

# THE FIRST BOOK OF MOSES

COMMONLY CALLED

# GENESIS

**1** In the beginning God created <sup>a</sup> the heavens and the earth.  
**2** The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit <sup>b</sup> of God was moving over the face of the waters.

**3** And God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.  
**4** And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. **5** God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

**6** And God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."  
**7** And God made the firmament and separated the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament. And it was so. **8** And God called the firmament Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

**9** And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. **10** God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. **11** And God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, upon the earth." And it was so. **12** The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw

<sup>a</sup> Or When God began to create

<sup>b</sup> Or wind

1. 1: Jn. 1. 1.

that it was good.<sup>13</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

14 And God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years,"<sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so.<sup>16</sup> And God made the two great lights, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; he made the stars also.<sup>17</sup> And God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth,<sup>18</sup> to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.<sup>19</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

20 And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the firmament of the heavens."<sup>21</sup> So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.<sup>22</sup> And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."<sup>23</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

24 And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so.<sup>25</sup> And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the cattle according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and

1. 26, 27: Gen. 5. 1; Mt. 19. 4; Mk. 10. 6; Col. 3. 10; Jas. 3. 9.

over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”<sup>27</sup> So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.<sup>28</sup> And God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”<sup>29</sup> And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food.<sup>30</sup> And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.<sup>31</sup> And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, a sixth day.

**2** Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.<sup>2</sup> And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done.<sup>3</sup> So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all his work which he had done in creation.

4 These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,<sup>5</sup> when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no man to till the ground;<sup>6</sup> but a mist<sup>a</sup> went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground—<sup>7</sup> then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

<sup>a</sup> Or flood    2. 1-3: Ex. 20. 11.    2. 2: Heb. 4. 4, 10.    2. 7: 1 Cor. 15. 45, 47.

<sup>8</sup> And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. <sup>9</sup> And out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

<sup>10</sup> A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. <sup>11</sup> The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which flows around the whole land of Hav'ilah, where there is gold; <sup>12</sup> and the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. <sup>13</sup> The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one which flows around the whole land of Cush. <sup>14</sup> And the name of the third river is Hid'dekel, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Eu-phra'tes.

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

<sup>18</sup> Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." <sup>19</sup> So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper fit for him. <sup>21</sup> So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh; <sup>22</sup> and the rib which the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup> Then the man said,

2. 9: Rev. 2, 7; 22, 2, 14, 19.

"This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called Woman,<sup>d</sup>  
because she was taken out of Man."<sup>e</sup>

<sup>24</sup> Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh. <sup>25</sup> And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

**3** Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?" <sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden; <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.' " <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> So 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 to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons.

**8** And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup> And he said, "I heard the sound of thee in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup> He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to

<sup>d</sup> Heb *ishshah*    <sup>e</sup> Heb *ish*    **2. 24:** Mt. 19. 5; Mk. 10. 7; 1 Cor. 6. 16; Eph. 5. 31.  
**3. 1:** Rev. 12. 9; 20. 2.    **3. 4:** 2 Cor. 11. 3.

eat?" <sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent beguiled me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup> The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,

cursed are you above all cattle,

and above all wild animals;

upon your belly you shall go,

and dust you shall eat

all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup> I will put enmity between you and the woman,

and between your seed and her seed;

he shall bruise your head,

and you shall bruise his heel."

<sup>16</sup> To the woman he said,

"I will greatly multiply your pain in childbearing;

in pain you shall bring forth children,

yet your desire shall be for your husband,

and he shall rule over you."

<sup>17</sup> And to Adam he said,

"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife,

and have eaten of the tree

of which I commanded you,

'You shall not eat of it,'

cursed is the ground because of you;

in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

<sup>18</sup> thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to you;

and you shall eat the plants of the field.

<sup>19</sup> In the sweat of your face

you shall eat bread

3. 13: 2 Cor. 11. 3.

3. 14, 15: Rev. 12. 9; 20. 2.

3. 17, 18: Heb. 6. 8.

till you return to the ground,  
for out of it you were taken;  
you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return."

20 The man called his wife's name Eve,<sup>f</sup> because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup> And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins, and clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever"—<sup>23</sup> therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken.

