

### CHAPTER THREE SOME FINDINGS AND RESULTS OF THE BIBLE CHRONOLOGERS

With the kind permission of the families of Arthur Ware and Frank Paine, in this Part we begin by giving some quotations from their two main books, **“The Restored Vision”** (by AEW) and **“Miracle of Time”** (by FLP).

These quotations are obviously only a sample of their work, and those who are keen to take things further are recommended to read the books for themselves, details of which are given elsewhere on the website.

73 22 / 11<sup>th</sup> April 1973 / To EF, from FLP

Mention of Dr AMcL –

*“He read, and re-read The Restored Vision (by AEW) ‘umpteenth times’ and wrote another book afterwards to correct things he had taught, as a result of seeing this fuller light”.*

#### **The Ware-Paine Findings and Results – 1 Quotations from The Restored Vision (pp xvi ff) “A Brief Summary of Facts Essential to the Understanding of Time in the Life of Jesus Christ our Lord”:**

1 Time and all its divisions, except minutes and seconds, originated with Almighty God. The Holy Bible spans a plan of Time which covers Seven Thousand years of human history.

2 Time in the Bible is reckoned exclusively by the secular, civil, lunar calendar of 354 days, a period closely equivalent to 12 revolutions of the Moon around the Earth.

3 The Bible year of 354 days is divided into 12 months, the 6 odd-numbered months of the year having 30 days and the 6 even-numbered months having 29 days. This order never varies throughout the Bible.

.... After the Exodus in 1639 BC until the Lord's death in 33 AD, the first month in each Bible year began at the New Moon in the Spring season.

4 All that we need to know about the Bible Calendar, with one important exception, is to be found in Leviticus XXIII, where the annual Feasts of Jehovah are recorded (Editor: we have listed these in our Part 2, under the "Raw Materials" heading).

77 08 / 24<sup>th</sup> October 1977 / To AW, from FLP

*"The difficulty has been to get somebody (like yourself) to look into our writings sufficiently to realize that God HAS opened our understanding in regard to the Bible's chronology. It is like trying to get the 'bride' to wake up, in the Song of Solomon!*

5 A crucial difference came in, of one day, between the Divine Calendar of Jehovah and the Calendar of Israel. We are told that the Lord and His disciples ate the Passover Supper on the night before Jesus' crucifixion, but that the Jews ate the Passover on the following evening, after the crucifixion. Why the difference? In Exodus 12.2, God gave Moses and Aaron a new calendar, which ensured that each first month would occur in the spring season, and that every month would begin with a New Moon.

But the "astronomical" New Moon, on which this new calendar was based, is not visible from the Earth. The New Moon is only visible from the Earth (what is termed the "phasis", the appearing, of the Moon), one day later, when the tiny sliver of the New Moon is visible from the Earth for the first time. This discrepancy meant that the Calendar of Israel was always **one day behind** the Divine Calendar of Jehovah.

The dates of the Levitical Feasts each year were to be measured from the "real" New Moon - the astronomical New Moon. Not surprisingly, the Lord Jesus obeyed this correct system of dating the Feasts, and hence on the evening before His trial and crucifixion He observed the Passover with His disciples ("the Last Supper"), on the true date of the New Moon, which was **one day earlier** than the Passover held by the Jews.

6 God's Sabbath was **one day ahead** of the Jews' Sabbath.

In the wilderness the people of Israel were in the habit of forgetting, and hence desecrating, the Sabbath of the Lord (see for example Exodus 20.8). The Lord thus separated His true Sabbath from the Sabbath observed, or not as the case may be, by the people of Israel.

In Joshua 10.12-14, we read that He caused "the sun to stand still" - so there were still two normal days as far as the Lord and His calendar were concerned, but only one, albeit double-length, day, on the Earth. This meant that the Jews' day of the week was always one day after Jehovah's day of the week.

This helps to explain some of the apparent discrepancies between the Gospels concerning the actual day of the Lord's crucifixion.

72 52 / 20<sup>th</sup> November 1972 / To EF, from FLP

*"I wrote (that is, an early book by FLP) ... to compel the attention of any serious student of Bible history, so that a proper instigation of the facts could be instigated.*

*It needs a few believers brought together by the Spirit, who would be willing to do what you suggest – sit down together for a couple of weeks or more with determination to grasp divine principles of time measurement and gain full assurance that this revelation is of God and the actual unfolding of the Scriptures in relation to Time".*

## **The Ware-Paine Findings and Results – 2**

### **The Various CHRONOLOGIES operating within the Bible during the earthly life of our Lord Jesus Christ**

#### **1. THE SECULAR CHRONOLOGY (Anno Mundi) (TRV pp xxi ff)**

"This begins on the first day of the Bible (4th March 4075 BC), and runs an unbroken course of 354-day years to 12th October 33 AD.

