

# GENESIS

## The Creation.

**I**N the beginning <sup>b</sup>God <sup>c</sup>created the heavens and the earth.

**2** And the earth was <sup>1a</sup>formless and void, and <sup>b</sup>darkness was over the <sup>2</sup>surface of the deep; and <sup>c</sup>the Spirit of God <sup>d</sup>was moving over the <sup>2</sup>surface of the waters.

**3** Then <sup>a</sup>God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

**4** And God saw that the light was <sup>a</sup>good; and God <sup>b</sup>separated the light from the darkness.

**5** And <sup>a</sup>God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And <sup>b</sup>there was evening and there was morning, one day.

**6** Then God said, "Let there be an <sup>1a</sup>expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."

**7** And God made the <sup>1</sup>expanse, and separated <sup>a</sup>the waters which were below the <sup>1</sup>expanse from the waters <sup>b</sup>which were above the <sup>1</sup>expanse; and it was so.

**8** And God called the <sup>1</sup>expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

**9** Then God said, "<sup>a</sup>Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let <sup>b</sup>the dry land appear"; and it was so.

**10** And God called the dry land earth, and the <sup>a</sup>gathering of the waters He called seas; and God saw that it was good.

**11** Then God said, "Let the earth sprout <sup>1a</sup>vegetation, <sup>2</sup>plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit after <sup>3</sup>their kind, <sup>4</sup>with seed in them, on the earth"; and it was so.

**12** And the earth brought forth <sup>1</sup>vegetation, <sup>2</sup>plants yielding seed after <sup>3</sup>their kind, and trees bearing fruit, <sup>4</sup>with seed in them, after <sup>3</sup>their kind; and God saw that it was good.

**13** And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

**14** Then God said, "Let there be <sup>1a</sup>lights in the <sup>2b</sup>expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for <sup>c</sup>signs, and for <sup>d</sup>seasons, and for days and years;

**15** and let them be for <sup>1</sup>lights in the <sup>2</sup>expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.

**16** And God made the two <sup>1</sup>great lights; the <sup>a</sup>greater <sup>2</sup>light <sup>3</sup>to govern the day, and the lesser <sup>2</sup>light <sup>3</sup>to govern the night; *He made* <sup>b</sup>the stars also.

**17** <sup>a</sup>And God placed them in the <sup>1</sup>expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth,

**18** and <sup>1</sup>to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good.

**19** And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

**20** Then God said, "Let the waters <sup>1</sup>teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth <sup>2</sup>in the open <sup>3</sup>expanse of the heavens."

**21** And God created <sup>a</sup>the great sea monsters, and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed

<sup>1a</sup>Ps. 102:25; Is. 40:21;  
John 1; 1, 2 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 89:11; 90:2;  
Acts 17:24 <sup>c</sup>Is. 42:5; 45:18

<sup>2</sup>Or, *a waste and emptiness* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *face of* <sup>3</sup>Or, hovering  
<sup>a</sup>Jer. 4:23 <sup>b</sup>Job 38:9 <sup>c</sup>Ps. 104:30 <sup>d</sup>Deut. 32:11; Is. 31:5

<sup>3</sup>aPs. 33:6, 9; 2 Cor. 4:6

<sup>4</sup>aPs. 145:9, 10 <sup>b</sup>Is. 45:7

<sup>5</sup>aPs. 74:16 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 65:8

<sup>6</sup>Or, *firmament*  
<sup>a</sup>Is. 40:22

<sup>7</sup>Or, *firmament*  
<sup>a</sup>Job 38:8-11 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 148:4

<sup>8</sup>Or, *firmament*

<sup>9</sup>aPs. 104:6-9; Jer. 5:22;  
2 Pet. 3:5 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 24:1, 2; 95:5

<sup>10</sup>aPs. 33:7; 95:5; 146:6

<sup>11</sup>Or, *grass* <sup>2</sup>Or, *herbs*  
<sup>3</sup>Lit., *its* <sup>4</sup>Lit., *in which is its seed*  
<sup>a</sup>Ps. 65:9-13; 104:14

<sup>12</sup>Or, *grass* <sup>2</sup>Or, *herbs*  
<sup>3</sup>Lit., *its* <sup>4</sup>Lit., *in which is its seed*

<sup>14</sup>Or, *luminaries, light-bearers* <sup>2</sup>Or, *firmament*  
<sup>a</sup>Ps. 74:16; 136:7 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 19:1;  
150:1 <sup>c</sup>Jer. 10:2 <sup>d</sup>Ps. 104:19

<sup>15</sup>Or, *luminaries, light-bearers* <sup>2</sup>Or, *firmament*

<sup>16</sup>Or, *luminaries, light-bearers* <sup>2</sup>Or, *luminary, light-bearer* <sup>3</sup>Lit., *for the dominion of*  
<sup>a</sup>Ps. 136:8, 9 <sup>b</sup>Job 38:7; Ps. 8:3; Is. 40:26

<sup>17</sup>Or, *firmament*  
<sup>a</sup>Jer. 33:20, 25

<sup>18</sup>Lit., *for the dominion of*

<sup>20</sup>Or, *swarm* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *on the face of* <sup>3</sup>Or, *firmament*

<sup>21</sup>aPs. 104:25-28

<sup>a</sup>24 <sup>1</sup>Lit., its  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 2:19

<sup>a</sup>25 <sup>1</sup>Lit., its  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 7:21, 22; Jer. 27:5

<sup>a</sup>26 <sup>1</sup>Lit., heavens  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:22; 11:7; 19:24 <sup>b</sup>Gen.  
5:1; 9:6 <sup>c</sup>Ps. 8:6-8

<sup>a</sup>27 <sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 11:7 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 19:4;  
Mark 10:6

<sup>a</sup>28 <sup>1</sup>Lit., heavens <sup>2</sup>Or,  
creeps  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 9:1, 7; Ps. 127:3, 5

<sup>a</sup>29 <sup>1</sup>Lit., face of <sup>2</sup>Lit., in  
which is the fruit of a tree  
yielding seed  
<sup>a</sup>Ps. 104:14; 136:25

<sup>a</sup>30 <sup>1</sup>Lit., heavens <sup>2</sup>Or,  
creeps <sup>3</sup>Lit., in which is a  
living soul  
<sup>a</sup>Ps. 145:15

<sup>a</sup>31 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 104:24, 28; 119:68

<sup>a</sup>1 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 4:19, 17:3

<sup>a</sup>2 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 20:8-11 <sup>b</sup>Heb. 4:4

<sup>a</sup>3 <sup>1</sup>Lit., to make

<sup>a</sup>4 <sup>1</sup>Lit., These are the  
generations  
<sup>a</sup>Job 38:4-11 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 1:3-31

<sup>a</sup>5 <sup>1</sup>Lit., work, serve  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 1:11 <sup>b</sup>Jer. 10:12, 13

<sup>a</sup>6 <sup>1</sup>Or, flow <sup>2</sup>Lit., face of

after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that it was good.

**22** And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.”

**23** And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

**24** <sup>a</sup>Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures after <sup>1</sup>their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after <sup>1</sup>their kind”; and it was so.

**25** And God made the <sup>a</sup>beasts of the earth after <sup>1</sup>their kind, and the cattle after <sup>1</sup>their kind, and every thing that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that it was good.

**26** Then God said, “Let <sup>a</sup>us make <sup>b</sup>man in our image, according to our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the <sup>1</sup>sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

**27** And God created man <sup>a</sup>in His own image, in the image of God He created him; <sup>b</sup>male and female He created them.

**28** And God blessed them; and God said to them, “<sup>a</sup>Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the <sup>1</sup>sky, and over every living thing that <sup>2</sup>moves on the earth.”

**29** Then God said, “Behold, <sup>a</sup>I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the <sup>1</sup>surface of all the earth, and every tree <sup>2</sup>which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you;

**30** and <sup>a</sup>to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the <sup>1</sup>sky and to every thing that <sup>2</sup>moves on the earth <sup>3</sup>which has life, *I have given* every green plant for food”; and it was so.

**31** And God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very <sup>a</sup>good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

## CHAPTER 2

**T**HUS the heavens and the earth were completed, and all <sup>a</sup>their hosts.

**2** And by <sup>a</sup>the seventh day God completed His work which He had done; and <sup>b</sup>He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.

**3** Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created <sup>1</sup>and made.

**4** <sup>a</sup>This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in <sup>b</sup>the day that the LORD God made earth and heaven.

**5** <sup>a</sup>Now no shrub of the field was yet in the earth, and no plant of the field had yet sprouted, <sup>b</sup>for the LORD God had not sent rain upon the earth; and there was no man to <sup>1</sup>cultivate the ground.

**6** But a <sup>1</sup>mist used to rise from the earth and water the whole <sup>2</sup>surface of the ground.

**Man in the Garden of Eden. Eve Appears.**

**7** <sup>a</sup>Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and <sup>b</sup>man became a living <sup>1</sup>being.

**8** And the LORD God planted a <sup>a</sup>garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed.

**9** <sup>a</sup>And out of the ground the LORD God caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; <sup>b</sup>the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

**10** Now a river <sup>1</sup>flowed out of Eden to water the garden; and from there it divided and became four <sup>2</sup>rivers.

