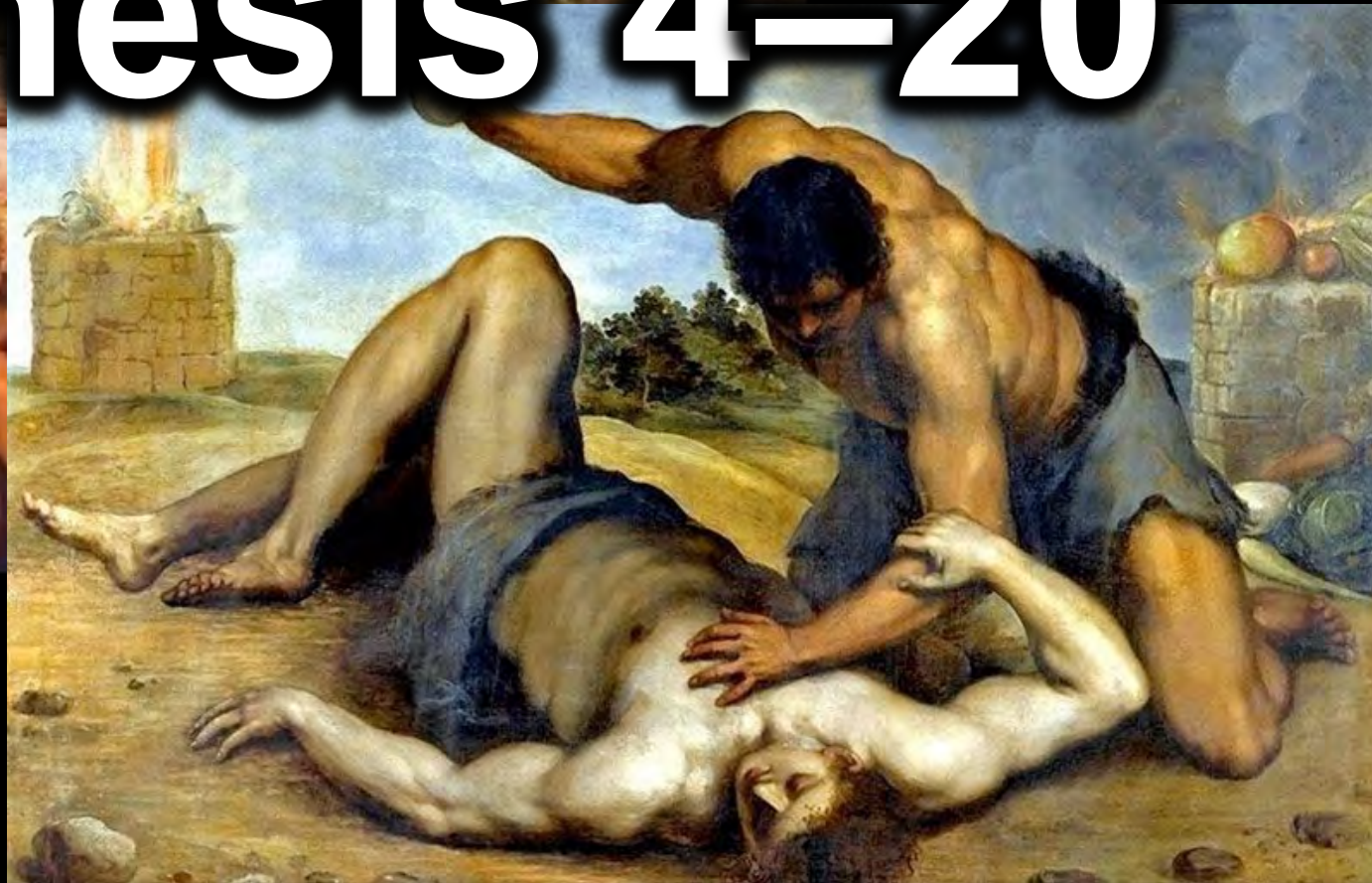


Genesis 4–20



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A dramatic landscape with a glowing path leading to pyramids under a stormy sky. The scene is set in a desert with a path of light leading towards a large pyramid in the distance. The sky is dark and stormy, with a bright light source behind the clouds, creating a lens flare effect. The overall mood is mysterious and divine.

God's election and promise

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Key Word

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Election

Genesis

Theme

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**Origin in
Election and Promise**

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Key Verse

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**"I will bless you... and all peoples on
earth will be blessed through you"
(12:1-3)**

Genesis



Summary Statement

The narrow lineage of Israel from Creation to Joseph informs Israel it began by God's **election** for rule and unconditional promise for blessings through Abraham in contrast to the Canaanites

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Kingdom Statement

39

God created a perfect kingdom (1–2), but man gave up his rule to Satan (3), so God **elected a seed to produce a ruler (4–11) to bless all nations in Abraham (12–50).**

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Covenant

42a

God narrowed man's line from Adam through Seth to Abram (1–11) to establish the Abrahamic Covenant with its unconditional promises of Canaan, eternal rule, and blessing to his descendants (12–50).

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Redemption

42a

Redemption is needed due to man's sin (3:1-7), but as God redeemed Adam and Eve with a sacrificial animal (3:21), so a Redeemer from Eve will finally defeat Satan (3:15), typified in Joseph (45:7).

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Jesus created the earth (1:26) and will defeat Satan (3:15), after descending from the line of Abraham (12:1-3) so that he might rule in the line of Judah (49:10).

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Origin in Election and Promise

Creation	Fall	Flood	Babel	Abraham	Isaac	Jacob	Joseph			
Primeval Events				Patriarchal Characters						
1:1–11:26				11:27–50:26						
God's Election				God's Promise						
Adam and Descendants				Abraham and Descendants						
1/5 of the Book				4/5 of the Book						
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Covers 2369 Years of History

Written During Wilderness Wanderings (c. 1405 BC)



Genesis

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| 1 I nception of the world | 15 G od tounts Abram righteous |
| 2 N ewlyweds placed in Eden | 16 O ffspring Ishmael from Hagar |
| | 17 D esignation changed to Abraham |
| 3 T emptation and man's fall | 18 C ompassion for Sodom's righteous |
| 4 H atred and first murder | 19 R emoval of Sodom , Gomorrah |
| 5 E ntire genealogy of Adam | 20 E gyptian escapade of Abraham |
| | 21 A rrival of promised Isaac |
| 6 B uilding of the ark | 22 T est of Abraham's faith |
| 7 E ruption of the flood | 23 E nd of Sarah's life |
| 8 G oing from the ark | 24 D enoting Rebekah as bride |
| 9 I nitiation of rainbow promise | |
| 10 N oah's sons and grandsons | 25 T wins Esau, Jacob born |
| 11 N ations scattered from Babel | 26 H ostility between Isaac, Philistines |
| 12 I mmigration of Abram's family | 27 E sau robbed of birthright |
| 13 N ephew Lot leaves Abram | |
| 14 G ifts for Priest Melchizedek | |

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| 28 H eavenly ladder at Bethel | 40 E xplanation of two dreams |
| 29 E arning Leah and Rachel | 41 A ppointing Joseph as ruler |
| 30 A dditions to Jacob's family | 42 R euben held in Egypt |
| 31 V enture away from Laban | 43 T rek to Egypt again |
| 32 E ndeavoring to wrestle God | 44 H olding Benjamin for cup |
| 33 N ew friendship with Esau | |
| | 45 A nnouncement of Joseph's identity |
| 34 A venge for Dinah's defilement | 46 N ew home in Egypt |
| 35 N ame changed to Israel | 47 D esign to save Egypt |
| 36 D escendants of Esau listed | |
| | 48 M anasseh and Ephraim adopted |
| 37 T reachery of Joseph's brothers | 49 A nnouncement of Jacob's blessing |
| 38 H arlot Tamar deceives Judah | 50 N ew relationship among brothers |
| 39 E nraged Potiphar jails Joseph | |





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The Bible: Book by Book



A World of Idols



How can you **be faithful**
to God in a world of idols?

IDOLS
of the
HEART

I. Grasp
that the
King **chose**
you to rule.



Genesis 1-11

**II. Grasp that the King
promised you blessings.**



Genesis 12–50

Main Idea

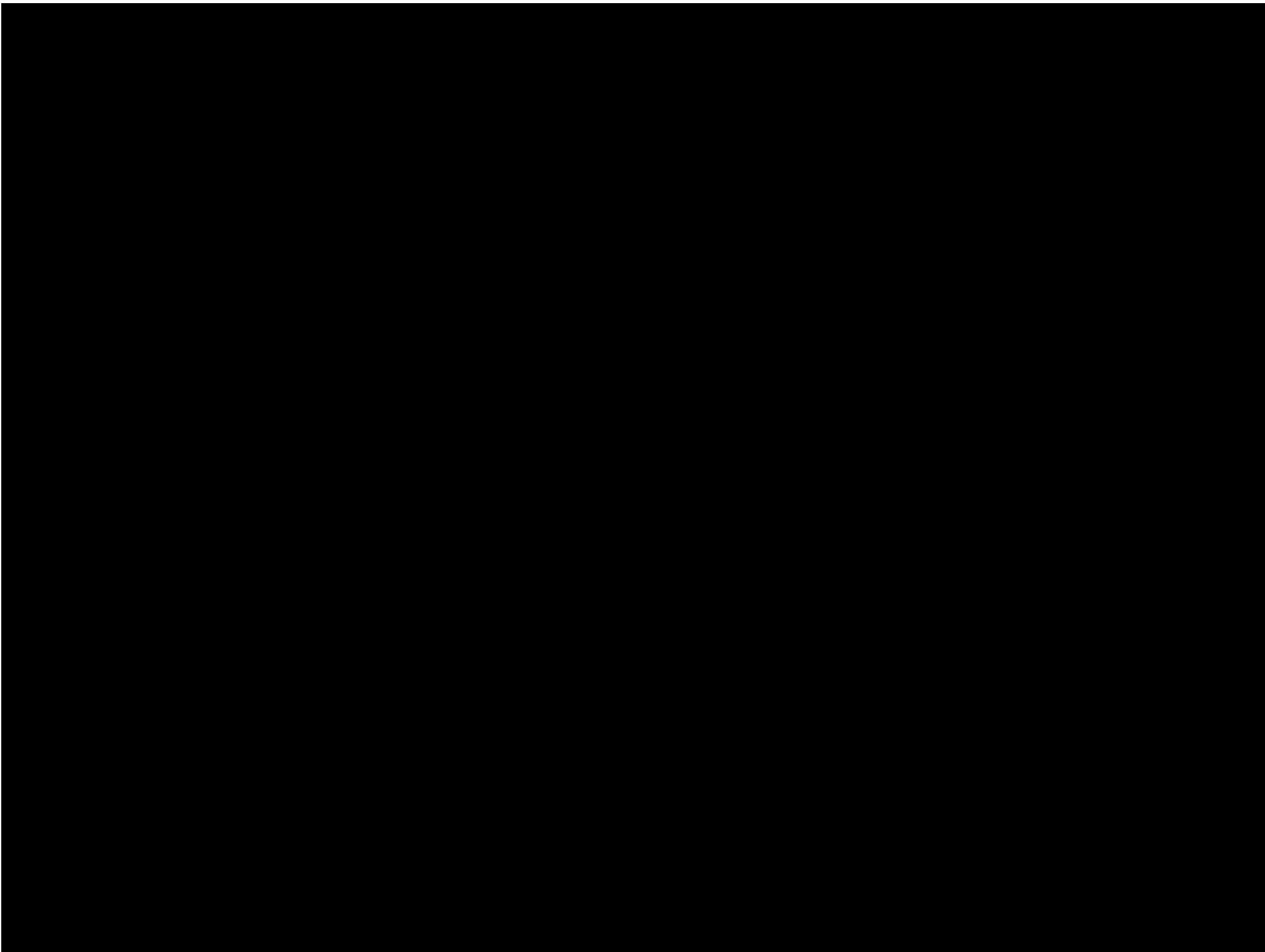
Live out God's **choice** of
you and **promises** for
blessing

Genesis

**What or who are you trusting to
save you from your sin?**



Genesis



Genesis 4

Is Genesis 1–11 Real History?

1. **Myths don't teach "deep truths" better** than history
2. A non-historical approach is very **subjective**
3. They have **vital information** otherwise not known
4. They fit into the book's **argument** emphasizing election
5. Events are **presented as historical**
6. **Science** confirms the Genesis 1–11 historical record
7. **Christ** affirmed their historicity

Genesis

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**"Abel became a shepherd, while
Cain cultivated the ground"
(Gen. 4:2b NLT).**



"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)

“It was **by faith** that Abel brought a more acceptable offering to God than Cain did. Abel’s offering gave evidence that he was a righteous man, and God showed his approval of his gifts. Although Abel is long dead, he still speaks to us by his example of **faith**” (Heb. 11:4 NLT)



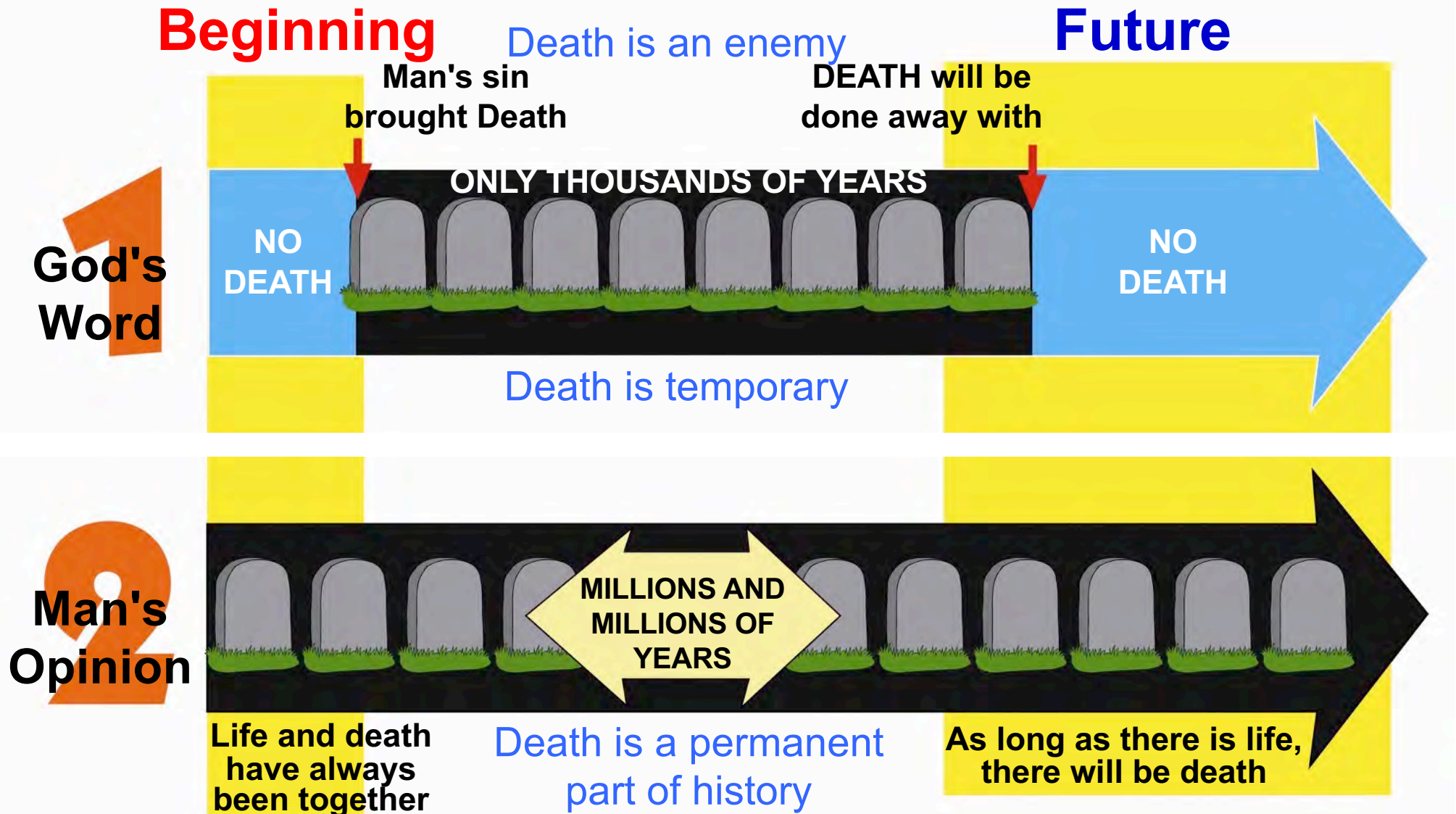
“By Faith...” (Hebrews 11)

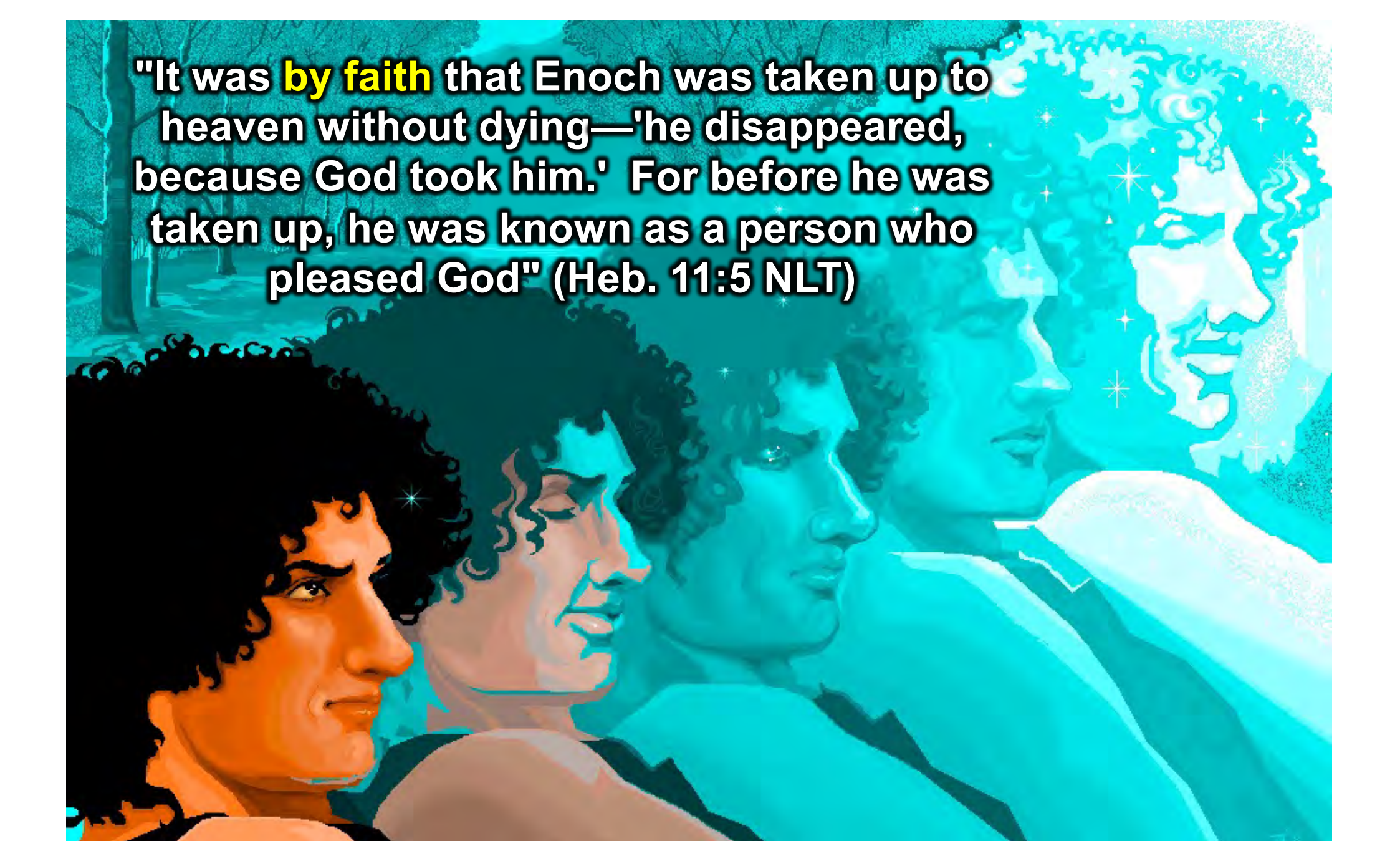
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How long has death existed (Rom. 5:12)?

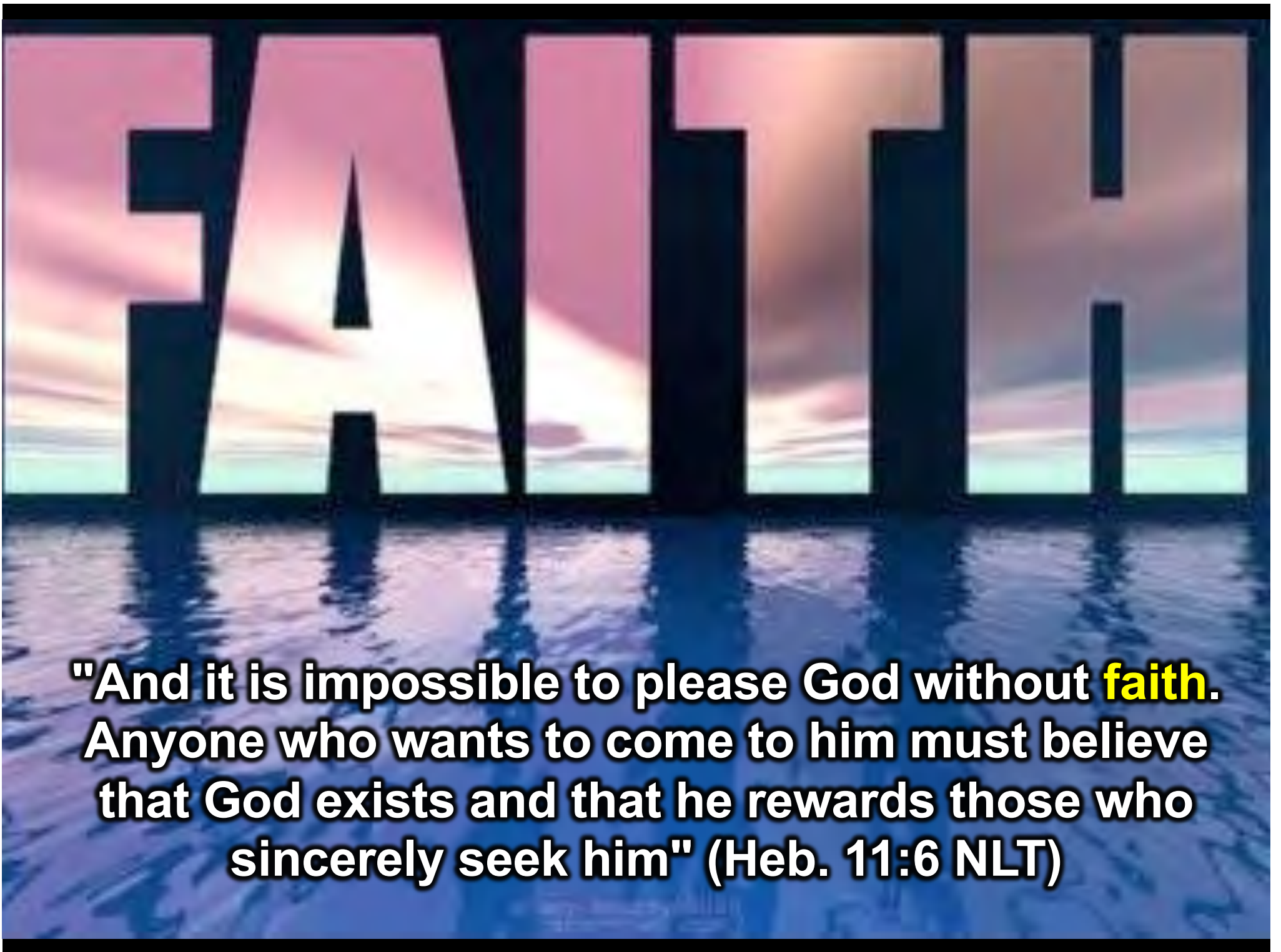
Two Histories of *Death*





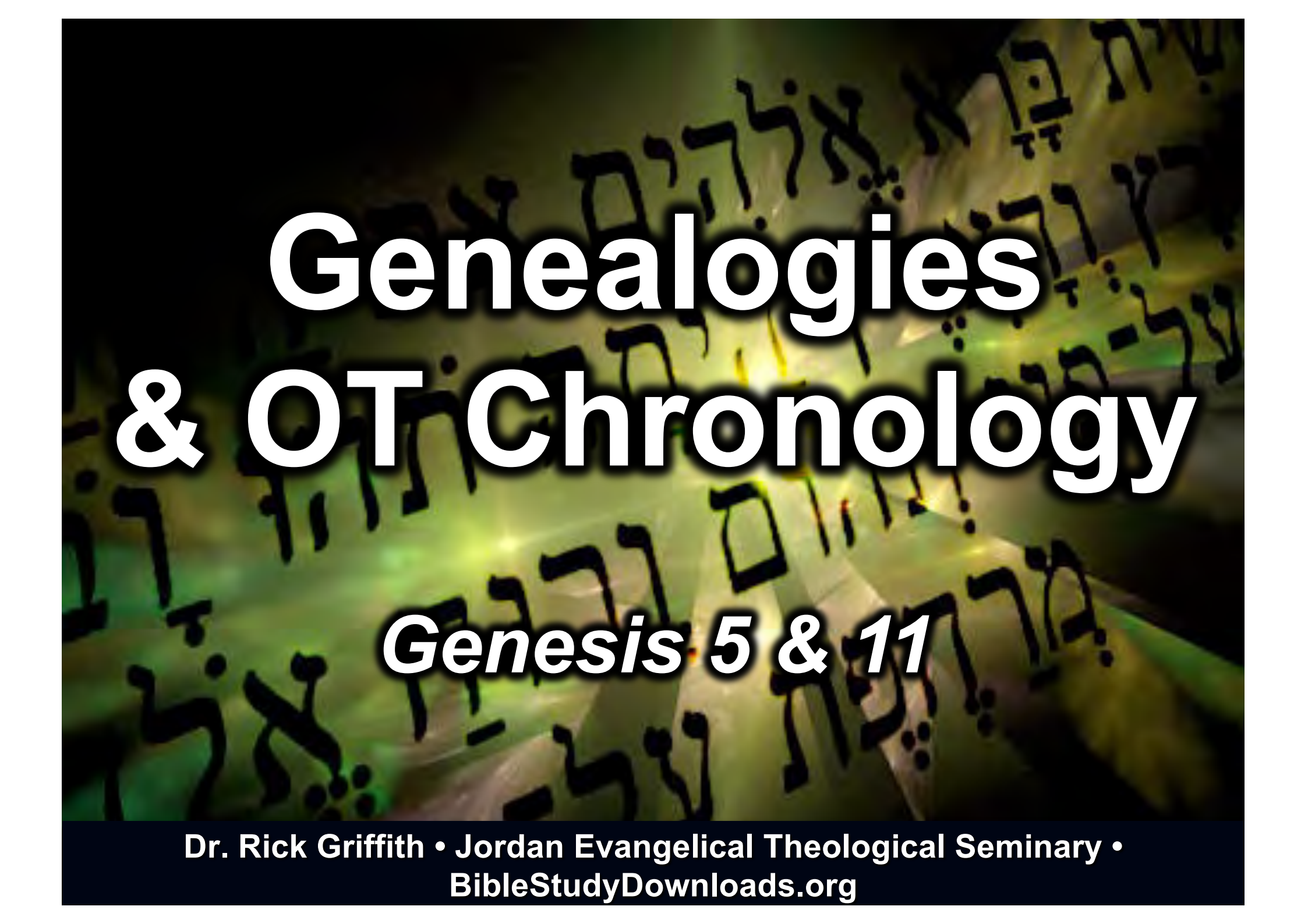
"It was **by faith that Enoch was taken up to heaven without dying—'he disappeared, because God took him.' For before he was taken up, he was known as a person who pleased God" (Heb. 11:5 NLT)**

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)



"And it is impossible to please God without **faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him" (Heb. 11:6 NLT)**

Genesis 5

The background of the slide features a close-up, slightly blurred view of ancient Hebrew script carved into stone tablets. The script is dark and set against a lighter, textured stone surface. The lighting is dramatic, with some areas appearing brighter than others, creating a sense of depth and historical significance.

Genealogies & OT Chronology

Genesis 5 & 11

Hominids? Really?

• But before [10,000 BC], the “human” story tails back into multimillennia of which we know less, and of which one may well ask which (and what) are humans proper and which (or what) are simply humanlike “hominids.”



Kenneth Kitchen, *On the Reliability of the Old Testament*

(Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2003), loc. 9197 of 14432, Kindle ed.; picture of Australopithecus afarensis (<https://www.sciencenews.org/article/lucy-species-brain-skull-heralded-rise-long-childhoods-hominids>)

Genesis Questions

Beginnings

- **When did the creation occur?**
- **Did the patriarchs really live that long?**

Oh, no... I hit the genealogies



**in my read-through-the-Bible
program again...**

What's the point?

GENEALOGY



What's the point?



Genealogies can help you catch up on your sleep?



Genesis 5 & 11 Genealogies

- ◆ **Genesis 5** carries the genealogy that stretches from Adam to the Flood.
- ◆ **Genesis 11** carries the genealogy from Shem (son of Noah) to Terah (father of Abram)

Genesis Genealogy Mysteries



Adam

Noah

Shem

Terah

Genesis 5

Genesis 11

Can these genealogies help
determine the dates of events in
history?

Can We Find the Date of Creation from Genesis 5 & 11?



Some Say "No"

- Other genealogies in the Bible have gaps (e.g., Matt. 1:1-17)
- Therefore there must be gaps in Genesis
- A "no gap" view puts the Flood at 2487 BC but Egypt's history goes back before 3300 BC

Others Say "Yes"

- The other genealogies do not give the father's ages when their sons were born
- God wants us to "mark seasons and days and years" (Gen. 1:14)
- Why else would God give us the ages of these men?

Genesis 5 Genealogy

Adam

Seth

Enosh

Kenan

Mahalalel

Jared

Enoch

Methuselah

Lamech

Noah

Why Don't Genesis 5 & 11 Have Gaps?³⁸

Adam

Seth

Enosh

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Jared

Enoch

Methuselah

Lamech

Noah

1. State lengths of time

Age at Son's Birth

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Adam

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Noah

1. State lengths of time
2. Shorter lengths

Genesis 5 Shorter Than Luke 3

Adam

2006

yrs

Noah

Adam

4138

yrs

Christ



Why Don't Genesis 5 & 11 Have Gaps?