"It then takes one further stride of 1960 years up to 12th June 1933, with an overall total of 6198 years and 22 days.

"This is the Bible's inspired and therefore faultlessly accurate record of time and it forms the basis of all Bible chronology. It is

the world's only such record. Its astronomical accuracy may be proved by anyone who will take the trouble to do it. It accounts for every year, month, week, day, hour, minute and second from the first day of the Bible to the end of the 6000 Years of Man on 12th June 1933.

"At the opening of the day of our Lord's birth, this Secular Chronology had reached a total of 4204 Bible years and 21 days. This is the exact equivalent of 4074 Solar years and 239 days".

78 11 / 7th May 1978 / To AW, from FLP

*"I can't do more than give the facts as I know them, and leave it to the Spirit of God to bring conviction about the truth through the exactitude of the figures".*

## 2. THE CHRONOLOGY OF REDEMPTION

This is an era with a fixed limit of 6000 years. It began on the day after the Fall and will terminate at the setting-up of the Kingdom.

This era is concurrent with the secular chronology, except that it omits periods of years or days that are "marked by circumstances incompatible with the Principles of Redemption and Forgiveness", such as the 70-year period of exile in Babylon. Because of these omissions, this era has no relationship to the astronomical calendars.

The years of this era are 350 days in length, as it takes no account of the 4 days each year when the Passover lambs are set aside awaiting death.

This era is measured throughout the Bible in Jubile cycles of 49 years, and major cycles of 490 years.

The 6000 Years of Redemption had exactly reached the middle of the 3888th year at our Lord's birth, a highly significant number. (Editor: see Part 2, under the Numbers heading).

### 3. THE CHRONOLOGY OF MAN (Anno Hominis)

This is an era of 6000 years reckoned in terms of the solar year of 365 1/4 days.

This era began on the 9th day of the Bible and terminated at the close of 12th June 1933, when exactly 6000 Julian years were completed. Thereafter "the consummation of the age" began, which by 2013 had lasted 80 years.

The Chronology of Man had reached a total of 4074 years and 231 days at our Lord's birth. This is 8 days less than the Secular Chronology which begins on the first day of the Bible.

79 04 / 24th May 1979 / To AW, from FLP

*"It is easy for the Enemy to try and persuade you that the whole thing is 'too deep' or too 'involved', but you will find more and more that the Holy Spirit will bring assurance as you 'take the kingdom by force'!"*

### 4. THE YEARS OF THE MESSIAH p xxiii

"This is the most deeply concealed series of years in the Bible, and its existence we believe has never before been recorded".

It is measured in seven cycles of 888 years each. These began on the 8th day of the Bible, that is, on the day after the first Sabbath.

The number 888 is the numerical value of the Greek letters which form the name "Jesus".

The eighth days of the two concurrent Feasts, Tabernacles and Ingathering, typify the ultimate "Messianic Kingdom", while the previous 7 days of these two Feasts are "types" of the 7 cycles of 888 years which lead up to that Messianic Kingdom.

These years of the Messiah are independent from all the other series of years within the Bible, and they relate "exclusively to Jesus the Messiah and to the seed through whom He was to come".

The Years of the Messiah had reached a total of 4204 years and 14 days at the time of our Lord's birth.

79 03 / 1<sup>st</sup> May 1979, Zif 4,5739 / To FLP, from AW

*"The secrets have to be revealed, not reasoned out by men"*

### **The Ware-Paine Findings and Results – 3** **The Various CALENDARS operating within the Bible during the earthly life of our Lord Jesus Christ**

1. The Calendar of Israel lies on the surface of Scripture.
2. The Calendar of Jehovah differs from the Calendar of Israel by being one day of the month, and one day of the week, ahead.
3. The Messianic Calendar is based on the years of the Messiah.
4. The Roman, Gentile, Julian Calendar was inaugurated by Julius Caesar in 45 BC.
5. The Calendar of the Lord's own earthly life runs from his birth to His ascension:  
 "The annual Feasts of Leviticus 23 were viewed by God as also applying to this series of years". Thus for example, Mary's anointing of the Lord at Bethany occurred on the Day of Atonement, the 10th day of the 7th month in His 33rd year.