**11** The name of the first is Pishon; it <sup>1</sup>flows around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.

**12** And the gold of that land is good; the bdellium and the onyx stone are there.

**13** And the name of the second river is Gihon; it <sup>1</sup>flows around the whole land of Cush.

**14** And the name of the third river is <sup>1</sup>Tigris; it <sup>2</sup>flows east of Assyria. And the fourth <sup>b</sup>river is the <sup>3</sup>Euphrates.

**15** Then the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.

**16** And the LORD God <sup>a</sup>commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely;

**17** but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not <sup>1</sup>eat, for in the day that you eat from it <sup>a</sup>you shall surely die."

**18** Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone; <sup>a</sup>I will make him a helper <sup>1</sup>suitable for him."

**19** And <sup>a</sup>out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the <sup>1</sup>sky, and brought <sup>b</sup>them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called a living creature, that was its name.

**20** And the man gave names to all the cattle, and to the birds of the <sup>1</sup>sky, and to every beast of the field, but for <sup>2</sup>Adam there was not found <sup>a</sup>a helper <sup>3</sup>suitable for him.

**21** So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh at that place.

**22** And the LORD God <sup>1</sup>fashioned into a woman <sup>a</sup>the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man.

**23** And the man said,

"<sup>a</sup>This is now bone of my bones,

And flesh of my flesh;

<sup>1</sup>She shall be called <sup>2</sup>Woman,

Because <sup>1</sup>she was taken out of <sup>3</sup>Man."

**24** <sup>a</sup>For this cause a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.

**25** <sup>a</sup>And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

<sup>7</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., soul  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:19 <sup>b</sup>1 Cor. 15:45

<sup>8</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 13:10; Is. 51:3;  
Ezek. 28:13

<sup>9</sup> <sup>a</sup>Ezek. 47:12 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 3:22  
Rev. 2:7; 22:2, 14

<sup>10</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., was going out  
<sup>2</sup>Lit., heads

<sup>11</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., surrounds

<sup>13</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., is the one surrounding

<sup>14</sup> <sup>1</sup>Heb., Hiddekel <sup>2</sup>Lit., is the one going <sup>3</sup>Heb., Perath  
<sup>a</sup>Dan. 10:4 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 15:18

<sup>16</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:2, 3

<sup>17</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., eat from it  
<sup>a</sup>Deut. 30:15, 19, 20; Rom. 6:23; 1 Tim. 5:6; James 1:15

<sup>18</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., corresponding to  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 11:9

<sup>19</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., heavens  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 1:24 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 1:26

<sup>20</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., heavens <sup>2</sup>Or, man  
<sup>3</sup>Lit., corresponding to  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 2:18

<sup>22</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., built  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 11:8, 9

<sup>23</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., This one <sup>2</sup>Heb., Issha <sup>3</sup>Heb., Ish  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 5:28, 29

<sup>24</sup> <sup>a</sup>Matt. 19:5; Mark 10:7,  
8; 1 Cor. 6:16; Eph. 5:31

<sup>25</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:7, 10, 11

<sup>1</sup> <sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 11:3; Rev. 12:9;  
20:2

**CHAPTER 3**

**N**OW <sup>a</sup>the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the

1 <sup>a</sup>Or, every2 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 2:16, 174 <sup>a</sup>John 8:445 <sup>a</sup>Is. 14:14; Ezek. 28:2, 12-176 <sup>a</sup>1 Tim. 2:14; James 1:14, 15; 1 John 2:167 <sup>a</sup>Or, girdles  
<sup>a</sup>Is. 47:3; Lam. 1:88 <sup>a</sup>Lit., wind, breeze  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:33; Lev. 26:12;  
Deut. 23:14 <sup>b</sup>Hos. 10:8; Rev.  
6:15-179 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 4:9; 18:910 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 20:18, 19; Deut.  
5:2512 <sup>a</sup>Job 31:33; Prov. 28:1313 <sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 11:3; 1 Tim. 2:1414 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 28:15-20 <sup>b</sup>Is.  
65:25; Mic. 7:1715 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 16:2016 <sup>a</sup>Lit., and your  
pregnancy, conception  
<sup>a</sup>1 Tim. 2:15 <sup>b</sup>1 Cor. 14:34

woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from <sup>a</sup>any tree of the garden'?"

2 And the woman said to the serpent, "<sup>a</sup>From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat;

3 but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, lest you die.'

4 <sup>a</sup>And the serpent said to the woman, "You surely shall not die!

5 "For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and <sup>a</sup>you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

6 <sup>a</sup>When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make *one* wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they <sup>a</sup>knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves <sup>a</sup>loin coverings.

8 And they heard the sound of <sup>a</sup>the LORD God walking in the garden in the <sup>a</sup>cool of the day, <sup>b</sup>and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

9 Then the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "<sup>a</sup>Where are you?"

10 And he said, "<sup>a</sup>I heard the sound of Thee in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself."

11 And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"

12 <sup>a</sup>And the man said, "The woman whom Thou gavest to be with me, she gave me from the tree, and I ate."

13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" And the woman said, "<sup>a</sup>The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

14 And the LORD God said to the serpent, "<sup>a</sup>Because you have done this,

Cursed are you more than all cattle,  
And more than every beast of the field;

On your belly shall you go,  
And <sup>b</sup>dust shall you eat

All the days of your life;

15 And I will put enmity  
Between you and the woman,

And between your seed and her seed;

<sup>a</sup>He shall bruise you on the head,  
And you shall bruise him on the heel."

16 To the woman He said,  
"I will greatly multiply  
Your pain <sup>a</sup>in childbirth,  
<sup>a</sup>In pain you shall bring forth children;  
Yet your desire shall be for your husband,  
And <sup>b</sup>he shall rule over you."

17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it';

**The Penalty of Sin. Cain and Abel.**

<sup>a</sup>Cursed is the ground because of you; on it you shall eat of its toil all the days of your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall grow for you; And you shall eat the plants of the field; By the sweat of your face You shall eat bread, Till you return to the ground, Because from it you were taken; For you are dust, And to dust you shall return."

20 Now the man called his wife's name <sup>1a</sup>Eve, because she was the mother of all the living.

21 And the LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of <sup>a</sup>Us, knowing good and evil; and now, lest he stretch out his hand, and take also from <sup>b</sup>the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"—

23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground from which he was taken.

24 So <sup>a</sup>He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the <sup>b</sup>cherubim, and the flaming sword which turned every direction, to guard the way to <sup>c</sup>the tree of life.

**CHAPTER 4**

NOW the man <sup>1</sup>had relations with his wife Eve, and she conceived and gave birth to Cain, and she said, "I have gotten a <sup>2</sup>manchild with the help of the LORD."

2 And again, she gave birth to his brother Abel. And <sup>a</sup>Abel was <sup>b</sup>a keeper of flocks, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

3 So it came about <sup>1</sup>in the course of time that Cain brought an offering to the LORD of the fruit of the ground.

4 And <sup>a</sup>Abel, on his part also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions. And <sup>b</sup>the LORD had regard for Abel and for his offering;

5 but <sup>a</sup>for Cain and for his offering He had no regard. So <sup>b</sup>Cain became very angry and his countenance fell.

6 Then the LORD said to Cain, "<sup>a</sup>Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen?

7 "<sup>a</sup>If you do well, <sup>1</sup>will not your countenance be lifted up? <sup>b</sup>And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, <sup>c</sup>but you must master it."

8 And Cain <sup>1</sup>told Abel his brother. And it came about when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother and <sup>a</sup>killed him.

9 Then the LORD said to Cain, "<sup>a</sup>Where is Abel your brother?" And he said, "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?"

10 And He said, "What have you done? <sup>a</sup>The voice of your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground.

<sup>17</sup> <sup>a</sup>Or, sorrow  
<sup>b</sup>Gen. 5:29; Rom. 8:20-22  
<sup>b</sup>Job 5:7; 14:1

<sup>18</sup> <sup>a</sup>Lit., plant

<sup>19</sup> <sup>a</sup>Ps. 90:3; 104:29; Eccles.  
12:7 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 2:7

<sup>20</sup> <sup>a</sup>Lit., Living, or Life  
<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 11:3; 1 Tim. 2:13

<sup>22</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 1:26 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 2:9

<sup>24</sup> <sup>a</sup>Ezek. 31:11 <sup>b</sup>Ex. 25:18-  
22; Ezek. 10:1-20 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 2:9

<sup>1</sup> <sup>a</sup>Lit., knew <sup>b</sup>Or, man,  
the Lord

<sup>2</sup> <sup>a</sup>Luke 11:50, 51 <sup>b</sup>Gen.  
46:32; 47:3

<sup>3</sup> <sup>a</sup>Lit., at the end of days

<sup>4</sup> <sup>a</sup>Heb. 11:4 <sup>b</sup>1 Sam. 15:22

<sup>5</sup> <sup>a</sup>Num. 16:15; 1 Sam.  
16:7 <sup>b</sup>Is 3:9; Jude 11

<sup>6</sup> <sup>a</sup>Jonah 4:4

<sup>7</sup> <sup>a</sup>Or, surely you will be  
accepted  
<sup>a</sup>Jer. 3:12; Mic. 7:18 <sup>b</sup>Num.  
32:23 <sup>c</sup>Job 11:14, 15; Rom.  
6:12, 16

