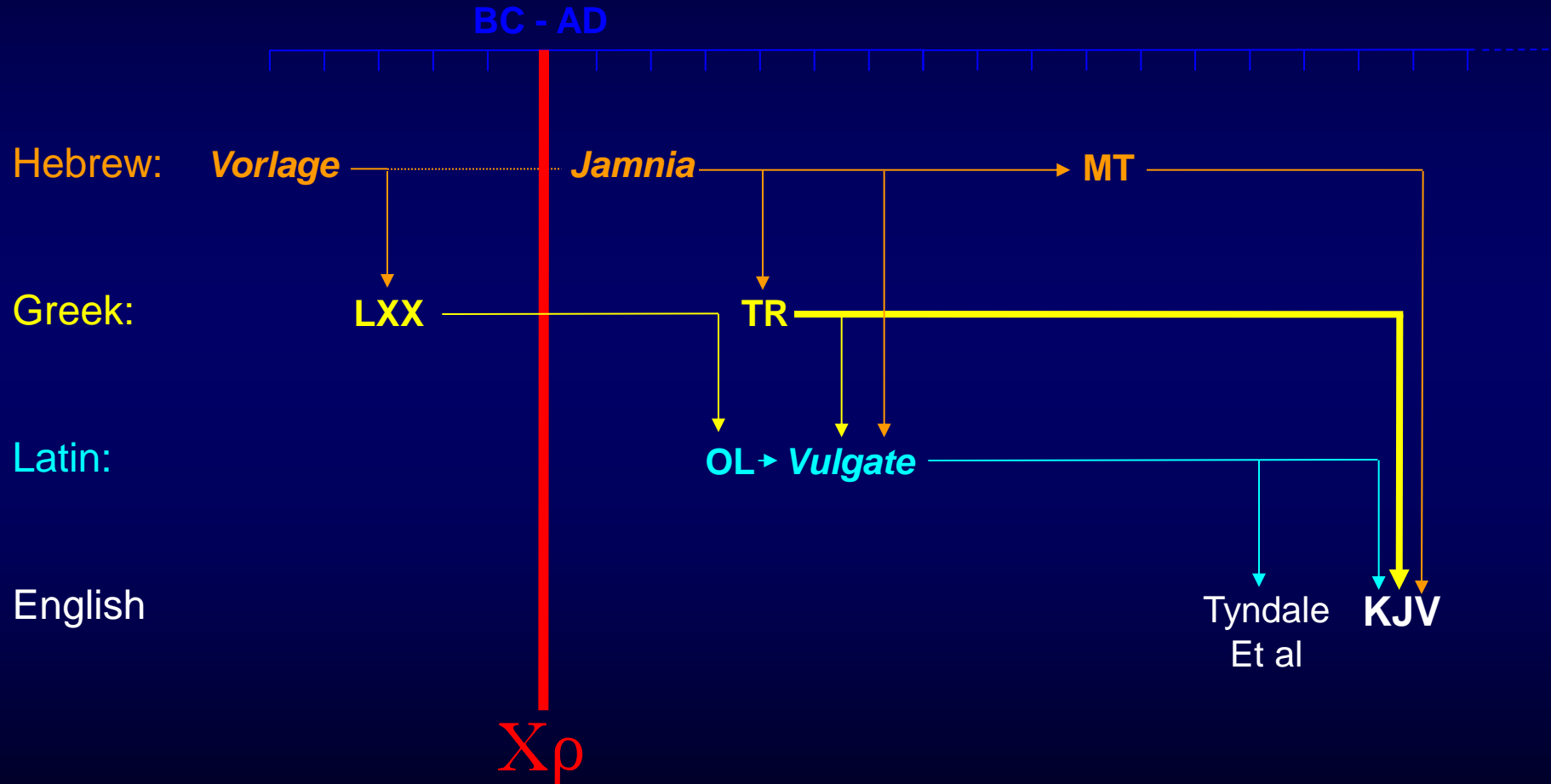
King James Version

- James VI of Scotland becomes King of England (known as “James I”)
- 1607: More than 50 scholars, thru prayerful committees
- 5556 manuscripts available; major reliance on *Textus Receptus*
- Heralded as “the noblest monument of English prose.”

