Abraham to Moses

Abraham to Moses. From Abraham to Joseph the detailed patriarchal narratives provide more data than are available for the preceding periods, and we have the certainty that there are no missing links. There are, also, a number of correlations with later and better known periods. Since Abraham was 75 years old at the time of his entrance into Canaan (Gen. 12:4), and since he was 100 at the birth of Isaac (Gen. 21:5), there were 25 years from the entry into Canaan to Isaac. Isaac was 60 at the birth of Jacob (Gen. 25:26), and Jacob was 130 at his entrance into Egypt (Gen. 47:9,28), making 215 years from the beginning of the sojourn in Canaan to the beginning of the sojourn in Egypt. The total length of the sojourn was 430 years (Exod. 12:40). Did this involve only the sojourn in Egypt or did it include also the sojourn in Canaan? If Israel was in Egypt 430 years, there were 645 years from the entrance into Canaan to the Exodus. Otherwise there were 430 years from Abraham's entry into Canaan to Moses' departure from Egypt, and the length of the Egyptian sojourn would have been only 215 years.

According to I Kings 6:1 the temple was founded in the 480th year after the Exodus, which was the