<sup>8</sup> <sup>a</sup>Lit., said to  
<sup>a</sup>Matt. 23:35; 1 John 3:12

<sup>9</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:9

<sup>10</sup> <sup>a</sup>Num. 35:33; Deut.  
21:1-9; Heb. 12:24; Rev. 6:9,  
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11 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:14<sup>b</sup>Gen. 3:15; 4:12; 5:12; 6:12; 7:12; 8:12; 9:12; 10:20; 11:12; 12:12; 13:12; 14:12; 15:12; 16:12; 17:12; 18:12; 19:12; 20:12; 21:12; 22:12; 23:12; 24:12; 25:12; 26:12; 27:12; 28:12; 29:12; 30:12; 31:12; 32:12; 33:12; 34:12; 35:12; 36:12; 37:12; 38:12; 39:12; 40:12; 41:12; 42:12; 43:12; 44:12; 45:12; 46:12; 47:12; 48:12; 49:12; 50:12; 51:12; 52:12; 53:12; 54:12; 55:12; 56:12; 57:12; 58:12; 59:12; 60:12; 61:12; 62:12; 63:12; 64:12; 65:12; 66:12; 67:12; 68:12; 69:12; 70:12; 71:12; 72:12; 73:12; 74:12; 75:12; 76:12; 77:12; 78:12; 79:12; 80:12; 81:12; 82:12; 83:12; 84:12; 85:12; 86:12; 87:12; 88:12; 89:12; 90:12; 91:12; 92:12; 93:12; 94:12; 95:12; 96:12; 97:12; 98:12; 99:12; 100:12; 101:12; 102:12; 103:12; 104:12; 105:12; 106:12; 107:12; 108:12; 109:12; 110:12; 111:12; 112:12; 113:12; 114:12; 115:12; 116:12; 117:12; 118:12; 119:12; 120:12; 121:12; 122:12; 123:12; 124:12; 125:12; 126:12; 127:12; 128:12; 129:12; 130:12; 131:12; 132:12; 133:12; 134:12; 135:12; 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11 "And now <sup>a</sup>you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand.

12 "When you cultivate the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you; <sup>b</sup>you shall be a vagrant and a wanderer on the earth."

13 And Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is too great to bear!"

14 "Behold, Thou hast <sup>a</sup>driven me this day from the face of the ground; and from Thy face I shall be hidden, and <sup>b</sup>I shall be a vagrant and a wanderer on the earth, and it will come about that <sup>c</sup>whoever finds me will kill me."

15 So the LORD said to him, "Therefore whoever kills Cain, vengeance will be taken on him <sup>b</sup>sevenfold." And the LORD <sup>a</sup>appointed a sign for Cain, lest anyone finding him should slay him.

16 Then Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and <sup>a</sup>settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

17 And Cain <sup>a</sup>had relations with his wife and she conceived, and gave birth to Enoch; and he built a city, and called the name of the city Enoch, after the name of his son.

18 Now to Enoch was born Irad; and Irad <sup>a</sup>became the father of Mehujael; and Mehujael <sup>a</sup>became the father of Methushael; and Methushael <sup>a</sup>became the father of Lamech.

19 And Lamech took to himself <sup>a</sup>two wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other, Zillah.

20 And Adah gave birth to Jabal; he was the father of those who dwell in tents and have livestock.

21 And his brother's name was Jubal; he was the father of all those who play the lyre and pipe.

22 As for Zillah, she also gave birth to Tubal-cain, the forger of all implements of bronze and iron; and the sister of Tubal-cain was Naamah.

23 And Cain said to his wives,

"Adah and Zillah, listen to my voice,

You wives of Lamech, give heed to my speech,

"For I <sup>a</sup>have killed a man for wounding me;

And a boy for striking me;

24 If Cain is avenged <sup>a</sup>sevenfold,

Then Lamech seventy-sevenfold."

25 And Adam <sup>a</sup>had relations with his wife again; and she gave birth to a son, and named him Seth, for, *she said*, "God <sup>b</sup>has appointed me another <sup>c</sup>offspring in place of Abel; <sup>d</sup>for Cain killed him."

26 And to Seth, to him also <sup>a</sup>a son was born; and he called his name Enosh. Then men began <sup>b</sup>to call <sup>c</sup>upon the name of the LORD.

## CHAPTER 5

THIS is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day when God created man, He made him <sup>a</sup>in the likeness of God.

2 He created them <sup>a</sup>male and female, and He <sup>b</sup>blessed

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## Abram's Journey to Egypt.

12 <sup>a</sup>and it will come about when the Egyptians see you, that they will say, 'This is his wife'; and they will kill me, but they will let you live.

13 "Please say that you are <sup>a</sup>my sister so that it may go well with me because of you, and that <sup>b</sup>I may live on account of you."

14 And it came about when Abram came into Egypt, the Egyptians <sup>1</sup>saw that the woman was very beautiful.

15 And Pharaoh's officials saw her and praised her to Pharaoh; and <sup>a</sup>the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.

16 Therefore <sup>a</sup>he treated Abram well for her sake; and <sup>b</sup>gave him sheep and oxen and donkeys and male and female servants and female donkeys and camels.

17 But the LORD <sup>a</sup>struck Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife.

18 Then Pharaoh called Abram and said, "<sup>a</sup>What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife?

19 "Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her for my wife? Now then <sup>1</sup>here is your wife, take her and go."

20 And Pharaoh commanded *his* men concerning him; and they <sup>1</sup>escorted him away, with his wife and all that belonged to him.

## CHAPTER 13

SO Abram went up from Egypt to <sup>a</sup>the <sup>1</sup>Negev, he and his wife and all that belonged to him; and Lot with him.

2 Now Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver and in gold.

3 And he went <sup>1</sup>on his journeys from the <sup>2</sup>Negev as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, <sup>a</sup>between Bethel and Ai,

4 to the place of the altar, which he had made there formerly; and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

5 Now <sup>a</sup>Lot, who went with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents.

6 And <sup>a</sup>the land could not <sup>1</sup>sustain them <sup>2</sup>while dwelling together; <sup>b</sup>for their possessions were so great that they were not able <sup>b</sup>to remain together.

7 <sup>a</sup>And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. Now <sup>b</sup>the Canaanite and the Perizzite were dwelling then in the land.

8 <sup>a</sup>Then Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, nor between my herdsmen and your herdsmen, for we are brothers.

9 "Is not the whole land before you? Please separate from me: if *to* the left, then I will go to the right; or if *to* the right, then I will go to the left."

10 And Lot lifted up his eyes and saw all the <sup>1</sup>valley of the Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere—*this was* before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah—like <sup>b</sup>the garden of the LORD, <sup>c</sup>like the land of Egypt as you go to <sup>d</sup>Zoar.

11 So Lot chose for himself all the <sup>1</sup>valley of the Jordan; and Lot journeyed eastward. Thus they separated from each other.

12 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 20:11

<sup>13</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., *my soul*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 20:2, 5, 12 <sup>b</sup>Jer. 38:17,  
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<sup>14</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., *saw the woman*  
*that she was*

15 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 20:2

<sup>16</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., *he had*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 20:14 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:2

17 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 105:14

18 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 20:9, 10

19 <sup>1</sup>Or, *behold*

20 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *sent*

<sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup>I.e., South country  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:9

<sup>3</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., *by his stages* <sup>2</sup>I.e.,  
South country  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:8

5 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:5

<sup>6</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., *bear* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *to dwell*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 36:7 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:2; 12:5,  
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<sup>7</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 26:20 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 12:6;  
15:19-21

8 <sup>a</sup>Prov. 15:18; 20:3

<sup>10</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., *circle*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 19:17-29; Deut. 34:3  
<sup>b</sup>Gen. 2:8 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 47:6 <sup>d</sup>Gen.  
14:8; Deut. 34:3

11 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *circle*

## Genesis 13, 14

12 <sup>1</sup>Lit., dwelt <sup>2</sup>Lit., circle  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:2; 19:24, 25

13 <sup>1</sup>Lit., wicked and sinners exceedingly  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 39:9; Num. 32:23;  
2 Pet. 2:7, 8

14 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 3:27; 34:1-4

15 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:7 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:17; 15:7,  
8; 17:8

16 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 16:10; 28:14; Num.  
23:10

17 <sup>a</sup>Num. 13:17-24 <sup>b</sup>Gen.  
13:15

18 <sup>1</sup>Or, terebinths  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:13 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 8:20; 12:7,  
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1 <sup>1</sup>Or, nations  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 10:10; 11:2 <sup>b</sup>Gen.  
10:22; Dan. 8:2

2 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 10:19 <sup>b</sup>Deut.  
29:23 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 13:10

3 <sup>1</sup>Lit., joined together  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:8, 10 <sup>b</sup>Deut. 3:17;  
Josh. 3:16

5 <sup>1</sup>Lit., smote <sup>2</sup>Or, the  
plain of Kiriathaim  
<sup>a</sup>Deut. 3:11, 13 <sup>b</sup>Deut. 1:4;  
Josh. 9:10 <sup>c</sup>Num. 32:37

6 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 36:20; Deut. 2:12,  
22 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 21:21; Num. 10:12

7 <sup>1</sup>Lit., smote  
<sup>a</sup>Num. 13:26 <sup>b</sup>2 Chr. 20:2

8 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:3

9 <sup>1</sup>Or, nations

10 <sup>1</sup>Lit., there  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:17, 21, 22

12 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 11:27 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:12

13 <sup>1</sup>Lit., the  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 40:15; Ex. 3:18

## Abram and Lot Separate. War of Kings.

12 Abram <sup>1</sup>settled in the land of Canaan, while Lot <sup>1</sup>settled in <sup>a</sup>the cities of the <sup>2</sup>valley, and moved his tents as far as Sodom.