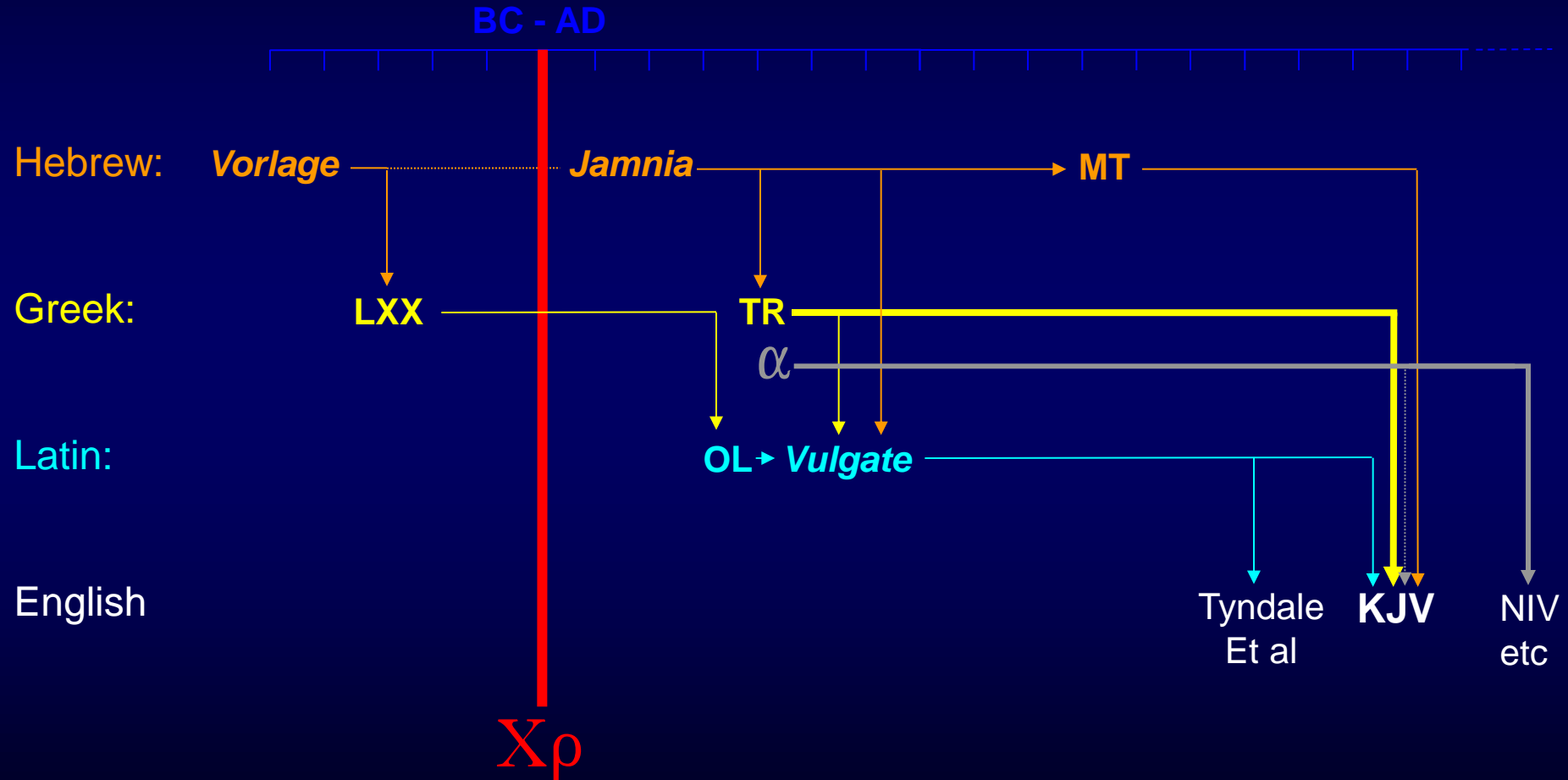
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The Alexandrian Codices

- Codex Alexandrinus
 - About 1630, Codex Alexandrinus was brought to England. A fifth century manuscript containing the entire New Testament.
- Codex Sinaiticus
 - 200 years later, a German scholar name Constantin von Tischendorf discovered the Codex Sinaiticus in St. Catherine's Monastery at (the traditional) Mt. Sinai. This manuscript, dated around 350 AD, is one of the two oldest manuscripts of the Greek New Testament.
- Codex Vaticanus
 - had been in the Vatican Library since at least 1481, but was not made available to scholars until the middle of the 19th century. Dated slightly earlier (325 AD) than Codex Sinaiticus, is regarded by many as one of the most reliable copies of the Greek New Testament.