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Adam
Seth
Enosh
Kenan
Mahalalel
Jared
Enoch
Methuselah
Lamech
Noah

1. State lengths of time
2. Shorter lengths
3. Most natural
4. Show father-son
5. Jude 14
6. Similar ANE chronologies

"Enoch, in the seventh generation from Adam, prophesied saying. . ."
(Jude 14a, NASB)



Two Views

◆ Straight chronology

- The Bible has the necessary data to map out the basic historical timeline of the OT

◆ Genealogical gaps

- There are gaps not mentioned in the Bible
- Genealogical information should not be used as the only source for dating events




Arguments Posed for Gaps

- ◆ It is normal for Scripture to **pass over very long periods of time** with little or no remark
- ◆ **Omission of unimportant names** is the rule rather than the exception
- ◆ In the ancient world "begat" simply indicated "**became the ancestor of,**" however far removed that ancestor was
- ◆ **Lack of harmony** exists between OT chronologies and neighboring states

Straight Chronology Support



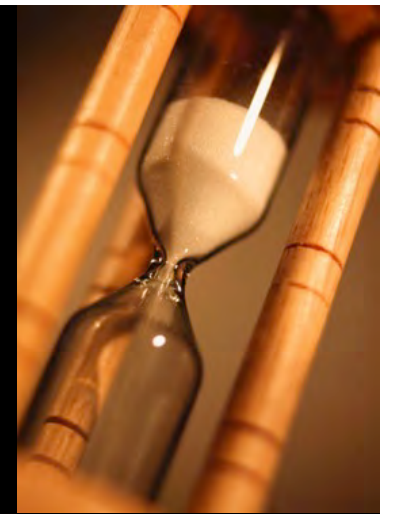
- ◆ The Bible is filled with much chronological information though **scattered** in many places
- ◆ When this chronological information is fully **systematized**, a straight chronology may be proven



**How can
you tell the
age of the
earth?**

**Just ask the only
Eyewitness!**

**"Just do
the math."**






**"God, how
old is the
earth?"**

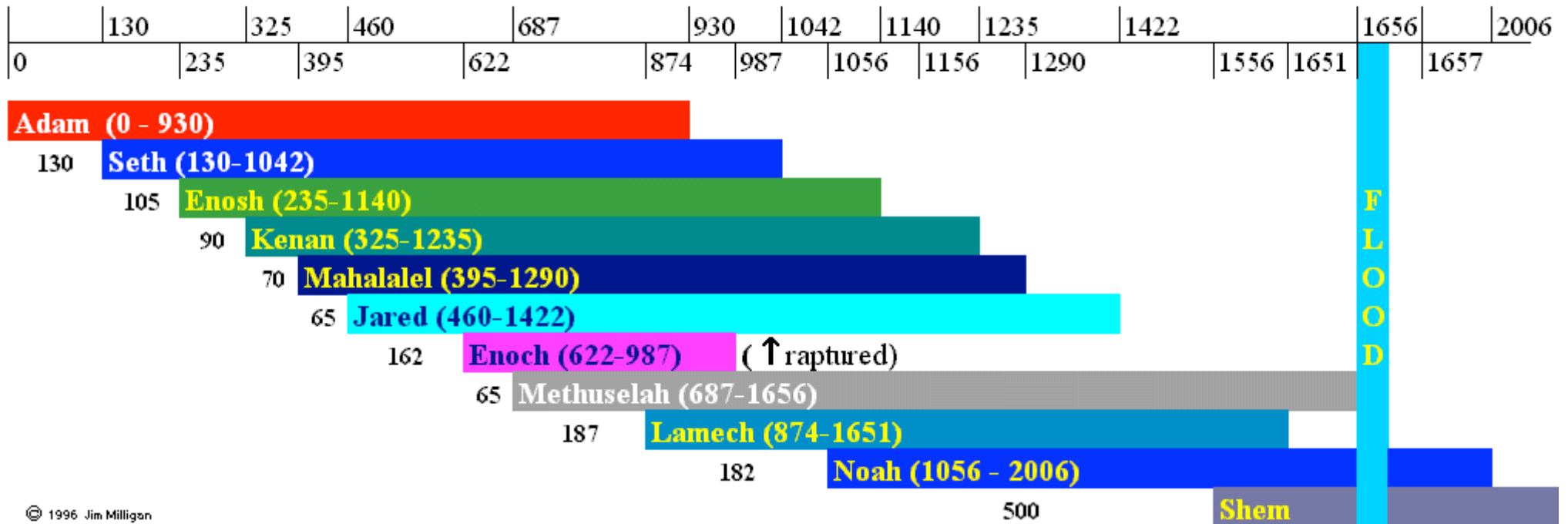


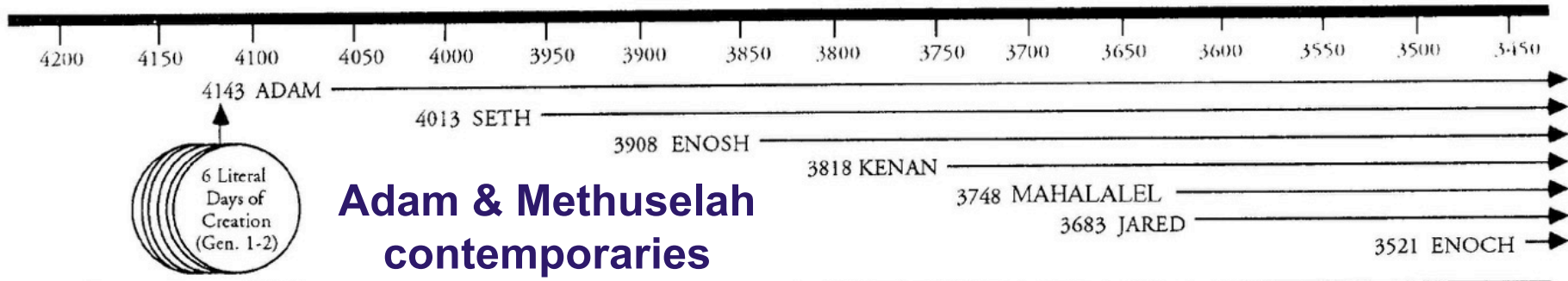
Chronology of the Patriarchs (Gen. 5, 11)

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Event	Reference	AH	BC
World created	"God finished"	-6 days	4143
Adam created	"God created man"	0	4143
Seth born	"Adam was 130..."	130	4013
Enosh born	"Seth was 105..."	235	3908
			
Jacob & family go to Egypt	"Jacob age 130 at 400 years before Exodus in 1445 BC"	2298	1845
			

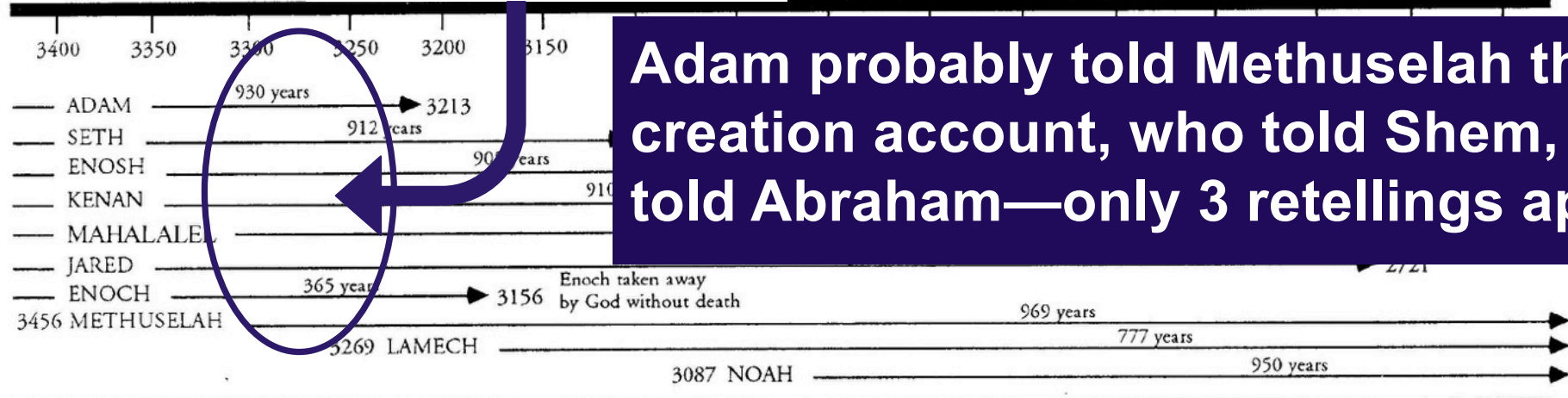
Overlapping Lives



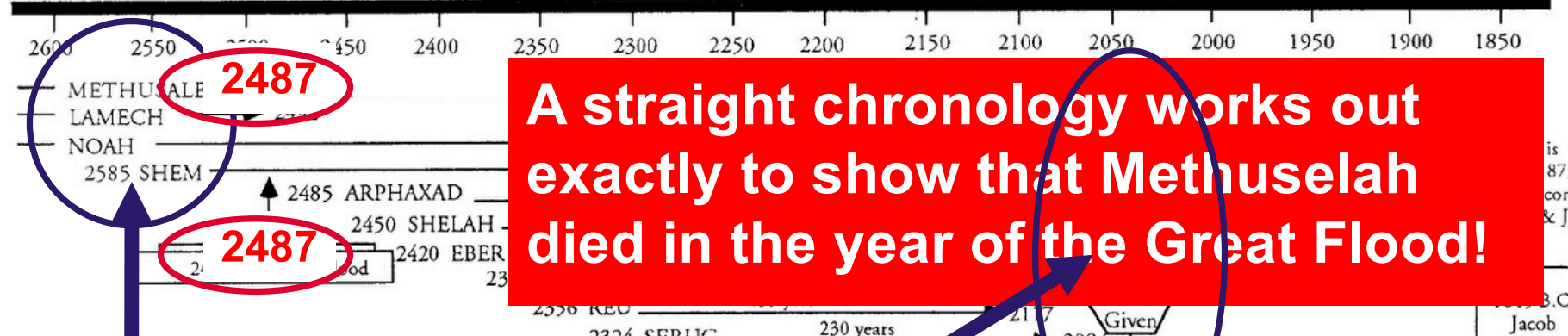


Adam & Methuselah contemporaries

Adam probably told Methuselah the creation account, who told Shem, who told Abraham—only 3 retellings apart!



Timeline of the Patriarchs

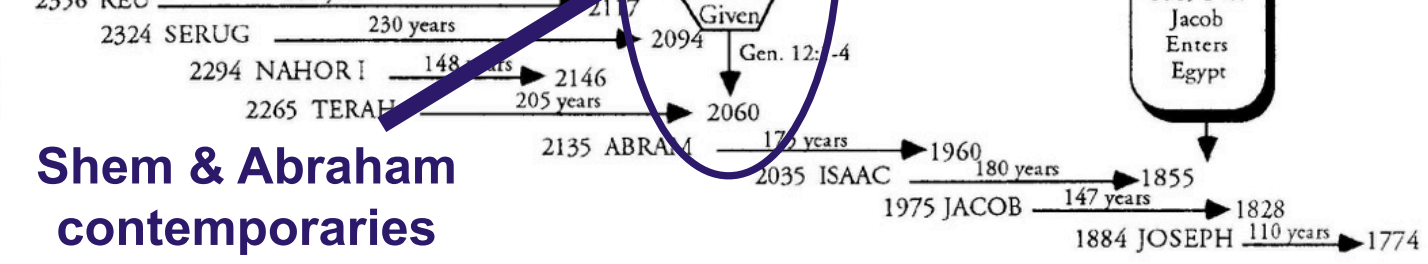


A straight chronology works out exactly to show that Methuselah died in the year of the Great Flood!

Methuselah & Shem contemporaries

Shem & Abraham contemporaries

(Please see the accompanying chart for verification of data and the rationale for Genesis genealogies without any gaps.)



Ages of people when they died



Adam  930 Years



Methuselah  969 Years



Noah  950 Years



Shem  600 Years



Abraham  175 Years

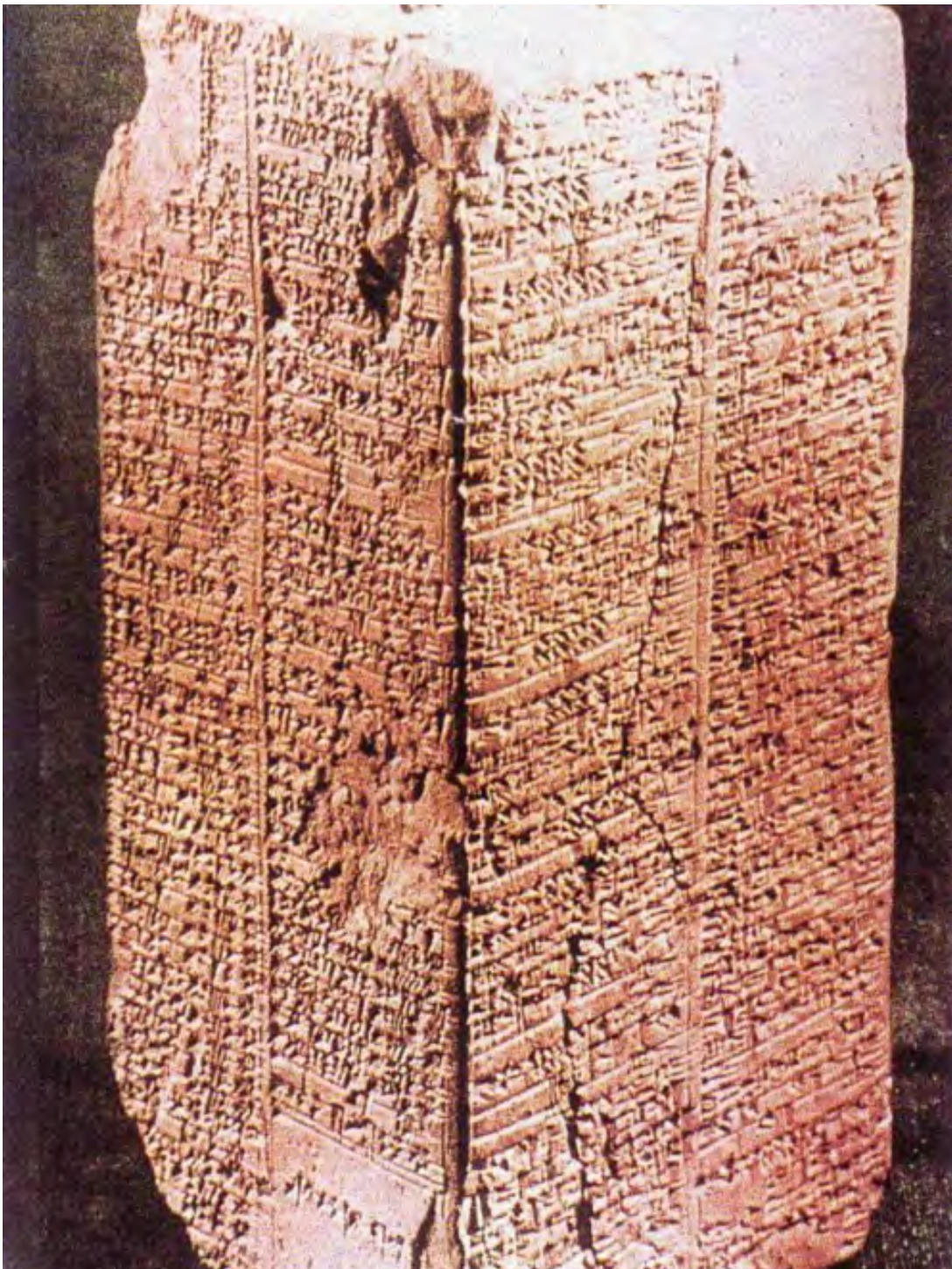


Moses  120 Years



David  70 Years

**The Flood
explains why
life spans
shortened**



Sumerian King List

**Inscribed about 1800
BC (about 600 years
after the Flood)**

**Ten of these kings
before the Flood are
said to have lived
between 21,000 to
43,200 years each
(cf. Gen. 5)**



“When kingship came
down from heaven. . .

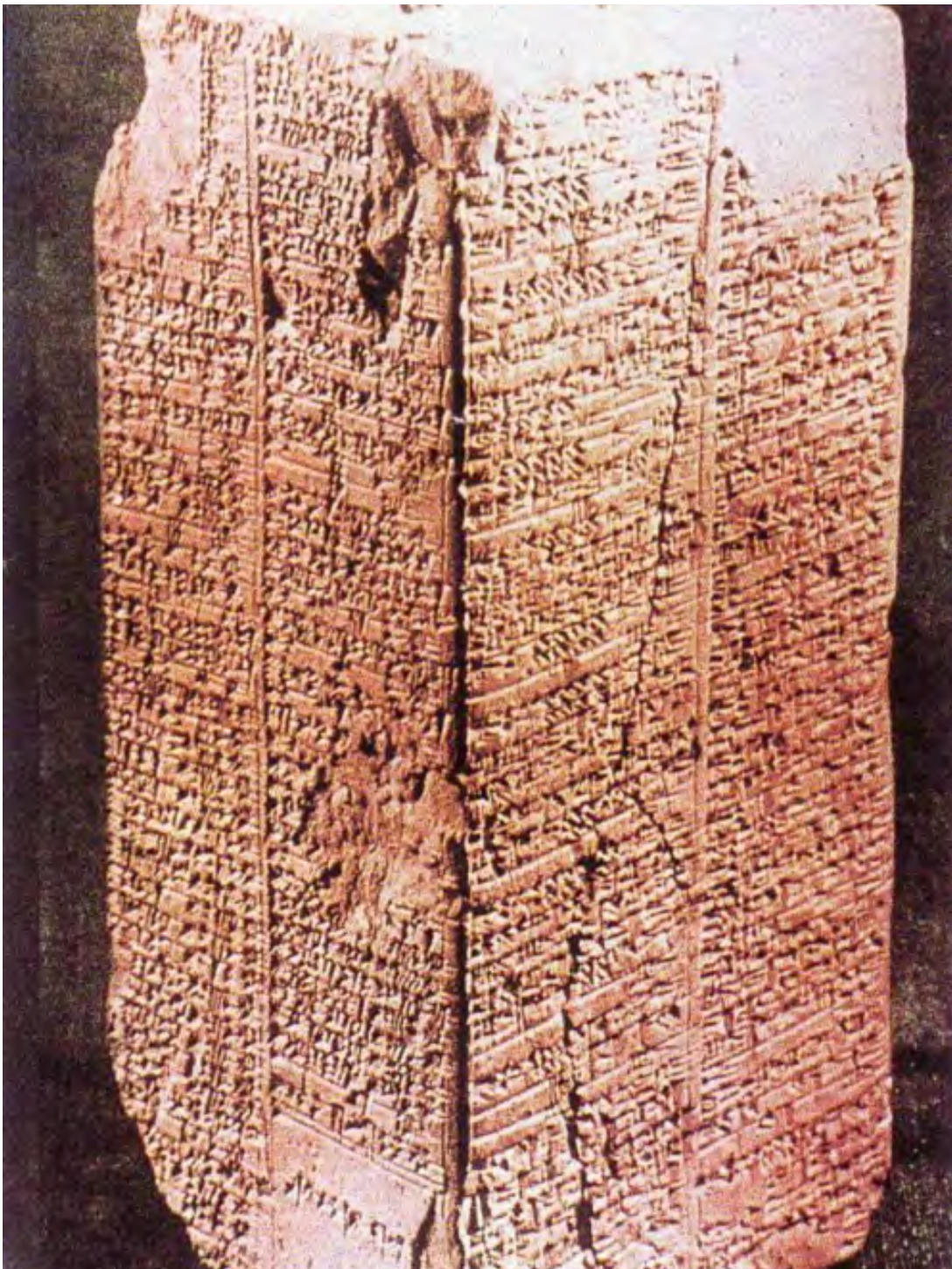
Alulim became king and
reigned for 28,800 years...

Eight kings reigned for
241,000 years. *Then the
flood waters streamed over
the earth.*”

Sumerian King List

King & Years of Reign

Alulim	28,800
Alalgar	36,000
Enmenluanna	43,200
Enmengalanna	28,800
Dumuzi	36,000
Ensipazianna	28,800
Enmeduranna	21,000
Urbatutu	18,600
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Total	241,000



Sumerian King List

**None of us
believe in three
kings who
reigned for 28,800
years, but it does
show a belief in
long lives and a
worldwide flood.**



Kitchen, *Reliability of the OT*

How long did they
really reign?

Sumerian King List

<u>King & Years of Reign</u>	<u>The Math</u>	<u>Kitchen</u>
Alulim 28,800	÷ 600	48
Alalgar 36,000	÷ 600	60
Enmenluanna 43,200	÷ 600	72
Enmengalanna 28,800	÷ 600	48
Dumuzi 36,000	÷ 600	60
Ensipazianna 28,800	÷ 600	48
Enmeduranna 21,000	÷ 600	35
<u>Urbatutu 18,600</u>	<u>÷ 600</u>	<u>31</u>
Total 241,000	Total	402

Genesis 5 Age at Son's Birth

Adam-130

Seth-105

Enosh-90

Kenan-70

Mahalalel-65

Jared-162

Enoch-65

Methuselah-187

Lamech-122

Noah-500

Kitchen on Age at Son's Birth

Adam **130** \div **5** **=** **26**

Seth **105** \div **5** **=** **21**

Enosh **90** \div **5** **=** **18**

Kenan **70** \div **5** **=** **14**

Mahalalel **65** \div **5** **=** **13**

Jared **162** \div **5** **=** **32**

Enoch **65** \div **5** **=** **13**

Methuselah **187** \div **5** **=** **37**

Lamech **122** \div **5** **=** **24**

Noah **500** \div **5** **=** **100**

Kitchen on Age at Death

Adam **930** $\div 5 = 186$

Seth **912** $\div 5 = 182$

Enosh **905** $\div 5 = 181$

Kenan **910** $\div 5 = 182$

Mahalalel **895** $\div 5 = 179$

Jared **962** $\div 5 = 192$

Enoch **365** $\div 5 = 73$

Methuselah **969** $\div 5 = 193$

Lamech **777** $\div 5 = 155$

Noah **950** $\div 5 = 190$

Alternate Kitchen View

Adam	930
Seth	912
Enosh	905
Kenan	910
Mahalalel	895
Jared	962
Enoch	365
Methuselah	969
Lamech	777
Noah	950



**Years Later
When Clan
Died Out**

AFTER EDEN

by Dan Lietha

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I JUST TURNED 969
YEARS OLD AND PEOPLE
KEEP TELLING ME HOW
OLD I AM. I TELL THEM
I'M NOT OLD! THE
EARTH IS OLD! IT'S
ALMOST 700 YEARS
OLDER THAN
I AM!

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Methuselah

Methuselah believed in an "Old Earth."

The Meaning of Each Patriarch's Name in the 10 Generations

Genealogy of Genesis 5

(with their Hebrew meaning.)

אָדָם	Adam	=	“Man” (is)
שֵׁת	Seth	=	“Appointed”
אֵנוֹשׁ	Enosh	=	“Mortal”
קֵינָן	Kenan	=	“Sorrow” (but)
מַהֲלֵאֵל	Mahalael	=	“The Blessed God”
יָרֵד	Jared	=	“Shall Come Down”
חֵנוֹךְ	Enoch	=	“Teaching”
מֵתוּשֶׁלַח	Methuselah	=	“His Death Shall Bring”
לָמֶךְ	Lamech	=	(the) “Despairing”
נֹחַ	Noah	=	“Comfort, Rest”

The Meaning of Each Patriarch's Name in the 10 Generations

GENEALOGY OF GENESIS 5 - ADAM TO NOAH

NAME	HEBREW MEANING
Adam (אָדָם)	- "man"
Seth (שֵׁת)	- "appointed"
Enosh (אֱנוֹשׁ)	- "mortal/frail"
Cainan (קַיִן)	- "sorrow"
Mahalalel (מְהַלְלֵלֵאל)	- "blessed God"
Jared (יָרֵד)	- "shall come down"
Enoch (חֲנוֹךְ)	- "teaching"
Methuselah (מֶתוּשֶׁלַח)	- "his death shall bring"
Lamech (לֶמֶךְ)	- "despairing"
Noah (נֹחַ)	- "comfort/rest"

"[For] man [was] appointed mortal sorrow. [But the] blessed God shall come down teaching, His death shall bring [the] despairing comfort/rest!"

**OK, so what's
the point?**

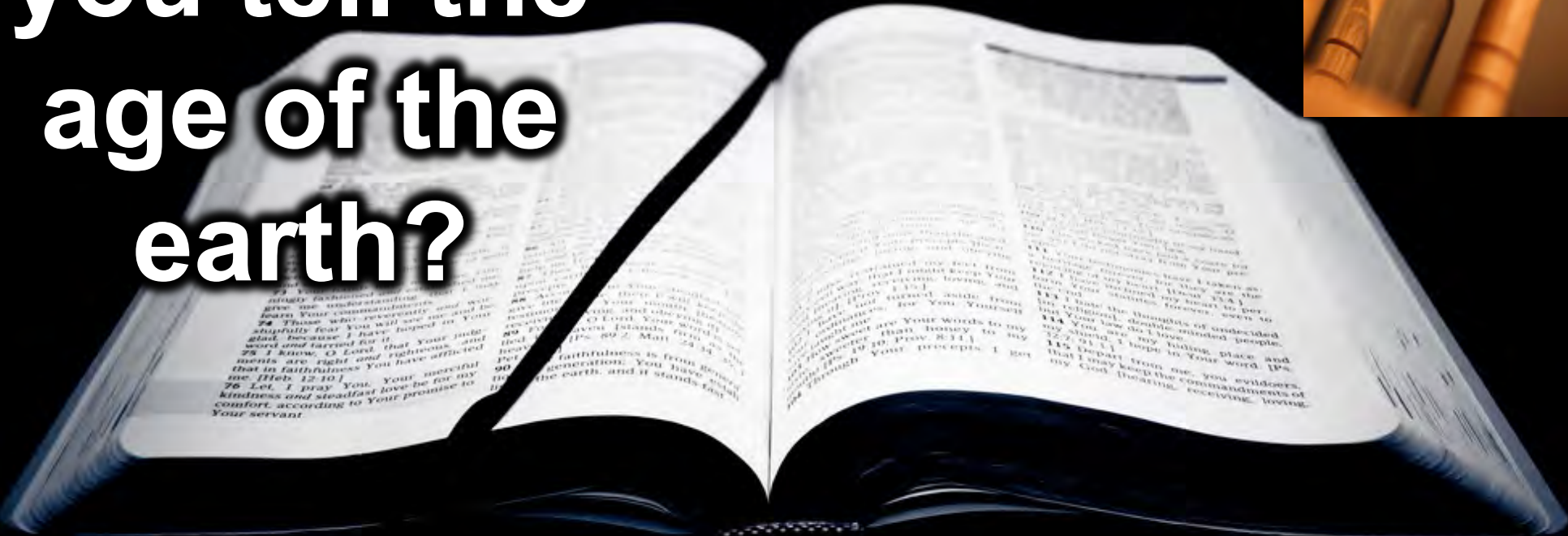


**Will you take
God's Word at
face value—
even when it is
uncomfortable?**





**How can
you tell the
age of the
earth?**



**Trust the Book
written by the
Eyewitness**

Genesis 6

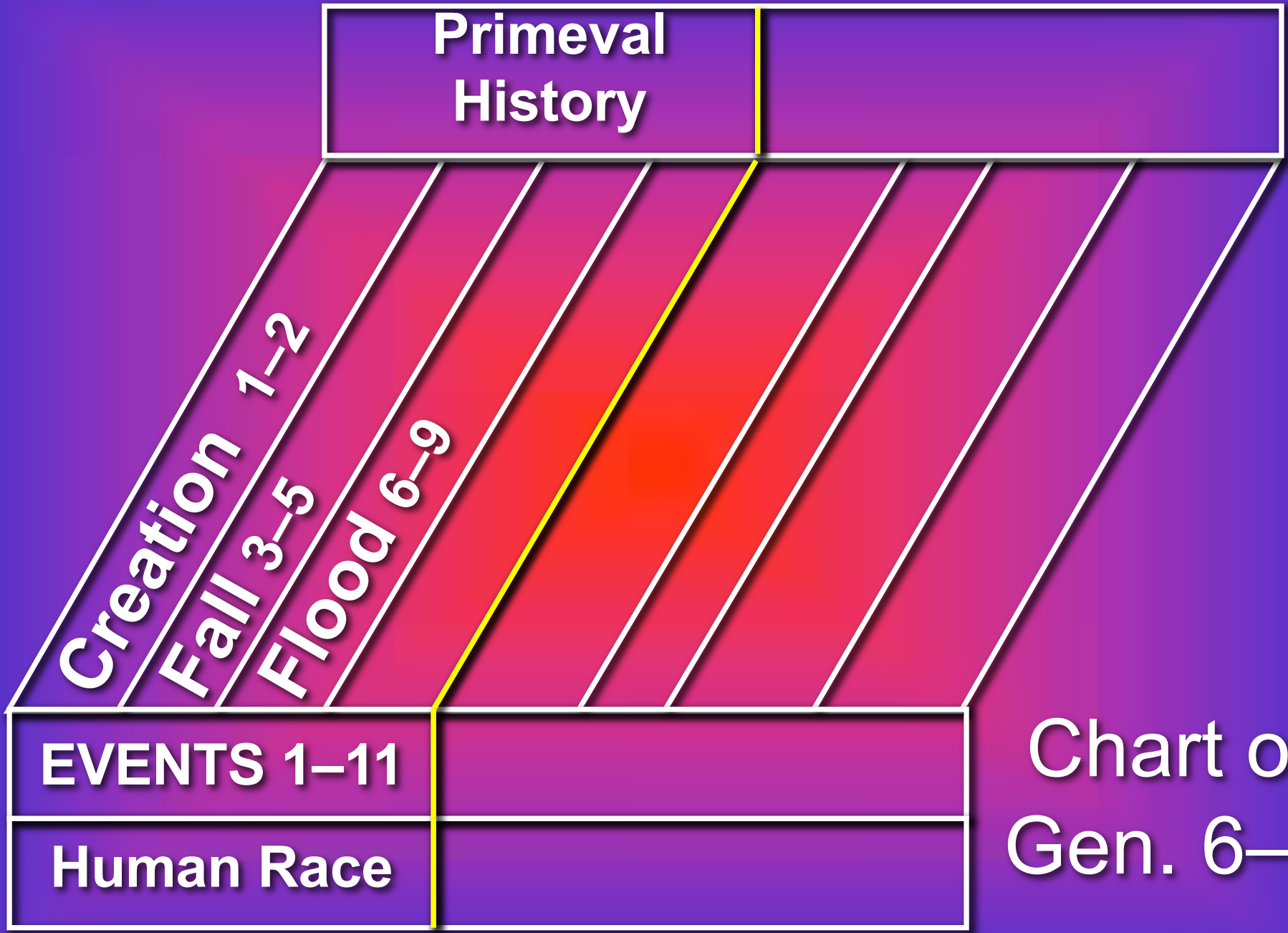


Chart of
Gen. 6-9

Who were the sons of God in Genesis 6:1-4?



The "Sons of God" Immorality & Giants Led to the Flood (Gen. 6:1-4)

Who were these who impregnated women?

- Demons (Angels)?
- Rulers?
- Demon-possessed rulers?
- Sethites?
- Cainites?
- Lesser deities?
- Godly men?



Questions on Genesis 6:1-4

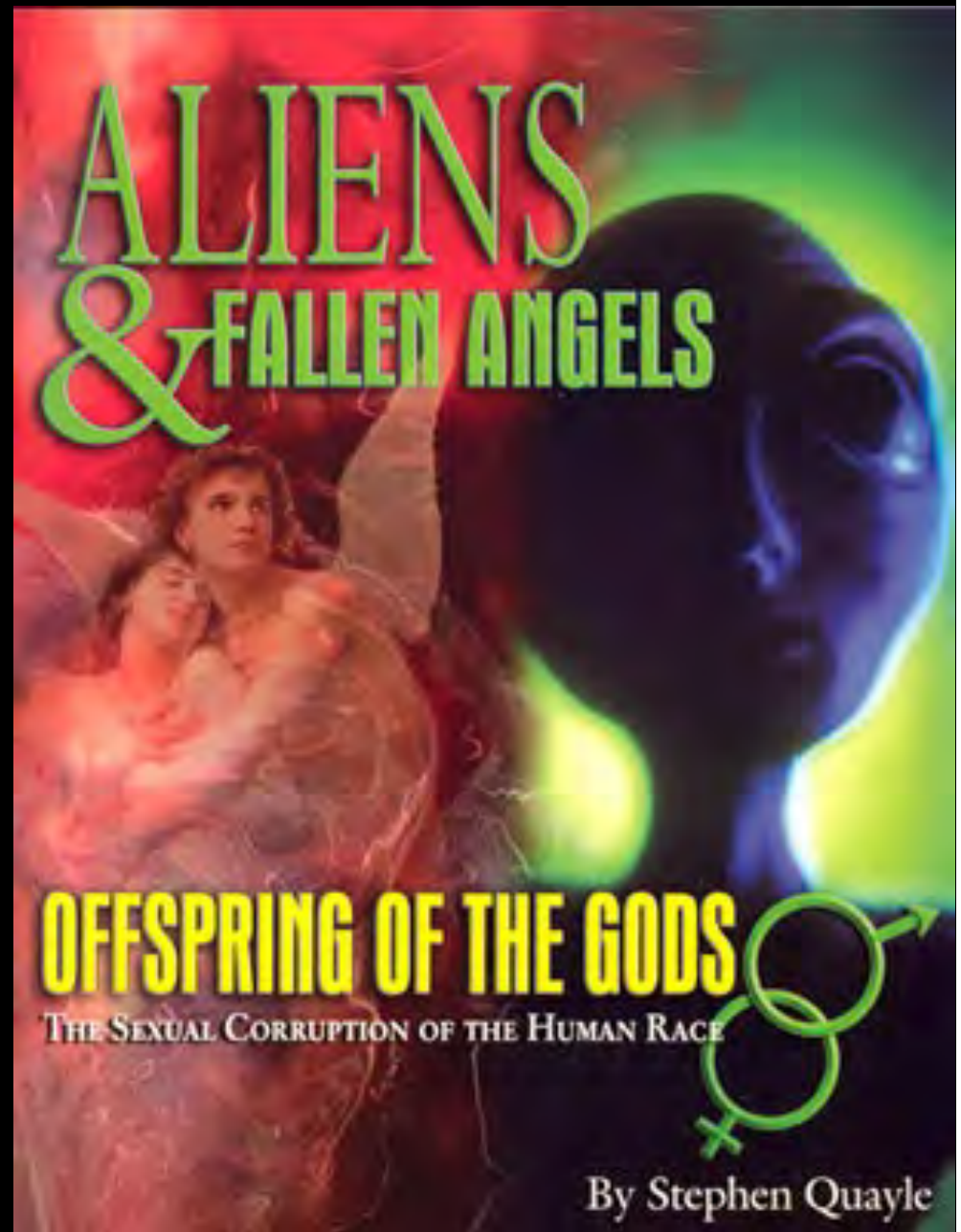
1. Who were "the sons of God" (6:2)?
2. Who were "the daughters of men" (6:2)?
3. Did man's 120-year limit (v. 3) indicate "grace years" until the Flood or individual longevity?
4. Were Nephilim giants born of the "sons of God" and "daughters of men" (v. 4)?
5. Does the Nephilim "on the earth in those days—and also afterward..." show they couldn't have been offspring of the "sons of God"?
6. How could the Nephilim be in Canaan in 1400 BC if they were destroyed in the Flood (Deut. 13:33)?