13 Now the men of Sodom were wicked <sup>1</sup>exceedingly and <sup>a</sup>sinners against the LORD.

14 And the LORD said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, "<sup>a</sup>Now lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward;

15 <sup>a</sup>for all the land which you see, <sup>b</sup>I will give it to you and to your <sup>1</sup>descendants forever.

16 "And I will make your <sup>1</sup>descendants <sup>a</sup>as the dust of the earth; so that if anyone can number the dust of the earth, then your <sup>1</sup>descendants can also be numbered.

17 "Arise, <sup>a</sup>walk about the land through its length and breadth; for <sup>b</sup>I will give it to you."

18 Then Abram moved his tent and came and dwelt by the <sup>1</sup>oaks of <sup>a</sup>Mamre, which are in Hebron, and there he built <sup>b</sup>an altar to the LORD.

## CHAPTER 14

AND it came about in the days of Amraphel king of <sup>a</sup>Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of <sup>b</sup>Elam, and Tidal King of <sup>1</sup>Goiim,

2 that they made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of <sup>a</sup>Admah, and Shemeber king of <sup>b</sup>Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that is, <sup>c</sup>Zoar).

3 All these <sup>1</sup>came as allies to <sup>a</sup>the valley of Siddim (that is, <sup>b</sup>the Salt Sea).

4 Twelve years they had served Chedorlaomer, but the thirteenth year they rebelled.

5 And in the fourteenth year Chedorlaomer and the kings that were with him, came and <sup>1</sup>defeated the <sup>a</sup>Rephaim in <sup>b</sup>Ashteroth-karnaim and the Zuzim in Ham and the Emim in <sup>2</sup>Shaveh-kiriathaim,

6 and the <sup>a</sup>Horites in their Mount Seir, as far as <sup>b</sup>El-paran, which is by the wilderness.

7 Then they turned back and came to En-mishpat (that is <sup>a</sup>Kadesh), and <sup>1</sup>conquered all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, who lived in <sup>b</sup>Hazazon-tamar.

8 And the king of Sodom and the king of Gomorrah and the king of Admah and the king of Zeboiim and the king of Bela (that is, Zoar) came out; and they arrayed for battle against them in <sup>a</sup>the valley of Siddim,

9 against Chedorlaomer king of Elam and Tidal king of <sup>1</sup>Goiim and Amraphel King of Shinar and Arioch king of Ellasar—four kings against five.

10 Now the valley of Siddim was full of tar pits; and <sup>a</sup>the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and they fell <sup>1</sup>into them. But those who survived fled to the hill country.

11 Then they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah and all their food supply, and departed.

12 And they also took Lot, <sup>a</sup>Abram's nephew and his possessions and departed, <sup>b</sup>for he was living in Sodom.

13 Then <sup>1</sup>a fugitive came and told Abram the <sup>a</sup>Hebrew,

**God's Promise to Abram.**

Now he was <sup>2</sup>living by the <sup>3</sup>oaks of <sup>b</sup>Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and brother of Aner, and these were <sup>4</sup>callies with Abram.

**14** And when Abram heard that <sup>a</sup>his <sup>1</sup>relative had been taken captive, he <sup>2</sup>led out his trained men, <sup>b</sup>born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and went in pursuit as far as <sup>c</sup>Dan.

**15** And <sup>a</sup>he divided <sup>1</sup>his forces against them by night, he and his servants, and <sup>2</sup>defeated them, and pursued them as far as Hobah, which is <sup>3</sup>north of <sup>b</sup>Damascus.

**16** And he brought back all the goods, and also brought back <sup>a</sup>his <sup>1</sup>relative Lot with his possessions, and also the women, and the people.

**17** Then after his return from the <sup>1</sup>defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, <sup>a</sup>the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the valley of Shaveh (that is, <sup>b</sup>the King's valley).

**18** And <sup>a</sup>Melchizedek king of Salem brought out <sup>b</sup>bread and wine; now he was a <sup>c</sup>priest of <sup>1</sup>God Most High.

**19** And he blessed him and said,

"Blessed be Abram of <sup>1</sup>God Most High,  
<sup>2</sup>a Possessor of heaven and earth;

**20** And blessed be <sup>1</sup>God Most High,

Who has delivered your enemies into your hand."

<sup>a</sup>And he gave him a tenth of all.

**21** And the King of Sodom said to Abram, "Give the <sup>1</sup>people to me and take the goods for yourself."

**22** And Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have <sup>1</sup>sworn to the LORD <sup>2</sup>a God Most High, <sup>3</sup>possessor of heaven and earth,

**23** that <sup>a</sup>I will not take a thread or a sandal thong or anything that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich.'

**24** "I will take nothing except what the young men have eaten, and the share of the men who went with me, <sup>a</sup>Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their share."

**CHAPTER 15**

AFTER these things <sup>a</sup>the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying,

"Do not fear, Abram,

I am <sup>a</sup>a shield to you;

<sup>1</sup>Your <sup>d</sup>reward shall be very great."

**2** And Abram said, "O Lord <sup>1</sup>God, what wilt Thou give me, since I <sup>2</sup>am childless, and the <sup>3</sup>heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"

**3** And Abram said, "<sup>1</sup>Since Thou hast given no <sup>2</sup>offspring to me, <sup>3</sup>one <sup>a</sup>born in my house is my heir."

**4** Then behold, the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "This man will not be your heir; <sup>a</sup>but one who shall come forth from your own <sup>1</sup>body, he shall be your heir."

**5** And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and <sup>a</sup>count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "<sup>b</sup>So shall your <sup>1</sup>descendants be."

**6** <sup>a</sup>Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.

**7** And He said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you

<sup>13</sup> <sup>2</sup>Lit., abiding <sup>3</sup>Or, terebinths <sup>4</sup>Lit., possessors of the covenant  
<sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:18 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 21:27, 32

<sup>14</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., brother <sup>2</sup>Or, mustered  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:12 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 12:5; Eccles. 2:7 <sup>c</sup>1 Kin. 15:20

<sup>15</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., himself <sup>2</sup>Lit., smote <sup>3</sup>Lit., on the left  
<sup>a</sup>Judg. 7:16 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 15:2

<sup>16</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., brother  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:12, 14

<sup>17</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., smiting  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:10 <sup>b</sup>2 Sam. 18:18

<sup>18</sup> <sup>1</sup>Heb., El Elyon  
<sup>a</sup>Heb. 7:1 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 104:15 <sup>c</sup>Ps. 110:4; Heb. 5:6, 10

<sup>19</sup> <sup>1</sup>Heb., El Elyon <sup>2</sup>Or, Creator  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:22

<sup>20</sup> <sup>1</sup>Heb., El Elyon  
<sup>a</sup>Heb. 7:4

<sup>21</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., soul

<sup>22</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., lifted up my hand  
<sup>2</sup>Heb. El Elyon <sup>3</sup>Or, Creator  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:19

<sup>23</sup> <sup>a</sup>2 Kin. 5:16

<sup>24</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., not to me except  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:13

<sup>1</sup>Or, your very great reward  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 15:4; 1 Sam. 15:10  
<sup>b</sup>Gen. 21:17; 26:24 <sup>c</sup>Deut. 33:29 <sup>d</sup>Num. 18:20

<sup>2</sup> YHWH, usually rendered LORD <sup>2</sup>Lit., go  
<sup>3</sup>Lit., son of acquisition

<sup>3</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., Behold <sup>2</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>3</sup>Lit., and behold, a son of  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:14

<sup>4</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., inward parts  
<sup>a</sup>Gal. 4:28

<sup>5</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:17; 26:4; Deut. 1:10  
<sup>b</sup>Ex. 32:13; Rom. 4:18

<sup>6</sup> <sup>a</sup>Rom. 4:3; Gal. 3:6;  
James 2:23

7 <sup>1</sup>Or, inherit  
aGen. 11:31 bGen. 13:15,17

8 <sup>1</sup>YHWH, usually  
rendered LORD <sup>2</sup>Or, inherit  
aLuke 1:18

9 <sup>1</sup>Lit., Take

10 <sup>1</sup>Lit., took <sup>2</sup>Lit., in the  
midst  
aGen. 15:17 bLev. 1:17

12 <sup>1</sup>Or, a terror of great  
darkness  
aGen. 2:21; 28:11; Job 33:15

13 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed <sup>2</sup>Lit., and  
shall serve them; and they  
shall afflict them  
aActs 7:6, 17 bDeut. 5:15  
cGal. 3:17; Ex. 12:40

14 <sup>1</sup>Lit., great  
aEx. 12:32-38

15 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 25:8; 47:30

16 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 15:13 bLev. 18:24-  
28

17 <sup>a</sup>Jer. 34:18, 19

18 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
aEx. 23:31; Num. 34:1-15;  
Deut. 1:7, 8

19 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 3:17; 23:28; Josh.  
21:43; 24:11

1 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 11:30 bGen. 12:16

2 <sup>1</sup>Lit., be built from her  
aGen. 30:3, 4, 9, 10

3 <sup>1</sup>Lit., dwelt  
aGen. 12:4

5 <sup>1</sup>Lit., bosom <sup>2</sup>Lit., eyes  
<sup>3</sup>Lit., me and you  
aJer. 51:35 bGen. 31:53

out of <sup>a</sup>Ur of the Chaldeans, to <sup>b</sup>give you this land to <sup>1</sup>possess it.”