(These have become controversial for a number of reasons.)

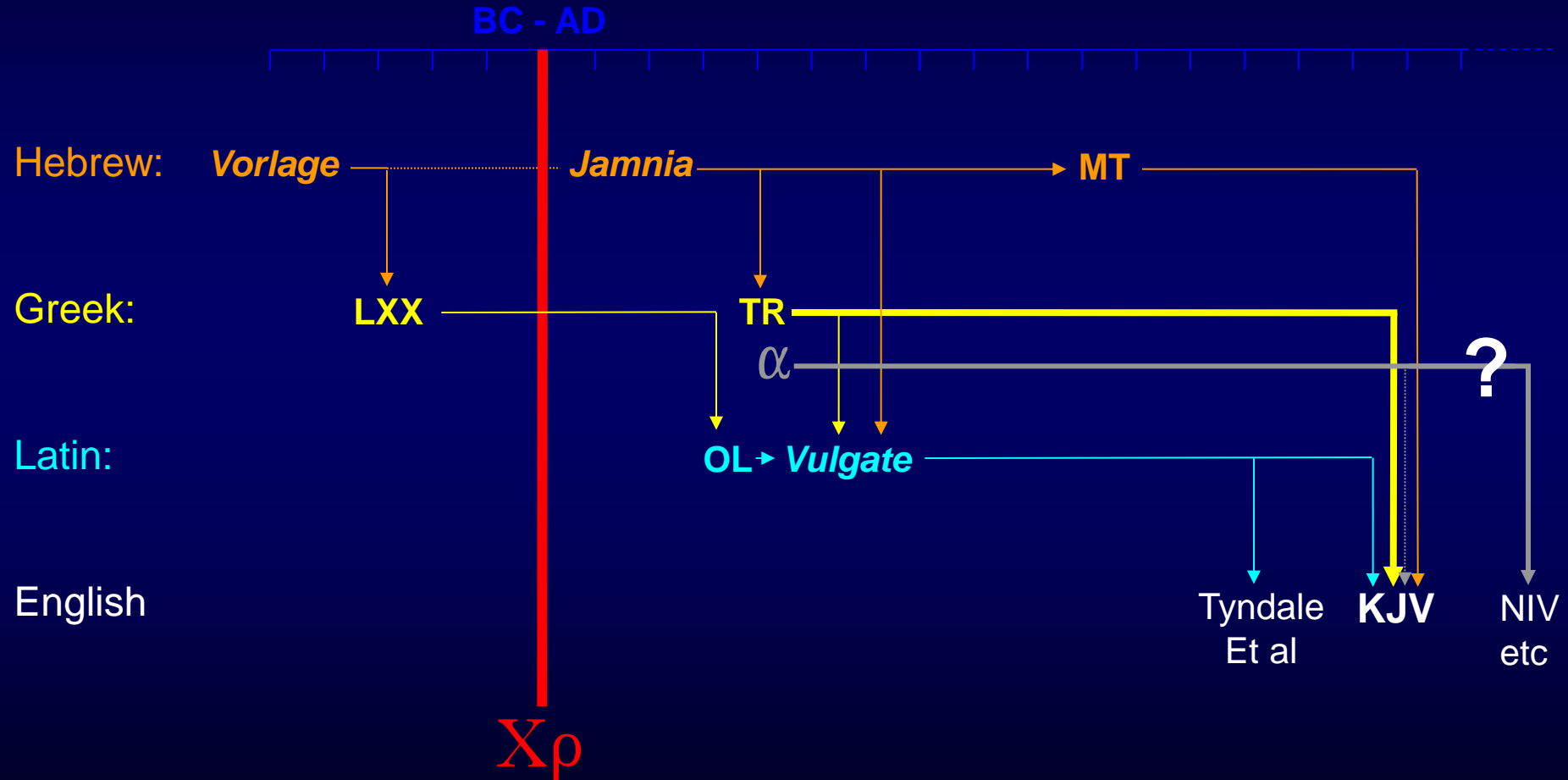
Textus Receptus Dethroned

- 1730's: Johannes Albert Bengel, produced a text that deviated from the *Textus Receptus* relying on the earlier manuscripts.
- 1831: Karl Lachman, produced a text that represented the 4th century manuscripts.
- 1857-72: Samuel Tregelles, self-taught in Latin, Hebrew and Greek, spent his lifetime in publishing a Greek text that came out—in six parts—from 1857 to 1872.

