

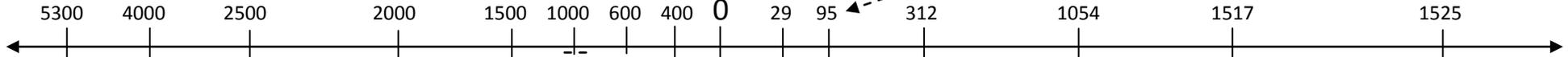
Judeo / Christian History

In the beginning, God creates the world.

95 AD
Last Book of the Bible is Written

Dates shown are approximate

BC ← → AD



<p>Adam and Eve are created as adults.</p>	<p>2500 BC Noah— Saved During a Huge Flood</p>	<p>2000 BC Abraham, Isaac, Jacob (Israel) Descendants are called <u>Hebrews</u>, <u>Israelites</u>, or <u>Jews</u>.</p>	<p>1500 BC Moses leads Israelites out of Egypt</p>	<p>4 BC Jesus is Born / 26 AD Jesus begins healing people and doing other miracles. Jesus shows that He is Divine and He teaches through word and example that people should not sin against God, but should rather live holy lives and love all people.</p>	<p>29 AD Jesus dies on a cross but becomes alive again. / Jesus promises that whoever believes in Him will have eternal life and their sins forgiven / Those who believe in Jesus and follow Him are known as Christians</p>	<p>312 AD Roman Emperor Constantine makes Christianity the official religion. This is the beginning of compulsory Christianity under the <u>Catholic Church</u> Christians begin killing other people contrary to Jesus teaching. Sin is tolerated in the church. True followers of Jesus who believe that God's kingdom is a heavenly Kingdom that is not of this world are persecuted by the Catholic church.</p>	<p>1054 AD <u>Eastern Orthodox Church</u> and the <u>Roman Catholic Church</u> divide and fight wars against each other. / 12th Century Roman Catholic Church begins the <u>Inquisition</u> and attempts to eradicate true followers of Jesus from their territories. (this included groups like the Waldensians)</p>	<p>1517 AD <u>Protestant Reformation</u> Reformers Luther, Zwingli, and Calvin attempt to Reform the Catholic Church but continue to allow sin in the church, compulsory religion, and continue to persecute true followers of Jesus. They fight wars against the Catholics with the goal of establishing greater territory with people who adhere to their new Reformed beliefs.</p>	<p>1525 AD <u>Anabaptist Movement</u> Begins. Men like Conrad Grebel, Felix Manz, and Menno Simons seek to establish churches that are faithful to the teachings of Jesus. They do not fight or resist evil but rather follow Jesus' example of loving their enemies and returning good for evil and not going to war. Over the next 100 years, thousands of Anabaptists are killed by Catholics and Protestants. The Anabaptists continue the legacy of following Jesus much like some Waldensians who believed that Christians churches should be separate from the world and that its members should live lives that are pleasing to God. They become part of the small percentage of Christian groups throughout history that are sometimes referred to as <u>Kingdom Christians</u> or the <u>Pilgrim Church</u>.</p>
<p>1000 BC David- King of Israel / Men of God (prophets) frequently predict the coming of Jesus the Messiah</p>	<p>600 BC Daniel taken captive to Babylon</p>	<p>400 BC—Jews return from captivity in Babylon and Persia and begin to form sects: Sadducees, Pharisees, Essenes, and Zealots</p>							
<p>Anabaptists emigrated to America in the 18th and 19th century to escape persecution and live in a land of religious freedom where they could worship and serve God according to their conscience. Anabaptists today are often known as Mennonites, Hutterites, Amish, and Brethren. They see themselves as trying to follow Jesus much the same way as Christians did in the first three centuries of Christianity. Most live in America and they are less than 1% of professing Christians.</p>	<p>About 2/3 of professing Christians in America are Protestant and 1/3 are Roman Catholic. Orthodox churches are not plentiful in America.</p>								