8 And he said, “O Lord <sup>1</sup>God, <sup>a</sup>how may I know that I shall <sup>2</sup>possess it?”

9 So He said to him, “<sup>1</sup>Bring Me a three year old heifer, and a three year old female goat, and a three year old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

10 Then he <sup>1</sup>brought all these to Him and <sup>a</sup>cut them <sup>2</sup>in two, and laid each half opposite the other; but he did not cut <sup>b</sup>the birds.

11 And the birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away.

12 Now when the sun was going down, <sup>a</sup>a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, <sup>1</sup>terror and great darkness fell upon him.

13 And God said to Abram, “Know for certain that <sup>a</sup>your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, <sup>2</sup>where <sup>b</sup>they will be enslaved and oppressed <sup>c</sup>four hundred years.

14 “But I will also judge the nation whom they will serve; and afterward they will come out <sup>a</sup>with <sup>1</sup>many possessions.

15 “And as for you, <sup>a</sup>you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age.

16 “Then in <sup>a</sup>the fourth generation they shall return here, for <sup>b</sup>the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet complete.”

17 And it came about when the sun had set, that it was very dark, and behold, *there appeared* a smoking oven and a flaming torch which <sup>a</sup>passed between these pieces.

18 On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying,

“To your <sup>1</sup>descendants I have given this land,  
From <sup>a</sup>the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the  
river Euphrates:

19 <sup>a</sup>the Kenite and the Kenizzite and the Kadmonite

20 and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Rephaim

21 and the Amorite and the Canaanite and the Gergashite and the Jebusite.”

## CHAPTER 16

NOW <sup>a</sup>Sarai, Abram’s wife had borne him no *children*, and she had <sup>b</sup>an Egyptian maid whose name was Hagar.

2 So Sarai said to Abram, “Now behold, the LORD has prevented me from bearing *children*. <sup>a</sup>Please go in to my maid; perhaps I shall <sup>1</sup>obtain children through her.” And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai.

3 And after Abram had <sup>1</sup>lived <sup>a</sup>ten years in the land of Canaan, Abram’s wife Sarai took Hagar the Egyptian, her maid, and gave her to her husband Abram as his wife.

4 And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived; and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her sight.

5 And Sarai said to Abram, “<sup>a</sup>May the wrong done me be upon you. I gave my maid into your <sup>1</sup>arms; but when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her <sup>2</sup>sight. <sup>b</sup>May the LORD judge between <sup>3</sup>you and me.”

## Birth of Ishmael.

6 But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, <sup>a</sup>your maid is in your <sup>1</sup>power; do to her what is good in your <sup>2</sup>sight." So Sarai treated her harshly, and she fled from her presence.

7 Now <sup>a</sup>the angel of the LORD found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to <sup>b</sup>Shur.

8 And he said, "Hagar, Sarai's maid, <sup>a</sup>where have you come from and where are you going?" And she said, "I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Sarai."

9 Then the angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself <sup>1</sup>to her authority."

10 Moreover, the angel of the LORD said to her, "<sup>a</sup>I will greatly multiply your <sup>1</sup>descendants so that <sup>2</sup>they shall be too many to count."

11 The angel of the LORD said to her further,

"Behold, you are with child,

And you shall bear a son;

And you shall call his name <sup>1</sup>Ishmael,

Because <sup>a</sup>the LORD <sup>2</sup>has given heed to your affliction.

12 "And he will be a <sup>a</sup>wild donkey of a man,

His hand *will be* against everyone,

And everyone's hand *will be* against him;

And he will <sup>1</sup>live <sup>2</sup>to the east of all his brothers."

13 Then she called the name of the LORD who spoke to her, "<sup>1</sup>a Thou art <sup>2</sup>a God who sees"; for she said, "Have I even <sup>3</sup>remained alive here after seeing Him?"

14 Therefore the well was called <sup>1</sup>Beer-lahai-roi; behold, it is between <sup>a</sup>Kadesh and Bered.

15 So Hagar bore Abram a son; and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael.

16 And Abram was <sup>a</sup>eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to <sup>1</sup>him.

## CHAPTER 17

NOW when Abram was ninety-nine years old, <sup>a</sup>the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him,

"I am <sup>1</sup>God <sup>b</sup>Almighty;

Walk before Me, and be <sup>2</sup>blameless.

2 "And I will <sup>1</sup>establish My <sup>a</sup>covenant between Me and you,

And I will <sup>b</sup>multiply you exceedingly."

3 And Abram <sup>a</sup>fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying,

4 "As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you,

And you shall be the father of a <sup>a</sup>multitude of nations.

5 "No longer shall your name be called <sup>1</sup>Abram,

But <sup>a</sup>your name shall be <sup>2</sup>Abraham;

For <sup>b</sup>I will make you the father of a multitude of nations.

6 "And I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and <sup>a</sup>kings shall come forth from you.

7 "And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your <sup>1</sup>descendants after you throughout their generations for an <sup>a</sup>everlasting covenant, <sup>b</sup>to be God to you and <sup>c</sup>to your <sup>1</sup>descendants after you.

## Genesis 16, 17

6 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *hand* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *eyes*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 16:9

7 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 21:17, 18; 22:11,

15; 31:11 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 20:1

8 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:9; 1 Kin. 19:9, 13

9 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *under her hands*

10 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *seed* <sup>2</sup>Or, *it shall not be counted for multitude*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:20

11 <sup>1</sup>I.e., God hears <sup>2</sup>Lit., *has heard*

<sup>a</sup>Ex. 3:7, 9

12 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *dwell* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *before the face of*; or, *in defiance of*

<sup>a</sup>Job 24:5; 39:5-8 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 25:18

13 <sup>1</sup>Or, *Thou, God, dost see me* <sup>2</sup>Heb., *Elroi* <sup>3</sup>Lit., *see me here after the one who saw me*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 32:30

14 <sup>1</sup>I.e., The well of the living one who sees me

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:7

15 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *Abram*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 16:3; 12:4

1 <sup>1</sup>Heb., *El Shaddai* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *complete, perfect; or, having integrity*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:7; 18:1 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 28:3; 35:11 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 6:9; Deut. 18:13

2 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *give*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 15:18 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:16; 15:5

3 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:17; 18:2

4 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 35:11; 48:19

5 <sup>1</sup>I.e., exalted father <sup>2</sup>I.e., father of a multitude

<sup>a</sup>Neh. 9:7 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 4:17

6 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:16; 35:11

7 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *seed*

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:13, 19; Ps. 105:9, 10

<sup>b</sup>Lev. 11:45; 26:12, 45 <sup>c</sup>Gal. 3:16

8 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:7; 13:15, 17

9 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>Ex. 19:5

10 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>John 7:22; Acts 7:8

11 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 12:48; Deut. 10:16

12 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed  
<sup>a</sup>Lev. 12:3

13 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 12:44

15 <sup>1</sup>I.e., Princess

16 <sup>1</sup>Lit., be  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:10 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 17:6;  
36:31

17 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:3

19 <sup>1</sup>I.e., he laughs <sup>2</sup>Lit.,  
seed  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:16; 21:2 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 26:2-5

20 <sup>1</sup>Lit., begat twelve  
princes  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 16:10 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 25:16

21 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:19; 18:10, 14

22 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:33; 35:13

23 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:14

24 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 4:11

25 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 16:16

## **Abraham (Abram) and the Covenant of Circumcision.**

8 "And <sup>a</sup>I will give to you and to your <sup>1</sup>descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God."

9 God said further to Abraham, "Now as for you, <sup>a</sup>you shall keep My covenant, you and your <sup>1</sup>descendants after you throughout their generations.

10 "<sup>a</sup>This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and you and your <sup>1</sup>descendants after you: every male among you shall be circumcised.

11 "And <sup>a</sup>you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be the sign of the covenant between Me and you.

12 "And every male among you who is <sup>a</sup>eight days old shall be circumcised throughout your generations, a *servant* who is born in the house or who is bought with money from any foreigner, who is not of your <sup>1</sup>descendants.

13 "A *servant* who is born in your house or <sup>a</sup>who is bought with your money shall surely be circumcised; thus shall My covenant be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.

14 "But an uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin, that person shall be cut off from his people; he has broken My covenant."

15 Then God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but <sup>1</sup>Sarah *shall be* her name.

16 "And I will bless her, and indeed I will give you <sup>a</sup>a son by her. Then I will bless her, and she shall be a *mother of nations*; <sup>b</sup>kings of peoples shall <sup>1</sup>come from her."

17 Then Abraham <sup>a</sup>fell on his face and laughed, and said in his heart, "Will a *child* be born to a man one hundred years old? And will Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a *child*?"

