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716	586	481	391	321	256	94
717	587	482	392	322	257	95
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(For example, changing age 22 of Ahaziah to 42, creating a difficulty; introducing the 35 and 36th year of Asa creating a difficulty) The Peshitta translators then used this late MT as their basis, but then consulted the LXX and added in a significant number of harmonizations and readings from the LXX, while omitting the longer chronology.

Theory #2. The vorlage of the Peshitta diverged from that of the LXX before the long chronology of the LXX was introduced to its vorlage. However, it did not diverge before more minor harmonizing features were added to the common vorlage of both versions. The Peshitta translators, having a disdain for the LXX, did not consult that version, nor its methods, as the Peshitta itself shows a highly literalistic method of translating its underlying Hebrew. It is unlikely that the Peshitta translators engaged in a process of selecting harmonizations from the LXX. It more likely that their vorlage had those harmonizations in it when they started.

The provenance of the Peshitta vorlage was closer to the Jewish dispersion of Babylonia than that of Egypt. The geographic distance and the production of local Hebrew copies supplied at Edessa suggests that sufficient time and distance existed for the Peshitta vorlage to have split off before the long chronology was introduced in the LXX vorlage in an Egyptian context.

Theory #2, which is much more likely, supports a more genuine fidelity to the original chronology before the the long chronology corruptions entered the LXX. The proto-Masoretic Text type was already stable before Messiah (AD 30-34) as evidenced in the DSS, and was not deliberately altered by the Jews later on. The Peshitta's chronology aligned with the MT, finds its source in the period of textual diversity shown by the DSS, or earlier, refuting the charge that it suffered from post Messianic changes in the Hebrew Bible made by the Rabbis after the Temple period.

Finally, and in particular, the DSS prove that the Masoretic text type chronologies in Genesis 5 and 11 existed at the time of the Dead Sea Scrolls, before LXX promoters allege that the Rabbis changed the text in the rabbinic period (ca. AD 70-200). 4QGen^k (dated 50 to 1 BC) preserves 35 years for Arpachshad when preserved consonants and spacing are taken into account, since paleographic reconstruction depends on letter counts and spacing for numerical phrases. 1QGen^b (dated 100 to 50 BC) shows the reading was 130 years for Adam's fathering age, and 105 years for Seth's fathering age when legible consonants and spacing requirements are taken into account.