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

**4** Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten<sup>g</sup> a man with the help of the LORD." <sup>2</sup> And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a tiller of the ground. <sup>3</sup> In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, <sup>4</sup> and Abel brought of the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, <sup>5</sup> but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. <sup>6</sup> The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your countenance fallen? <sup>7</sup> If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is couching at the door; its desire is for you, but you must master it."

8 Cain said to Abel his brother, "Let us go out to the field." <sup>h</sup> And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel, and killed him. <sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said to Cain,

<sup>f</sup> The name in Hebrew resembles the word for living      <sup>g</sup> Heb. qanah, get  
<sup>h</sup> Sam Gk Syr Compare Vg: Heb lacks Let us go out to the field  
3. 22, 24: Rev. 2. 7; 22. 2, 14, 19.      4. 4: Heb. 11. 4.      4. 8: 1 Jn. 3. 12.

"Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?"<sup>10</sup> And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground.<sup>11</sup> And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand.<sup>12</sup> When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength; you shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth."<sup>13</sup> Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear.<sup>14</sup> Behold, thou hast driven me this day away from the ground; and from thy face I shall be hidden; and I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will slay me."<sup>15</sup> Then the LORD said to him, "Not so!<sup>i</sup> If any one slays Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him seven-fold." And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who came upon him should kill him.<sup>16</sup> Then Cain went away from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod,<sup>j</sup> east of Eden.

17 Cain knew his wife, and she conceived and bore Enoch; and he built a city, and called the name of the city after the name of his son, Enoch.<sup>18</sup> To Enoch was born Irad; and Irad was the father of Me-hu'ja-el, and Me-hu'ja-el the father of Me-thu'sha-el, and Me-thu'sha-el the father of Lamech.<sup>19</sup> And Lamech took two wives; the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.<sup>20</sup> Adah bore Jabal; he was the father of those who dwell in tents and have cattle.<sup>21</sup> His brother's name was Jubal; he was the father of all those who play the lyre and pipe.<sup>22</sup> Zillah bore Tubal-cain; he was the forger of all instruments of bronze and iron. The sister of Tubal-cain was Na'amah.

23 Lamech said to his wives:

"Adah and Zillah, hear my voice;

you wives of Lamech, hearken to what I say:

<sup>i</sup> Gk Syr Vg: Heb Therefore

<sup>j</sup> That is Wandering

I have slain a man for wounding me,  
a young man for striking me.

<sup>24</sup> If Cain is avenged sevenfold,  
truly Lamech seventy-sevenfold."

25 And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and called his name Seth, for she said, "God has appointed for me another child instead of Abel, for Cain slew him." <sup>26</sup> To Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time men began to call upon the name of the LORD.

**5** This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. <sup>2</sup> Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created. <sup>3</sup> When Adam had lived a hundred and thirty years, he became the father of a son in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth. <sup>4</sup> The days of Adam after he became the father of Seth were eight hundred years; and he had other sons and daughters. <sup>5</sup> Thus all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years; and he died.

6 When Seth had lived a hundred and five years, he became the father of Enosh. <sup>7</sup> Seth lived after the birth of Enosh eight hundred and seven years, and had other sons and daughters. <sup>8</sup> Thus all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years; and he died.

9 When Enosh had lived ninety years, he became the father of Kenan. <sup>10</sup> Enosh lived after the birth of Kenan eight hundred and fifteen years, and had other sons and daughters. <sup>11</sup> Thus all the days of Enosh were nine hundred and five years; and he died.

12 When Kenan had lived seventy years, he became the father of Mahal'alel. <sup>13</sup> Kenan lived after the birth of Mahal'alel eight hundred and forty years, and had other sons and

17 But the LORD afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sar'ai, Abram's wife.<sup>18</sup> So Pharaoh called Abram, and said, 'What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife?<sup>19</sup> Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her for my wife? Now then, here is your wife, take her, and be gone.'<sup>20</sup> And Pharaoh gave men orders concerning him; and they set him on the way, with his wife and all that he had.