Were the "Sons of God" Angels?



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Support for the Angel View

- **Phrase refers only to angels elsewhere (Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:7; cf. Ps. 29:1)**
- **Explains God and men contrast & overstepping natural bounds**
- **Oldest view (1 Enoch, etc.)**
- **NT support (2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 6-7)**
- **Explains power of Nephilim offspring**

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NOAH

"This is the film that will introduce most of the country to the Watchers: fallen angels who, according to Aronofsky's version, have been encrusted in stone and, with a little persuading, help Noah construct the ark (for giants with gobs of rock for hands, they are extraordinarily dexterous). The Watchers are a very ancient tradition, going back over two thousand years in Jewish and Christian interpretation. But they don't go as far back as Genesis."

Joel Baden, 'Noah': The Bible vs. the Blockbuster at

<http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2014/03/30/what-noah-gets-right.html> accessed 2 Jan 2015

1 Enoch 6

¹It happened after the sons of men had multiplied in those days, that daughters were born to them, elegant and beautiful.

²And when the angels,* the sons of heaven, beheld them, they became enamoured of them, saying to each other, "Come, let us select for ourselves wives from the progeny of men, and let us beget children."

³Then their leader Samyaza said to them, "I fear that perhaps you will not consent that this deed should be done, and I alone will become



***An Aramaic text reads "Watchers" here (J.T. Milik, Aramaic Fragments of Qumran Cave 4 [Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1976], p. 167).**

1 Enoch 6

(responsible) for this great sin.

⁴But they responded to him, "Let us all swear an oath and bind everyone among us by a curse not to abandon this suggestion but to do the deed." Then they swore all together and bound one another by (the curse).

⁵Their whole number was two hundred, who descended upon Ardis, which is the top of mount Armon.



1 Enoch 6

⁶And they called the mount Armon,* for they swore and bound one another by a curse.



⁷These are the names of their chiefs: Samyaza, who was their leader, Urakabameel, Akibeel, Tamiel, Ramuel, Danel, Azkeel, Saraknyal, Asael, Armers, Batraal, Anane, Zavebe, Samsaveel, Ertael, Turel, Yomyael, Arazyal. ⁸These were the prefects of the two hundred angels, and the remainder were all with them.



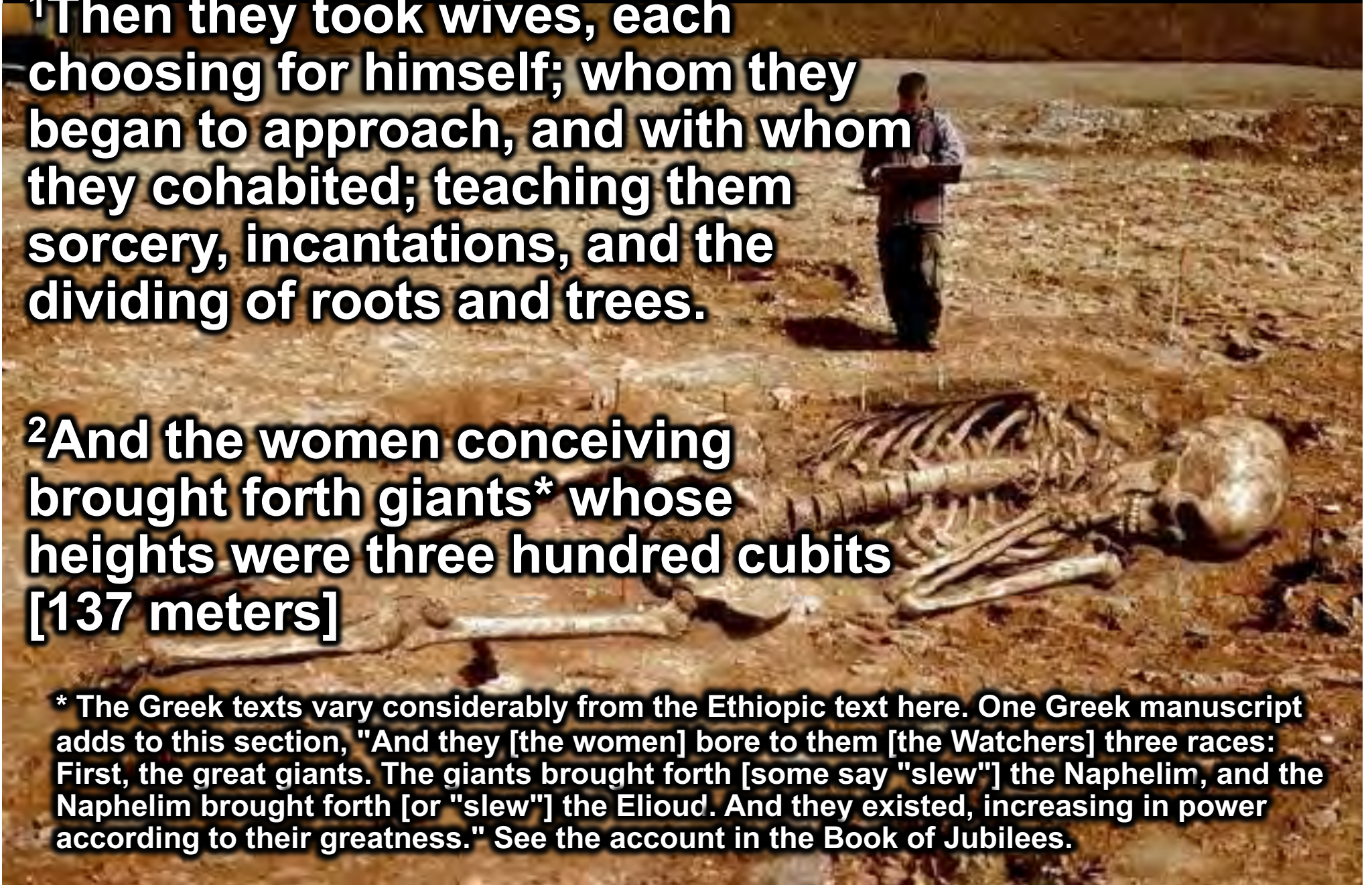
* Mt Armon, or Mt. Hermon, derives its name from the Hebrew word *herem*, a curse (Charles, p. 63).

1 Enoch 7

¹Then they took wives, each choosing for himself; whom they began to approach, and with whom they cohabited; teaching them sorcery, incantations, and the dividing of roots and trees.

²And the women conceiving brought forth giants* whose heights were three hundred cubits [137 meters]

*** The Greek texts vary considerably from the Ethiopic text here. One Greek manuscript adds to this section, "And they [the women] bore to them [the Watchers] three races: First, the great giants. The giants brought forth [some say "slew"] the Naphelim, and the Naphelim brought forth [or "slew"] the Elioud. And they existed, increasing in power according to their greatness." See the account in the Book of Jubilees.**



1 Enoch 7

³These (giants) consumed the produce of all the people until the people detested feeding them.

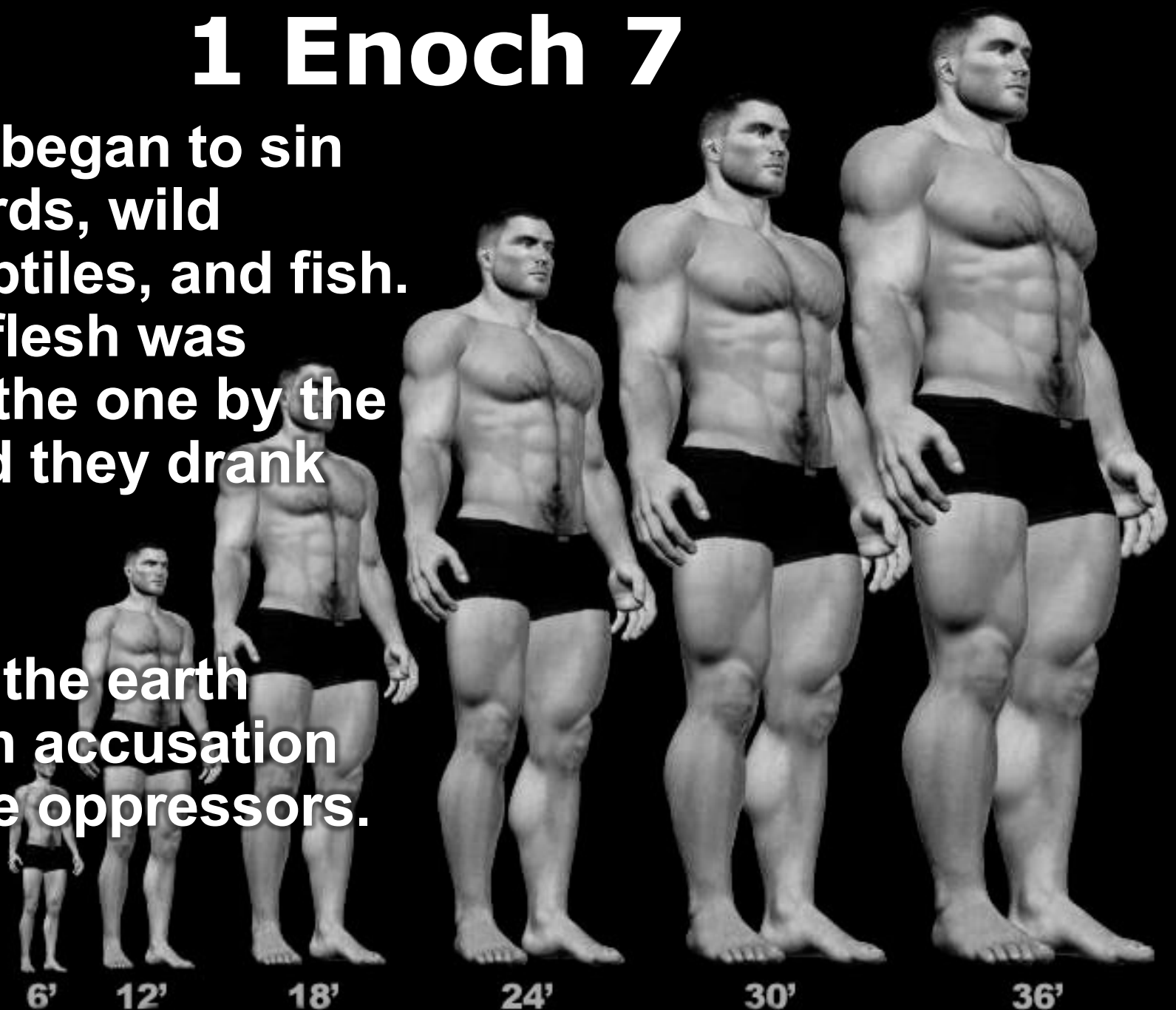
⁴So the giants turned against (the people) in order to eat them.



1 Enoch 7

⁵And they began to sin against birds, wild beasts, reptiles, and fish. And their flesh was devoured the one by the other,* and they drank blood.

⁶And then the earth brought an accusation against the oppressors.



* Or, "one another's flesh." R. H. Charles notes that this phrase may refer to the destruction of one class of giants by another (Charles, p. 65).

Critiquing the Angel View



- "God" can denote human judges (Ps. 82:1, 6-7)
—but not "sons of God"
- "At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven" (Matt. 22:30)
—but does future celibacy imply past celibacy?
- Punishing humans for the sin of angels seems unfair
—but Jude 6 says some angels are bound
- NT support debatable
- Mythological tone
- Angels not in context

Godly Line of Seth View

Key Points

- *Elohim* ("God") does at times refer to men
- Worldly Cainites contrast with Godly Sethites in Gen. 4
- The line of blessing was to be kept pure
- Luther & Calvin supported this view

But...

- This is not the normal usage
- "Daughters of men" is general and without an evil sense
- No evidence shows these lines separate
- Their support is late and irrelevant
- Men in v. 1 must align with men in v. 2

The Dynasty-Ruler View

Support

- *Elohim* ("God") at times denotes judges (Exod. 21:6; 22:8-9, 28; Ps. 82:1, 6-7)
- God-king relationship noted as "father" to "son" (2 Sam. 7:14)

Problems

- True, but judges are not in the context so "sons of God" as angels is better
- True, but Gen. 6 says nothing about kings
- A group of kings is never called "sons of God" in OT or ANE

Demon-Possessed Rulers View

Why I hold this view:

- *Sons of Elohim* ("God") refers only to angels elsewhere (Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:7; cf. Ps. 29:1)
- However, angels cannot marry (Matt. 22:30)
- So it is more likely that these fallen angels (demons) possessed men who became huge.
- Their large size enabled them to be powerful rulers called the Nephilim.
- The proverbial term "Nephilim" later aptly described giants in Canaan (Num. 13:33).
- God keeps these demons in chains now to await their final judgment (2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 6-7).

R.W. Schambach

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**God Despises
Human Pride**

IMPARTING POWER
LIVING TRUTH

Atrahasis Epic

- Anu, the high god
- Man too noisy for gods
- Atrahasis built boat
- Pitch used
- Animals caught
- Rained 7 days
- Regretted Flood

(Arnold/Beyer, 21-31)

Genesis

- Yahweh, the only God
- Man too sinful
- Noah built boat
- Pitch used
- God brought animals
- Rained 40 days
- Rainbow promise

(Genesis 6–9)

Little Deities View Has Pagan Notions

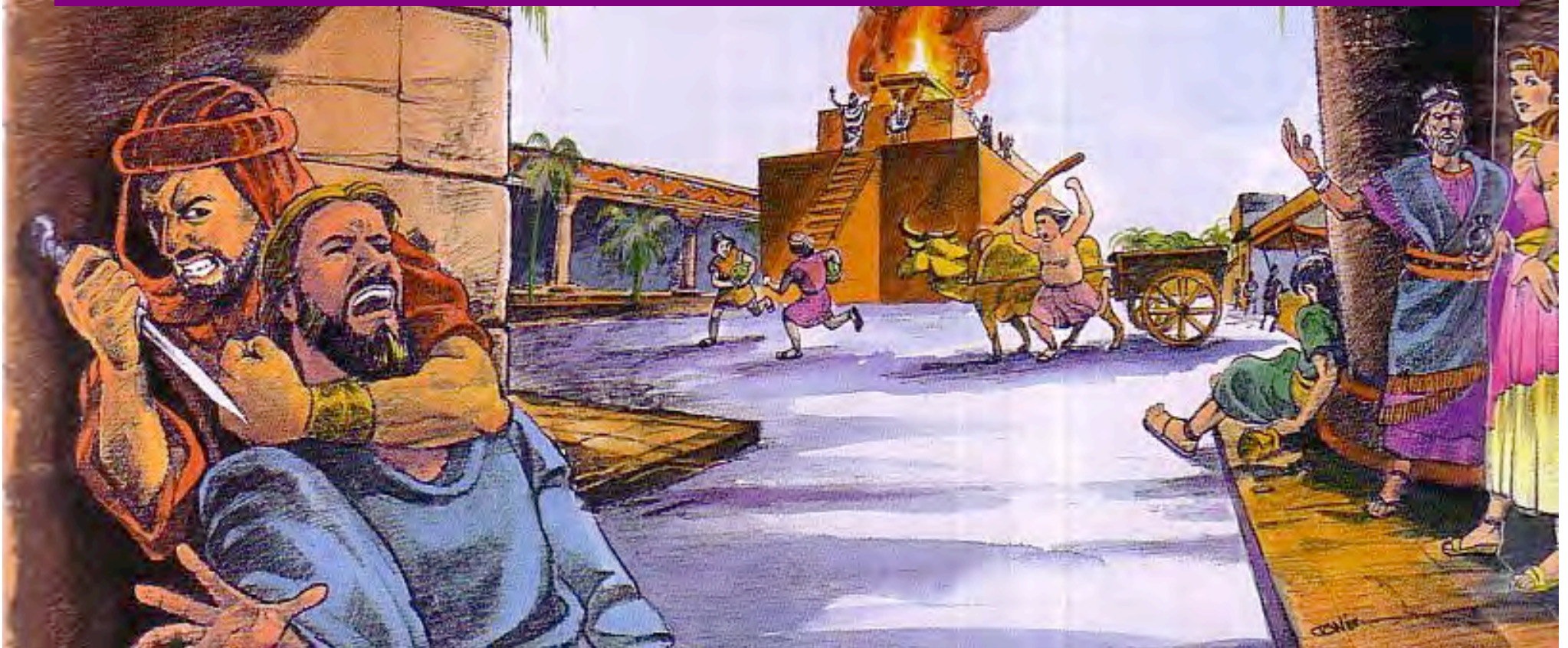
Noah's Character

"And the LORD said, 'I will wipe this human race I have created from the face of the earth. Yes, and I will destroy every living thing—all the people, the large animals, the small animals that scurry along the ground, and even the birds of the sky. I am sorry I ever made them. ⁸But Noah found favor with the LORD'" (6:7-8 NLT).

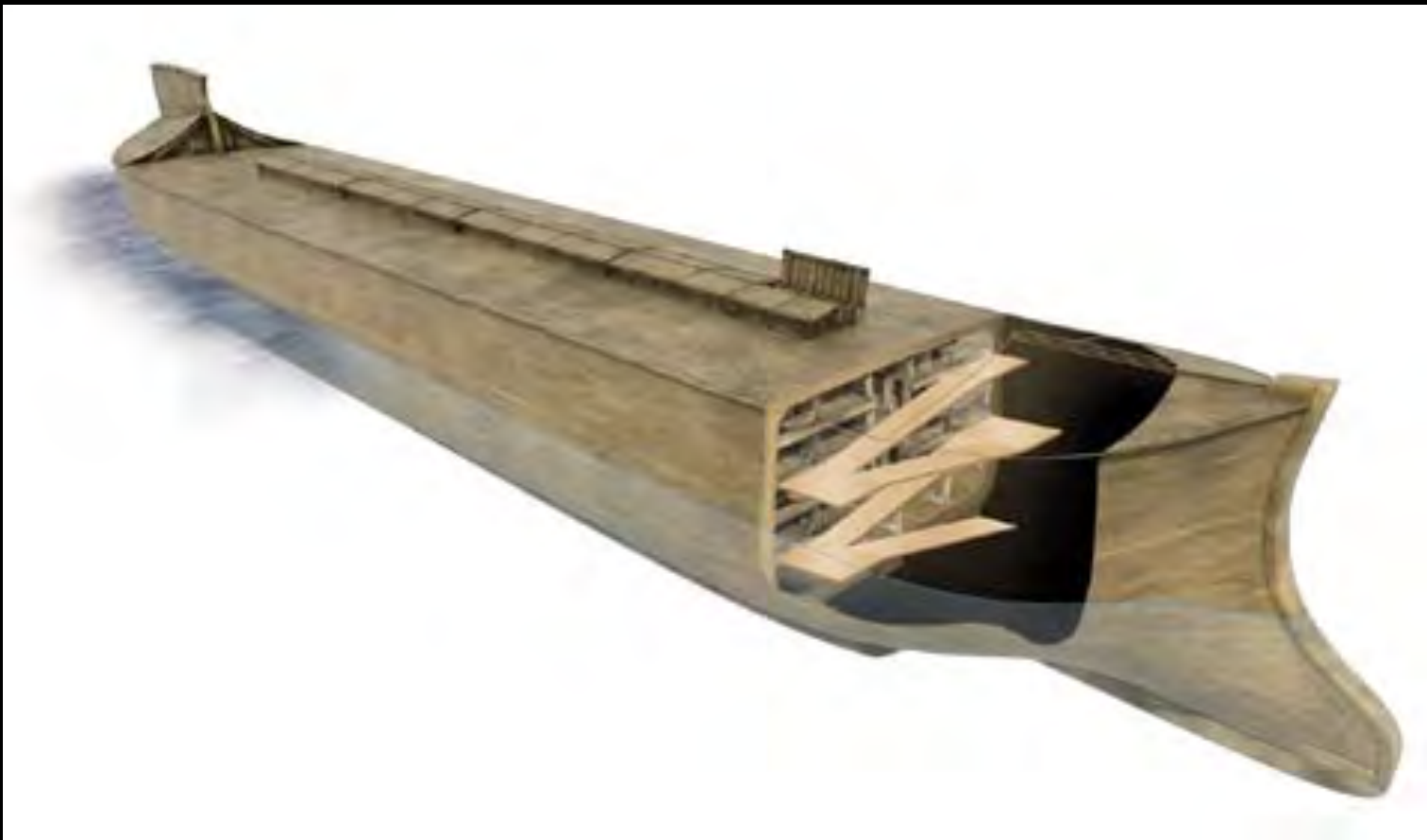


Need for a new start...

God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. ¹³So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth" (Gen. 6:12-13).

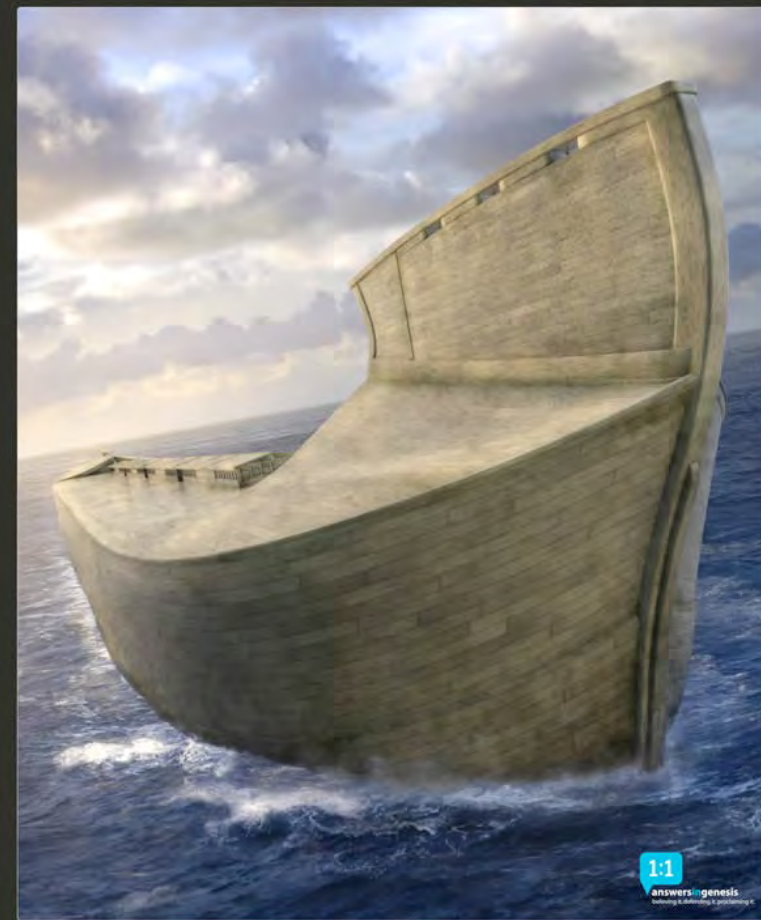






"It was **by faith** that Noah built a large boat to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God, who warned him about things that had never happened before. By his **faith** Noah condemned the rest of the world, and he received the righteousness that comes **by faith**" (Heb. 11:5 NLT)

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)



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NOAH'S ARK

And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth. Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch (Genesis 6:13-14).







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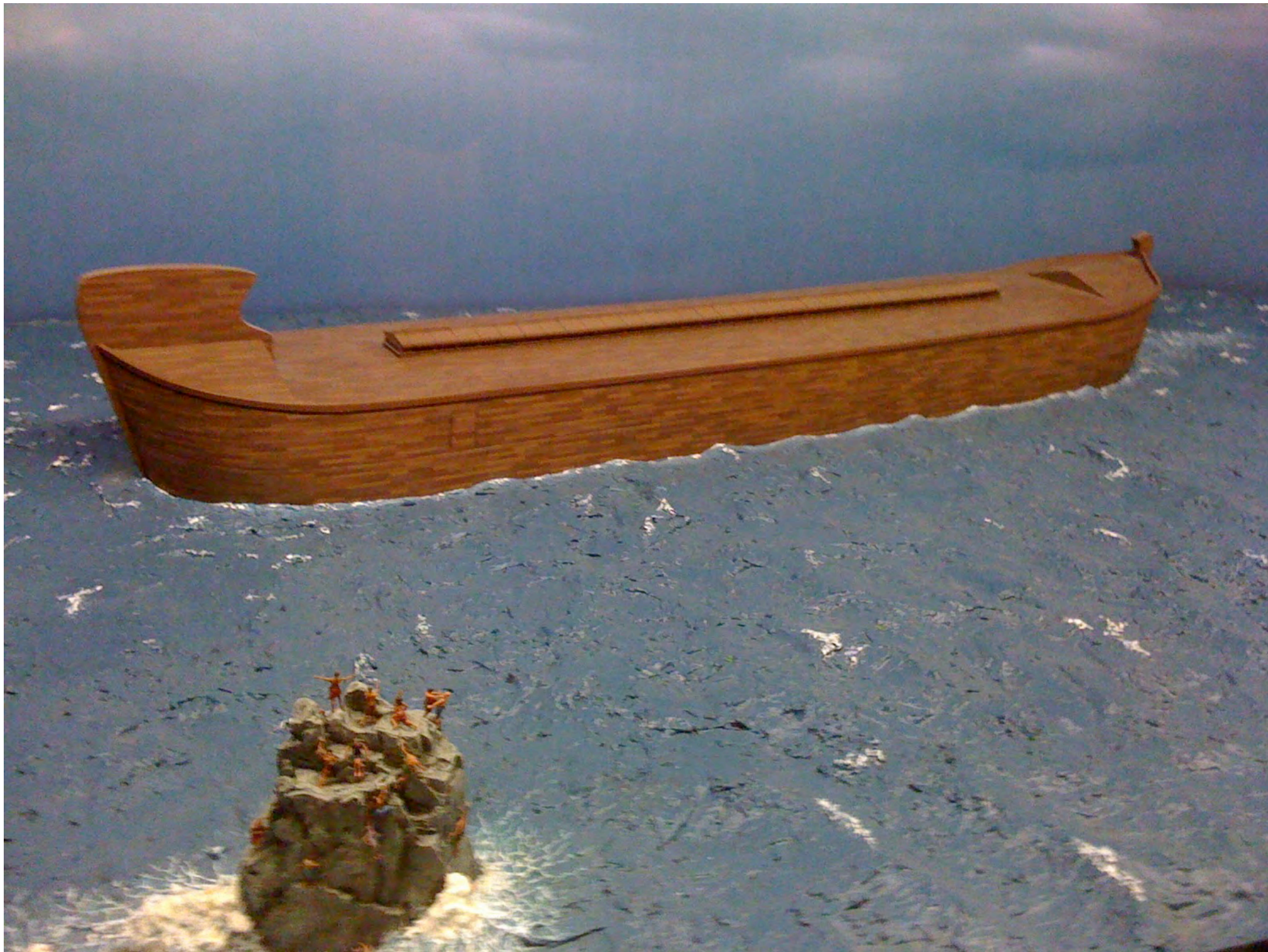
Length Measurement

Noah's Ark Size

- The ark was 300 cubits long (450 feet), 50 cubits wide (75 feet) and 30 cubits tall (45 feet) Gen 6:15







Flood Chronology

Day
0



God Shuts the Door

Noah and his family sealed within the ark (Gen 7:16).

Day
7



Flood Begins

Waters trapped deep in the ground break open on the land in 40 days of hard rain with volcanic eruptions, erosion, earthquakes, and more (Gen 7:12, 17). Waters cover the whole earth (Gen 7:18-20). All land creatures die (Gen 7:21-22).

Day
47



Day 47 of Flood—Intense Rainfall Ends

For 110 more days, the waters cover the earth (Gen 7:24), as the rain and eruptions continue. Many layers of mud laid down, full of dead things. They have now turned into rocks and fossils.

Finally, the water begins to go down.

Day
157



Ark Lands on New Ararat Mountains (Gen 8:4)

For 74 days, Noah and his family wait while the water continues to go down. A great wind (Gen 8:1) helps to drive the water off the land. The mountains continue to rise and valleys form. The flood waters continue to collect in the new oceans.

7
Days

40
Days

110
Days

74
Days

Flood Chronology

Day
231



Other Mountains Appear

For 40 more days, all in the ark wait while plants begin to grow (Gen 8:7).

40
Days

Day
271



Noah Sends Out a Raven (Gen 8:7)

After each of four 7-day periods, Noah sends out a dove (Gen 8:8, 10, 12). The water level keeps dropping.

28
Days

Day
299



Last Dove Sent Does Not Come Back

Noah waits 22 more days while the earth continues to dry.

22
Days

Day
321



Most of the Water is Off the Land (Gen 8:14).

For 57 more days, the land dries until it is dry enough for animal life (Gen 8:14).

57
Days

Day
378



Leaving the Ark

Noah, his family and the animals leave the ark to make homes on the changed land.



