

# Some Big Facts about the Old Testament and the New Testament

(Most dates below are rough and ready)

Abraham lived 4,000 years ago but we say he lived about 2,000 BC. Genesis 11.27-25.11 records the life of Abraham.

How do we map our way through history with various dates? The key is the birth of Christ. Jesus stands in the center of history.

Therefore, we say that Abraham lived 2,000 years BC (before the coming of Christ).

We now live a little over 2,000 years AD (after the coming of Christ).

From Abraham to Christ the dates we give get smaller and smaller:

Abraham was 2000 BC

Moses was 1500 BC

David was 1000 BC

Greeks conquered the known world in 300 BC

Romans entered the land of Israel in 63 BC

The Roman, Pilate, governed Judea in the land of Israel from 26-36 AD

Jesus died on the cross during the rule of Pilate

Abraham	Moses	David	Greeks	Romans	Birth of Christ	Pilate
2000 BC	1500 BC	1000 BC	300 BC	63 BC		26-36 AD

OLD TESTAMENT

NEW TESTAMENT

Written in Hebrew (some Aramaic)

Written in Greek

OLD TESTAMENT

NEW TESTAMENT

Fall Promise of the Coming of Christ



1<sup>st</sup> Coming

2<sup>nd</sup>

He came

Died for our sins

Rose the 3<sup>rd</sup> day

Ascended to heaven

He will come again

Where are we in 2005 AD on this two-arrow diagram? Where are you? What does it mean to say that we live in the time between?