**13** So Abram went up from Egypt, he and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the Negeb.

2 Now Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.<sup>3</sup> And he journeyed on from the Negeb as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai,<sup>4</sup> to the place where he had made an altar; and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.<sup>5</sup> And Lot, who went with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents,<sup>6</sup> so that the land could not support both of them dwelling together; for their possessions were so great that they could not dwell together,<sup>7</sup> and there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's cattle and the herdsmen of Lot's cattle. At that time the Canaanites and the Per'izzites dwelt in the land.

8 Then Abram said to Lot, "Let there be no strife between you and me, and between your herdsmen and my herdsmen; for we are kinsmen.<sup>9</sup> Is not the whole land before you? Separate yourself from me. If you take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if you take the right hand, then I will go to the left."<sup>10</sup> And Lot lifted up his eyes, and saw that the Jordan valley was well watered everywhere like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt in the direction of Zo'ar; this was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomor'rah.<sup>11</sup> So Lot chose for himself all the Jordan valley, and Lot journeyed east; thus they separated from each other.<sup>12</sup> Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan, while Lot dwelt among the cities of the valley and

moved his tent as far as Sodom. <sup>13</sup> Now the men of Sodom were wicked, great sinners against the LORD.

14 The LORD said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, "Lift up your eyes, and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward; <sup>15</sup> for all the land which you see I will give to you and to your descendants for ever. <sup>16</sup> I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if one can count the dust of the earth, your descendants also can be counted. <sup>17</sup> Arise, walk through the length and the breadth of the land, for I will give it to you." <sup>18</sup> So Abram moved his tent, and came and dwelt by the oaks <sup>8</sup> of Mamre, which are at Hebron; and there he built an altar to the LORD.

**14** In the days of Am'raphel king of Shinar, Ar'ioch king of Ella'sar, Ched-or-lao'mer king of Elam, and Tidal king of Goi'im, <sup>2</sup> these kings made war with Bera king of Sodom, Birsha king of Gomor'rah, Shinab king of Admah, Sheme'ber king of Zebor'im, and the king of Bela (that is, Zo'ar). <sup>3</sup> And all these joined forces in the valley of Siddim (that is, the Salt Sea). <sup>4</sup> Twelve years they had served Ched-or-lao'mer, but in the thirteenth year they rebelled. <sup>5</sup> In the fourteenth year Ched-or-lao'mer and the kings who were with him came and subdued the Reph'aim in Ash'teroth-karna'im, the Zuzim in Ham, the Emim in Sha'veh-kiriatha'im, <sup>6</sup> and the Horites in their Mount Se'ir as far as El-paran on the border of the wilderness; <sup>7</sup> then they turned back and came to Enmish'pat (that is, Kadesh), and subdued all the country of the Amal'-ekites, and also the Amorites who dwelt in Haz'azon-ta'mar. <sup>8</sup> Then the king of Sodom, the king of Gomor'rah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboi'im, and the king of Bela (that is, Zo'ar) went out, and they joined battle in the Valley of Siddim <sup>9</sup> with Ched-or-lao'mer king of Elam, Tidal king of Goi'im,

<sup>8</sup> Or terebinths

13, 15: Acts 7, 5; Gal. 3, 16.

Am'raphel king of Shinar, and Ar'ioch king of Ella'sar, four kings against five.<sup>10</sup> Now the Valley of Siddim was full of bitumen pits; and as the kings of Sodom and Gomor'rah fled, some fell into them, and the rest fled to the mountain.<sup>11</sup> So the enemy took all the goods of Sodom and Gomor'rah, and all their provisions, and went their way;<sup>12</sup> they also took Lot, the son of Abram's brother, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

13 Then one who had escaped came, and told Abram the Hebrew, who was living by the oaks<sup>s</sup> of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and of Aner; these were allies of Abram.<sup>14</sup> When Abram heard that his kinsman had been taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen of them, and went in pursuit as far as Dan.<sup>15</sup> And he divided his forces against them by night, he and his servants, and routed them and pursued them to Hobah, north of Damascus.<sup>16</sup> Then he brought back all the goods, and also brought back his kinsman Lot with his goods, and the women and the people.