Noah Builds Altar (Gen 8:20)

Rainbow (Gen 9:14)

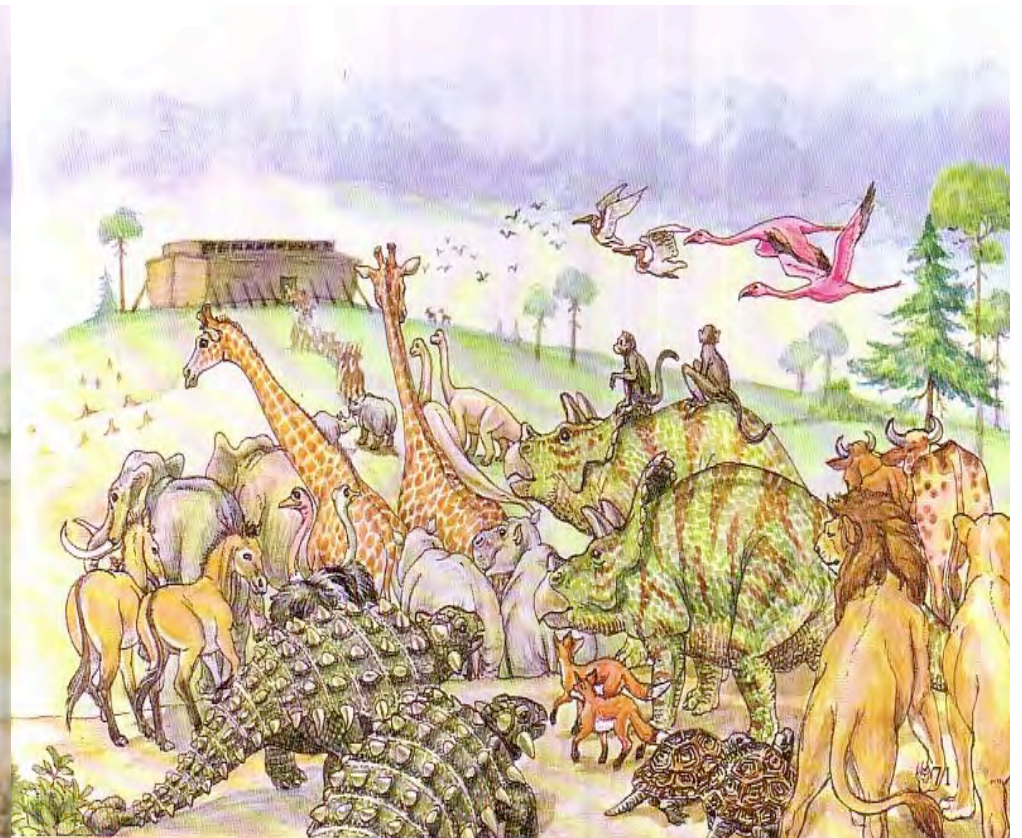
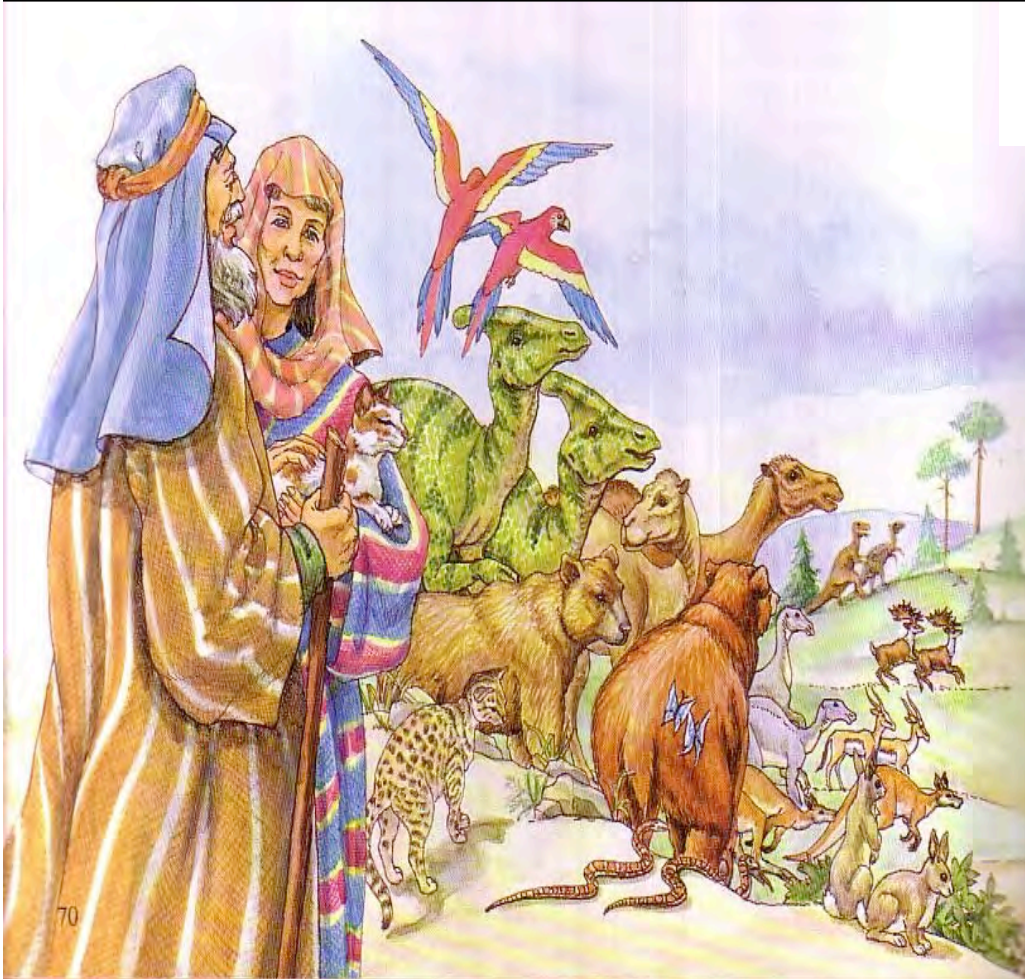
Flood Chiasm

- 7 days of waiting for flood (7:4)
- 7 days of waiting for flood (7:10)
- 40 days of flood (7:17a)
- 150 days of water triumphing (7:24)
- **God remembered Noah (8:1)**
- 150 days of water waning (8:3)
- 40 days of waiting (8:6)
- 7 days of waiting (8:10)
- 7 days of waiting (8:12)

– Gordon Wenham, *Genesis 1–15*, Word Biblical Commentary (Dallas: Word Books, 1994)

Genesis 6:19 NIV

"You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you."



The ark even had woodpeckers



"two animals of every kind..."

Genesis 7



**Does it really matter if there
really was a universal Flood?**

Genesis 7–8

Dr. Hugh Ross: A Mid-East Flood Advocate

<http://www.reasons.org/exploring-extent-flood-what-bible-says-part-two>



"The Genesis Flood may well have extended beyond Mesopotamia. Most of the place names recorded in Genesis 2–8 are associated with locations within Mesopotamia, but some are not. The notable exceptions are the Pishon and Gihon rivers, which flowed from the southern part of the Arabian Peninsula. It seems possible that the Genesis Flood inundated not only **all of Mesopotamia but also the **entire Persian Gulf region** and much of **southern Arabia** as well."**

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Why does Ross advocate a limited flood?

1. Presupposition of old earth
2. Meaning of "world" in other OT passages

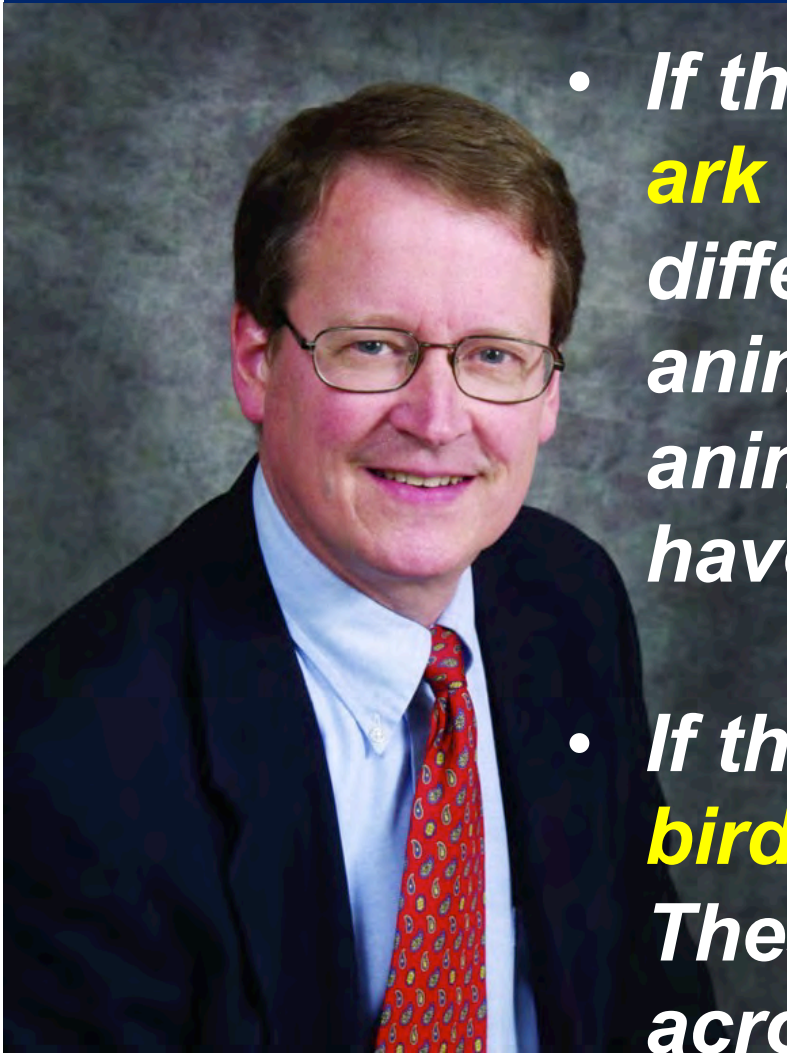
But why not a local flood?

- *If the Flood was local, **why did Noah have to build an ark?** He could have walked to the other side of the mountains and missed it.*
- *If the Flood was local, **why did God send the animals to the ark** so they could escape death? There would have been other animals to reproduce that kind if these particular ones had died.*



Ken Ham & Terry Mortenson, "What's Wrong with Progressive Creationism?"
in *The New Answers Book 2* [<http://www.answersingenesis.org/articles/nab2/whats-wrong-with-progressive-creation>]

But why not a local flood?



- *If the Flood was local, **why was the ark big** enough to hold all the different kinds of vertebrate land animals? If only Mesopotamian animals were aboard, the ark could have been much smaller.*
- *If the Flood was local, why would **birds** have been sent on board? These could simply have winged across to a nearby mountain range.*

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But why not a local flood?

- *If the Flood was local, how could the waters rise to 15 cubits (8 meters) above the mountains (Genesis 7:20)? Water seeks its own level. It couldn't rise to cover the local mountains while leaving the rest of the world untouched.*



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How high was the water?

**"The waters rose and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water.
¹⁹ They rose greatly on the earth, and all the high mountains under the entire heavens were covered.
²⁰ The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than twenty feet" (Gen. 7:18-20).**

But why not a local flood?

- *If the Flood was local, **people who did not happen to be living in the vicinity would not be affected by it.** They would have escaped God's judgment on sin. If this had happened, what did Christ mean when He likened the coming judgment of all men to the judgment of "all" men in the days of Noah (Matthew 24:37–39)? A partial judgment in Noah's day means a partial judgment to come.*

CREATIONWISE

LOOK AT THAT BEAUTIFUL RAINBOW! IT'S A PROMISE FROM GOD THAT HE'LL NEVER* AGAIN FLOOD THE ENTIRE EARTH AS HE DID IN NOAH'S DAY!

MY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE PROFESSOR SAID THAT NOAH'S FLOOD DIDN'T COVER THE ENTIRE EARTH.

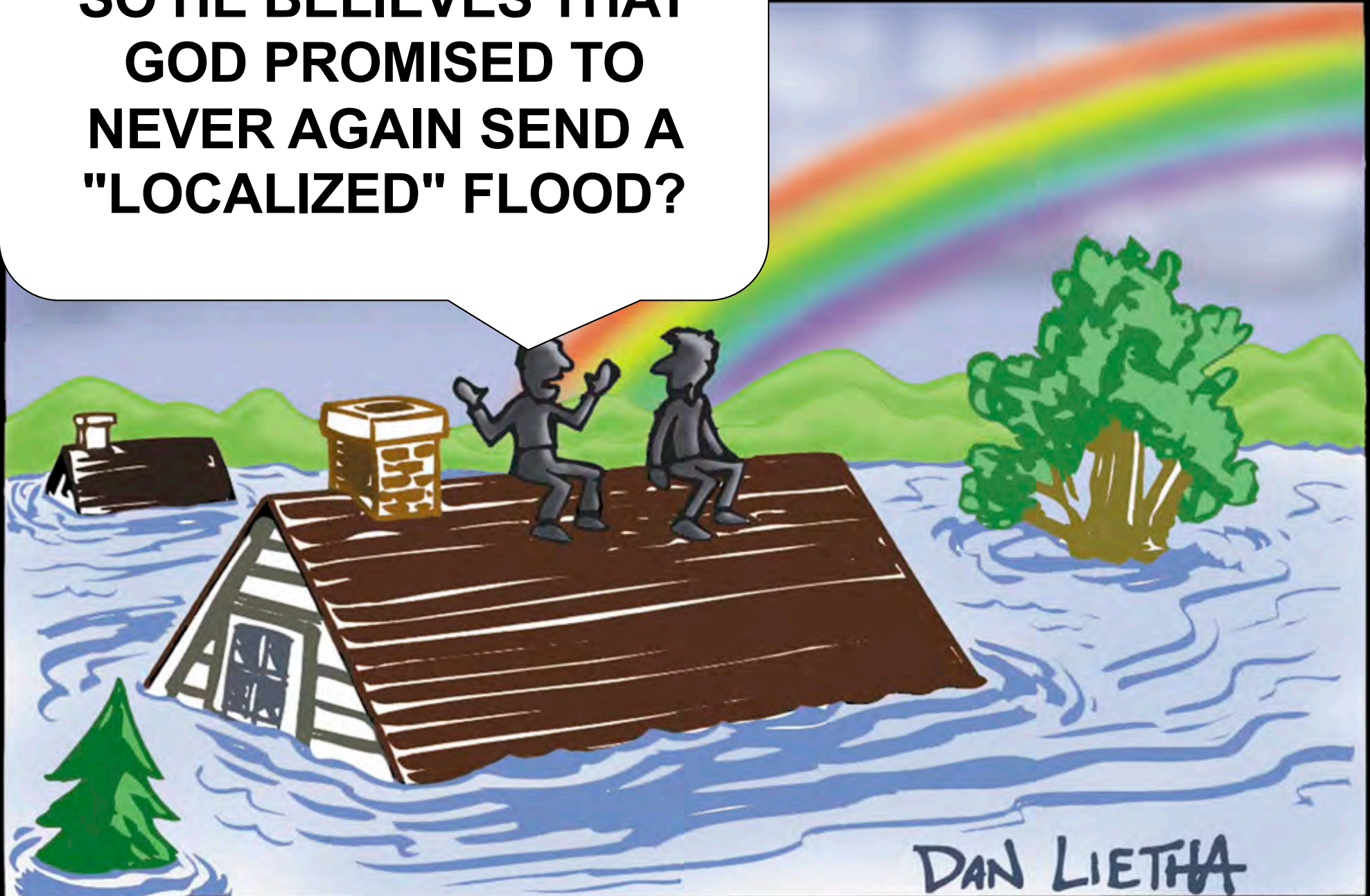
* GENESIS 9:8-17

HE TOLD YOU IT WAS JUST A "LOCALIZED" FLOOD?

THAT'S WHAT HE SAID!



**SO HE BELIEVES THAT
GOD PROMISED TO
NEVER AGAIN SEND A
"LOCALIZED" FLOOD?**



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- *If Noah's Flood was local, **God HAS repeatedly broken His promise** never to send such a flood again!*

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A local flood?

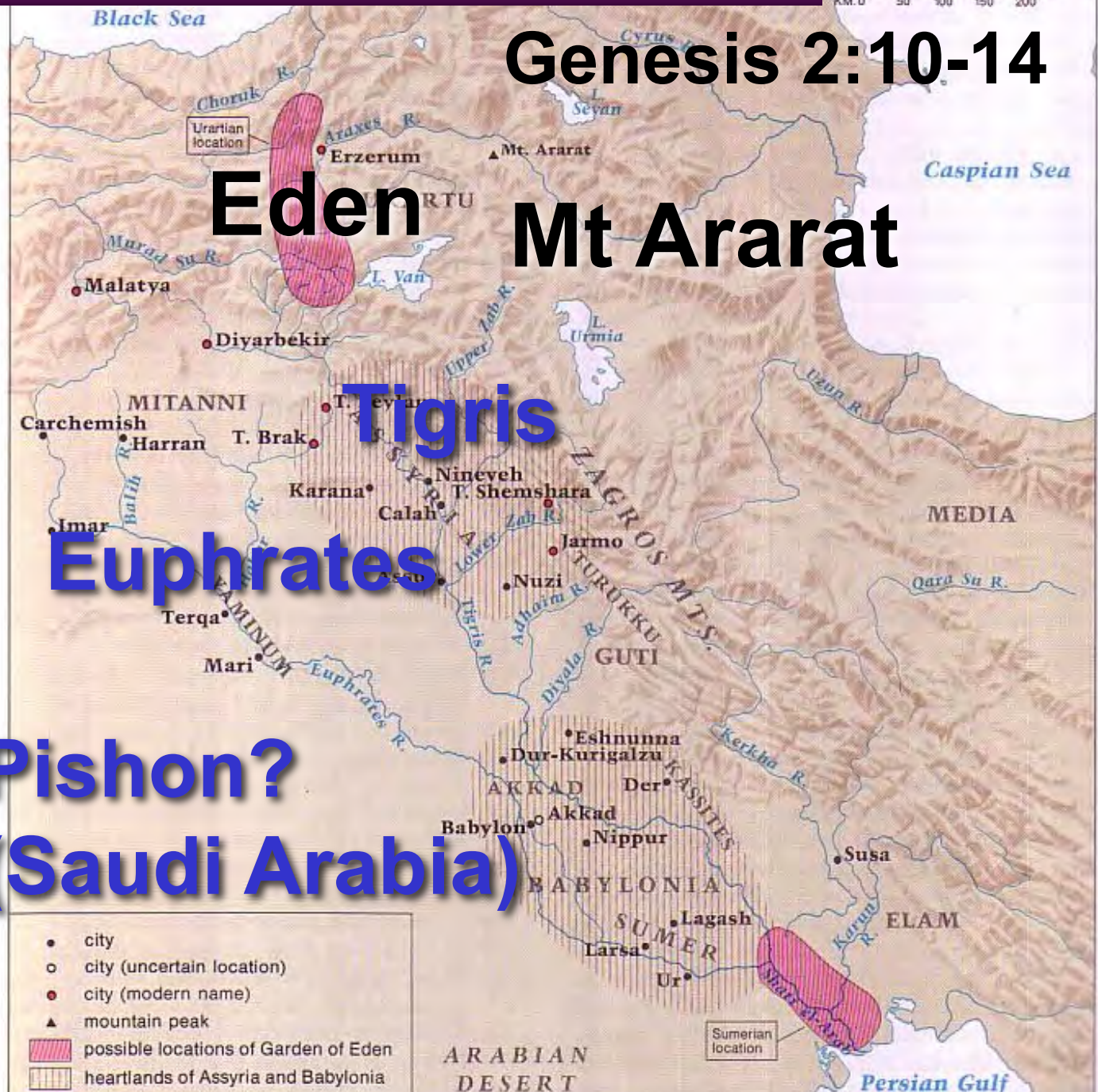


Two Suggested Locations of Eden

Barry Beitzel, *Moody Atlas of Bible Lands*, 75

Genesis 2:10-14

Eden Mt Ararat

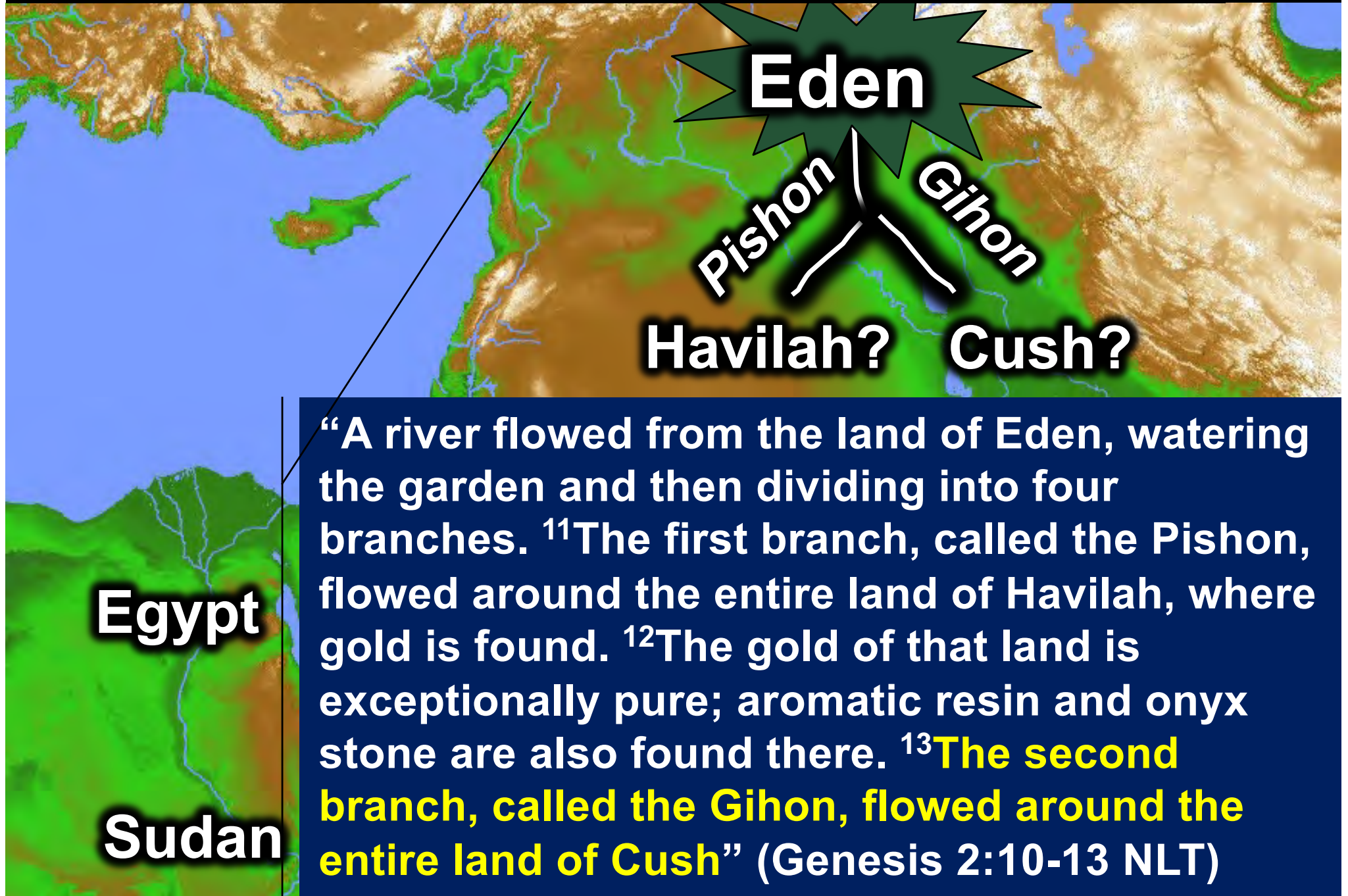


Gihon?
(Ethiopia)

Pishon?
(Saudi Arabia)

Mesopotamian Cush First Noted in Genesis 2

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Correct Location of Cush



This is not the Cush of Genesis but a later settlement between Egypt and Sudan as part of Nubia stretching from Aswan, Egypt to Khartoum, Sudan

Rodinia—The World That Perished

The transformation of Adam's world into today's world

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SCIENTIFIC FACT:

The movement of the continental plates to their present positions did not take millions of years of slow plate shifting.

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In Genesis 6–8 we read of a catastrophe that impacted the earth in a way unlike any other disaster since that time. Such a catastrophe would impact not only the earth's atmosphere and inhabitants but also its very foundations. The earth's landmass during Adam's day was extremely different from the seven continents of our modern world. But what caused it to change so drastically? Catastrophic plate tectonics (CPT) is one possible contributing factor.



THE WORLD THAT PERISHED

The transformation of Adam's world into today's world



Rodinia

Most secular and biblical geologists believe that all the land has been together more than once. One of these supercontinents is called "Rodinia" (from the Russian word for "motherland"). Although scientists continue to debate its exact shape, when God spoke the dry land into existence on Day 3 of Creation Week (Genesis 1:9–10), He may have created a landmass similar to Rodinia.



Breakup



Pangaea



Transitional Period



Flood Period

The worldwide Flood covered the entire globe—over the highest mountains of that day by more than 15 cubits (up to 26 ft [8m]) (Genesis 7:20).



Today's World

Today, we are left with evidence that the continents moved apart in the past. For example, the coastlines of South America and Africa fit together, like pieces of a puzzle.

Catastrophic plate movement also explains the fascinating magnetic pattern found in ocean floor rocks. These rocks record a "zebra stripe" pattern of magnetic pole reversals, switching back and forth between north and south (see below).

Break-Up

The Flood began with a breakup of the "fountains of the great deep" and an opening of the "windows of heaven" (Genesis 7:11; see below). This may have been the result of the breakup of the original supercontinent into huge plates of the earth's crust. These plates split, moved, and collided throughout the duration of the Flood.

Pangaea

There is evidence that suggests that, after the breakup, the land again smashed together, forming another supercontinent called Pangaea. This temporary supercontinent formed and broke up entirely during the Flood.

Transitional Period

Still during the flood, Pangaea broke apart, first into Laurasia and Gondwana and finally into the continents we have today. At the end of this period the Indian subcontinent slammed into the Eurasian plate, forming the Himalayan mountains.

"Fountains" and "Windows"

When Noah, his family, and their cargo of animals were safely aboard the Ark, the Flood began.

Thousands of miles of the earth's crust (surface rock plates) split apart along lines traversing the globe. The mantle (hot rock beneath) rose to fill the voids between the splitting plates. When this 2,000°F (1,093°C) rock contacted the cool sea-

water above it, the seawater flashed into steam. This formed a line of steam jets along the boundaries of the plates (possibly the "fountains of the great deep").

The immense and incredibly powerful steam jets shot tens of thousands of feet into earth's atmosphere. Significant amounts of seawater were also lifted into the atmosphere. For several weeks, this

fell to the earth as intense global rain (possibly the "windows of heaven").

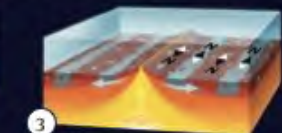
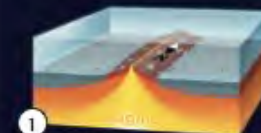
The rising of the mantle through earth's crust also resulted in a temporary rise in the global sea level, causing the oceans to flood the continents.

These simultaneous activities resulted in the dramatic shifting of the earth's crust to produce today's seven continents.

Magnetic Reversals

Within the catastrophic plate tectonics model, heat was rapidly lost from earth's outer core. This cooling resulted in the earth's magnetic field quickly reversing during the Flood. These magnetic reversals were expressed at the earth's

surface as short periods of normal magnetization alternating with short periods of reversed magnetization. Illustrations 1–3 show how the reversals were expressed as a "zebra stripe" pattern on either side of the mid-ocean ridge.



Genesis 8

270 Flood Legends



Babylonia



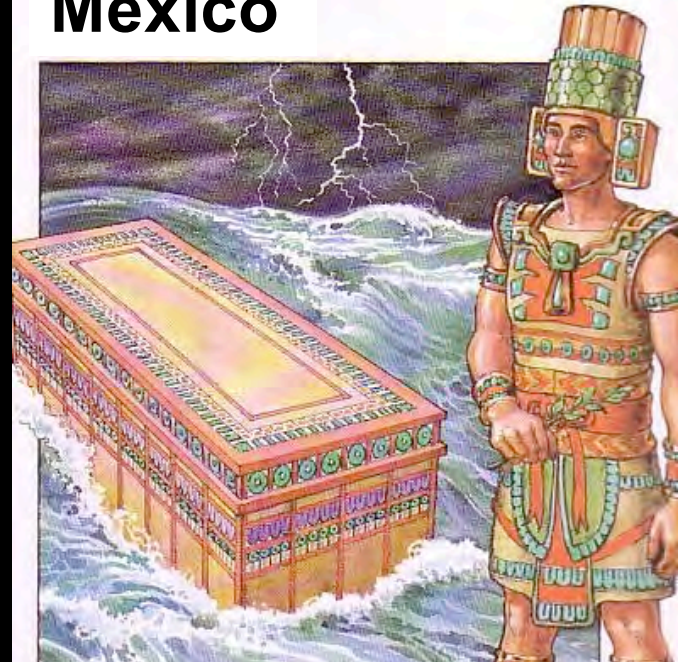
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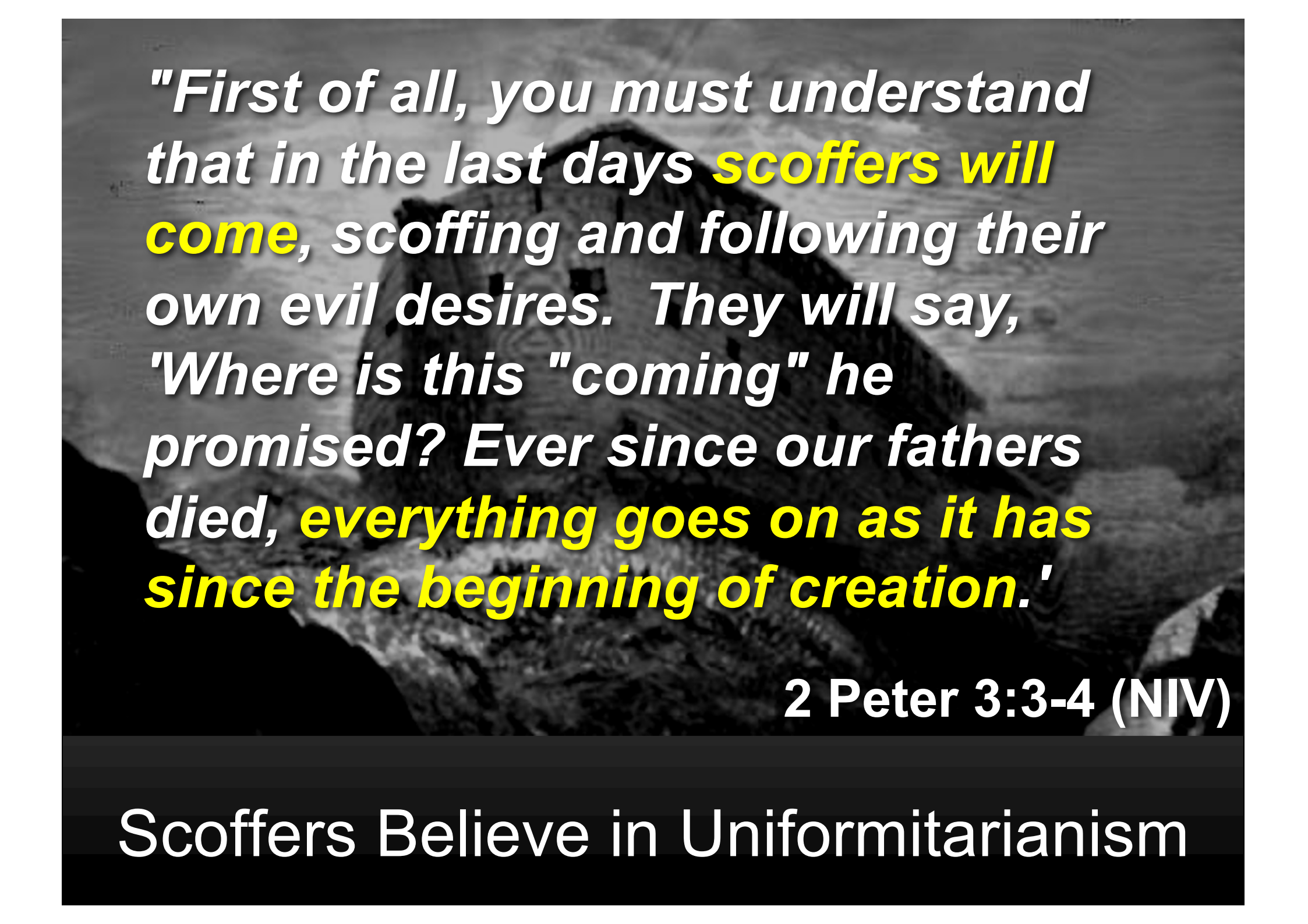
China

Mexico



Common Elements:

- universal flood
- boat saved
- family passengers



*"First of all, you must understand that in the last days **scoffers will come**, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, 'Where is this "coming" he promised? Ever since our fathers died, **everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.**'"*

2 Peter 3:3-4 (NIV)

Scoffers Believe in Uniformitarianism

*"But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and **the earth was formed out of water** and by water. By these waters also **the world of that time was deluged** and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men."*

2 Peter 3:5-7 (NIV)

Scoffers Doubt the Flood

Noah's Ark

and the
Ararat Adventure

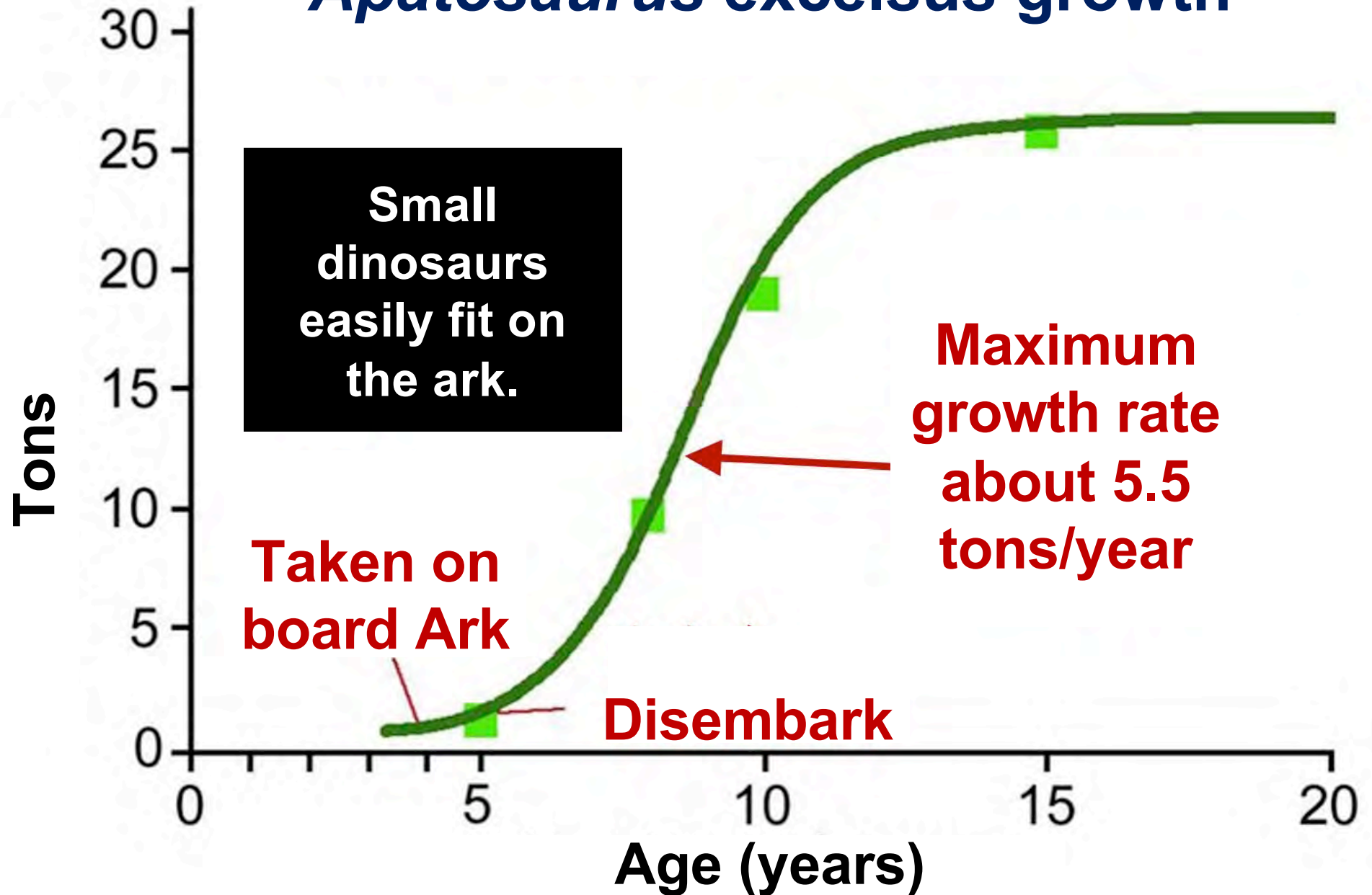


**Why Not
Dinosaurs on
Noah's Ark?**

Adam and Eve lived with dinosaurs centuries earlier, so why would we think that dinosaurs died out by the Flood?