Westcott & Hort

- Brooke Foss Westcott and Fenton John Anthony Hort were Anglican churchmen who had contempt for the *Textus Receptus*.
- They began a work in 1853 that resulted, after 28 years, in a Greek New Testament, based on the corrupt *Vaticanus* and *Siniaticus*.
- Both were influenced by Origen and others who denied the deity of Jesus Christ and embraced the prevalent Gnostic heresies of the period from the headquarters of the Gnostics, Alexandria.
- There are over 3,000 contradictions in the four gospels alone between these manuscripts. They changed the traditional Greek text in 8,413 places.

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Gnostic Heresies

- Satan's Strategy (Genesis 3: doubt; additions and amendments...)
- 55 AD: Twisting begins
 - 2 Peter 2:1-3
 - 1 John 1, 4
- Disparaged existing writings; mixed Greek philosophy and concepts with the revelation of God.

Expurgating Scriptures

- Gnostics known for mutilating the Scriptures:
156 AD, Irenaeus (of the Gnostics): “Wherefore they and their followers have betaken themselves to mutilating the Scriptures which they themselves have shortened.”
- HQ for Gnostics: Alexandria

Authentication Codes?

- An automatic security monitor, watching over every single letter of the text, that doesn't rust or wear out, running continually over several thousand years...
- Fingerprint signature of the Author
- Non-compromisable design

Sevens in the Bible

- Occur in over 600 passages
 - Some overt
 - Some structural
 - Some hidden
- Heptadic Structures as a signature?

Design Challenge: A Genealogy

- The number of **words** must be divisible by 7, evenly.
- The number of **letters** must also be divisible by 7, evenly.
- The number of **vowels** and the number of **consonants** must also be divisible by 7.

Additional Requirements:

- The number of words that **begin with a vowel** must be divisible by 7.
- The number of words that **begin with a consonant** must be divisible by 7.

Additional Requirements:

The number of words that

occur more than once

must be divisible by 7.

occur in more than one form

must be divisible by 7.

occur in only one form

must be divisible by 7.

Additional Requirements:

The number of **nouns** shall be divisible by 7.

Only 7 words shall **not be nouns**.

The number of **names** shall be divisible by 7.

Only 7 **other kinds of nouns** are permitted.

Additional Requirements:

- The number of **male names** shall be divisible by 7.
- The number of **generations** shall be divisible by 7. (21)
- *This is the genealogy of Jesus Christ found in Matthew 1:1-11,
(in Greek)!*

Dr. Ivan Panin

- Born in Russia Dec 12, 1855
- Exiled at an early age; emigrated to Germany, and then the U.S.
- Graduated from Harvard in 1882;
- Discovered Christ;
- Discovered the heptadic structures underlying the Biblical text in 1890;
- Committed the rest of the 50 years of his life generating 43,000 pages of discoveries;
- Went to his Lord on October 30, 1942.

Last 12 Verses of Mark?

- Westcott & Hort: Last part of Mark (16:9-20) = a later addition?
- 150 AD: Irenaeus quotes it in his commentary!
(He must have been clairvoyant.)
- Hypolatus, also, in 2nd century...
...several hundred years *before* the Alexandrian Codices.

The Last 12 Verses of Mark

- Appearance to Mary;
disciples disbelief; 9-11
 - Subsequent appearances; 11-18
 - Conclusion 19-20
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- Simple narrative 9-14
 - Christ's discourse 15-18
 - Conclusion 19-20

The Last 12 Verses of Mark

- Words 175 (7 x 25)
- Vocabulary 98 (7 x 7 x 2)
- Letters 553 (7 x 79)
- Vowels 294 (7 x 42)
- Consonants 259 (7 x 37)

Vocabulary

- Total Vocabulary 98 (7 x 14)
 - Found before in Mark 84 (7 x 12)
 - Only here 14 (7 x 2)
-
- Used in Lord's address 42 (7 x 6)
 - Not part of His vocabulary 56 (7 x 8)

Chances of Multiples of 7

For 2 $7^2 = (7 \times 7)$ 49

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For 4 $7^4 = (7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7)$ etc. 2,401

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For 5	7^5	16,807
For 6	7^6	117,649
For 7	7^7	823,543
For 8	7^8	5,764,801
For 9	7^9	40,353,607

Would you like to try this?