17 After his return from the defeat of Ched-or-lao'mer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley).<sup>18</sup> And Mel-chiz'edek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High.<sup>19</sup> And he blessed him and said,

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High,

maker of heaven and earth;

<sup>20</sup> and blessed be God Most High,

who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

And Abram gave him a tenth of everything.<sup>21</sup> And the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, but take the goods for yourself."<sup>22</sup> But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have

14. 17-20: Heb. 7. 1-10.

sworn to the LORD God Most High, maker of heaven and earth,  
<sup>23</sup> that I would not take a thread or a sandal-thong or anything  
 that is yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich.'  
<sup>24</sup> I will take nothing but what the young men have eaten, and  
 the share of the men who went with me; let Aner, Eshcol, and  
 Mamre take their share."

**15** After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."<sup>2</sup> But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Elie'zer of Damascus?"<sup>3</sup> And Abram said, "Behold, thou hast given me no offspring; and a slave born in my house will be my heir."<sup>4</sup> And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; your own son shall be your heir."<sup>5</sup> And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be."<sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD; and he reckoned it to him as righteousness.

7 And he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chalde'ans, to give you this land to possess."<sup>8</sup> But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?"<sup>9</sup> He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a she-goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon."<sup>10</sup> And he brought him all these, cut them in two, and laid each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two.<sup>11</sup> And when birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

12 As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram; and lo, a dread and great darkness fell upon him.<sup>13</sup> Then the LORD said to Abram, "Know of a surety that your descendants

15. 4: Gen. 17. 16, 21; 18. 10; 21. 2.      15. 5: Rom. 4. 18; Heb. 11. 12.  
 15. 6: Rom. 4. 3, 9, 22, 23; Gal. 3. 6.      15. 13, 14: Acts 7. 6, 7.

will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs, and will be slaves there, and they will be oppressed for four hundred years; <sup>14</sup> but I will bring judgment on the nation which they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. <sup>15</sup> As for yourself, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. <sup>16</sup> And they shall come back here in the fourth generation; for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete."

17 When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. <sup>18</sup> On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Eu-phra'tes, <sup>19</sup> the land of the Ken'ites, the Ken'izzites, the Kad'monites, <sup>20</sup> the Hittites, the Per'izzites, the Reph'aim, <sup>21</sup> the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Gir'gashites and the Jeb'u'sites."

**16** Now Sar'ai, Abram's wife, bore him no children. She had an Egyptian maid whose name was Hagar; <sup>2</sup> and Sar'ai said to Abram, "Behold now, the LORD has prevented me from bearing children; go in to my maid; it may be that I shall obtain children by her." And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sar'ai. <sup>3</sup> So, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, Sar'ai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian her maid, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. <sup>4</sup> And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived; and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. <sup>5</sup> And Sar'ai said to Abram, "May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my maid to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the LORD judge between you and me!" <sup>6</sup> But Abram said to Sar'ai, "Behold, your maid is in your power; do to her as you please." Then Sar'ai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her.

15. 18: Gen. 17. 2, 7, 9-14, 21.

7 The angel of the LORD found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur. <sup>8</sup> And he said, "Hagar, maid of Sar'ai, where have you come from and where are you going?" She said, "I am fleeing from my mistress Sar'ai." <sup>9</sup> The angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit to her." <sup>10</sup> The angel of the LORD also said to her, "I will so greatly multiply your descendants that they cannot be numbered for multitude." <sup>11</sup> And the angel of the LORD said to her, "Behold, you are with child, and shall bear a son; you shall call his name Ish'mael; <sup>t</sup> because the LORD has given heed to your affliction. <sup>12</sup> He shall be a wild ass of a man, his hand against every man and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen." <sup>13</sup> So she called the name of the LORD who spoke to her, "Thou art a God of seeing"; for she said, "Have I really seen God and remained alive after seeing him?" <sup>u</sup> <sup>14</sup> Therefore the well was called Beer-la'hai-roi; <sup>v</sup> it lies between Kadesh and Bered.

15 And Hagar bore Abram a son; and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ish'mael. <sup>16</sup> Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ish'mael to Abram.

**17** When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; <sup>w</sup> walk before me, and be blameless. <sup>2</sup> And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly." <sup>3</sup> Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, <sup>4</sup> "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup> No longer shall your name be Abram, <sup>x</sup> but your name shall be Abraham; <sup>y</sup> for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup> I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come forth from you. <sup>7</sup> And I will establish my covenant

<sup>t</sup> That is God hears    <sup>u</sup> Cn: Heb have I even here seen after him who sees me?