Apatosaurus excelsus growth



After Erickson *et al.*, Dinosaurian growth patterns and rapid avian growth rates, *Nature* **412**(6845):429-433, Figure 2.

Dinosaurs Lived Recently

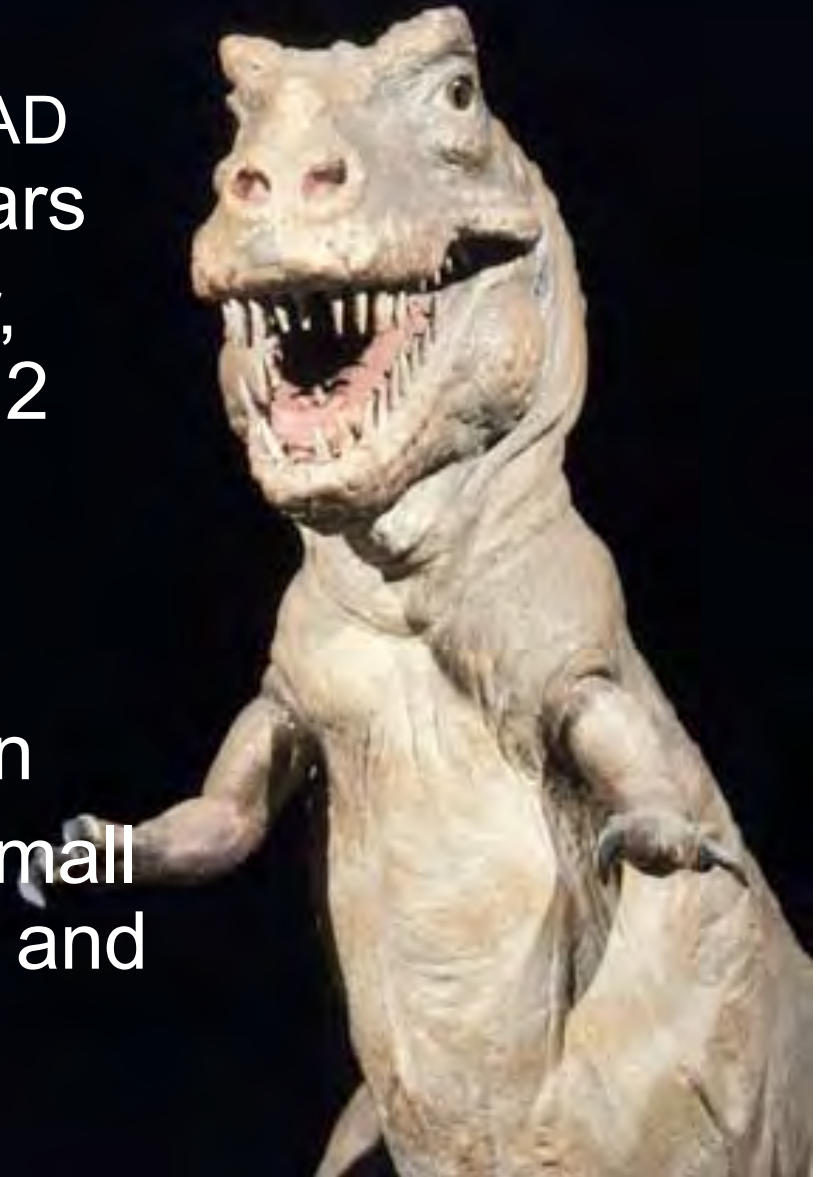


- Behemoth--giant vegetarian (Job 40:15-24)
- Leviathan--ferocious meat eater (Job 41)
- British King Morvidus was killed by a monster by being "gulped down... as a big fish swallows a little one" (336 BC)
- A monster was killed in 1693 in Bedd-yr-Afanc, England
- Monsters have been reported in nearly 200 places in England alone



Beowulf & the Creatures of Denmark

- Danish poem extols Beowulf (AD 495-583)—later king for 50 years
- The monster Grendel ("grinder, destroyer") preyed on Danes 12 years (AD 503-515)
- This hero cleared monstrous animals from the sea lanes between Denmark and Sweden
- He then pulled out Grendel's small arm, who retreated to his cave and bled to death



Japanese Fisherman's Dead Monster

(*The Times* 21 July 1977)

- Two tons & ten meters long
- Caught at 330 meters deep ocean near Christchurch
- Plesiosaurus: huge, small-headed reptiles with long neck and four fins
- Photographed and sketched by marine biologist Michihiko Yano
- Captain threw it back into sea for fear of contaminating his fish.
- Soon after BBC reported it to be a shark (30 July 1977)!



Is *This* a Shark?!

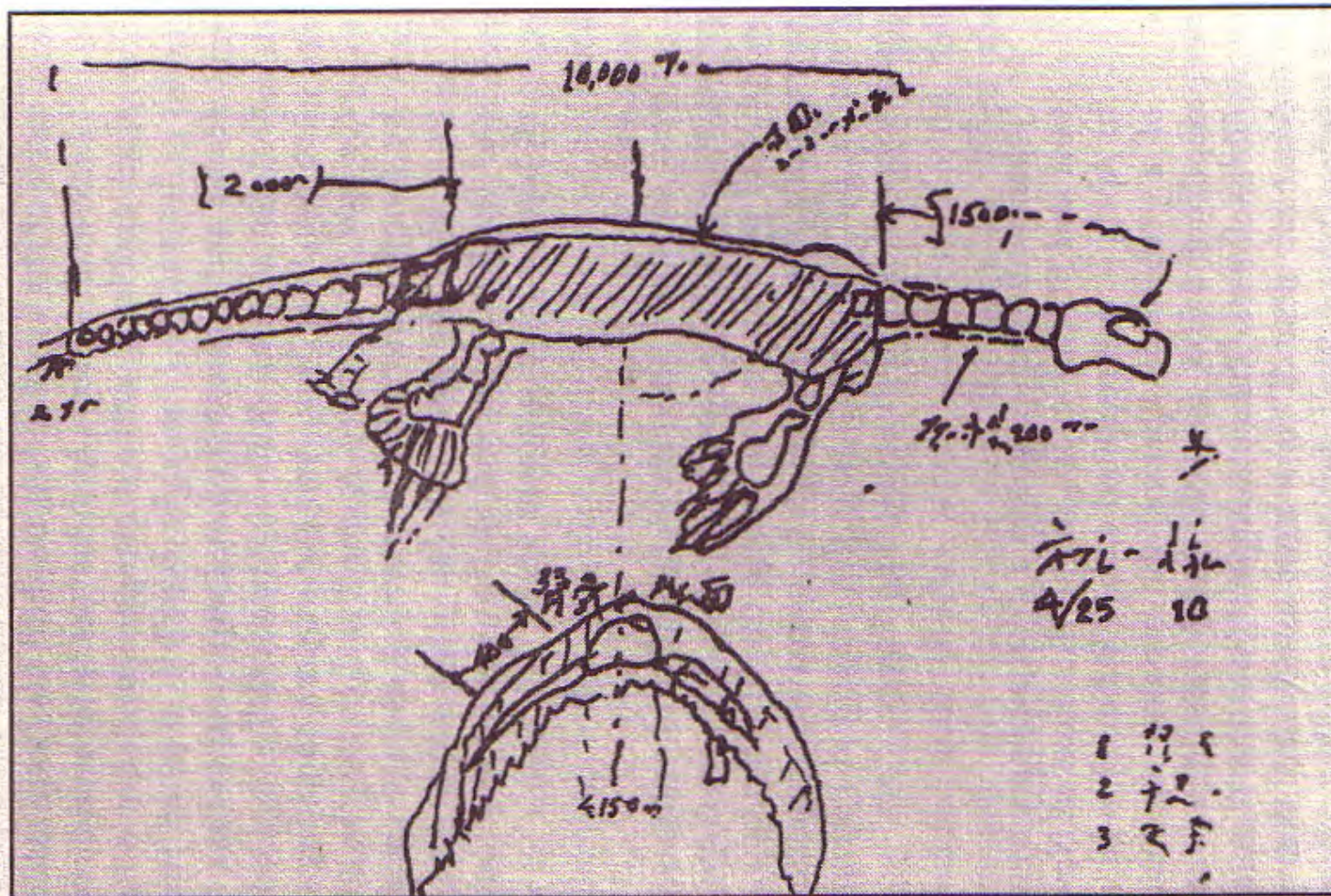


Figure 10.1 The drawing and measurements made by Michihiko Yano of the creature's skeleton that was dredged up off the New Zealand coast in 1977, and which the BBC and British Museum of Natural History would assure us was the body of a dead shark.

A satellite photograph of the Ararat region in eastern Turkey. The image shows a large, rugged mountain range with a prominent peak in the center. The terrain is mostly brown and tan, with some green patches at the base. A white arrow points from the text 'Mt. Ararat' to the central peak.

Mt. Ararat

- **A view from space of snow-covered Mt. Ararat and Little Ararat--inactive volcanoes located in eastern Turkey. Mount Ararat rises over 3 miles above sea level. This mountain is the traditional resting place of Noah's ark.**

Genesis 9

The Meaning of Each Patriarch's Name in the 10 Generations

Genealogy of Genesis 5

(with their Hebrew meaning.)

אָדָם	Adam	=	“Man” (is)
שֵׁת	Seth	=	“Appointed”
אֵנוֹשׁ	Enosh	=	“Mortal”
קֵינָן	Kenan	=	“Sorrow” (but)
מַהֲלֵאֵל	Mahalael	=	“The Blessed God”
יָרֵד	Jared	=	“Shall Come Down”
חֵנוֹךְ	Enoch	=	“Teaching”
מֵתוּשֶׁלַח	Methuselah	=	“His Death Shall Bring”
לָמֶךְ	Lamech	=	(the) “Despairing”
נֹחַ	Noah	=	“Comfort, Rest”

Worship & the Rainbow



Noah Wasn't Perfect

"Ham, the father of Canaan, saw that his father was naked and went outside and told his brothers.
23 Then Shem and Japheth took a robe, held it over their shoulders, and backed into the tent to cover their father. As they did this, they looked the other way so they would not see him naked" (9:22-23 NLT).



Noah Wasn't Perfect

"When Noah woke up from his stupor, he learned what Ham, his youngest son, had done. ²⁵Then he cursed Canaan, the son of Ham:

'May Canaan be cursed!
May he be the lowest of
servants to his
relatives'" (9:24-25 NLT).



Flood Significance

- God's righteous judgment
- God's gracious redemption
- Water baptism (1 Pet. 3:20-21)

NLT 1 Peter 3:20 those who disobeyed God long ago when God waited patiently while Noah was building his boat. Only eight people were saved from drowning in that terrible flood.
²¹And this is a picture of baptism. . .



Gilgamesh Epic Tablet XI

- Nineveh,
Iraq
- 650 BC
- Flood
story
similar to
Gen. 6–9



Gilgamesh Epic

BABYLONIAN VERSION OF THE FLOOD (2000 BC)

Babylonian Mythology

- Many gods (Polytheism)
- Gods quarrel /disagree
- Confusion as to why the Flood came
- Adad - thunder
Ninurta- winds
Annunaki - lightning

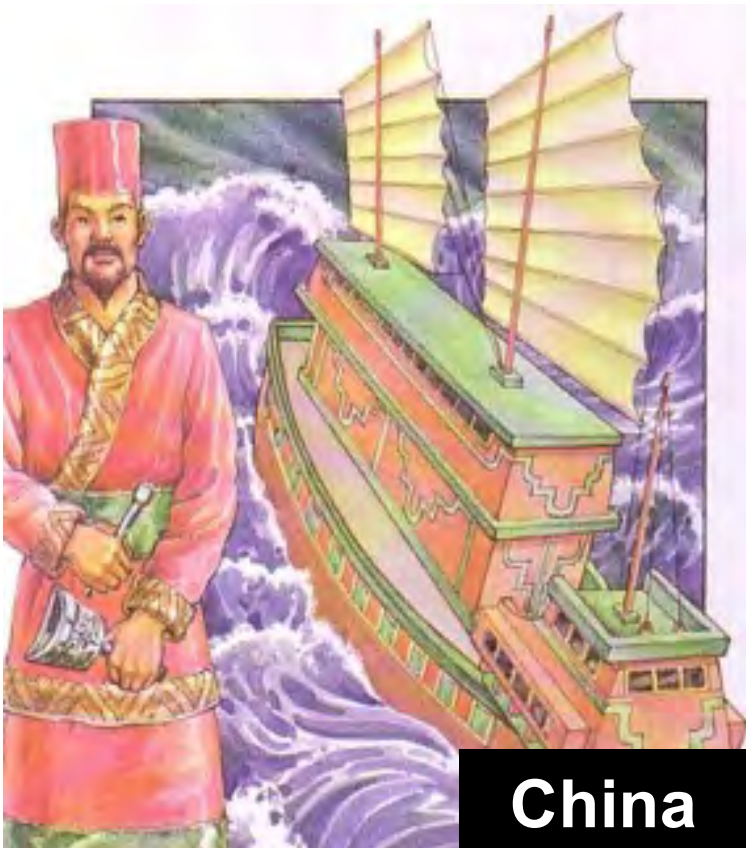
Biblical Account

- One God (Monotheism)
- A Holy God
- God punished the corrupt people
- Creator / Sustainer of all - executes judgment

Chinese Character for Boat

船 = 舟 + 八 + 口

Vessel Ship Eight Person



Ship Eight Mouth of Person

Genesis 10

Descendants of Noah's Sons



Gomer

Ivan

Meshech

Lud

Togarmah

Shur



Cush



The

Gen. 10

History of Babylon



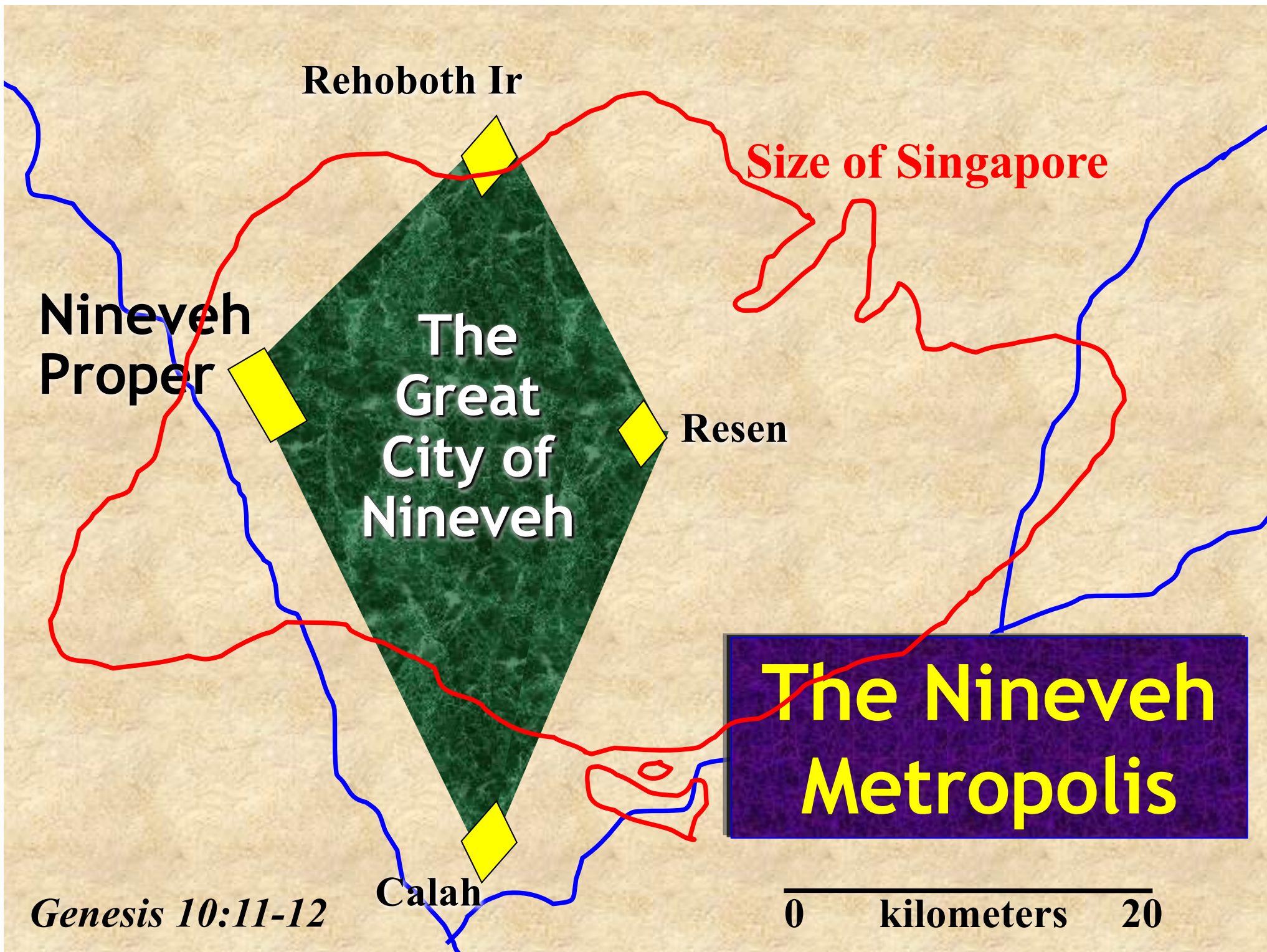
Genesis 10:8-10; 11:2, 9; Rev. 17:1-6

How did Babylon start?

What motivated this beginning?

What resulted from its founding?

What did Babylon signify?



Rehoboth Ir

Size of Singapore

Nineveh Proper

The Great City of Nineveh

Resen

The Nineveh Metropolis

Genesis 10:11-12

Calah

0 kilometers 20

**Created
to Rule**
1:1–2:3

**New
Start**
8:20–9:17

**New
Start**
11:10-26

**World
Failure**
6:1–8:19

**Family
Failure**
2:4–4:26

**World
Failure**
11:1-9

**Family
Failure**
9:18-29

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**Seed of
Adam**
5

**Seed of
Noah**
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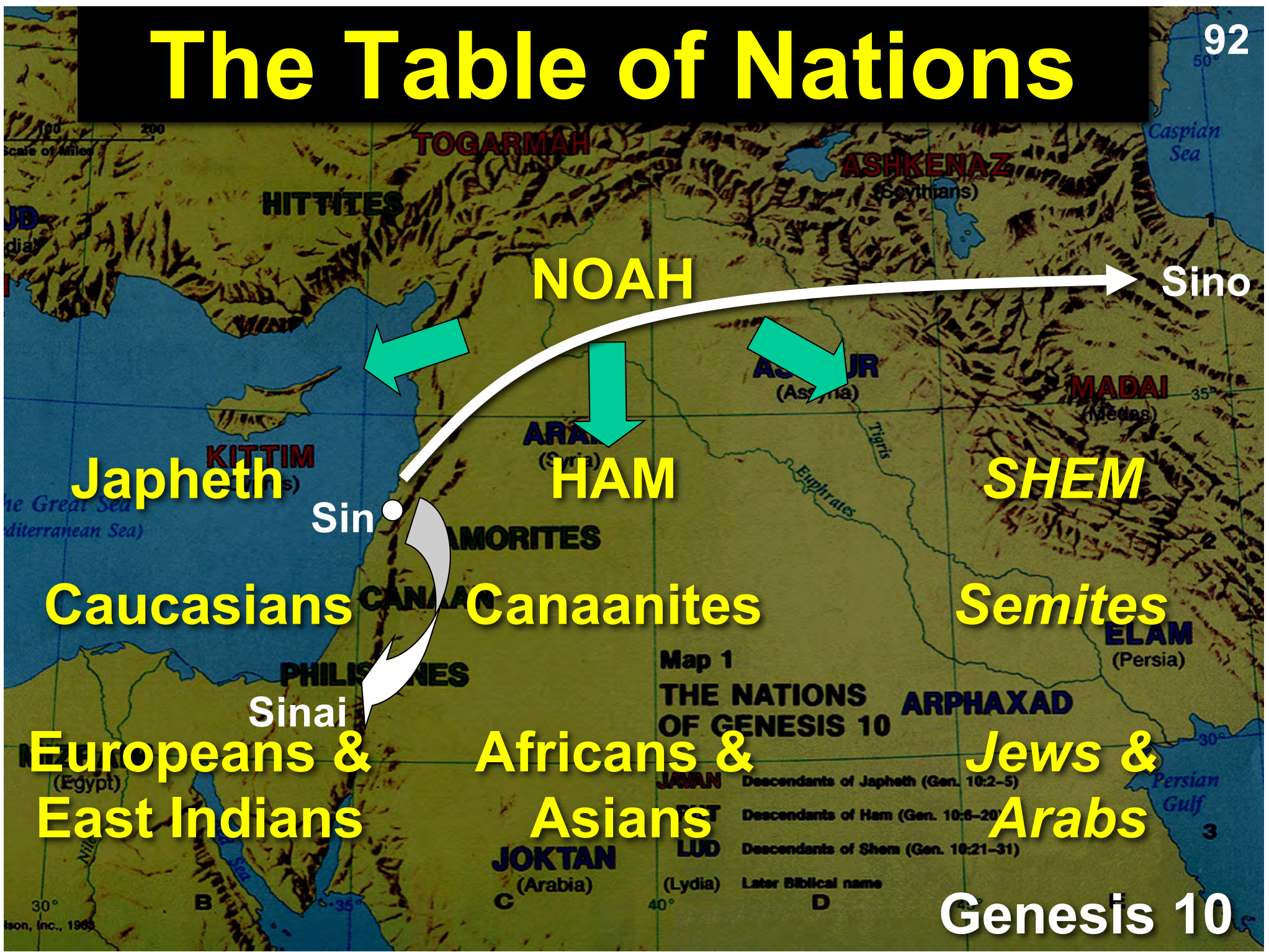
**Seed of
Terah**
11:10-26

The Line of Blessing

Cycles in Genesis 1-11

Adapted from Mann, *Genesis*, 13

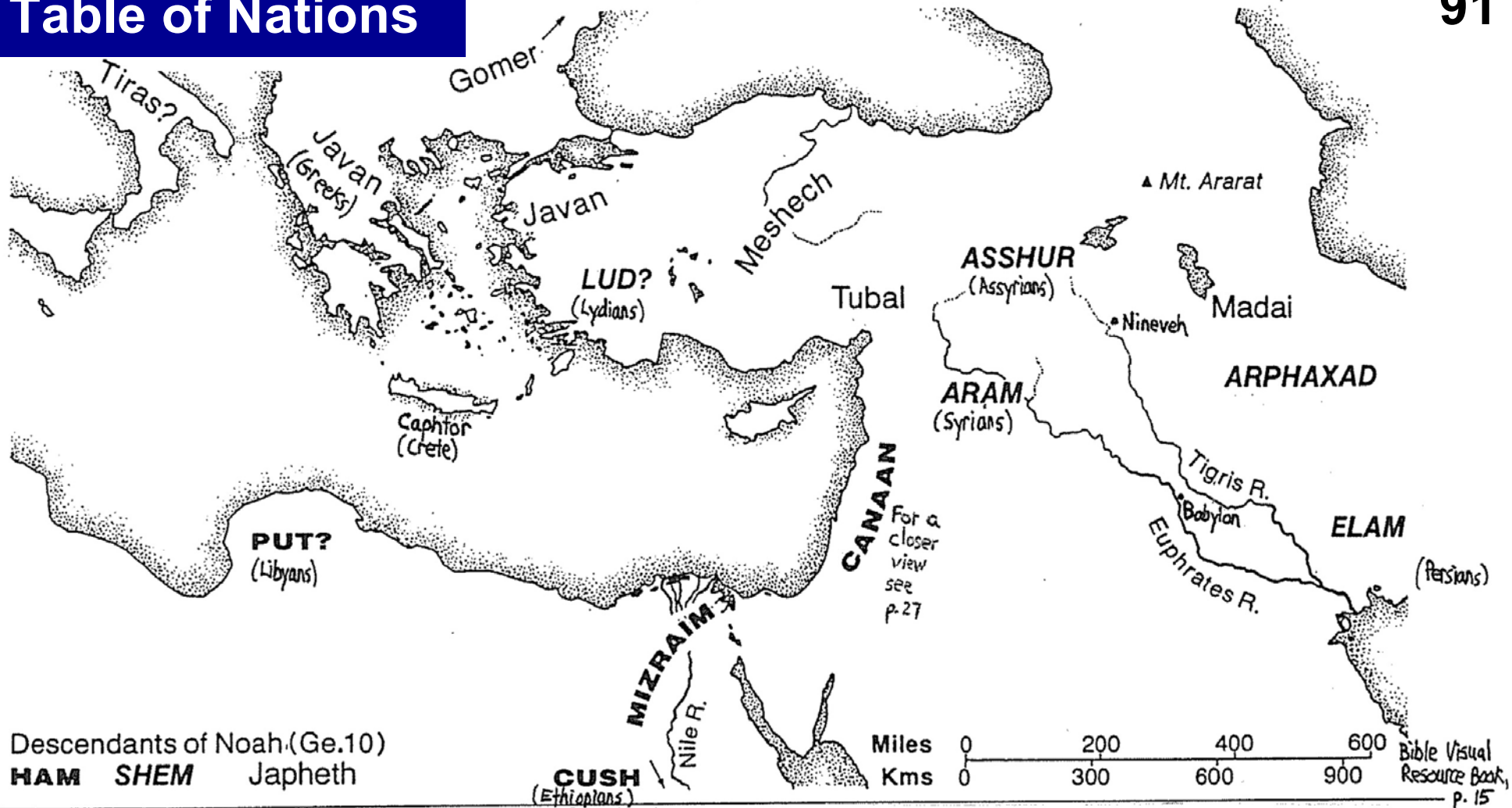
The Table of Nations



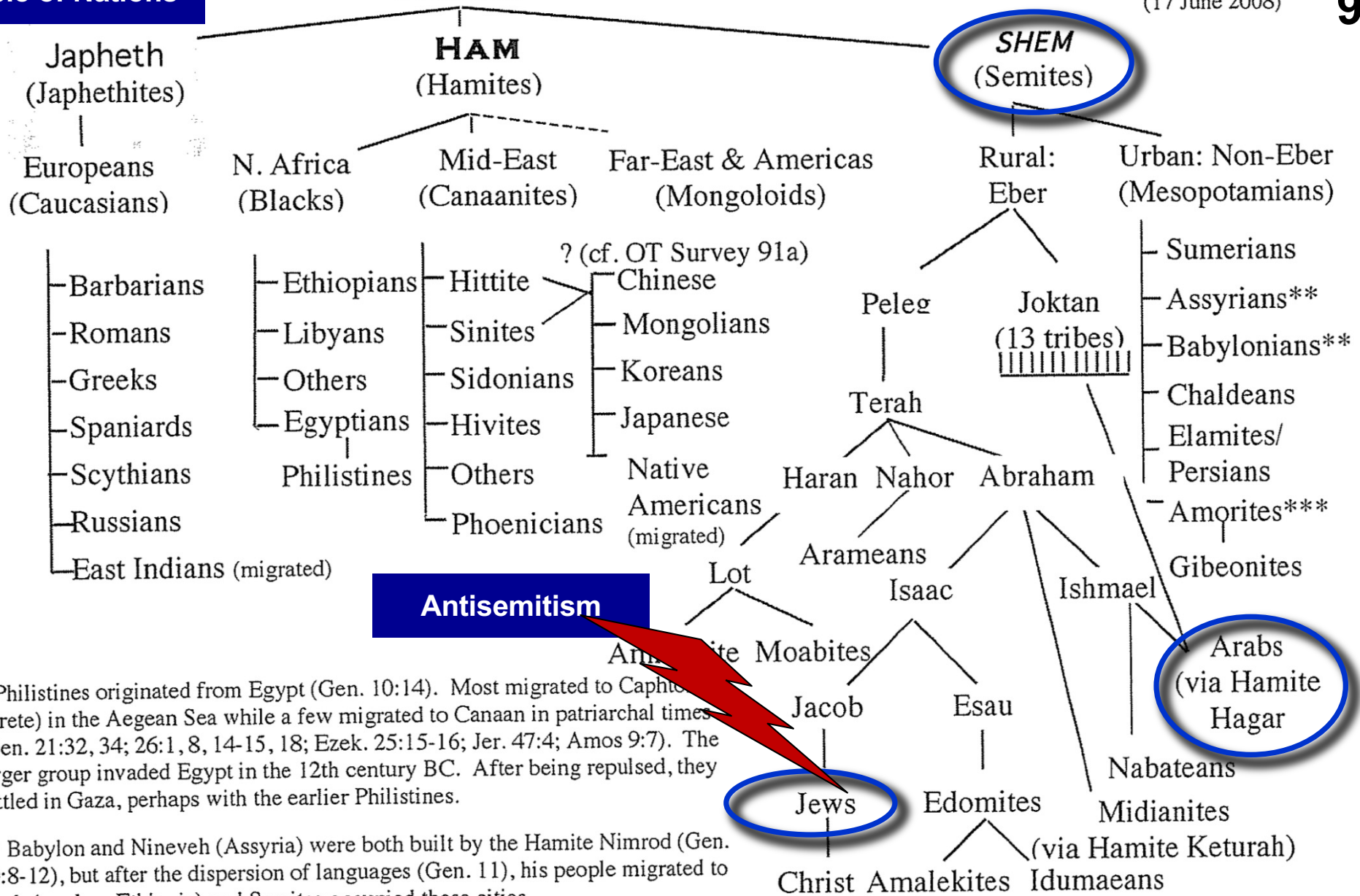
Map 1
THE NATIONS
OF GENESIS 10

JAVAN Descendants of Japheth (Gen. 10:2-5)
LYDIA Descendants of Ham (Gen. 10:6-20)
LUD Descendants of Shem (Gen. 10:21-31)
Later Biblical name

Table of Nations



NOAH



Antisemitism

* Philistines originated from Egypt (Gen. 10:14). Most migrated to Caphtor (Crete) in the Aegean Sea while a few migrated to Canaan in patriarchal times (Gen. 21:32, 34; 26:1, 8, 14-15, 18; Ezek. 25:15-16; Jer. 47:4; Amos 9:7). The larger group invaded Egypt in the 12th century BC. After being repulsed, they settled in Gaza, perhaps with the earlier Philistines.