- 8 hrs/day, 40 hrs/wk, 50 weeks/year =
2000 hrs/year, or 120,000 min/year
- 7^9 chances = 40,353,607 attempts
@ average of 10 minutes/attempt =
403,536,070 minutes or 3,362 years!

(It gets worse...)

Words

- Words, total 175 (7 x 25)
- Address of the Lord 56 (7 x 8)
- Rest of the passage 119 (7 x 17)
- vv.9-11 35 (7 x 5)
- vv.12-18 105 (7 x 15)
- v.12 14 (7 x 2)
- vv.13-15 35 (7 x 5)
- vv.16-18 56 (7 x 8)
- vv.19-20 35 (7 x 5)

Greek Alphanumerics

α	1	ι	10	ρ	100
β	2	κ	20	σ ζ	200
γ	3	λ	30	τ	300
δ	4	μ	40	υ	400
ε	5	ν	50	φ	500
ς*	6	ξ	60	χ	600
ζ	7	ο	70	ψ	700
η	8	π	80	ω	800
θ	9	Ϟ*	90	Ϡ*	900

**Vau* (6), *koppa* (90), and *samsi* (900), later became extinct.

Numerical (Gematrical) Values

Total	106,663 (7 x 14,809)
vv9-11	17,213 (7 x 2,459)
v.9	11,795 (7 x 1,685)
v.10	5,418 (7 x 774)
1 st word	98 (7 x 14)
Middle	4,529 (7 x 647)
Last word	791 (7 x 113)
v.11	11,795 (7 x 1,685)
vv.12-20	86,450 (7 x 12,350)

Vocabulary

- Total 98 (7 x 14)
- Not before in Mark 14 (7 x 2)
- Found later in NT 7 (7 x 1)
- Occurrences 35 (7 x 5) times
- Numeric value 8,246 (7 x 1,178)
- v.20 vocabulary 14 (7 x 2)
- found previously 7 (7 x 1)
- found only here 7 (7 x 1)

Word Forms

Total Forms	133 (7 x 19)
Value of total	89,663 (7 x 12,809)
Occur once	112 (7 x 16)
Occurring more than once	21 (7 x 3)
Occurring 63 times	63 (7 x 9)
Total Occurrences	
	$112 + 63 = 175$ (7 x 25)
Total Value	103,663 (7 x 14,809)

θανάσιμος, *deadly*

- Not found elsewhere in New Testament
 - Has a numeric value of 581 (7 x 83)
- Is preceded
 - in the vocabulary by 42 (7 x 6) words
 - In the passage itself by 126 (7 x 18) words

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For 10	7^{10}	282,475,249
For 11	7^{11}	1,977,326,743
For 12	7^{12}	13,841,287,201
For 13	7^{13}	96,889,010,047
For 14	7^{14}	678,223,072,849
For 15	7^{15}	4,747,561,509,943
For 16	7^{16}	33,232,930,569,601
For 17	7^{17}	232,630,513,987,207

Chances of Multiples of 7

For 18	7^{18}	1,628,413,597,910,449
For 19	7^{19}	11,398,895,185,373,143
For 20	7^{20}	79,792,266,297,612,001
For 21	7^{21}	558,545,864,083,284,007
For 22	7^{22}	3,909,821,048,582,988,049
For 23	7^{23}	27,368,747,340,080,916,343
For 24	7^{24}	191,581,231,380,566,414,401
For 25	7^{25}	1,341,068,619,663,964,900,807
For 26	7^{26}	9,387,480,337,647,754,305,649
For 27	7^{27}	65,712,362,363,534,280,139,543
For 28	7^{28}	459,986,536,544,739,960,976,801
For 29	7^{29}	3,219,905,755,813,179,726,837,607
For 30	7^{30}	22,539,340,290,692,258,087,863,249
For 31	7^{31}	157,775,382,034,845,806,615,042,743
For 32	7^{32}	1,104,427,674,243,920,646,305,299,201
For 33	7^{33}	7,730,993,719,707,444,524,137,094,407
For 34	7^{34}	54,116,956,037,952,111,668,959,660,849

Still want to try?

