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1. Enoch was not, for God took him at the age of 365. In Biblical numerology these numbers have some significance. Three = the number of the triune God.(I John 5:7) Six = the number of man. (created on the sixth day, Gen.1:24-31) Five = the number of Grace. (Noah was 5 hundred years old when he found grace, Gen.5:32-6:8) Many believe that Enoch, by type, represented the church of Jesus Christ. He is mentioned in Jude as prophesying the return of Christ, much like the Church today. His age at translation indicates God(3), man(6), and Grace(5). In the church we see the fulfillment of Grace in Christ to us, and also the final work of the of the Godhead, The Holy Spirit, as He works in and through the Church the works of Christ. Many see Enoch as a picture of the rapture, or the “catching away” of the Church (IThes.4:15-18) before the coming of the great day of judgment (the Great Tribulation, the last seven years of this era, see book of Revelation). It is interesting that God told Noah one week(seven days) before the flood when it would start (Gen.7:4,10). It is also interesting that there is a time span of just under “700” years(-30yrs) between the translation of Enoch and the end of the Flood. The number seven again.

2. Seven patriarches died between the translation of Enoch and the beginning of the Flood. Could this be a parallel to the seven years of the tribulation?

3. Lamech died at the age of 777 years old. Could this parallel the seven seals, seven trumpets, and seven vials of the Tribulation? (The seven thunders were sealed up). A “7” within a “7”, within a “7”? Also note that he died five years before the Flood begins (5=Grace?!) and that all the others lived an average of 900 years. Is this a coincidence? This is the only genealogy in the Bible that gives ages and dates. God always says things on purpose, with a purpose, and for a purpose. Jesus said “...as it was in the days of

Noah...”(Luke17:26)

4. It says Methuselah “died” not “perished”.(Gen.5:27) This may indicate that he died before the Flood rather than dying in it. It is not clear which it was. Dates show with certainty that he did die the same year the Flood began.

5. The Flood lasted one year. Time in the ark = 1yr. + 10 days (compare Gen. 7:11 with 8:14)

6. If you subtract the age of Shem when Arphaxad was born (Gen. 11:10) two years after the Flood (1659 A.C.) from the date 1659ac and do a little math, you find that Noah was 503 years old when Shem was born. This does not contradict Gen.5:32. The Bible does indicate that the boys were not triplets since it calls Japheth “the elder” in Gen.10:21. It is evident to anyone that at least 9 months separated the boys at the very least. It is very possible that Shem was the youngest as he is mentioned last in the genealogies of chapter ten. This also is consistent with the lineage of Christ seeming always to come from the “younger” of the family.(Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, David, Solomon, etc.)

7. We are not told specifically that these men died.(We know they did) It is interesting to note that there is no death mentioned at all in this genealogy until we get to Abraham the recipient of “The Promise”.

8. It is very likely that Abram is the oldest as he is mentioned first, three times in this passage, (Gen. 11:26,27,29) unlike Shem who was only mentioned first one time.

* **A.C. = AFTER CREATION OF ADAM**