18 And Abraham said to God, "Oh that Ishmael might live before Thee!"

19 But God said, "No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you <sup>a</sup>a son, and you shall call his name <sup>1</sup>Isaac; and <sup>b</sup>I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant for his <sup>2</sup>descendants after him.

20 "And as for Ishmael, I have heard you; behold, I will bless him, and <sup>a</sup>will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly. <sup>b</sup>He shall <sup>1</sup>become the father of twelve princes, and I will make him a great nation.

21 "But My covenant I will establish with <sup>a</sup>Isaac, whom Sarah will bear to you at this season next year."

22 And when He finished talking with him, <sup>a</sup>God went up from Abraham.

23 Then Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all the *servants* who were <sup>a</sup>born in his house and all who were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's household, and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the very same day, as God had said to him.

24 Now Abraham was ninety-nine years old when <sup>a</sup>he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

25 And <sup>a</sup>Ishmael his son was thirteen years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

26 In the very same day Abraham was circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

## Birth of Isaac Promised.

27 And all the men of his household, who were born in the house or bought with money from a foreigner, were circumcised with him.

<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:7; 17:1 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 13:18; 14:13

## CHAPTER 18

NOW <sup>a</sup>the LORD appeared to him by the <sup>1</sup>boaks of Mamre, while he was sitting at the tent door in the heat of the day.

<sup>2</sup>Gen. 18:16, 22; 32:24; Josh. 5:13; Judg. 13:6-11

2 And when he lifted up his eyes and looked, behold, three <sup>a</sup>men were standing opposite him; and when he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them, and bowed himself to the earth,

<sup>3</sup>Or, O Lord <sup>2</sup>Or, Thy <sup>3</sup>Lit., pass away from your servant

3 and said, “<sup>1</sup>My lord, if now I have found favor in <sup>2</sup>your sight, please do not <sup>3</sup>pass <sup>2</sup>your servant by.

<sup>4</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., support <sup>a</sup>Gen. 19:2; 24:32; 43:24

4 “Please let a little water be brought and <sup>a</sup>wash your feet, and <sup>1</sup>rest yourselves under the tree;

<sup>5</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., take <sup>2</sup>Lit., sustain your heart <sup>3</sup>Lit., come to <sup>a</sup>Judg. 6:18, 19; 13:15, 16

5 and <sup>a</sup>I will <sup>1</sup>bring a piece of bread, that you may <sup>2</sup>refresh yourselves; after that you may go on, since you have <sup>3</sup>visited your servant.” And they said, “So do, as you have said.”

<sup>6</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., Hasten three measures <sup>2</sup>Heb., seah; i.e., one seah equals approximately eleven quarts

6 So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah, and said, “<sup>1</sup>Quickly, prepare three <sup>2</sup>measures of fine flour, knead it, and make bread cakes.”

<sup>7</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., good

7 Abraham also ran to the herd, and took a tender and <sup>1</sup>choice calf, and gave it to the servant; and he hurried to prepare it.

<sup>8</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., and

8 And he took curds and milk and the calf which he had prepared, and placed it before them; and he was standing by them under the tree <sup>1</sup>as they ate.

<sup>10</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., when the time revives <sup>a</sup>Rom. 9:9

9 Then they said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “Behold, in the tent.”

<sup>11</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:17

10 And he said, “<sup>a</sup>I will surely return to you <sup>1</sup>at this time next year; and behold, Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door, which was behind him.

<sup>12</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., within <sup>a</sup>1 Pet. 3:6

11 Now <sup>a</sup>Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

<sup>13</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., surely bear

12 And Sarah laughed <sup>1</sup>to herself, saying, “After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my <sup>a</sup>lord being old also?”

<sup>14</sup> <sup>1</sup>Or, wonderful <sup>2</sup>Lit., when the time revives <sup>a</sup>Jer. 32:17, 27 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 18:10; 17:21

13 And the LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh, saying, ‘Shall I indeed <sup>1</sup>bear a child, when I am so old?’”

<sup>15</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., when the time revives <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:2, 22; 19:1

14 “<sup>a</sup>Is anything too <sup>1</sup>difficult for the LORD? At the <sup>b</sup>appointed time I will return to you, <sup>2</sup>at this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.”

<sup>17</sup> <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:22, 26, 33 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 18:21; 19:24

15 Sarah denied it however, saying, “I did not laugh”; for she was afraid. And He said, “No, but you did laugh.”

<sup>18</sup> <sup>1</sup>Or, populous <sup>a</sup>Cal. 3:8

16 Then <sup>a</sup>the men rose up from there, and looked down toward Sodom; and Abraham was walking with them to send them off.

<sup>19</sup> <sup>1</sup>Or, known <sup>a</sup>Neb. 9:7; Amos 3:2 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 17:9 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 12:2, 3

17 And <sup>a</sup>the LORD said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what <sup>b</sup>I am about to do,”

18 since Abraham will surely become a great and <sup>1</sup>mighty nation, and in him <sup>a</sup>all the nations of the earth will be blessed?

19 “For I have <sup>1</sup>chosen him, in order that he may command his children and his household after him <sup>b</sup>to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice; in order that the LORD may bring upon Abraham <sup>c</sup>what He has spoken about him.”

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20 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 19:13; Ezek. 16:49, 50

21 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 11:5; Ex. 3:8

22 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:16; 19:1 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 18:17

23 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 23:7

24 <sup>1</sup>Or, forgive

25 <sup>1</sup>Lit., after this manner  
<sup>2</sup>Lit., do justice  
<sup>a</sup>Deut. 1:16, 17 <sup>b</sup>Deut. 32:4

26 <sup>1</sup>Or, forgive

27 <sup>1</sup>Lit., undertaken  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 3:19; Job 30:19; 42:6

30 <sup>a</sup>Ex. 32:22

31 <sup>1</sup>Lit., undertaken

33 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 17:22; 35:13

1 <sup>1</sup>Lit., bowed himself  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:22 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 18:2:5

3 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:6-8

4 <sup>1</sup>Or, without exception;  
Lit., from every end  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 13:13; 18:20

20 And the LORD said, “<sup>a</sup>The outcry of Sodom and Gomorrah is indeed great, and their sin is exceedingly grave.

21 “<sup>a</sup>I will go down now, and see if they have done entirely according to its outcry, which has come to Me; and if not, I will know.”

22 Then the <sup>a</sup>men turned away from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham was still standing before <sup>b</sup>the LORD.

23 And Abraham came near and said, “<sup>a</sup>Wilt Thou indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?

24 “Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; wilt Thou indeed sweep *it* away and not <sup>1</sup>spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous who are in it?

25 “Far be it from Thee to do <sup>1</sup>such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that <sup>a</sup>the righteous and the wicked are *treated* alike. Far be it from Thee! Shall not <sup>b</sup>the Judge of all the earth <sup>2</sup>deal justly?”

26 So the LORD said, “If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will <sup>1</sup>spare the whole place on their account.”

27 And Abraham answered and said, “Now behold, I have <sup>1</sup>ventured to speak to the Lord, <sup>a</sup>although I am *but* dust and ashes.

28 “Suppose the fifty righteous are lacking five, wilt Thou destroy the whole city because of five?” And He said, “I will not destroy *it* if I find forty-five there.”

29 And he spoke to Him yet again and said, “Suppose forty are found there?” And He said, “I will not do *it* on account of the forty.”

30 Then he said, “<sup>a</sup>Oh may the Lord not be angry, and I shall speak; suppose thirty are found there?” And He said, “I will not do *it* if I find thirty there.”

31 And he said, “Now behold, I have <sup>1</sup>ventured to speak to the Lord; suppose twenty are found there?” And He said, “I will not destroy *it* on account of the twenty.”

32 Then he said, “Oh may the Lord not be angry, and I shall speak only this once; suppose ten are found there?” And He said, “I will not destroy *it* on account of the ten.”

33 And as soon as He had finished speaking to Abraham <sup>a</sup>the LORD departed; and Abraham returned to his place.

**CHAPTER 19**

**N**OW the <sup>a</sup>two angels came to Sodom in the evening as Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When <sup>b</sup>Lot saw *them*, he rose to meet them and <sup>1</sup>bowed down with his face to the ground.

2 And he said, “Now behold, my lords, please turn aside into your servant’s house, and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way.” They said however, “No, but we shall spend the night in the square.”

3 Yet he urged them strongly, so they turned aside to him and entered his house; <sup>a</sup>and he prepared a feast for them, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.

4 Before they lay down, <sup>a</sup>the men of the city, the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, both young and old, all the people <sup>1</sup>from every quarter;

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5 and they called to Lot and said to him, “<sup>a</sup>Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may <sup>b</sup>have relations with them.”

6 But Lot went out to them at the doorway, and shut the door behind him,

7 and said, “Please, my brothers, do not act wickedly.

8 “Now behold, <sup>a</sup>I have two daughters who have not <sup>b</sup>had relations with man; please let me bring them out to you, and do to them <sup>c</sup>whatever you like; only do nothing to these men, inasmuch as they have come under the <sup>d</sup>shelter of my roof.”

9 But they said, “Stand aside.” Furthermore, they said, “This one came in <sup>e</sup>as an alien, and already <sup>f</sup>he is acting like a judge; now we will treat you worse than them.” So they pressed hard against <sup>g</sup>Lot and came near to break the door.