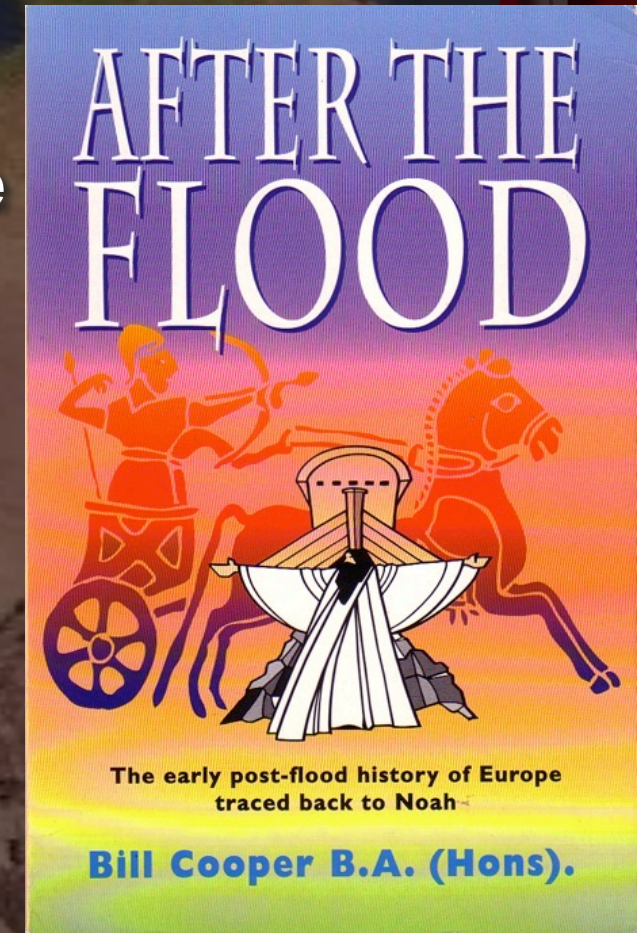
** Babylon and Nineveh (Assyria) were both built by the Hamite Nimrod (Gen. 10:8-12), but after the dispersion of languages (Gen. 11), his people migrated to Cush (modern Ethiopia) and Semites occupied these cities.

*** Amorites (Arameans) in Syria migrated SW (to Canaan) and SE (to Mesopotamia); cf. H. A. Hoeffner, "Amorites," *ZPEB*, 1:141.

Sources: Gen. 5; 10; 25:1-4; 36; 1 Chron. 1:19-23; Paul Benware, *Survey of the OT*, 264-74; Barry Beitzel, *The Moody Atlas of Bible Lands*, 76-79; Louis Hamada, *Understanding the Arab World*, 42, 51, 56; R. Laird Harris, "Genealogy," *ZPEB*, 2:673; Eugene Merrill, *Kingdom of Priests*, 25-32; Henry Morris, *The Genesis Record* (<http://www.csinfo.org>); *NIV Study Bible*, 21; John Whitcomb, *Chronological & Background Charts of the OT*, 2d ed., 71, 73 (OTS, 143-44); John Whitcomb & Henry Morris, *The Genesis Flood*, 45-54.

Is the Table of Nations Accurate (Gen. 10–11)?

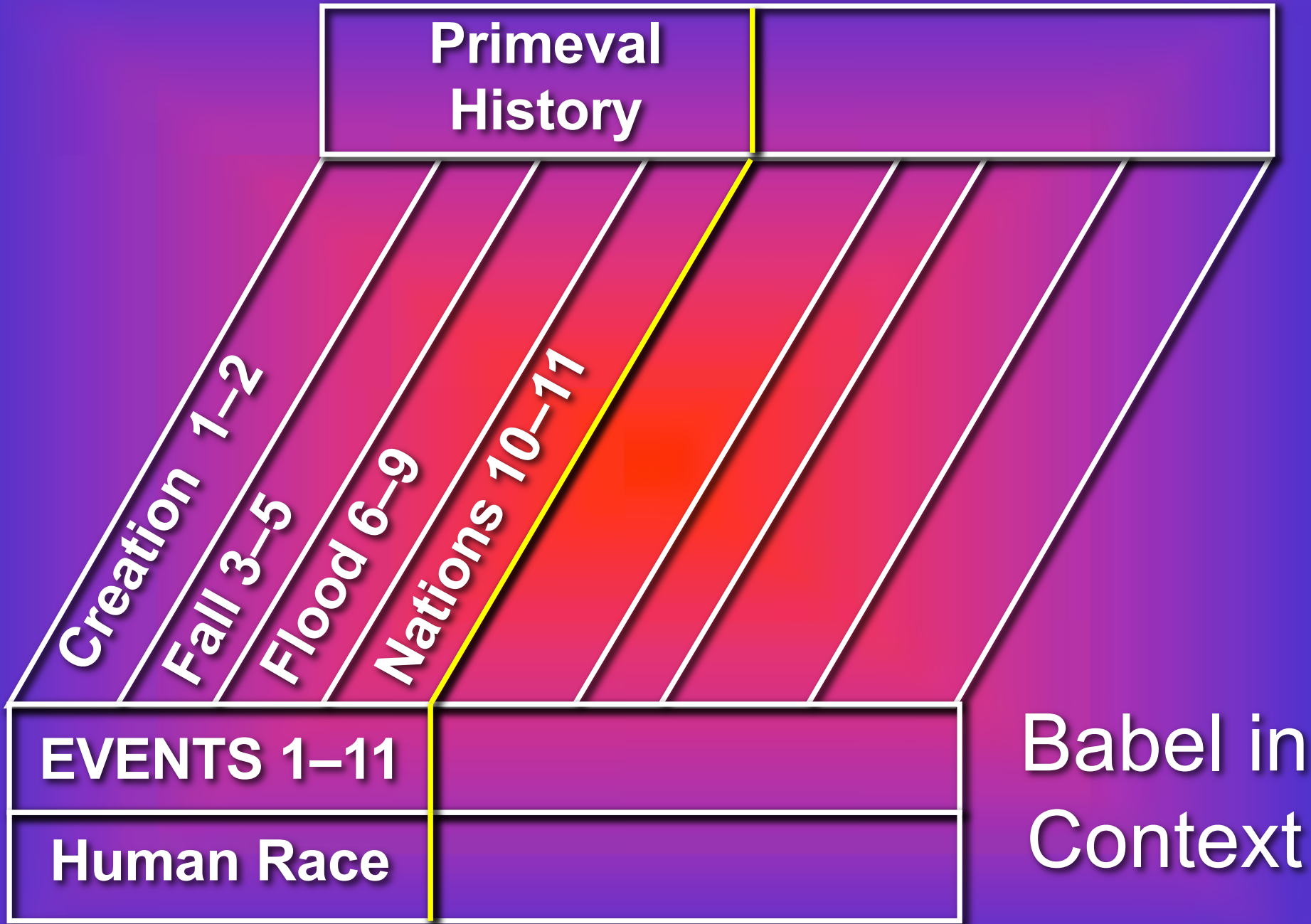
"Having constructed the Table of Nations into a simple genealogy, I wanted to see how many of its names were attested in the records of other nations in the Middle East... [I saw that] the Table of Nations had listed all the families and tribes of mankind in their correct groupings, whether those groupings were ethnological, linguistic or geographical. All the names, without exception, were accurate, and in more than twenty-five years of searching and analyzing, I uncovered not one mistake or false statement of fact in the Table of Nations."



Bill Cooper, *After the Flood* (Chichester: New Wine, 1995), 38-39

Handbook pg. 15-16

Genesis 11



¡Hola!

Spanish

Привет!

Russian

Ciao!

Italian

Bonjour!

French

“Hello!”

ACROSS THE GLOBE

Hallo

German

Oi!

Portuguese

喂

Japanese

Traditional Chinese

Het hallo!

Dutch

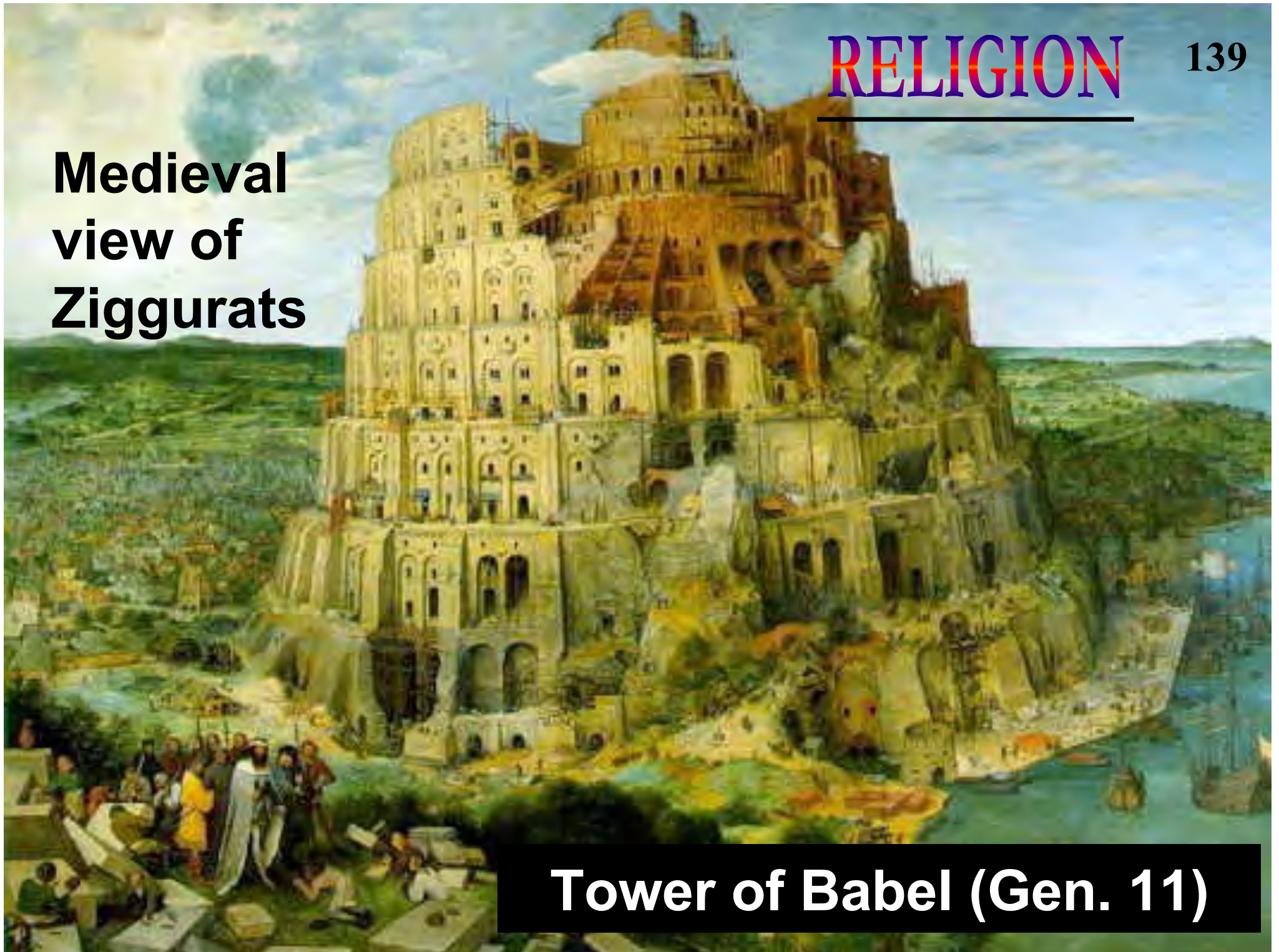
Γειάσου!

Greek

TOWER OF BABEL



**Medieval
view of
Ziggurats**



Tower of Babel (Gen. 11)

The EU Parliament



The Towers

***“The Tower of
Babel”* by Pieter
Brueghel the Elder
in 1563**



The Towers

“The Tower of Babel”
**by Pieter Brueghel the
Elder in 1563**

**The EU Parliament
 (“Louise Weiss”
building) in 1999**



The Towers



"The Abduction of Europa" (Woman on a Beast!)



The EU Poster



EU Poster

Architecture Coincidence?



European Parliament, Strasbourg, France

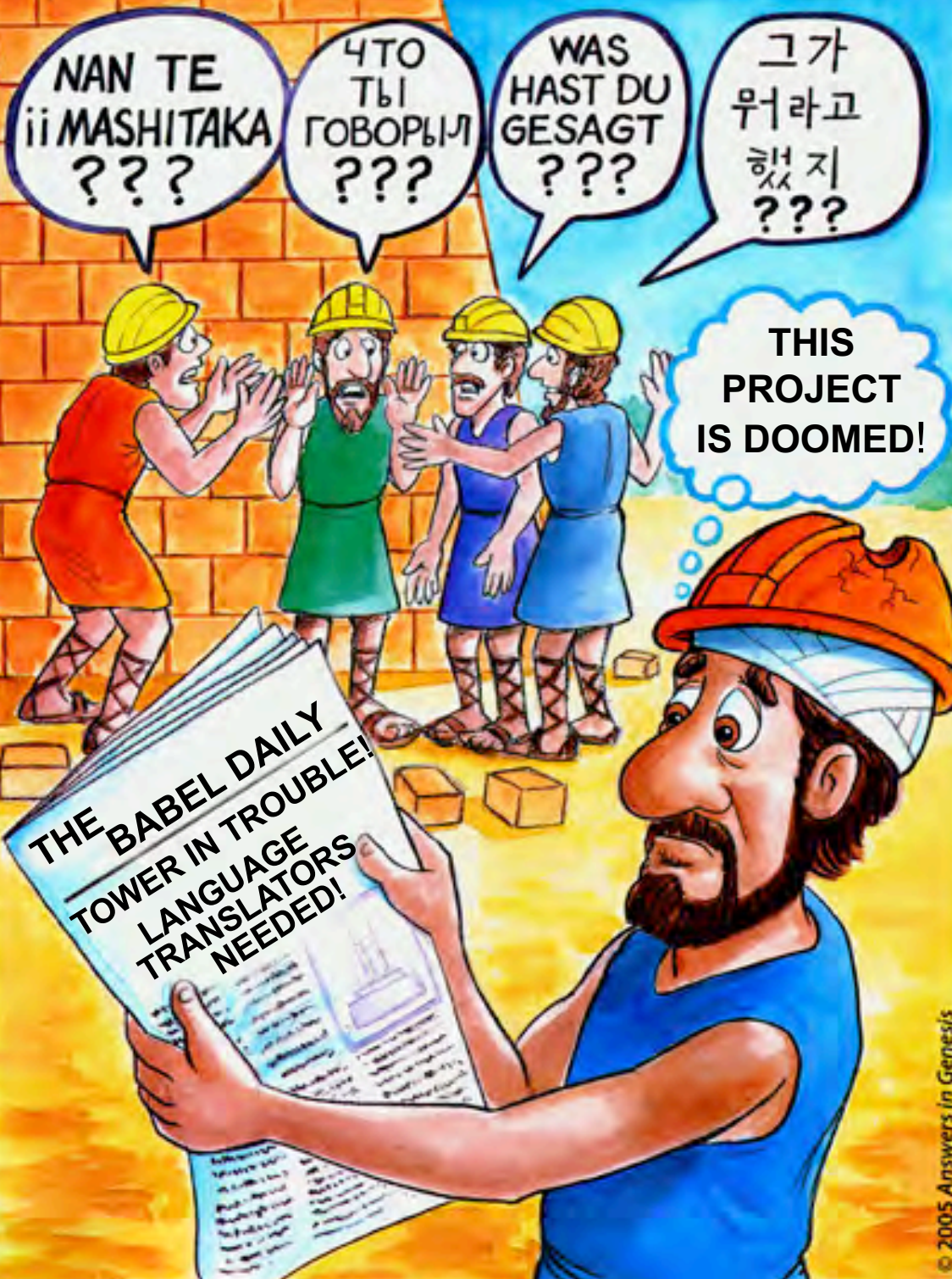


Tower of Babel, by Breugel (c. 1563)

The Tower as a Ziggurat







THE BABEL DAILY
TOWER IN TROUBLE!
LANGUAGE TRANSLATORS NEEDED!

NAN TE
ii MASHITAKA
???

ЧТО
ТЫ
ГОВОРИШЬ
???

WAS
HAST DU
GESAGT
???

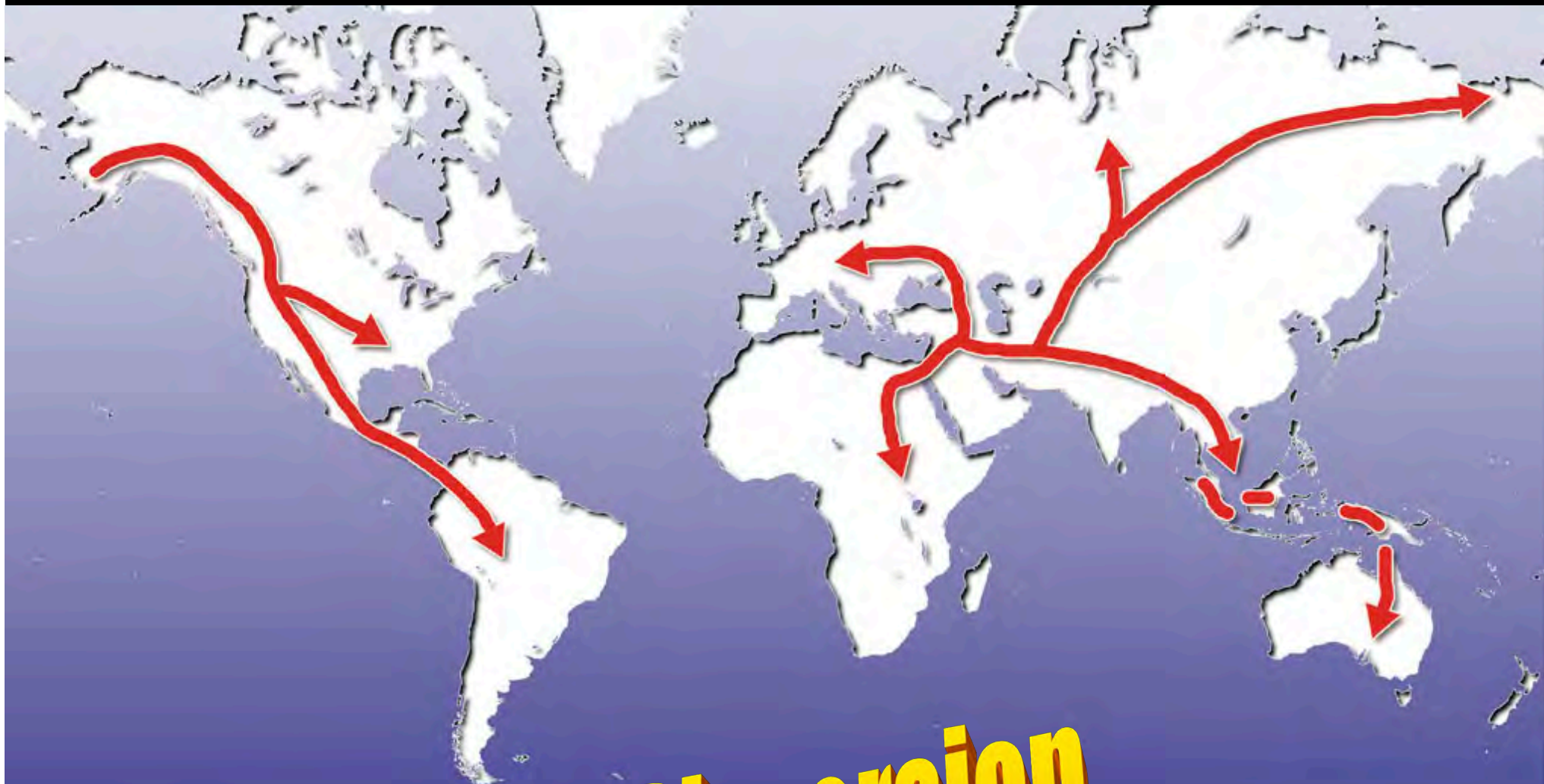
그가
뭐라고
했는지
???

THIS
PROJECT
IS DOOMED!

Genesis 11:9

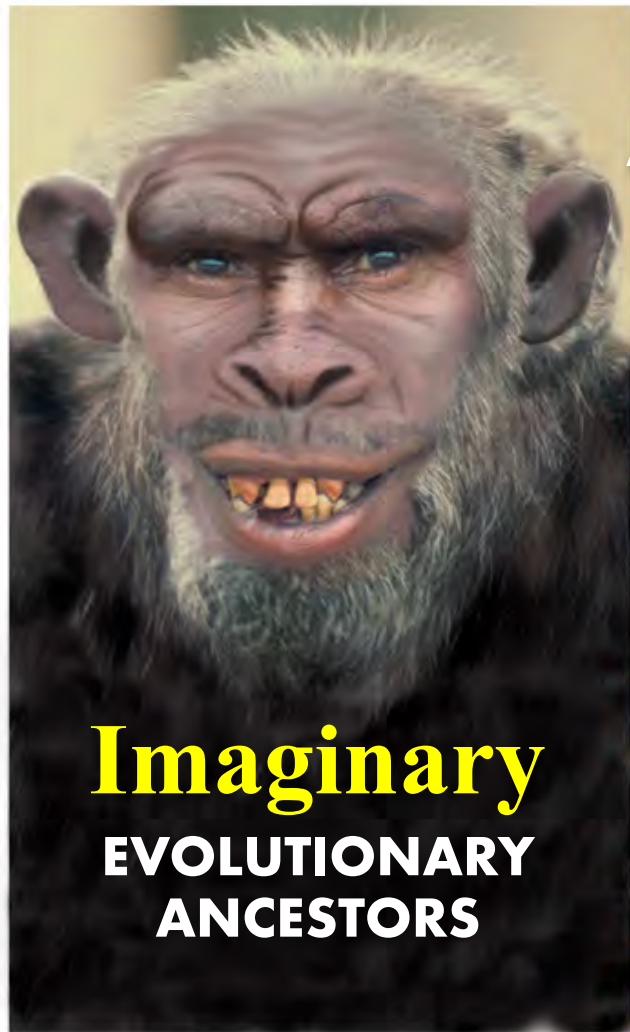
"Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD **confused the language of the whole earth**; and from there the LORD **scattered them** abroad over the face of the whole earth."





Babel Dispersion





Imaginary
EVOLUTIONARY
ANCESTORS

AUSTRALOID



NEGROID



MONGOLOID

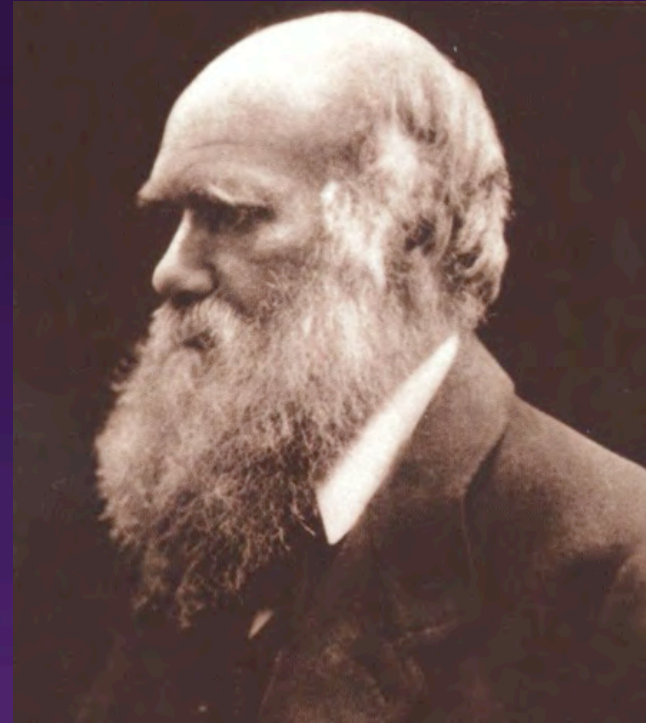


CAUCASOID



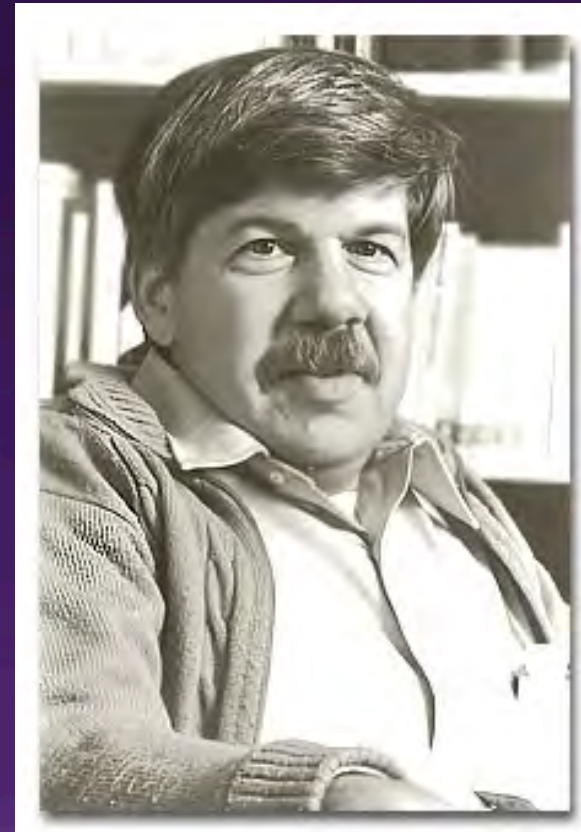
RACES

"At some future period, not very distant as measured by centuries, the civilized races of man will almost certainly exterminate and replace the savage races throughout the world. At the same time the anthropomorphous apes... will no doubt be exterminated."

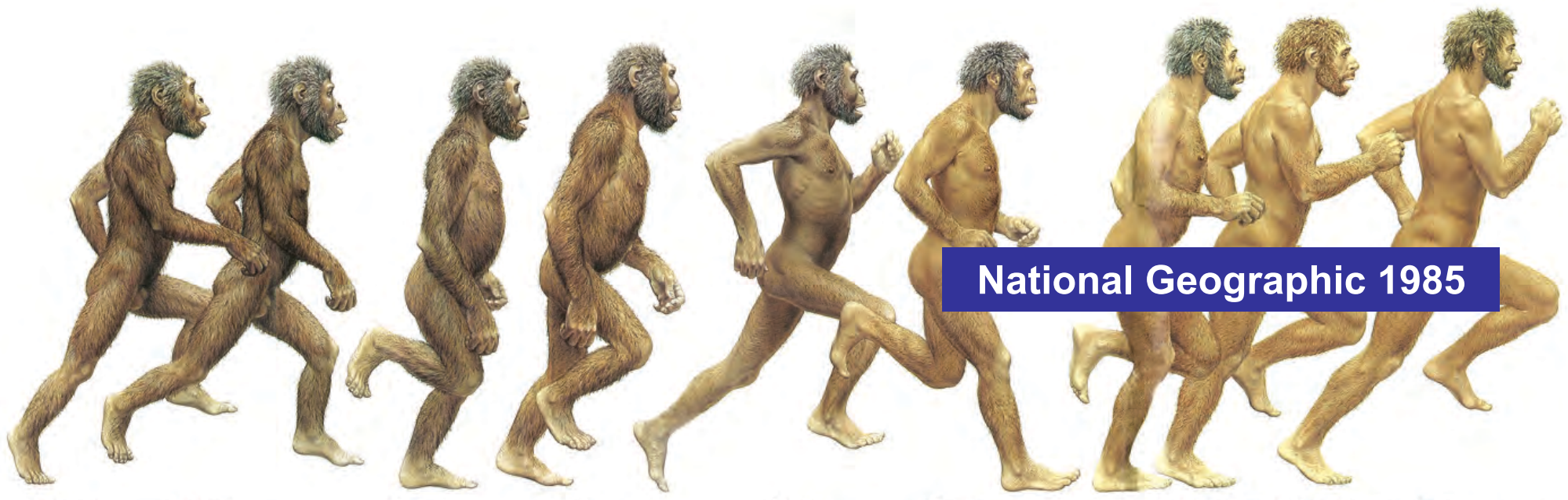


Charles Darwin, *The Descent of Man* (New York: A.L. Burt, 1874, 2nd ed.), 178.

"Biological arguments for racism may have been common before 1850, but they increased by orders of magnitude following the acceptance of evolutionary theory."



Stephen Jay Gould, *Ontogeny and Phylogeny* (Belknap-Harvard Press, 1977), 127-128.



National Geographic 1985

A. afarensis

Known from fossils in eastern Africa, including Lucy, *Australopithecus afarensis* is the oldest hominid species yet found and may be ancestral to all later forms. Most fossils of Africans, including the Taung child (cover), have come from South African caves. Anthropologists disagree over whether *afarensis* was ancestral to all later hominids or only to *robustus* and *boisei*.

A. africanus

A. robustus

On the basis of several craniums, more than a dozen jaws, and hundreds of teeth in two South African caves, *robustus* is considered a ruggedly built, massive-jawed hominid. A similar robust form from East Africa is designated *Australopithecus boisei*. Both may represent a single variable wide-ranging species. These two forms disappear from the fossil record, apparently as evolutionary dead ends.

A. boisei

H. habilis

The first of his genus, *Homo habilis* has been found in East Africa, where his span overlaps that of *A. boisei* and coincides with the appearance of simple stone tools. *Habilis* gave rise to the larger-brained *Homo erectus*, first identified as *Java man* in 1893, and later as *Peking man*, discovered in the 1920s. *Erectus* fashioned more advanced tools and controlled fire. Enough specimens exist to show physical variability through his 1.5-million-year history.

