

Creation

4,000+BC

The Old Testament

Some dates are very easy to fix (for example where the reigns of particular kings are mentioned). Others, like Job, are impossible to pin down with certainty. Many books, like Psalms, contain writings collected over a long time span and even more focused books may have not been committed to writing for decades or centuries after the events recorded!

3,000BC

Genesis

Job

However, the Bible (both testaments) stand up very well when compared to other historical sources for signs of reliable transmission and we have confidence that "all scripture is God-breathed and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

2,000BC

Exodus

Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy

Joshua

Judges Ruth

1 Samuel

Psalms

1,000BC

2 Samuel

1 Kings

1 Chronicles

Proverbs

2 Chronicles

2 Kings

Song of Songs Ecclesiastes
Obadiah

Joel

Jonah

Hosea

Amos

Micah

Isaiah

Nahum

Zephaniah

Jeremiah Lamentations

Ezekiel Daniel Habakkuk

Ezra Esther

Nehemiah

Haggai Zechariah

Malachi

Jesus

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