10 But <sup>a</sup>the men reached out their <sup>b</sup>hands and brought Lot into the house <sup>c</sup>with them, and shut the door.

11 And <sup>a</sup>they <sup>b</sup>struck the men who were at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they wearied *themselves* trying to find the doorway.

12 Then the men said to Lot, “Whom else have you here? A son-in-law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whomever you have in the city, bring *them* out of the place;

13 for we are about to destroy this place, because <sup>a</sup>their outcry has become so great before the LORD that <sup>b</sup>the LORD has sent us to destroy it.”

14 And Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who <sup>1</sup>were to marry his daughters, and said, “Up, get out of this place, for the LORD will destroy the city.” <sup>a</sup>But he appeared to his sons-in-law <sup>2</sup>to be jesting.

15 And when morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, “Up, take your wife and your two daughters, who are here, lest you be swept away in the <sup>1</sup>punishment of the city.”

16 But he hesitated. So the men <sup>a</sup>seized his hand and the hand of his wife and the <sup>b</sup>hands of his daughters, <sup>c</sup>for the compassion of the LORD was upon him; and they brought him out, and put him outside the city.

17 And it came about when they had brought them outside, that <sup>1</sup>one said, “<sup>a</sup>Escape for your life! <sup>b</sup>Do not look behind you, and do not stay <sup>c</sup>anywhere in the valley; escape to <sup>d</sup>the <sup>e</sup>mountains, lest you be swept away.”

18 But Lot said to them, “Oh no, my lords!

19 “Now behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have magnified your lovingkindness, which you have shown me by saving my life; but I cannot escape to the <sup>1</sup>mountains, lest the disaster overtake me and I die;

20 now behold, this town is near *enough* to flee to, and it is small. Please, let me escape there (is it not small?) <sup>1</sup>that my life may be saved.”

21 And he said to him, “Behold, I grant you this <sup>1</sup>request also, not to overthrow the town of which you have spoken.

22 “Hurry, escape there, for I cannot do anything until you arrive there.” Therefore the name of the town was called <sup>1</sup>Zoar.

23 The sun had risen over the earth when Lot came to Zoar.

5 <sup>a</sup>I.e., have intercourse  
<sup>b</sup>Judg. 19:22; Lev. 18:22

8 <sup>a</sup>I.e., had intercourse  
<sup>b</sup>Lit., *as good in your sight*  
<sup>c</sup>Lit., *shadow*  
<sup>d</sup>Judg. 19:24

9 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *to sojourn* <sup>b</sup>Lit., *the man, against Lot*  
<sup>c</sup>Ex. 2:14

10 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *hand* <sup>b</sup>Lit., *to*  
<sup>c</sup>Gen. 19:1

11 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *smote*  
<sup>b</sup>Deut. 28:28, 29; Acts 13:11

13 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:20 <sup>b</sup>Lev. 26:30-33; Deut. 4:26; 28:45

14 <sup>a</sup>Or, *had married; Lit., were taking* <sup>b</sup>Lit., *like one who was jesting*  
<sup>c</sup>Jer. 43:1, 2

15 <sup>a</sup>Or, *iniquity*

16 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *hand* <sup>b</sup>Lit., *in*  
<sup>c</sup>Deut. 5:15; 6:21; 7:8

17 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *he* <sup>b</sup>Lit., *in all the circle* <sup>c</sup>Lit., *mountain*  
<sup>d</sup>Jer. 48:6 <sup>e</sup>Gen. 19:26 <sup>f</sup>Gen. 13:10 <sup>g</sup>Gen. 14:10

19 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *mountain*

20 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *and my soul will live*

21 <sup>a</sup>Lit., *thing*

22 <sup>a</sup>I.e., *Small*

24 <sup>a</sup>Luke 17:29; Jude 725 <sup>1</sup>Lit., circle  
<sup>a</sup>Deut. 29:23; Is. 13:19; Lam. 4:6; 2 Pet. 2:626 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 19:17; Luke 17:3227 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:2228 <sup>1</sup>Lit., circle <sup>2</sup>Lit., kiln  
<sup>a</sup>Rev. 9:229 <sup>1</sup>Lit., circle  
<sup>a</sup>Deut. 7:8; 9:5, 27 b2 Pet. 2:730 <sup>1</sup>Lit., dwelt <sup>2</sup>Lit.,  
mountain <sup>3</sup>Lit., dwell31 <sup>1</sup>Or, in the land32 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed from our  
father34 <sup>1</sup>Lit., seed from our  
father37 <sup>a</sup>Deut. 2:938 <sup>1</sup>Heb., Bene-Ammon  
<sup>a</sup>Deut. 2:191 <sup>1</sup>I.e., South country  
<sup>2</sup>Lit., dwelt  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 18:1 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 12:9 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 26:1, 62 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 20:12; 12:13 <sup>b</sup>Gen.  
12:15 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 18:83 <sup>1</sup>Lit., married to a  
husband  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:17, 184 <sup>1</sup>Lit., righteous

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24 Then the LORD rained on Sodom and Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven,

25 and <sup>a</sup>He overthrew those cities, and all the <sup>1</sup>valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground.

26 But his wife, from behind him, <sup>a</sup>looked back; and she became a pillar of salt.

27 Now Abraham arose early in the morning *and went to* the place where he had stood before the LORD;

28 and he looked down toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the <sup>1</sup>valley, and he saw, and behold, <sup>a</sup>the smoke of the land ascended like the smoke of a <sup>2</sup>furnace.

29 Thus it came about, when God destroyed the cities of the <sup>1</sup>valley, that <sup>a</sup>God remembered Abraham, and <sup>b</sup>sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when He overthrew the cities in which Lot lived.

30 And Lot went up from Zoar, and <sup>1</sup>stayed in the <sup>2</sup>mountains, and his two daughters with him; for he was afraid to <sup>3</sup>stay in Zoar; and he <sup>1</sup>stayed in a cave, he and his two daughters.

31 Then the first-born said to the younger, "Our father is old, and there is not a man <sup>1</sup>on earth to come in to us after the manner of the earth.

32 "Come, let us make our father drink wine, and let us lie with him, that we may preserve <sup>1</sup>our family through our father."

33 So they made their father drink wine that night, and the first-born went in and lay with her father; and he did not know when she lay down or when she arose.

34 And it came about on the morrow, that the first-born said to the younger, "Behold, I lay last night with my father; let us make him drink wine tonight also; then you go in and lie with him, that we may preserve <sup>1</sup>our family through our father."

35 So they made their father drink wine that night also, and the younger arose and lay with him; and he did not know when she lay down or when she arose.

36 Thus both the daughters of Lot were with child by their father.

37 And the first-born bore a son, and called his name <sup>a</sup>Moab; he is the father of the Moabites to this day.

38 And as for the younger, she also bore a son, and called his name Ben-ammi; he is the father of the <sup>1</sup>sons of <sup>a</sup>Ammon to this day.

## CHAPTER 20

NOW Abraham journeyed from <sup>a</sup>there toward the land of <sup>b</sup>the <sup>1</sup>Negev, and <sup>2</sup>settled between Kadesh and Shur; then he sojourned in <sup>c</sup>Gerar.

2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, "<sup>a</sup>She is my sister." So <sup>b</sup>Abimelech king of Gerar sent and took Sarah.

3 <sup>a</sup>But God came to Abimelech in a dream of the night, and said to him, "Behold, you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is <sup>1</sup>married."

4 Now Abimelech had not come near her; and he said, "<sup>a</sup>Lord, wilt Thou slay a nation, even though <sup>1</sup>blameless?"

5 "Did he not himself say to me, 'She is my sister?' And



<sup>6</sup> Lit., for  
aGen. 18:13; Is. 54:1

<sup>7</sup> aGen. 18:13

<sup>9</sup> Or, playing  
aGen. 16:15

<sup>10</sup> Lit., with Isaac  
aGal. 4:30

<sup>11</sup> Lit., was very grievous  
in Abraham's sight  
aGen. 17:18

<sup>12</sup> Lit., Do not let it be  
grievous in your sight <sup>2</sup> Lit.,  
your seed will be called  
aRom. 9:7; Heb. 11:18

<sup>13</sup> Lit., seed  
aGen. 21:18; 16:10; 25:12-18

<sup>14</sup> I.e., a skin used as a  
bottle

<sup>15</sup> Lit., cast

<sup>16</sup> Lit., look upon the  
death of the child  
aJer. 6:26; Amos 8:10

<sup>17</sup> aEx. 3:7; Deut. 26:7; Ps.  
6:8 bGen. 26:24

<sup>18</sup> Lit., your  
aGen. 21:13; 16:10; 25:12

<sup>19</sup> Note vs. 14  
aGen. 16:7, 14

<sup>20</sup> Lit., dwelt  
aGen. 28:15; 39:2, 3, 21

<sup>21</sup> Lit., dwelt  
aGen. 25:18

<sup>22</sup> aGen. 20:14; 26:26 bGen.  
26:28

<sup>25</sup> Lit., reproved  
aGen. 26:15, 18, 20-22

<sup>26</sup> Lit., except

<sup>27</sup> aGen. 26:31

<sup>6</sup> And Sarah said, "God has made <sup>a</sup>laughter for me; every one who hears will laugh <sup>1</sup>with me."