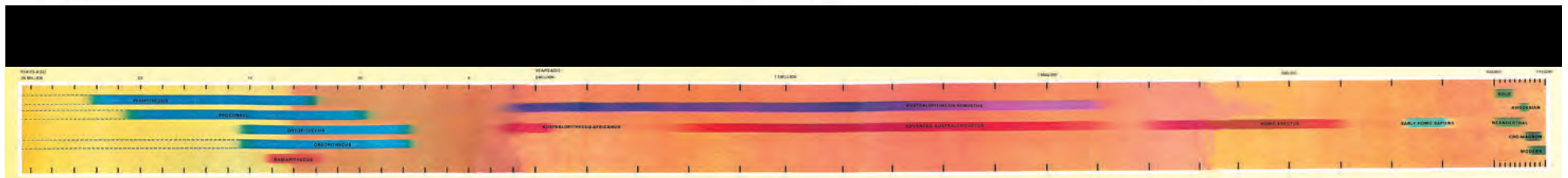
H. erectus

H. sapiens (archaic)

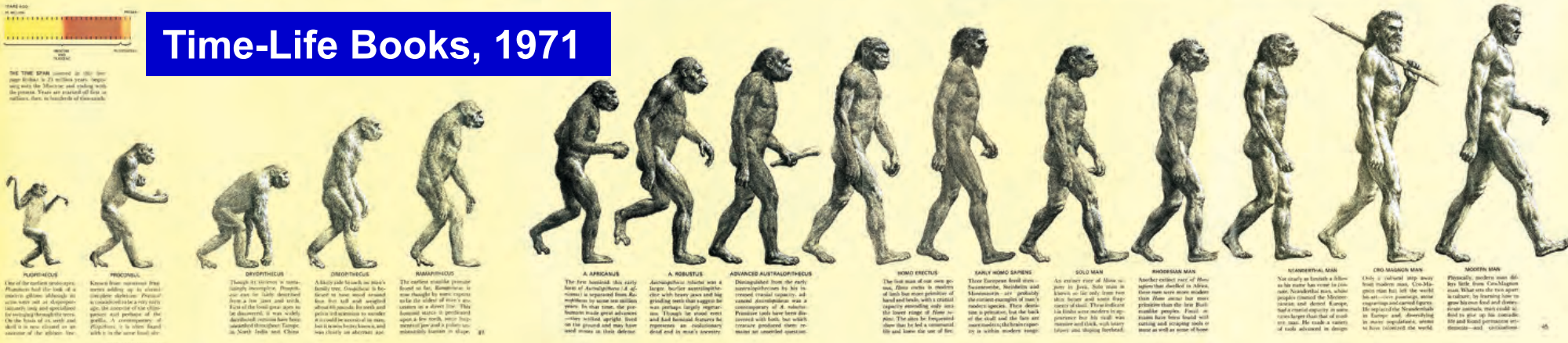
H. sapiens (Neandertal)

H. sapiens (modern)

Homo sapiens specimens begin appearing in increasing number and variation at the time *erectus* disappears from the fossil record, about 300,000 years ago. The archaic type seems transitional between *erectus* and later forms. Neandertals, named for the German site of discovery in 1856, were rugged Europeans and Middle Easterners who survived during the Ice Age. But by 30,000 years ago they had died out or been assimilated by anatomically modern humans.



Time-Life Books, 1971



PLEISTOCENE
One of the earliest hominids, *Pithecanthropus* had the look of a monkey although its lower jaw set an altogether different tone. It was probably the ancestor of the *Australopithecus*. It is now extinct as an ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

PROHOMO
Known from numerous finds across adding up its skeletal structure. *Prohomo* is considered to be a very early form of the *Australopithecus* and perhaps of the *Australopithecus*. A contemporary of *Australopithecus*, it is now extinct as an ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

AUSTRALOPITHECUS
Though it is thought to resemble a monkey, *Australopithecus* was a biped. It was the first of the hominids to walk upright. It was widely distributed in eastern and southern Africa, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

AUSTRALOPITHECUS ROBUSTA
A fairly tall hominid, *Australopithecus robustus* is believed to be a separate species from the *Australopithecus*. It was widely distributed in southern and eastern Africa, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

HOMO ERECTUS
The first hominid that early hominids of *Australopithecus* and *Australopithecus robustus* evolved into. It was the first hominid to walk upright. It was widely distributed in southern and eastern Africa, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

EARLY HOMO SAPIENS
Australopithecus robustus was a large, heavily muscled hominid with heavy jaws and grinding teeth that suggest he was perhaps largely vegetarian. Through his evolution into *Homo erectus*, he had lost his heavy jaws and teeth, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

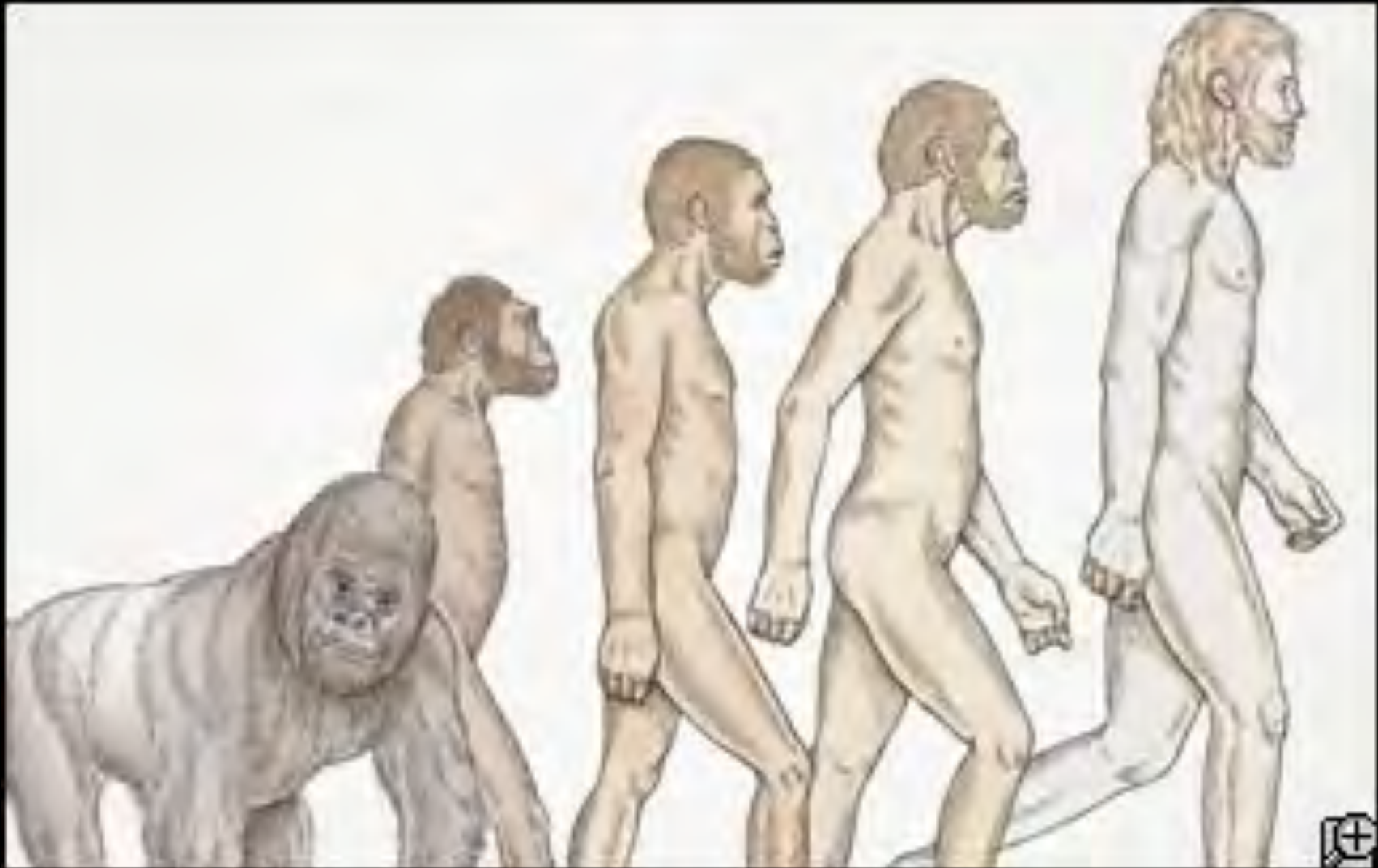
SOLO MAN
Disappeared from the early hominid record by his increased mental capacity, and a contemporary of *Homo erectus*. *Solo man* had been a hominid, but he had evolved into a modern man. He was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

NEANDERTAL MAN
The last man of our own genus, *Homo erectus*, was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*. He was the last hominid to walk upright. He was widely distributed in southern and eastern Africa, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

CRO MAGNON MAN
An earlier race of *Homo sapiens* than the *Neandertal man* known in Java. *Cro-Magnon man* was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*. He was the last hominid to walk upright. He was widely distributed in southern and eastern Africa, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.

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MODERN MAN
Finally, modern man, *Homo sapiens*, has left the world. He was the last hominid to walk upright. He was widely distributed in southern and eastern Africa, and was the ancestor of the African *Lucy*.



Discovery Channel web site, 11 Dec. 2007

Acts 17:24, 26

"The God who made the world
and all things in it...

²⁶He made **from one man every
nation of mankind...**"



One "Race"

Adam & Eve

1 Corinthians 15:45
Genesis 3:20

Sons & Daughters

Genesis 5:4

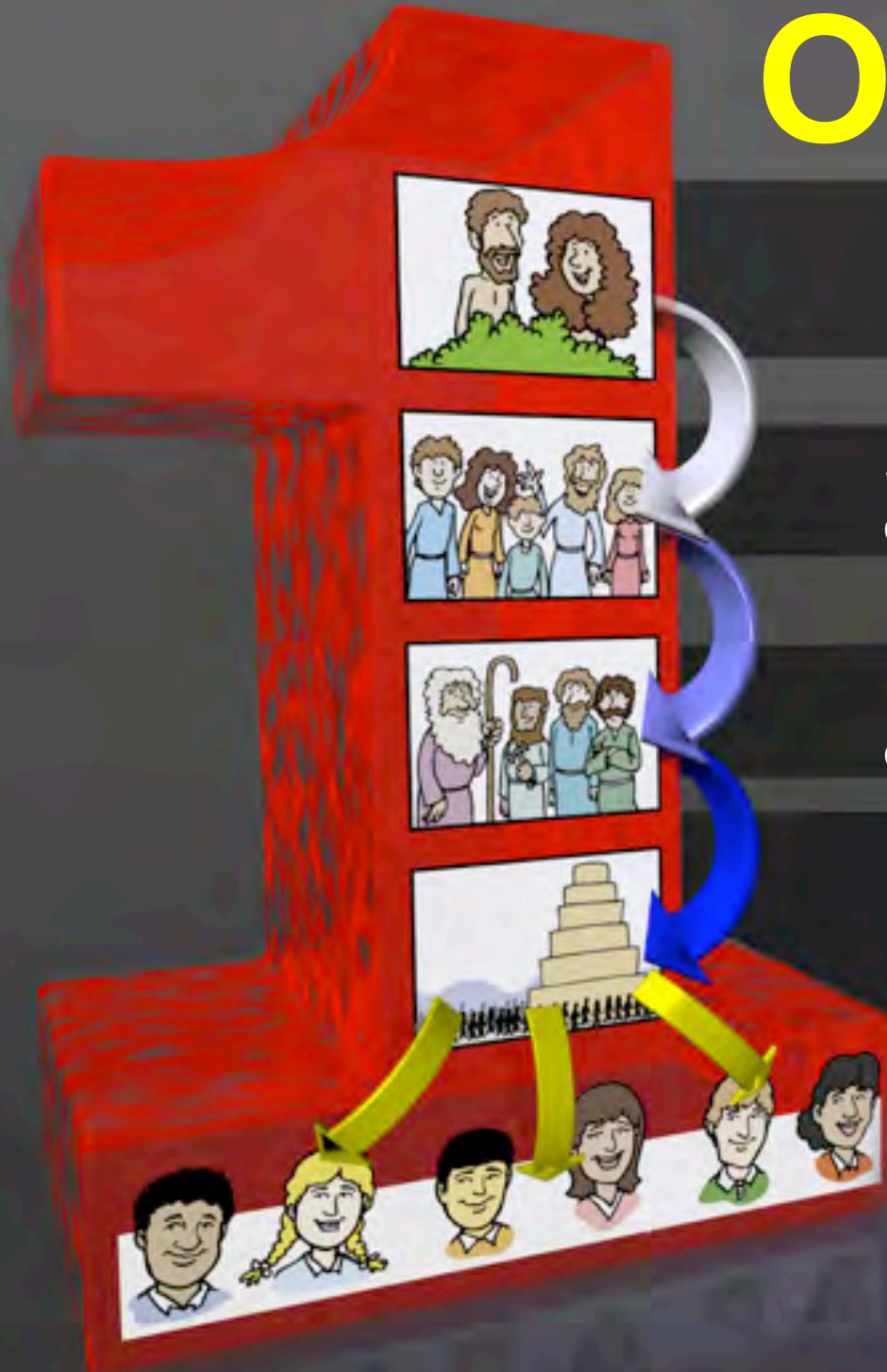
Noah & Sons

Genesis 9:17-19

People at Tower of Babel

Genesis 11:8-9
Acts 17:26

Different People Groups/Cultures





MALE

AaBbCc

x

FEMALE

AaBbCc

Possible information in egg/sperm cells:



Possible information in offspring:

HUMAN SKIN COLOR

AA BB CC	DARK 100%
aa bb cc	LIGHT 100%
AA Bb CC	DARK 85%
Aa BB Cc	DARK 70%
Aa Bb Cc	MULATO 50%

**ADAM & EVE
HAD LOTS OF
GENETIC VARIETY**



**AND COULD ACHIEVE
A WIDE RANGE OF
SKIN TONES IN
ONE GENERATION!**

Eye Shape VARIATIONS



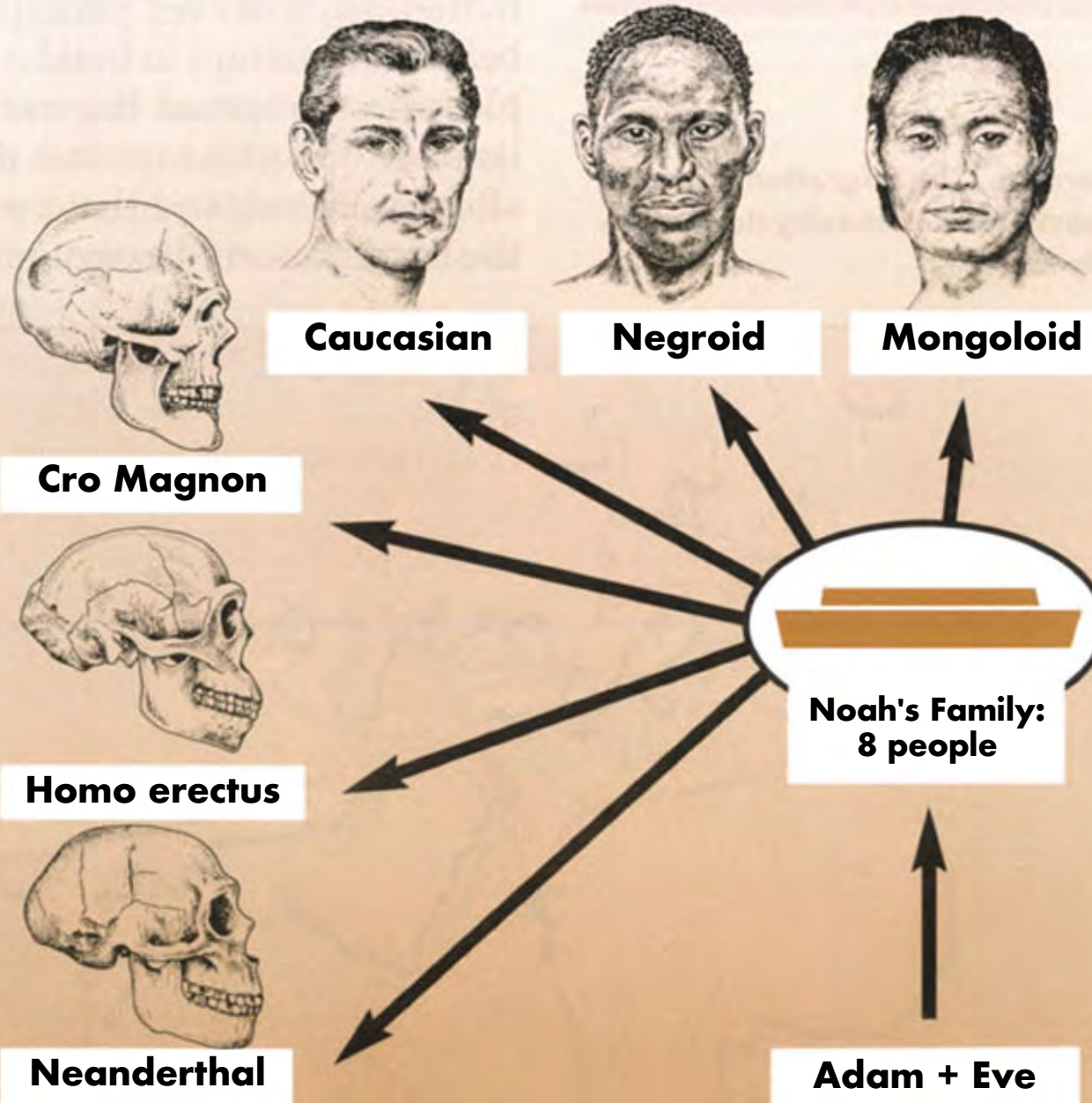


NEWSMAKERS





Human Variation



Babylon with Us

Man-made idols are deceiving

IT MUST TAKE INCREDIBLE

THAT, TAKES
INCREDIBLE FAITH.





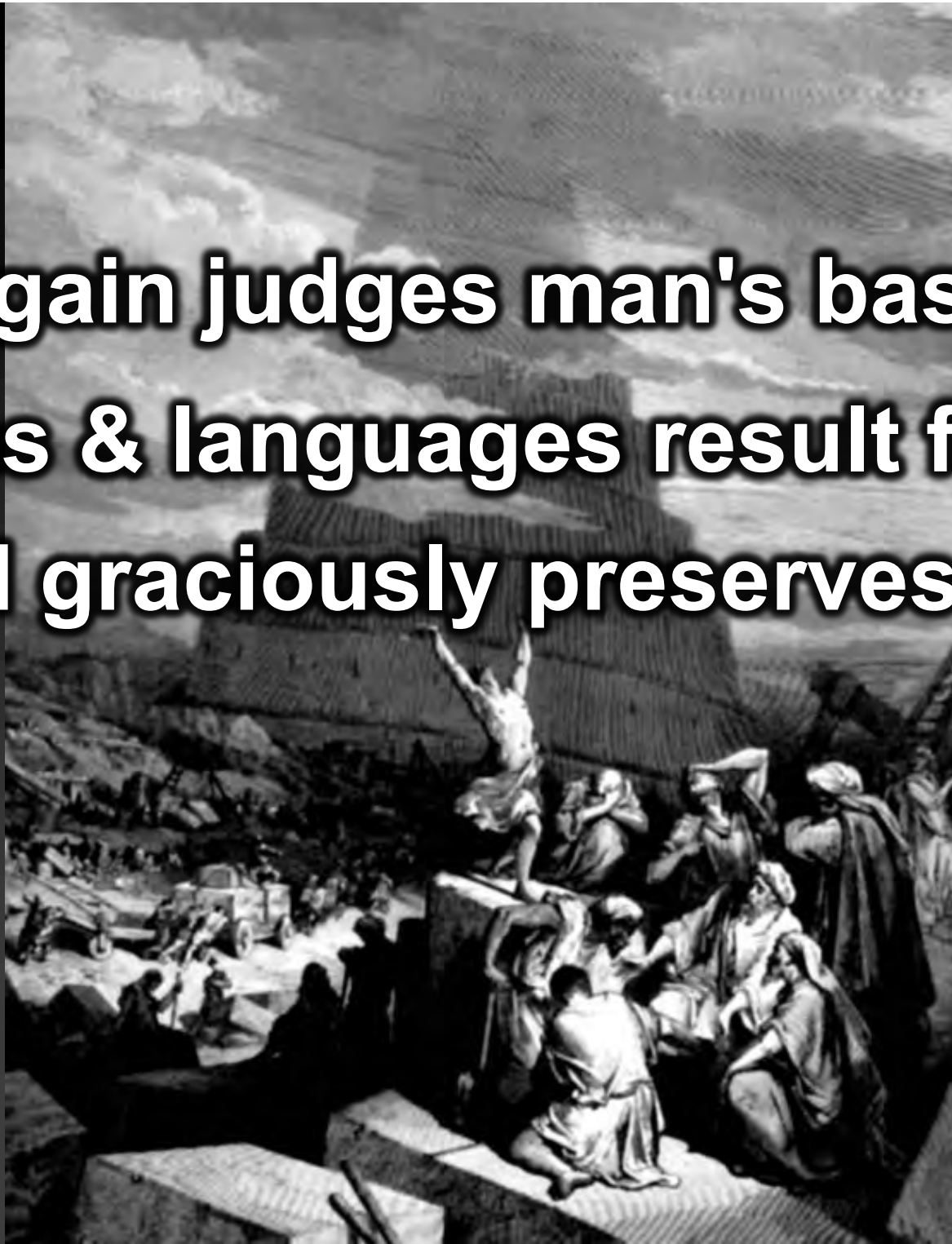
American Idol™

FOX 17

fox17.com



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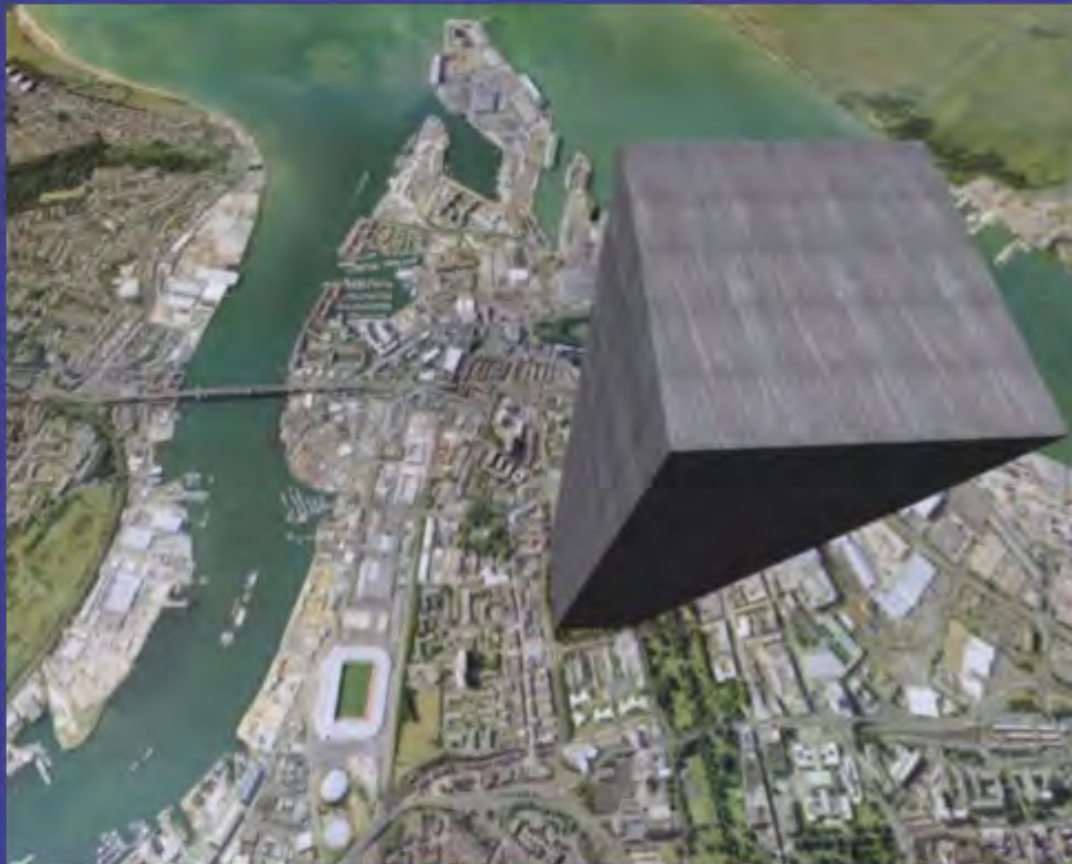


Genesis 11

City Vision - New Southampton

NEWS: April 1st 2009 - The New Southampton Partnership announces prestigious city emblem

THE TOWER OF BABEL



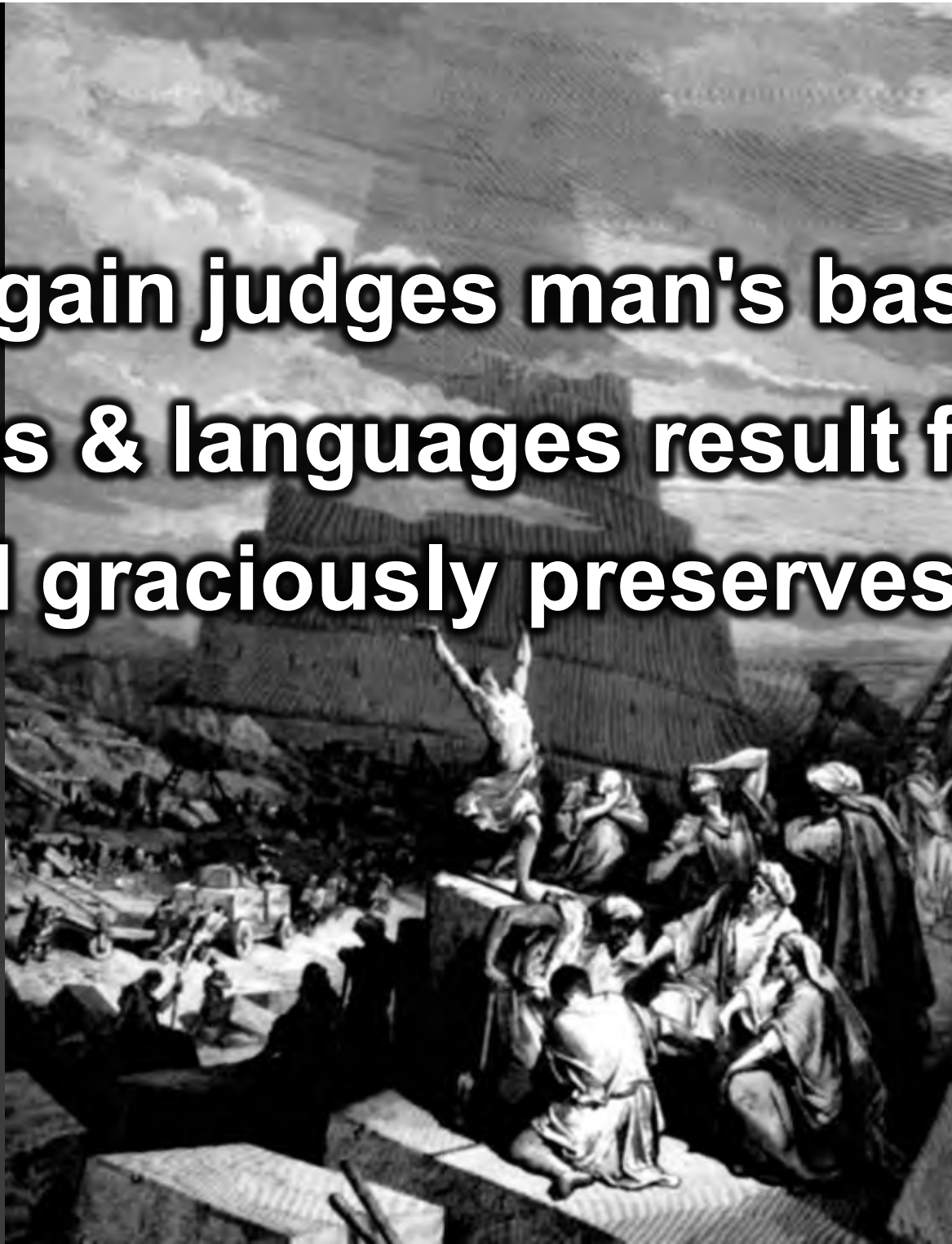
Today the New Southampton Partnership is proud to unveil plans for a new centrepiece for central Southampton, 'the tower of Babel'. The tower, which will stand two metric miles tall, is a celebration of social capital and will dwarf Portsmouth's Spinnaker Tower which stands at a mere 170 metres.

Funding is being sought to build the seven million cubic metre structure on the site of Hoglands Park, in Southampton, and will resemble a tall box. The structure, which will weigh over 161,000,000 KN, will be solid enabling it to withstand strong winds.

**The Proposed New
Southampton
Tower of Babel
(the original was
not a joke!)**



God again judges man's base heart
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Genesis 11

**Created
to Rule**
1:1–2:3

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Start**
8:20–9:17

**New
Start**
11:10-26

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The Line of Blessing

Adam

3:15

Seth

4:25-26

Noah

Shem

9:18

Terah

Abraham

12:1-3

Isaac

Jacob

Joseph

All Nations

 = Population Increase



Genesis Kingdom Statement

39

God created a perfect kingdom (1–2),
but man gave up his rule to Satan (3),
so God **elected** a seed to produce a
ruler (4–11) to bless all nations in
Abraham (12–50).

How can you **be faithful**
to God in a world of idols?

IDOLS
of the
HEART

2 ways

I. Grasp
that the
King **chose**
you to rule
(Gen 1-11).

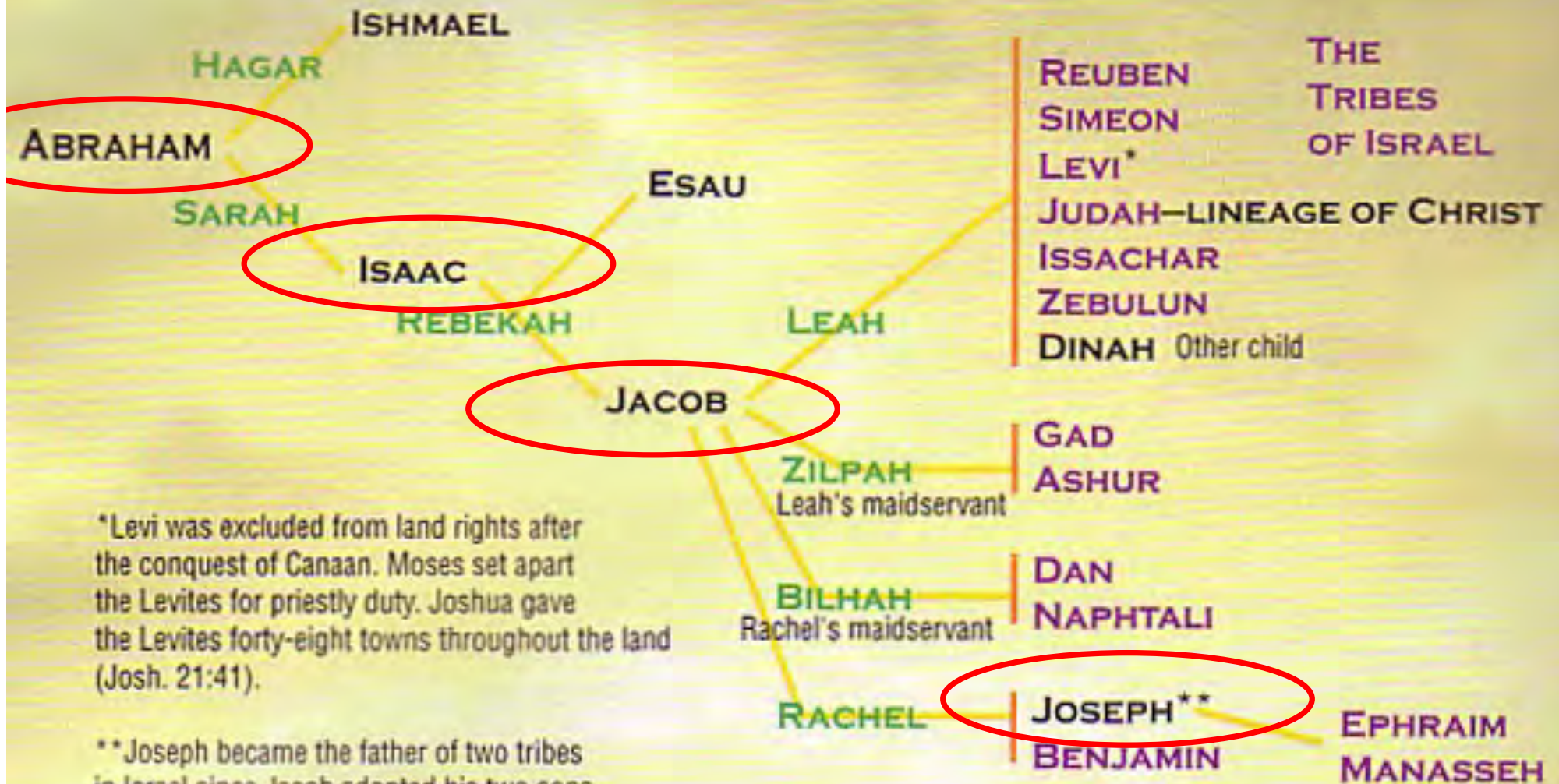


II. Grasp that the King **promised** you blessings (Gen 12–50).



Genesis 12

Patriarchal Family Tree (Gen. 12–50; 1 Chron. 1:28-34)



*Levi was excluded from land rights after the conquest of Canaan. Moses set apart the Levites for priestly duty. Joshua gave the Levites forty-eight towns throughout the land (Josh. 21:41).