<sup>v</sup> That is the well of one who sees and lives    <sup>w</sup> Heb El Shaddai

<sup>x</sup> That is exalted father    <sup>y</sup> Here taken to mean father of a multitude

17. 5: Rom. 4. 17.    17. 7: Lk. 1. 55; Gal. 3. 16.

between me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you.<sup>8</sup> And I will give to you, and to your descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.”

9 And God said to Abraham, “As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations.<sup>10</sup> This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your descendants after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised.<sup>11</sup> You shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskins, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and you.<sup>12</sup> He that is eight days old among you shall be circumcised; every male throughout your generations, whether born in your house, or bought with your money from any foreigner who is not of your offspring,<sup>13</sup> both he that is born in your house and he that is bought with your money, shall be circumcised. So shall my covenant be in your flesh an everlasting covenant.<sup>14</sup> Any uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.”

15 And God said to Abraham, “As for Sar’ai your wife, you shall not call her name Sar’ai, but Sarah shall be her name.<sup>16</sup> I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her; I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”<sup>17</sup> Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed, and said to himself, “Shall a child be born to a man who is a hundred years old? Shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child?”<sup>18</sup> And Abraham said to God, “Oh that Ishmael might live in thy sight!”<sup>19</sup> God said, “No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac.”<sup>z</sup>

<sup>z</sup> That is *he laughs*      17. 8: Acts 7. 5.      17. 10: Acts 7. 8.  
17. 11-14: Gen. 17. 24; 21. 4.

will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.<sup>20</sup> As for Ish'mael, I have heard you; behold, I will bless him and make him fruitful and multiply him exceedingly; he shall be the father of twelve princes, and I will make him a great nation.<sup>21</sup> But I will establish my covenant with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear to you at this season next year."

22 When he had finished talking with him, God went up from Abraham.<sup>23</sup> Then Abraham took Ish'mael his son and all the slaves born in his house or bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house, and he circumcised the flesh of their foreskins that very day, as God had said to him.<sup>24</sup> Abraham was ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.<sup>25</sup> And Ish'mael his son was thirteen years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.<sup>26</sup> That very day Abraham and his son Ish'mael were circumcised;<sup>27</sup> and all the men of his house, those born in the house and those bought with money from a foreigner, were circumcised with him.

**18** And the LORD appeared to him by the oaks<sup>a</sup> of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day.<sup>2</sup> He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men stood in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them, and bowed himself to the earth,<sup>3</sup> and said, "My lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant.<sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree,<sup>5</sup> while I fetch a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant."<sup>6</sup> So they said, "Do as you have said."<sup>7</sup> And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures<sup>b</sup> of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes."<sup>7</sup> And Abraham ran to

<sup>a</sup> Or *terebinth*<sup>b</sup> Heb. *seahs*

the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it.<sup>8</sup> Then he took curds, and milk, and the calf which he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

9 They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." <sup>10</sup> He said, "I will surely return to you in the spring, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. <sup>11</sup> Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup> So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup> The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?'" <sup>14</sup> Is anything too hard<sup>c</sup> for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, in the spring, and Sarah shall have a son."  
<sup>15</sup> But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "No, but you did laugh."

16 Then the men set out from there, and they looked toward Sodom; and Abraham went with them to set them on their way. <sup>17</sup> The LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do,<sup>b</sup> seeing that Abraham shall become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by him?<sup>d</sup> <sup>18</sup> No, for I have chosen<sup>e</sup> him, that he may charge his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice; so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him."  
<sup>20</sup> Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomor'rah is great and their sin is very grave,<sup>21</sup> I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry which has come to me; and if not, I will know."