<sup>7</sup> And she said, "<sup>a</sup>Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

<sup>8</sup> And the child grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned.

<sup>9</sup> Now Sarah saw <sup>a</sup>the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, <sup>1</sup>mocking.

<sup>10</sup> Therefore she said to Abraham, "<sup>a</sup>Drive out this maid and her son, for the son of this maid shall not be an heir with my son <sup>1</sup>Isaac."

<sup>11</sup> <sup>a</sup>And the matter <sup>1</sup>distressed Abraham greatly because of his son.

<sup>12</sup> But God said to Abraham, "<sup>1</sup>Do not be distressed because of the lad and your maid; whatever Sarah tells you, listen to her, for <sup>a</sup>through Isaac <sup>2</sup>your descendants shall be named.

<sup>13</sup> <sup>a</sup>And of <sup>a</sup>the son of the maid I will make a nation also, because he is your <sup>1</sup>descendant."

<sup>14</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a <sup>1</sup>skin of water, and gave <sup>a</sup>them to Hagar, putting <sup>a</sup>them on her shoulder, and gave <sup>a</sup>her the boy, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beersheba.

<sup>15</sup> And the water in the skin was used up, and she <sup>1</sup>left the boy under one of the bushes.

<sup>16</sup> Then she went and sat down opposite him, about a bowshot away, for she said, "Do not let me <sup>1</sup>see the boy die." And she sat opposite him, and <sup>a</sup>lifted up her voice and wept.

<sup>17</sup> And God <sup>a</sup>heard the lad crying; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What is the matter with you, Hagar? <sup>b</sup>Do not fear, for God has heard the voice of the lad where he is.

<sup>18</sup> <sup>a</sup>Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him by <sup>1</sup>the hand; <sup>a</sup>for I will make a great nation of him."

<sup>19</sup> Then God opened her eyes and she saw <sup>a</sup>a well of water; and she went and filled the <sup>1</sup>skin with water, and gave the lad a drink.

<sup>20</sup> And <sup>a</sup>God was with the lad, and he grew; and he <sup>a</sup>lived in the wilderness, and became an archer.

<sup>21</sup> And <sup>a</sup>he <sup>1</sup>lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother took a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

<sup>22</sup> Now it came about at that time, that <sup>a</sup>Abimelech and Phicol, the commander of his army, spoke to Abraham, saying, "<sup>b</sup>God is with you in all that you do;

<sup>23</sup> now therefore swear to me here by God that you will not deal falsely with me, or with my offspring, or with my posterity; but according to the kindness that I have shown to you, you shall show to me, and to the land in which you have sojourned."

<sup>24</sup> And Abraham said, "I swear it."

<sup>25</sup> But Abraham <sup>1</sup>complained to Abimelech because of the well of water which the servants of Abimelech <sup>a</sup>had seized.

<sup>26</sup> And Abimelech said, "I do not know who has done this thing; neither did you tell me, nor did I hear of it <sup>1</sup>until today."

<sup>27</sup> And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them to Abimelech; and <sup>a</sup>the two of them made a covenant.

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**28** Then Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

**29** And Abimelech said to Abraham, "What do these seven ewe lambs mean, which you have set by yourselves?"

**30** And he said, "You shall take these seven ewe lambs from my hand in order that it may be a witness to me, that I dug this well."

**31** Therefore he called that place <sup>a</sup>Beersheba; because there the two of them took an oath.

**32** So they made a covenant at Beersheba; and Abimelech and Phicol, the commander of his army, arose and returned to the land of the Philistines.

**33** And *Abraham* planted a tamarisk tree at Beersheba, and there <sup>a</sup>he called on the name of the LORD, the <sup>b</sup>Everlasting God.

**34** And Abraham sojourned <sup>a</sup>in the land of the Philistines for many days.

**CHAPTER 22**

**N**OW it came about after these things, that <sup>a</sup>God tested Abraham, and said to him, "<sup>b</sup>Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

**2** And He said, "Take now <sup>a</sup>your son, your only son, whom you love, Isaac, and go to the land of <sup>b</sup>Moriah; and offer him there as a <sup>c</sup>burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I will tell you."

**3** So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and Isaac his son; and he split wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.

**4** On the third day Abraham raised his eyes and saw the place from a distance.

**5** And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey, and I and the lad will go yonder; and we will worship and return to you."

**6** And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and <sup>a</sup>laid it on Isaac his son, and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.

**7** And Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." And he said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the <sup>a</sup>lamb for the burnt offering?"

**8** And Abraham said, "God will <sup>1</sup>provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

**9** Then they came to <sup>a</sup>the place of which God had told him; and Abraham built <sup>b</sup>the altar there, and arranged the wood, and bound his son Isaac, and <sup>c</sup>laid him on the altar on top of the wood.

**10** And Abraham stretched out his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

**11** But <sup>a</sup>the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

**12** And he said, "Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you <sup>1</sup>fear

**31** <sup>a</sup>Gen. 21:14; 26:33

**33** <sup>a</sup>Gen. 12:8 <sup>b</sup>Ex. 15:18; Deut. 32:40; Ps. 90:2; Is. 40:28; Jer. 10:10

**34** <sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:19

**1** <sup>a</sup>Deut. 8:2, 16 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 22:11

**2** <sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:12, 16; John 3:16; 1 John 4:9 <sup>b</sup>2 Chr. 3:1 <sup>c</sup>Gen. 8:20

**6** <sup>a</sup>John 19:17

**7** <sup>a</sup>Ex. 29:38-42; John 1:29; 36; Rev. 13:8

**8** <sup>1</sup>Lit., see

**9** <sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:2 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 12:7, 8; 13:18 <sup>c</sup>Heb. 11:17-19

**11** <sup>a</sup>Gen. 16:7-11; 21:17, 18

**12** <sup>1</sup>Or, reverence; lit., a fearer of God

12 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:2, 1614 <sup>1</sup>Heb., YHWH-*jireh*  
<sup>2</sup>Lit., *be seen*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:816 <sup>a</sup>Heb. 6:13, 1417 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *seed* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *his*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 15:5; 26:4 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 32:12  
<sup>c</sup>Gen. 24:6018 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *seed* <sup>2</sup>Or, *bless*  
*themselves*  
<sup>a</sup>Gal. 3:8, 16; Acts 3:25 <sup>b</sup>Gen.  
18:1919 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 22:520 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *she also*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 11:2923 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *begot*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 24:1524 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *she also*1 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *the life of Sarah*  
*was*2 <sup>1</sup>Or, *proceeded*  
<sup>a</sup>Josh. 14:15; 15:13; 21:113 <sup>a</sup>Gen. 10:15; 15:204 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *possession of a*  
*grave*  
<sup>a</sup>Lev. 25:23; 1 Chr. 29:15; Ps.  
39:12; Heb. 11:9, 136 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *prince of God*  
<sup>a</sup>Gen. 14:14; 20:78 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *soul*God, since you have not withheld <sup>a</sup>your son, your only son, from Me."13 Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind *him* a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the place of his son.14 And Abraham called the name of that place <sup>1</sup>The LORD Will Provide, as it is said to this day, "In the mount of the LORD <sup>a</sup>it will <sup>2</sup>be provided."

15 Then the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven,

16 and said, "<sup>a</sup>By Myself I have sworn," declares the LORD, "because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son,17 indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your <sup>1</sup>descendants as the <sup>a</sup>stars of the heavens, and as <sup>b</sup>the sand which is on the seashore; and <sup>c</sup>your <sup>1</sup>descendants shall possess the gate of <sup>2</sup>their enemies.18 "And <sup>a</sup>in your <sup>1</sup>descendants all the nations of the earth shall <sup>2</sup>be blessed, because you have <sup>b</sup>obeyed My voice."19 <sup>a</sup>So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beersheba; and Abraham lived at Beersheba.20 Now it came about after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, "Behold, <sup>a</sup>Milcah <sup>1</sup>also has borne children to your brother Nahor:

21 Uz his first-born and Buz his brother and Kemuel the father of Aram

22 and Chesed and Hazo and Pildash and Jidlaph and Bethuel."

23 And Bethuel <sup>1</sup>became the father of <sup>a</sup>Rebekah: these eight Milcah bore to Nahor, Abraham's brother.24 And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, <sup>1</sup>also bore Tebah and Gaham and Tahash and Maacah.

## CHAPTER 23

NOW <sup>1</sup>Sarah lived one hundred and twenty-seven years; *these were* the years of the life of Sarah.2 And Sarah died in <sup>a</sup>Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan; and Abraham <sup>1</sup>went in to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her.3 Then Abraham rose from before his dead, and spoke to the <sup>a</sup>sons of Heth, saying,4 "I am <sup>a</sup>a stranger and a sojourner among you; give me a <sup>1</sup>burial site among you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight."

5 And the sons of Heth answered Abraham, saying to him,

6 "Hear us, my lord, you are a <sup>1</sup>mighty prince among us; bury your dead in the choicest of our graves; none of us will refuse you his grave for burying your dead."

7 So Abraham rose and bowed to the people of the land, the sons of Heth.

8 And he spoke with them, saying, "If it is your <sup>1</sup>wish for