THE FOUR GENERATIONS OF GEN 15:14-16 (see Chart 2)

1759 BC	77 years old, JACOB fled to LABAN (Chart 2)
− 3 yrs	LEVI was the third son born to LEAH (Gen 29:32-34)
1756 BC	approximate birth year of LEVI
− 1706 BC	JACOB's family went to Egypt (Gen 47:9, Chart 2)
c.50 yrs	LEVI's approximate age upon coming to Egypt (Gen 46)

JOSHUA enters Canaan
1451 BC

1800 BC | 1760 BC | 1720 BC | 1680 BC | 1640 BC | 1600 BC | 1560 BC | 1520 BC | 1480 BC | 1440 BC | 1400 BC

LEVI 3rd born

born
1756 BC — 50 yrs — 1706 BC — 87 yrs — 1619 BC

LEVI comes to Egypt
with three sons Gen 46:11

age 137
Ex 6:16

the Exodus
Spring-April
1491 BC

1706 BC
-1491
215 yrs or $\frac{430}{2}$

KOHATH 2nd born

1706 BC
born
c.1716 BC
10 yrs — 60 yrs — 1646 BC — 63 yrs — 1583 BC

KOHATH comes to Egypt
about age 10 in 1706

approx.
age 70
fathers
AMRAM

age 133
Ex 6:18

AMRAM 1st born

born
c.1646 BC — 75 yrs — 1571 BC — 62 yrs — 1509 BC

approx.
age 75
fathers
MOSES

age 137
Ex 6:20

c.185 yrs from the Birth of LEVI to the Birth of MOSES = 4 generations,
Gen 15:14-16

"They will serve a nation and in the fourth generation they will return to Canaan again."

Note: The 4 generations could also be JACOB, LEVI, JOCHEBED (Exo 6:20) & MOSES. Observe that this proves that the length of the sojourn in Egypt was only 215 years rather than 430 years, as the whole span must be covered by only 4 generations. It is not possible for a 430 year sojourn to be spanned by these 4 lives. If LEVI comes to Egypt at age 50 with KOHATH a newborn (Gen 46:11), and if KOHATH fathers AMRAM the year of his death at age 133, AMRAM'S age of 137 years still fails to fill the gap over to the birth of MOSES (which is 80 years back toward LEVI'S coming to Egypt) by 80 years. Even if LEVI were younger, there still are not enough years to fill the void. JUDAH'S lineage is displayed on chart 3b. It supports these conclusions.

MOSES 3rd born - MIRIAM = 1st

born
1571 BC — 40 yrs — a Prince (Egypt) — 40 yrs — a Shepherd (Midian) — the Exodus 1491 BC — 40 yrs — a Judge (Wilderness) — 1451 BC JOSHUA enters Canaan

age 80

age 120 dies
Deu 34:7

Chart #3a

FOUR GENERATIONS
of GENESIS 15:14-16

0 10 20 30
SCALE : years

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