22 So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom;

<sup>c</sup> Or wonderful      <sup>d</sup> Or in him all the families of the earth shall be blessed

<sup>e</sup> Heb. knownable.      18. 10: Rom. 9. 9.      18. 12: 1 Pet. 3. 6.  
 18. 14: Mt. 19. 26; Mk. 10. 27; Lk. 1. 37; Rom. 9. 9.      18. 18: Gal. 3. 8.

but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup> Then Abraham drew near, and said, "Wilt thou indeed destroy the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup> Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; wilt thou then destroy the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from thee to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from thee! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?" <sup>26</sup> And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup> Abraham answered, "Behold, I have taken upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup> Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Wilt thou destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup> Again he spoke to him, and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup> Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup> He said, "Behold, I have taken upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup> Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." <sup>33</sup> And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham; and Abraham returned to his place.

**19** The two angels came to Sodom in the evening; and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them, and bowed himself with his face to the earth, <sup>2</sup> and said, "My lords, turn aside, I pray you, to your servant's house and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise up early and go on your way." They said, "No; we will spend the night in the street." <sup>3</sup> But he urged them

strongly; so they turned aside to him and entered his house; and he made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate. <sup>4</sup> But before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both young and old, all the people to the last man, surrounded the house; <sup>5</sup> and they called to Lot, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us, that we may know them." <sup>6</sup> Lot went out of the door to the men, shut the door after him, <sup>7</sup> and said, "I beg you, my brothers, do not act so wickedly. <sup>8</sup> Behold, I have two daughters who have not known man; let me bring them out to you, and do to them as you please; only do nothing to these men, for they have come under the shelter of my roof." <sup>9</sup> But they said, "Stand back!" And they said, "This fellow came to sojourn, and he would play the judge! Now we will deal worse with you than with them." Then they pressed hard against the man Lot, and drew near to break the door. <sup>10</sup> But the men put forth their hands and brought Lot into the house to them, and shut the door. <sup>11</sup> And they struck with blindness the men who were at the door of the house, both small and great, so that they wearied themselves groping for the door.

12 Then the men said to Lot, "Have you any one else here? Sons-in-law, sons, daughters, or any one you have in the city, bring them out of the place; <sup>13</sup> for we are about to destroy this place, because the outcry against its people has become great before the LORD, and the LORD has sent us to destroy it." <sup>14</sup> So Lot went out and said to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, "Up, get out of this place; for the LORD is about to destroy the city." But he seemed to his sons-in-law to be jesting.

15 When morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Arise, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be consumed in the punishment of the city." <sup>16</sup> But he lingered; so the men seized him and his wife and his two

daughters by the hand, the LORD being merciful to him, and they brought him forth and set him outside the city.<sup>17</sup> And when they had brought them forth, they<sup>f</sup> said, "Flee for your life; do not look back or stop anywhere in the valley; flee to the hills, lest you be consumed."<sup>18</sup> And Lot said to them, "Oh, no, my lords;<sup>19</sup> behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have shown me great kindness in saving my life; but I cannot flee to the hills, lest the disaster overtake me, and I die.<sup>20</sup> Behold, yonder city is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one. Let me escape there—is it not a little one?—and my life will be saved!"<sup>21</sup> He said to him, "Behold, I grant you this favor also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken.<sup>22</sup> Make haste, escape there; for I can do nothing till you arrive there."<sup>23</sup> Therefore the name of the city was called Zo'ar.<sup>g</sup> The sun had risen on the earth when Lot came to Zo'ar.

24 Then the LORD rained on Sodom and Gomor'rah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;<sup>25</sup> and he overthrew those cities, and all the valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground.<sup>26</sup> But Lot's wife behind him looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.<sup>27</sup> And Abraham went early in the morning to the place where he had stood before the LORD;<sup>28</sup> and he looked down toward Sodom and Gomor'rah and toward all the land of the valley, and beheld, and lo, the smoke of the land went up like the smoke of a furnace.

29 So it was that, when God destroyed the cities of the valley, God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in which Lot dwelt.

30 Now Lot went up out of Zo'ar, and dwelt in the hills with his two daughters, for he was afraid to dwell in Zo'ar; so he

<sup>f</sup> Gk Syr Vg: Heb *he*<sup>g</sup> That is *Little*

19. 24, 25: Lk. 17. 29.

19. 26: Lk. 17. 32.