- $7^{34} = \sim 5.4 \times 10^{28}$ tries would be needed.
- There are $\sim 3.15 \times 10^7$ sec/year;
- 400 million tries per second?
- At 4×10^8 tries/sec, it would take about 4.3×10^{12} computer-years:
= 1,000,000 supercomputers 4,300,000 years?

And that's with only 34 distinctive features of sevens; Panin has identified 75!

Comprehensive Design

New Testament consists of 27 books;

Terminations: each book begins and ends
with a word: $2 \times 27 = 54$ words:

Total vocabulary of 28 (7×4)

in the Gospels 7 (7×1)

Total gematrical value 46,949 (7×6707)

Value of the shortest word, δ , 70 (7×10)

Value of longest word, ἀποκάλυψις,

1512 ($7 \times 6 \times 6 \times 6$)

Unique Vocabularies?

- Vocabulary unique to Matthew
 - occurs 42 times (7 x 6)
 - with 126 letters (7 x 18).
- How could this have been organized?
 - Prior agreement with other authors?
 - Or was this Gospel written *last*?

Unique Vocabularies

- Gospel of Matthew
- Gospel of Mark
- Gospel of Luke
- Gospel of John
- James, Peter, Jude, and Paul
...*each “written last.”*

Inter-Testament Heptadic Bridges

“Hallelujah”	24	4	28	7 x 4
“Hosanna”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Shepherd”	12	9	21	7 x 3
“Jehovah Sabaoth”	285	2	287	7 x 41
“Corban”	82	2	84	7 x 12
“Milk”	44	5	49	7 x 7
“Isaac”	112	14	126	7 x 18
“Aaron”	443	5	448	7 x 16
“Abaddon”	6	1	7	7 x 1
“Christ at the right hand of God”	2	19	21	7 x 3
“After Melchizedek”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Stone ...refused...headstone...”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Love thy neighbor as thyself”	1	6	7	7 x 1
“Uncircumcision of the heart”	6	1	7	7 x 1

How We Got Our Bible

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MISSLER

ON TAPE
with notes

Why we accept the Bible

- The authentication *of* Christ
 - LXX: over 300 detailed specifications
 - Daniel “70 Weeks” undeniable
- The authentication *by* Christ
 - The Torah
 - Daniel, et al
- Integrated Design
 - Transcendental Origin

Integrated Design

- 66 Separate Books
 - Penned by over 40 different individuals
 - Over several thousand years
- Design anticipates, in detail, events *before* they happen
 - From *outside* our time domain

Hidden Authentication Codes

- Microcodes
- Macrocodes
 - Genesis 5
 - Genesis 22
 - Ruth
 - Joshua
- Transcendent Numerical Design

How can You know?

- John 7:17

If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself

One Integrated Design

The New Testament

is in the Old Testament concealed;

The Old Testament

is in the New Testament revealed.

The New Testament

Historical Books

5

The Gospels

4

Acts

1

Interpretive Letters

21

Paul's Epistles

14*

Hebrew Christian Epistles

7

The Revelation

1

(*some argue Paul's

authorship of Hebrews) 27

New Testament

Historical Books - 5

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Paul's Epistles - 13

Romans

1, 2 Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

1, 2 Thessalonians

1, 2 Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrew Epistles - 8

Hebrews

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1, 2 Peter

1, 2, 3, John

Jude

Prophetic - 1

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The Design of the Gospels

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Presents as:	Messiah	Servant	Son of Man	Son of God
Genealogy:	Abraham (Legal)	--	Adam (Blood line)	Eternal (Preexistence)
What Jesus	Said	Did	Felt	Was
To the:	Jew	Roman	Greek	Church
1st Miracle:	Leper cleansed (Jew = sin)	Demon expelled	Demon expelled	Water to Wine
Ends with	Resurrection	Ascension	Promise of Spirit: Acts	Promise of Return: Revelation
Camp Side:	East	West	South	North
Ensign:	Judah	Ephraim	Reuben	Dan
Face:	Lion	Ox	Man	Eagle
Style:	Groupings	Snapshots	Narrative	Mystical

