**Timeline Of How The Bible Was Developed**

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**Note: B.C. or B.C.E. means Before the Common Era**

**A.D. means Annio Domini (Latin for Year of Our Lord)**

**Cuneiform** (written expressions) Writings (Sumer, Babylonia, Assyrian = Akkadia, Persia, Hittite): 3000B.C.

* Examples of Cuneiform: Enuma Elish/Epic of Creation and the Tell El Armana (Mound o f Armenia or Western Asia established by Pharoah Akhenaten as a place dedicated to god/Aton ). Tell means mound, and Armana has roots to Akhenaten.

**Aramaic/Syriac dialect** (Syria, South East Turkey and Assyria) (A Semetic language): 900-700 B.C.

**Torah/Pentateuch** (Divine Law of Instruction/5 books): 1250.B.C. – 400B.C.

**Term Holy Rit** (Holy Writings) circulate

**Talmud/Mishnah** (Jewish traditions and instructions partially composed of Aramaic): Gemara: 400B.C. – 200 B.C.

**Septuagint** (Greek Translation of Old Testament): 250B.C. – 130 B.C.

**Apocrypha**: 130 B.C. – 4 B.C.

**Jesus Christ: 2-4 B.C. – 33 A.D.**

**Aramaic mostly replaces Hebrew:** 2 A.D.

**Peshitta (meaning simple or straight) (Eastern Christian Aramaic/Syriac Translation):** 2 A.D.

**Destruction o f 2nd Temple/School of Jewish Study at Jaffa**: 70 A.D.

**Tanakh** (Jewish OT Bible): 90 A.D.

**Iranaeus New Testament**: 150 A.D.

**Origen’s Hexapla**: 200-216 A.D.

**Council of Nicaea** (established canonical law and church orthodox) : 325 A.D.

**New Testament made into 27 letters** by Bishop Athanasius: 367 A.D.

**Jerome’s Vulgate** (Latin Translation) Bible: 382 A.D. – 400 A.D.

**27 letters** (under influence of Vulgate) **affirmed** in Hippo: 393 A.D.

**27 letters ratified** by Augustine: 473 A.D.

**Masoritec Text Established** (Hebrew established with vowel points): 500-950 A.D.

**2nd Council of Nicaea** (convoked by Byzantine Empress Irene on use of saints’ images and icons in religious devotion: 787A.D.

**Wycliffe Bible** (First hand-written): 1382 A.D.

**Tyndale’s Bible** (First English Print New Testament): 1525 A.D.

**Coverdale Bible** (First English Translation of the OT & NT): 1535 A.D.

**Thomas Matthew’s Bible** (combination o f the Tyndale’s NT and as much of the OT that had been translated: 1537 A.D.

**Great Bible** (First Modern English Translation): 1539 A.D.

**Edict of Trent** (second or Deutero name given to books denied canonization): 1546 A.D.

**Geneva Bible** (First Mechanically Printed Bible): 1560 A.D.

**Bishop’s Bible** (only 19 editions made): 1568-1606 A.D.

**Douay- Rheims’s Bible** (Catholic Bible/ Result of Martin Luther): 1582 A.D.

**King James**: 1611 A.D.

King James Bible went through 3 revisions since its creation in 1611:

* 1629 in Cambridge for 400 printing and text errors
* 1762 for standardization of spelling
* 1769 for standardization of spelling

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