19. 28: Rev. 9. 2.

dwell in a cave with his two daughters.<sup>31</sup> And the first-born said to the younger, "Our father is old, and there is not a man on earth to come in to us after the manner of all the earth.<sup>32</sup> Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve offspring through our father."<sup>33</sup> So they made their father drink wine that night; and the first-born went in, and lay with her father; he did not know when she lay down or when she arose.<sup>34</sup> And on the next day, 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 offspring through our father."<sup>35</sup> 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.<sup>36</sup> Thus both the daughters of Lot were with child by their father.<sup>37</sup> The first-born bore a son, and called his name Moab; he is the father of the Moabites to this day.<sup>38</sup> The younger also bore a son, and called his name Ben-ammi; he is the father of the Ammonites to this day.

**20** From there Abraham journeyed toward the territory of the Negeb, and dwelt between Kadesh and Shur; and he sojourned in Gerar.<sup>2</sup> And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, "She is my sister." And Abim'elech king of Gerar sent and took Sarah.<sup>3</sup> But God came to Abim'elech in a dream by night, and said to him, "Behold, you are a dead man, because of the woman whom you have taken; for she is a man's wife."<sup>4</sup> Now Abim'elech had not approached her; so he said, "Lord, wilt thou slay an innocent people?<sup>5</sup> Did he not himself say to me, 'She is my sister'? And she herself said, 'He is my brother.' In the integrity of my heart and the innocence of my hands I have done this."<sup>6</sup> Then God said to him in the dream, "Yes, I know that you have done this in the integrity of your heart, and it was I who kept you from sinning against me; therefore

I did not let you touch her.<sup>7</sup> Now then restore the man's wife; for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you, and you shall live. But if you do not restore her, know that you shall surely die, you, and all that are yours."<sup>8</sup>

So Abim'elech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told them all these things; and the men were very much afraid. <sup>9</sup> Then Abim'elech called Abraham, and said to him, "What have you done to us? And how have I sinned against you, that you have brought on me and my kingdom a great sin? You have done to me things that ought not to be done."<sup>10</sup> And Abim'elech said to Abraham, "What were you thinking of, that you did this thing?"<sup>11</sup> Abraham said, "I did it because I thought, There is no fear of God at all in this place, and they will kill me because of my wife.<sup>12</sup> Besides she is indeed my sister, the daughter of my father but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.<sup>13</sup> And when God caused me to wander from my father's house, I said to her, 'This is the kindness you must do me: at every place to which we come, say of me, He is my brother.'<sup>14</sup> Then Abim'elech took sheep and oxen, and male and female slaves, and gave them to Abraham, and restored Sarah his wife to him.<sup>15</sup> And Abim'elech said, "Behold, my land is before you; dwell where it pleases you."<sup>16</sup> To Sarah he said, "Behold, I have given your brother a thousand pieces of silver; it is your vindication in the eyes of all who are with you; and before every one you are righted."<sup>17</sup> Then Abraham prayed to God; and God healed Abim'elech, and also healed his wife and female slaves so that they bore children.<sup>18</sup> For the LORD had closed all the wombs of the house of Abim'elech because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

**21** The LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did to Sarah as he had promised.<sup>2</sup> And Sarah conceived, and bore Abraham a son in his old age at the time of which God had spoken to him.<sup>3</sup> Abraham called the name of

his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore him, Isaac.<sup>4</sup> And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him.<sup>5</sup> Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.<sup>6</sup> And Sarah said, "God has made laughter for me; every one who hears will laugh over me."<sup>7</sup> And she said, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would suckle children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."<sup>8</sup>

8 And the child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned.<sup>9</sup> But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac.<sup>h</sup> So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not be heir with my son Isaac."<sup>10</sup> And the thing was very displeasing to Abraham on account of his son.<sup>11</sup> But God said to Abraham, "Be not displeased because of the lad and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for through Isaac shall your descendants be named.<sup>12</sup> And I will make a nation of the son of the slave woman also, because he is your offspring."<sup>13</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

15 When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes.<sup>16</sup> Then she went, and sat down over against him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Let me not look upon the death of the child." And as she sat over against him, the child lifted up his voice<sup>i</sup> and wept.<sup>17</sup> And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Fear not; for God has heard the voice of

<sup>h</sup> Gk Vg: Heb lacks with her son Isaac  
21. 4: Acts 7. 8. 21. 10: Gal. 4. 30.