72 25 / 15<sup>th</sup> March 1972 / To EF, from FLP

*"Do you not agree that prophecy is really written so that when it is fulfilled it may be seen that God foreknew it?"*

The removal of the Church is to be followed by the final seventieth week of seven years, the first half of which sees the antichrist figure on the loose, leading in the second half of the week to what is termed "the great tribulation", as dreadful a time as the world has ever seen (eg., Matthew 24.21). This seven-year period is going to happen - how we need to warn of these things in today's generation.

79 19 / 6<sup>th</sup> November 1979 / To Mrs NP, from FLP

*This research had to be conducted more or less in secret, because of the prevailing prejudice against the subject by Christians in this country, though not, I am glad to say, in America where part of the writing was done"*

This current unreckoned interval of time was not foreseen by the Bible Watchmen in the run-up to June 1933. This explains why they expected the return of Christ for His Church to be followed immediately by the re-running of the final seventieth week, both these events to occur straight after the ending of the 2520 years of the "Seven Times" in June 1933.

In this expectation they were mistaken, and in later years, often by over-interpreting types and antitypes, they made further date predictions concerning the Rapture which also turned out to be premature.

The Watchmen were of course acting in good faith in the light of the tremendous knowledge they then possessed concerning Bible Chronology, but their repeated forecasts about the date of the Rapture, each one clearly seen to be mistaken when nothing had happened, inevitably did little to enhance their reputation.

As a result their extraordinary work with the dates and figures of Bible Chronology has received far less attention than is surely deserved.

#### **The Ware-Paine Findings and Results – 4** **An Overview List of Key Events and Their Solar Dates**

There now follows one list of specific dates, being one list among the many others shown in their books, identified by Arthur Ware, Frank Paine and their colleagues as a result of their being shown the calendars and chronologies within Scripture.

These examples can only "whet the appetite". For the "full meal", you are advised to read the main books.

77 05 / 30th May 1977 / To AW and his wife, from FLP

*"I feel so much alone, holding so great a revelation as we do about the whole course of TIME which has been kept secret for so long".*

As we examine these findings we remember the need on the one hand to remain cautious, and on the other hand to remain humbly open to what these godly, diligent men believed the Holy Spirit was showing them.

They repeatedly state - "You don't believe us? Then go and check these things out for yourself in your own Bible alongside the astronomical calendars". The nature of their work was such that every "jot and tittle" concerning specific dates had to be meticulously accurate, or else the whole system would be thrown out.

Here to start with is the Overview List of key events and their solar dates, (taken from MOT Chart p 182, and Chart p 189):

Creation and the Fall of Man - 4075 BC  
 The Flood - 2470 BC  
 The Birth of Abraham - 2129 BC  
 The Exodus from Egypt - 1639 BC  
 The Dedication of the Temple - 1019 BC  
 The Commandment to restore Jerusalem - 458 BC

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 John the Baptist heralds "the Prince" - 26 AD  
 The Messiah is "cut off" (Daniel 9.26) - 33 AD  
 Stephen is martyred - 33 AD  
 Conversion of Cornelius - 36 AD  
 Jewish Revolt - 66 AD  
 Jerusalem and the Temple are destroyed - 70 AD  
 Fall of Masada, the end of Jewish resistance - 73 AD

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 The Balfour Declaration and Liberation of Palestine - 1917 AD  
 The Palestinian Mandate - 1923 AD  
 The World Monetary & Economic Conference opens in London (12th June 1933), and the Nations of Christendom are "cut off" - 1933 AD  
 The Nation of Israel is restored - 1948 AD



(In 2019 we are currently here, with the following prophecies yet to be fulfilled) -

The Rapture of the Church  
 The 7-Years of Tribulation ("the time of Jacob's trouble")  
 The Return of Christ to Reign on Earth ("Thy kingdom come ...")  
 The Lord's Thousand-Year Reign  
 The Loosing of Satan at the End of Christ's Reign  
 The Final Judgement  
 The New Heavens and a New Earth

To finish this chapter we include this lengthy extract written by Frank Paine in June 1982 –

82 27 / 18th June 1982 / To B and C, from FLP

*The Company's work - "has been a complete revelation beginning from the starting-point of TIME in Genesis 1.*

*And God had to reveal miraculously the actual close of the 6,000 solar years, confirming it so positively that we knew, unlike all other chronologers, that we had a DATE (day and year) from which we could measure back the whole course of time.*

*Then we had to see that the LUNAR CALENDAR (astronomic) perfectly fitted this course of time in the Bible, and with the mean of 354d 8h 48m 33.6 secs anyone could check.*

(Editor: For example, in 'Miracle of Time' FLP shows how the Apollo Missions 'perfectly confirmed both the end of the 6,000 years and various aspects of the Lord's life').

*Next, we were shown the amazing design of what we had to call 'The Chronology of Redemption', which proved that Jesus died on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, AD 33, the last day of FOUR THOUSAND YEARS ('four days') as Exodus 12.6 requires) from the day of Adam's Fall in 4075 BC.*

*We were shown the exact time between His death and Resurrection was TWO DAYS AND NINE HOURS (the TENTH HOUR being the MIDNIGHT HOUR of the Bible's many types, and the pattern God has used throughout history to express resurrection. ...*

*Then we were shown that 2,000 LUNAR YEARS (to the day and hour) would run from the Passion Week (April 27<sup>th</sup> AD 33 – May 4<sup>th</sup>) to end with the YOM KIPPUR WAR (Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 2pm 1973 – Oct 13<sup>th</sup>, after which Israel went on to cut off the Egyptian 8<sup>th</sup> Army on the other side of the Canal.*

*Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, of course, was the important date, and NINE years have run on to this year, when we may expect the MIDNIGHT HOUR ((the 10<sup>th</sup> year) to begin.*

*Arthur Ware gave the BBC warning on October 3<sup>rd</sup> 1973, that in THREE DAYS “the sun would go down over Israel”. As the sun goes down at the end of a day, so this warning implied that TWO DAYS OF A THOUSAND YEARS would come to their end on the Jews’ Day of Atonement in 1973. So, in this aspect, a ‘third day’ came ‘as a thief’ (and the Arab’s Oil Embargo or their ‘oil weapon’, has certainly stolen wealth the western world has sadly needed in these days of Inflation, etc).*

*It is infinitely too big a subject to deal with in a scrappy way like this, but I’m doing it to show how far removed from the natural effort of man the revelation of God has been.*

*And, of course, with God there is no confusion and he has shown, I believe, how the two holy convocations of Unleavened Bread and Tabernacles were fulfilled in the Lord’s own calendar after He arose from the dead.*

*Wherever one looks, the plan and patterning of God in time shows perfection, and once that has been seen, no one will want to look at the imperfect any more.*

*Just as an instance, in 1935 we learnt from the perfect chronology of the Scriptures, that the Nativity was at ‘Tabernacles’ in 1 BC, but now 47 years afterwards, the Rev. DP has seen, apart from the complete plan of the ages, and not knowing the actual solar date, that, if there is one thing more than another that is an ‘abomination’ to God, it is ‘Christmas’ – and he feels sure the Lord was really born at the Feast of Tabernacles! ...*

*The simple fact Mr R has got to learn is that the New Testament shows there are TWO Passovers. The first, the ‘Lord’s Passover’*

*on the Thursday night He kept with His disciples. The second was 'the Jews' Passover' when He was crucified. (With God, of course, this day, Friday, was the fifteenth of Nisan, when the sacrifices of Numbers 28 17-23 were offered).*

*... So, as soon as the apostolic era had passed, and the true dating of the Passion week and all to do with the Lord's perfect Sacrifice has been forgotten in the mists and darkness of the second century, the day of His resurrection was mistranslated as 'the first day of the week'. But the Greek was clear: it was 'the first (day) of the sabbaths' – that is the seven sabbaths to Pentecost. It certainly was not a Sunday!*

*For God had declared that he literally hated the 'new moons and sabbaths and appointed feasts'; of the Jews (Isaiah 1.13-15, Amos 5.21 and 8.10)*

*... So He allowed those two days (our Saturday and Sunday) to pass, with the moon 'turned into blood' to signify the character of the next two thousand years which they typified.*

*So we see, as we near the end of the long 'Christian Dispensation', or Diaspora (as it has been for the Jews) that it is really the magnification of the time of Christ's death and at the end of it we are going to experience a season of awakening 'at MIDNIGHT', just as Matt 25, Acts 16, Acts 27.27, Ruth 3.8 and other 'Midnight' types indicate".*

### **END OF CHAPTER THREE**