<sup>i</sup> Gk: Heb she lifted up her voice  
21. 12: Rom. 9. 7; Heb. 11. 18.

the lad where he is.<sup>18</sup> Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him fast with your hand; for I will make him a great nation.”<sup>19</sup> Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the lad a drink.<sup>20</sup> And God was with the lad, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow.<sup>21</sup> He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother took a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

22 At that time Abim’elech and Phicol the commander of his army said to Abraham, “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 as I have dealt loyally with you, you will deal with me and with the land where you have sojourned.”<sup>24</sup> And Abraham said, “I will swear.”

25 When Abraham complained to Abim’elech about a well of water which Abim’elech’s servants had seized,<sup>26</sup> Abim’elech said, “I do not know who has done this thing; you did not tell me, and I have not heard of it until today.”<sup>27</sup> So Abraham took sheep and oxen and gave them to Abim’elech, and the two men made a covenant.<sup>28</sup> Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock apart.<sup>29</sup> And Abim’elech said to Abraham, “What is the meaning of these seven ewe lambs which you have set apart?”<sup>30</sup> He said, “These seven ewe lambs you will take from my hand, that you may be a witness for me that I dug this well.”<sup>31</sup> Therefore that place was called Beer-sheba;<sup>j</sup> because there both of them swore an oath.<sup>32</sup> So they made a covenant at Beer-sheba. Then Abim’elech and Phicol the commander of his army rose up and returned to the land of the Philistines.<sup>33</sup> Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of the LORD, the Everlasting God.<sup>34</sup> And Abraham sojourned many days in the land of the Philistines.

<sup>j</sup> That is Well of seven or Well of the oath. 21. 31: Gen. 26. 33.

**22** After these things God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." <sup>2</sup> He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Mori'ah, and offer him there as a burnt offering upon one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." <sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; and he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. <sup>4</sup> On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place afar off. <sup>5</sup> Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the ass; I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you." <sup>6</sup> And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. <sup>7</sup> And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood; but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup> Abraham said, "God will provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

<sup>9</sup> When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. <sup>10</sup> Then Abraham put forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. <sup>11</sup> But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." <sup>12</sup> He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." <sup>13</sup> And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of

his son.<sup>14</sup> So Abraham called the name of that place The LORD will provide;<sup>k</sup> as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."<sup>l</sup>

15 And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven,<sup>16</sup> and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the LORD, because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son,<sup>17</sup> I will indeed bless you, and I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore. And your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies,<sup>18</sup> and by your descendants shall all the nations of the earth bless themselves,<sup>m</sup> because you have obeyed my voice."<sup>19</sup> So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

20 Now after these things it was told Abraham, "Behold, Milcah also has borne children to your brother Nahor:<sup>21</sup> Uz the first-born, Buz his brother, Kemu'el the father of Aram,<sup>22</sup> Chesed, Hazo, Pildash, Jidlaph, and Bethu'el."<sup>23</sup> Bethu'el became the father of Rebekah. These eight Milcah bore to Nahor, Abraham's brother.<sup>24</sup> Moreover, his concubine, whose name was Reumah, bore Tebah, Gaham, Tahash, and Ma'acah.

**23** Sarah lived a hundred and twenty-seven years; these were the years of the life of Sarah.<sup>2</sup> And Sarah died at Kir'iath-ar'ba (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan; and Abraham went in to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her.<sup>3</sup> And Abraham rose up from before his dead, and said to the Hittites,<sup>4</sup> "I am a stranger and a sojourner among you; give me property among you for a burying place, that I may bury my dead out of my sight."<sup>5</sup> The Hittites answered Abraham,<sup>6</sup> "Hear us, my lord; you are a mighty prince among us. Bury your dead in the choicest of our sepulchres; none of us will withhold from you his sepulchre, or hinder you from burying

<sup>k</sup> Or see.   <sup>l</sup> Or he will be seen.   <sup>m</sup> Or be blessed.

22. 16, 17: Lk. 1. 73; Heb. 6. 13, 14; 11. 12.   22. 18: Acts 3. 25; Gal. 3. 16.  
23. 4: Heb. 11. 9, 13.