**Joseph became the father of two tribes in Israel since Jacob adopted his two sons Ephraim and Manasseh.



Abraham



The Three Basic Elements

7

Genesis 12

¹ The Lord had said to Abram,
"Leave your country, your people,
your father's household, and go to the land I
will show you."

A LAND

A SEED

² "I will make you into a great nation
and I will bless you;
I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.

³ I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will
curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you."

A BLESSING

ABRAHAM

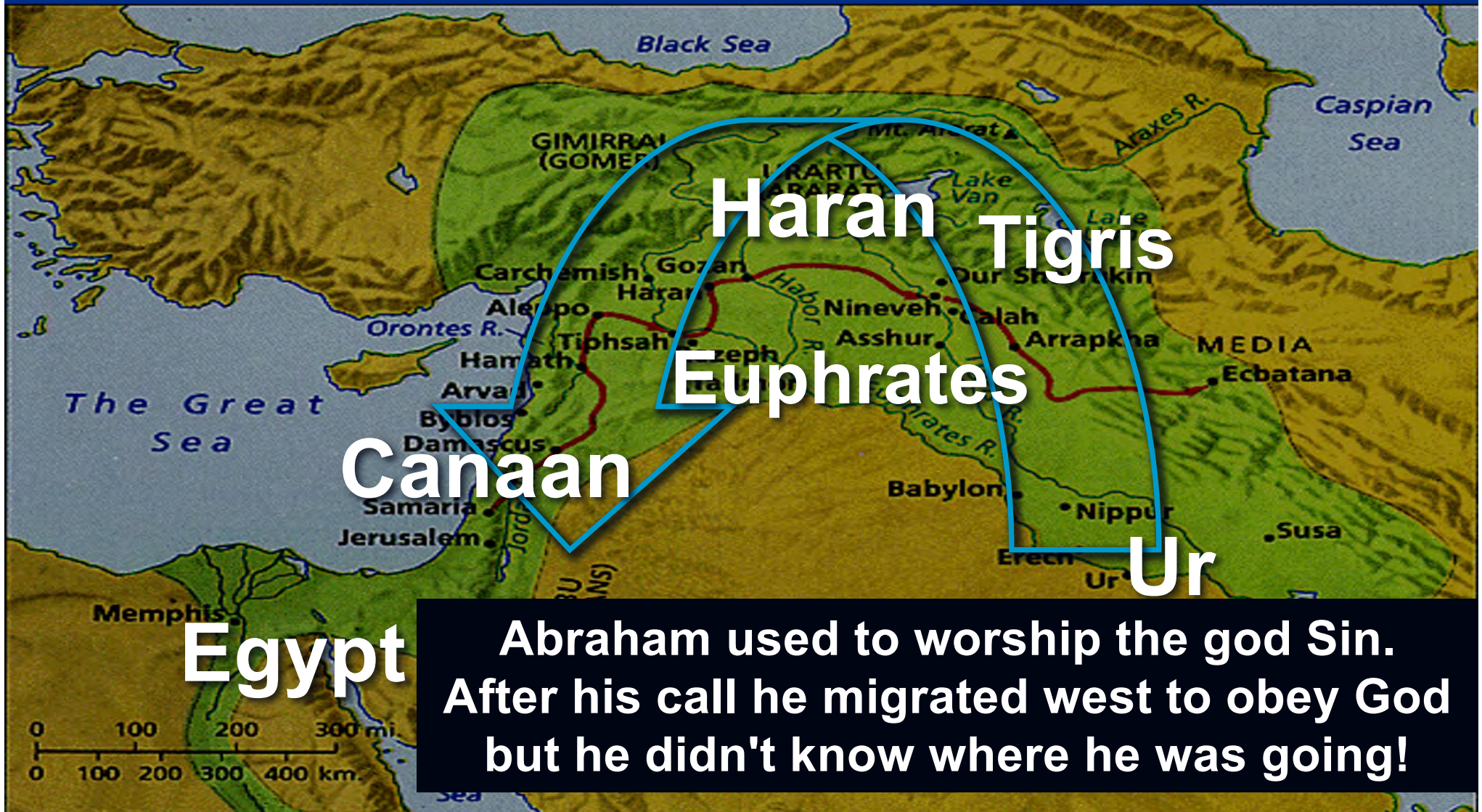
The CALL

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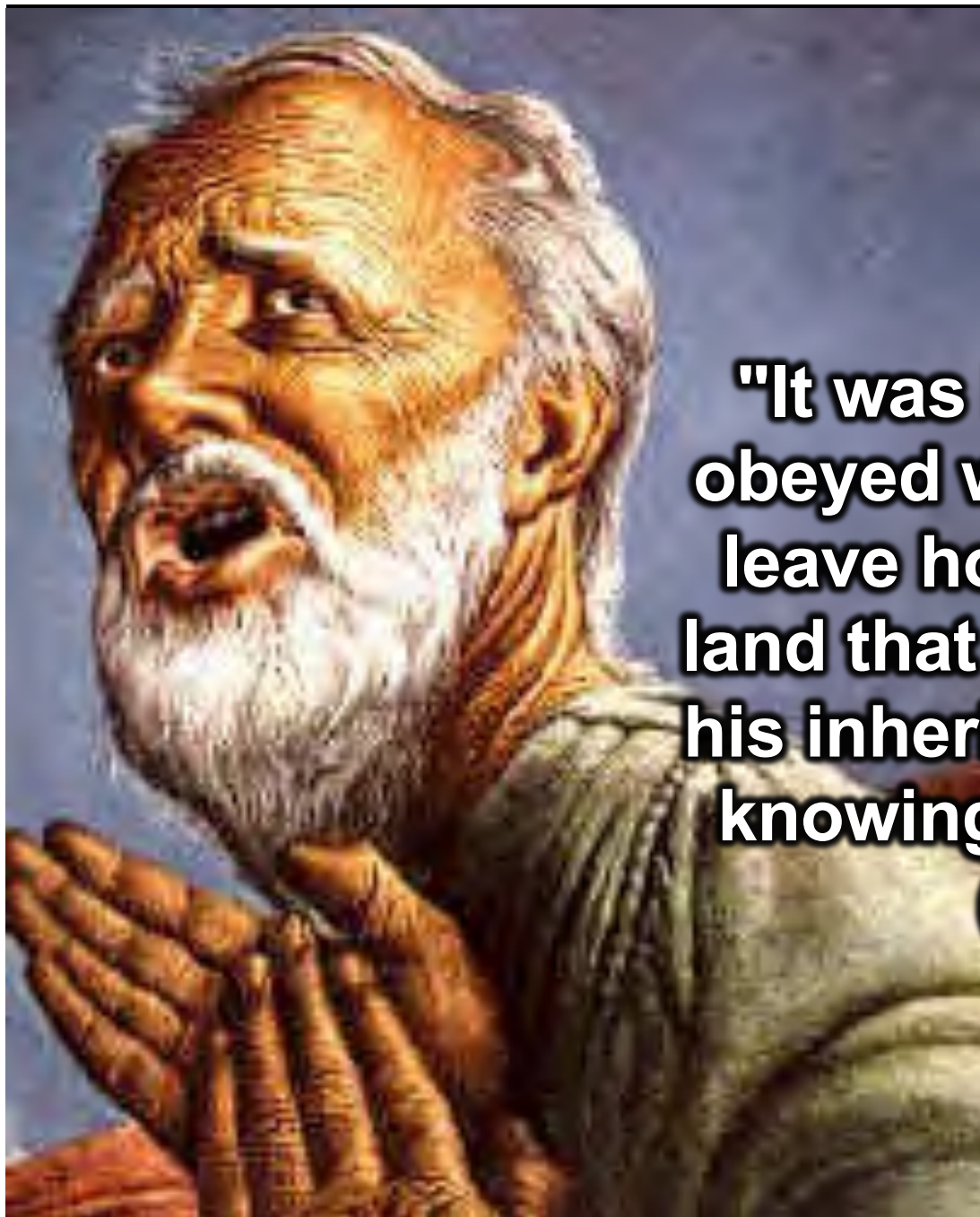
The Land of Abraham

Genesis 12–24



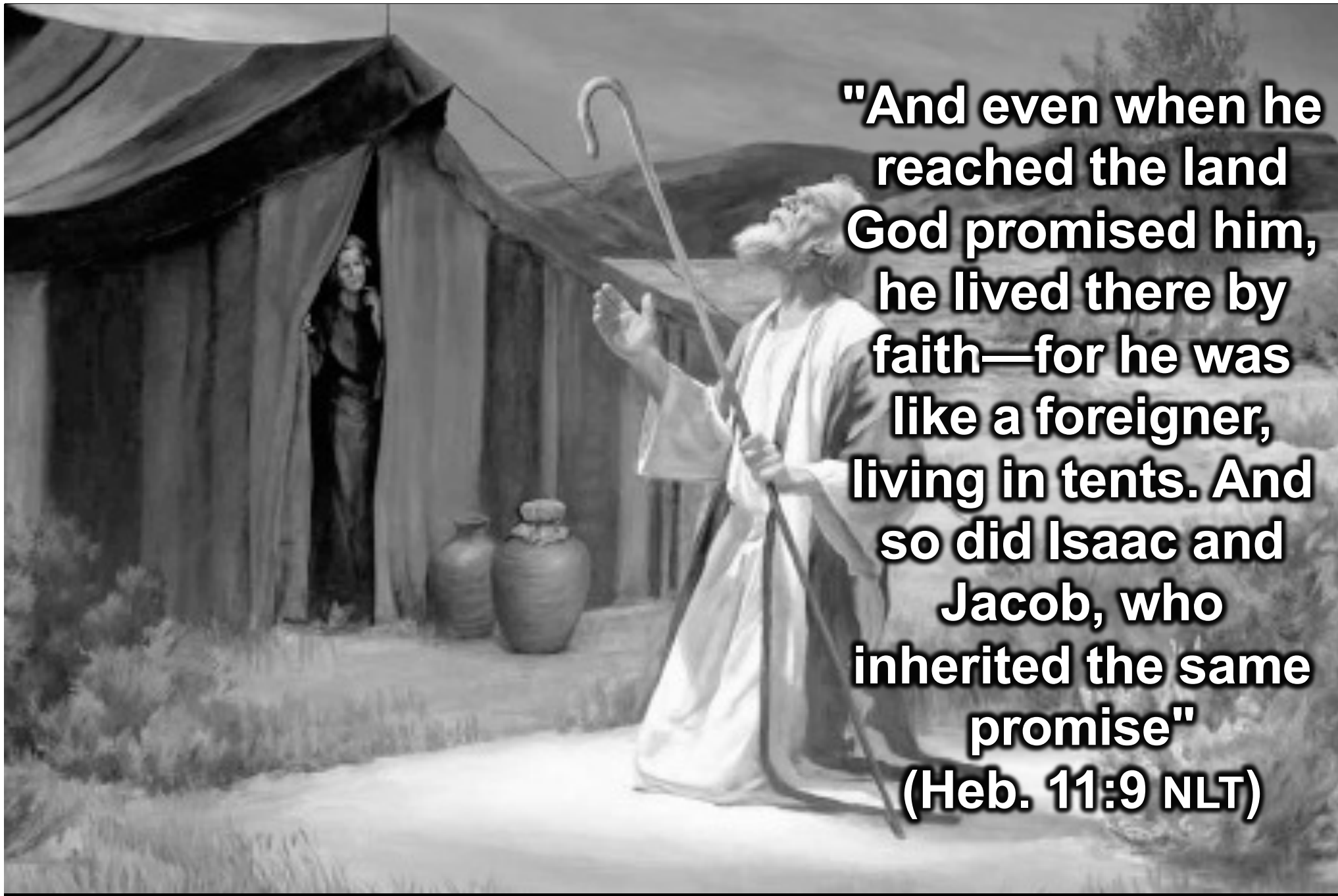
Egypt

Abraham used to worship the god Sin. After his call he migrated west to obey God but he didn't know where he was going!



**"It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and go to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went without knowing where he was going"
(Heb. 11:8 NLT)**

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)




**"And even when he reached the land God promised him, he lived there by faith—for he was like a foreigner, living in tents. And so did Isaac and Jacob, who inherited the same promise"
(Heb. 11:9 NLT)**

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)

"Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God" (Heb. 11:10 NLT)

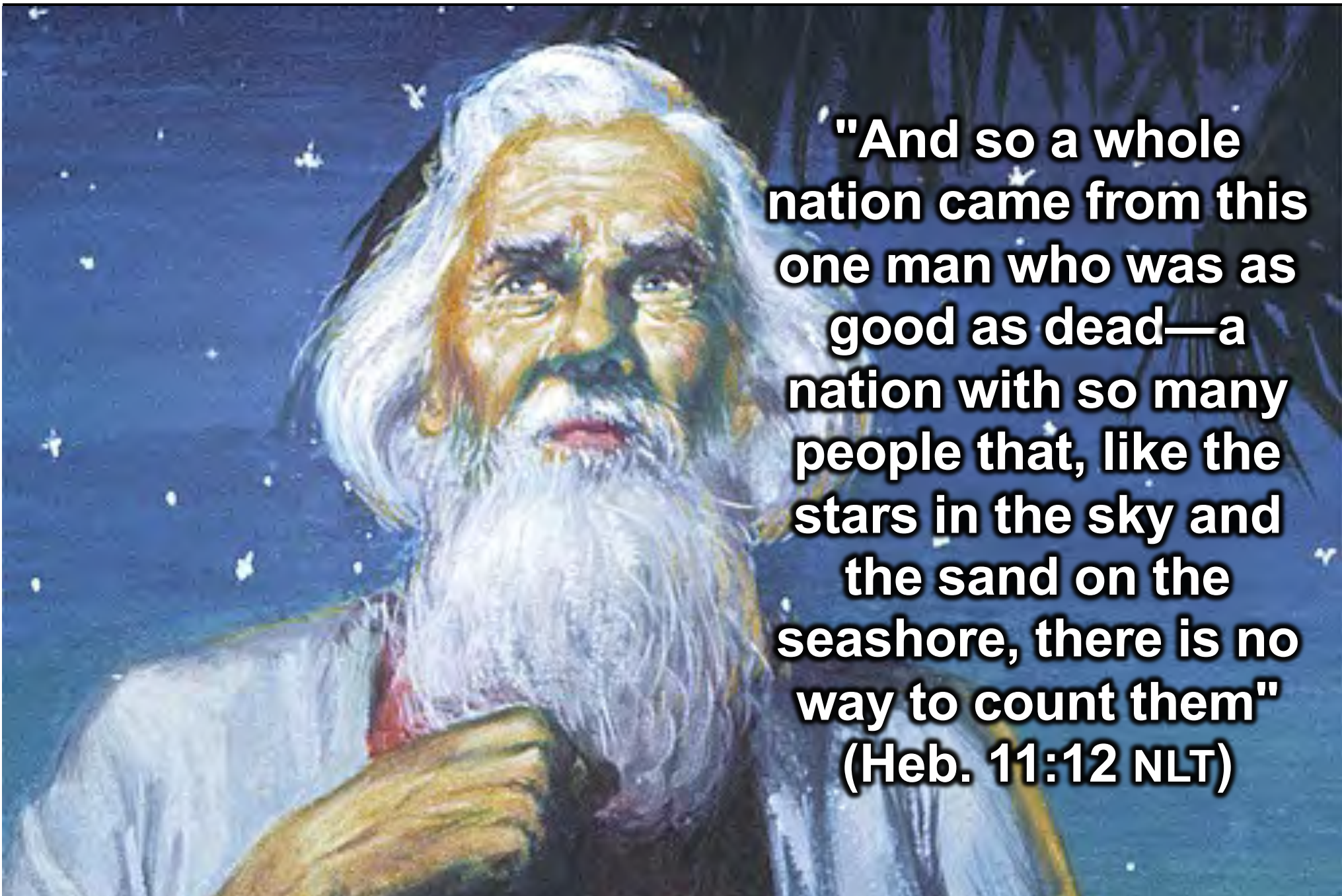


"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)

An illustration of an elderly man with a long white beard and hair, wearing a white robe, standing next to an elderly woman with a white headscarf and a red and purple robe. They are both looking towards the right. The background shows a wooden structure and a blue sky.

**"It was by faith that even Sarah
was able to have a child, though
she was barren and was too old.
She believed that God would
keep his promise"
(Heb. 11:11 NLT)**

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)



"And so a whole nation came from this one man who was as good as dead—a nation with so many people that, like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore, there is no way to count them" (Heb. 11:12 NLT)

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)

Types of Covenants

Covenants

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graph TD; Covenants[Covenants] --> Conditional[Conditional]; Covenants --> Unconditional[Unconditional]; Conditional --> Suzerain-Vassal[Suzerain-Vassal]; Unconditional --> Royal-Land-Grant[Royal Land Grant];
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Conditional

Suzerain-Vassal

Unconditional

Royal Land Grant

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ABRAHAM ca. 2000 B.C.

The CALL

L - S - B



Gen. 12:1-3

A J M I J

A LAND

A SEED

A BLESSING

ABRAHAM

The CALL

L - S - B

AN UNCONDITIONAL PROMISE
LATER TO BECOME A LEGAL
COVENANT!

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Abrahamic Covenant

- **I will** make you a great nation and **I will** bless you;
I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.
I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you **I will** curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed in you" (Gen. 12:2-3)

Genesis 15 Ratification



ROYAL LAND GRANT FORM OF THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

*This painting
inaccurately
depicts Abram
walking
through the
pieces*

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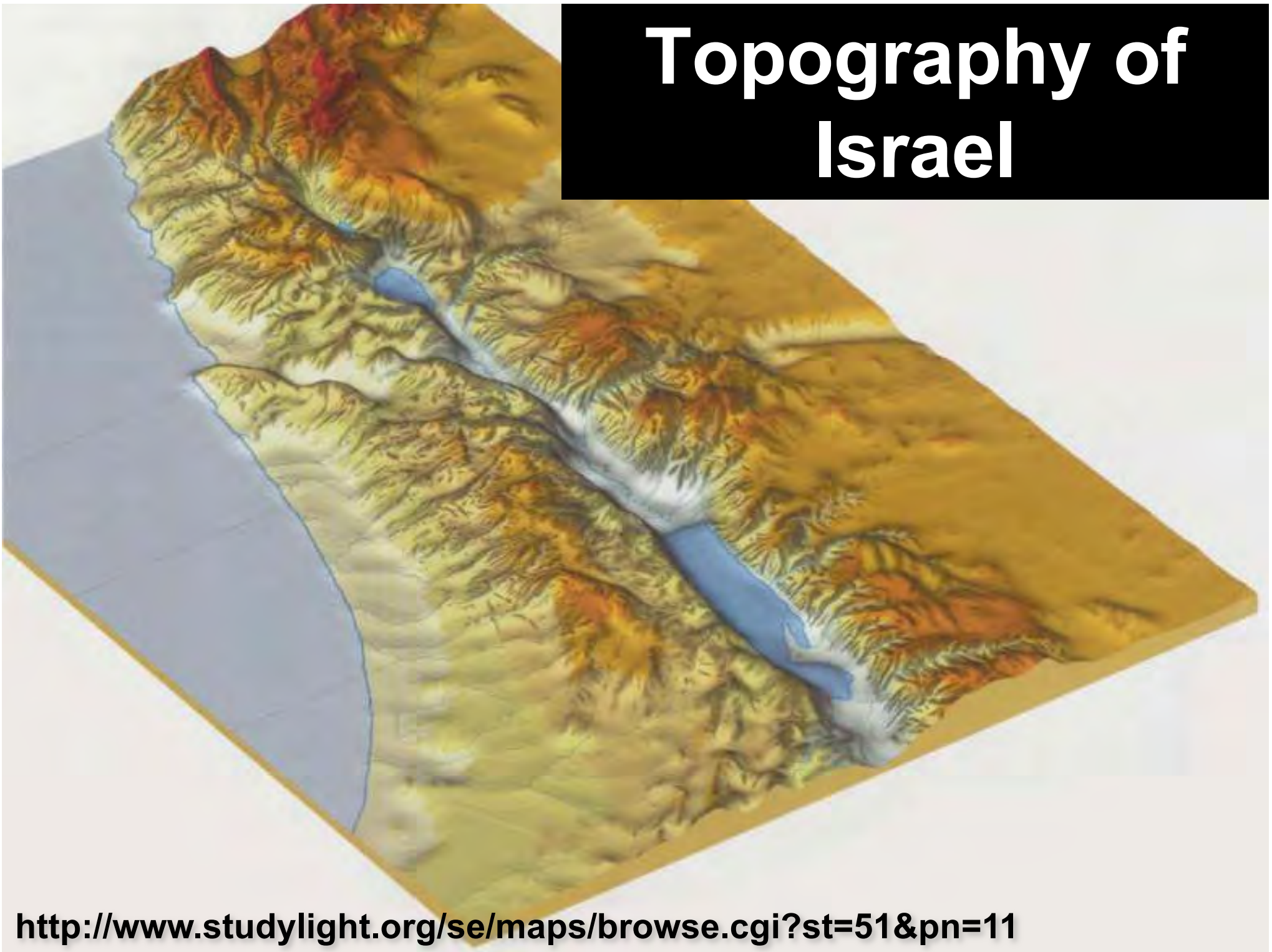
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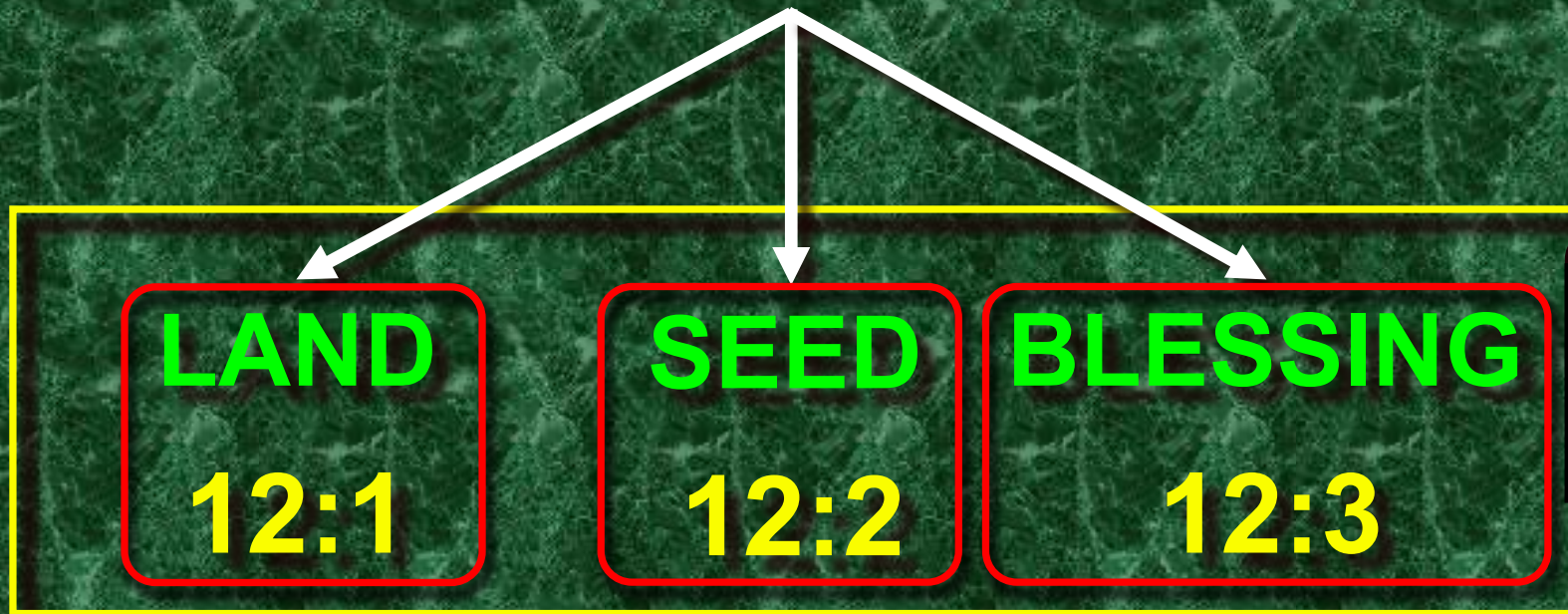
Topography of Israel



<http://www.studylight.org/se/maps/browse.cgi?st=51&pn=11>

The Abrahamic Covenant ("The Call")

Genesis 12:1-3



ABRAHAM
The CALL
L - S - B

"L-S-B"

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Abrahamic Covenant

Gen. 12:1-3



LAND

SEED

BLESSING

• **LITERAL**

• **ETERNAL**

• **UNCONDITIONAL**

ABRAHAM
The CALL
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Types of Unconditional Covenants

Abrahamic

Land

Davidic

New

Land

Seed

Blessing

Physical

Political

Spiritual

Deut. 30

2 Sam. 7

Jer. 31

Kingdom & Covenants Timeline



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Kingdom Teaching...

Adam rules with God (Gen. 1:26, 28; 2:19)

Satan begins rule as god of this world (Gen. 3:15; 2 Cor. 4:4)

God covenants with Abraham to reestablish man's rule via Israel as a "kingdom of priests" (Gen. 12:1-3; Exod. 19:6)

Israel's failure to witness to nations as a kingdom of priests is judged via exile under foreign rule

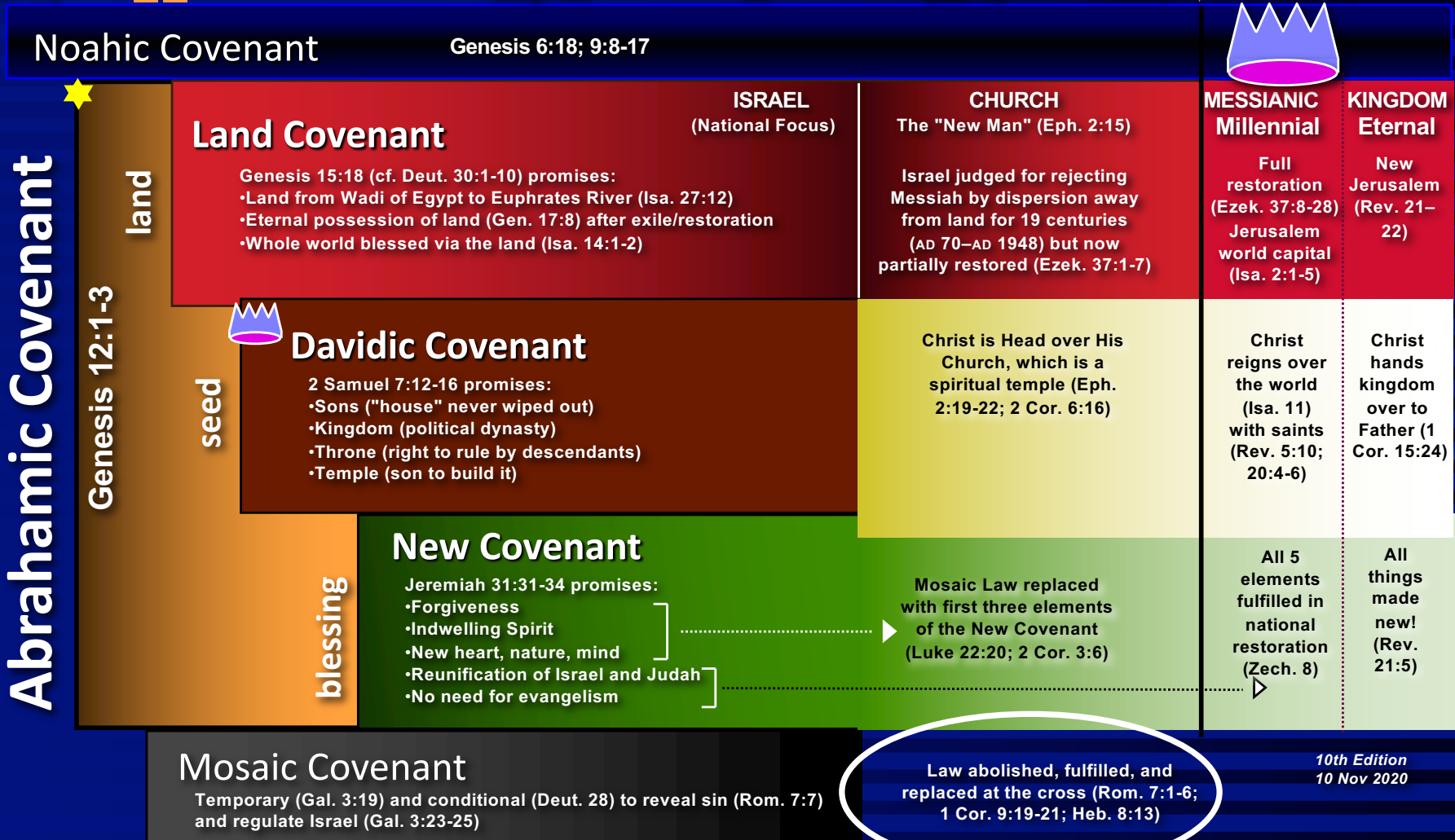
Israel rejects Messiah's offer of kingdom (Matt. 12:41-42; 23:37-39)

Jesus extends His kingdom in mystery form to the Church (Matt. 13)

Christ subdues Israel's enemies and nation believes (Rom. 11:26-27)

Christ rules over everything with saints (Eph. 1:9-10; Rev. 20:1-6; 22:5b)

Fall of Man (Gen. 3)



Scripture has a dual kingdom-covenant theme. Israel's role from Abraham to Christ expands to include the Church (continuity) yet the Church never replaces the nation as the "new Israel" (discontinuity). Israel will enjoy world prominence after trusting Christ at His second coming.

Borders of the Land Promised to Abraham

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Syria
Lebanon
Israel
Jordan

Egypt

Genesis 15:18

"On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates'" (ESV)

Eternal Land for Abraham's Descendants



Genesis 17:7-8 (NIV)

"I will establish my covenant as an **everlasting covenant** between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. ⁸The whole land of Canaan, where you are now an alien, I will give as an **everlasting possession** to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God."

The Qur'an Claims that God gave the Land to Jews

"Give heed, O believers! For Moses said to his people: 'O my people! Remember with reverence the grace of God upon you when He appointed prophets among you and made you sovereign over yourselves. Moreover, **He gave to you what He has not given to anyone else.** O, my people! Enter the Holy Land that God has decreed for you to enter, and do not turn away from this battle in retreat, for then you shall turn back from the faith itself as losers of an everlasting Paradise'" (Sura 5:20-21).

The Qur'an Claims that God gave the Land to Jews



**Sheikh Dr
Muhammad
Al-Husseini**

“You will find very clearly, that the traditional commentators from the eighth and ninth century onwards have uniformly interpreted the Koran to say explicitly that Eretz Yisrael [the land of Israel] has been given by God to the Jewish people as a perpetual covenant. There is no Islamic counterclaim to the Land anywhere in the traditional corpus of commentary.”

Tribal Redistribution

After Conquest (Josh. 13)



Millennial Israel (Ezek. 47-48)

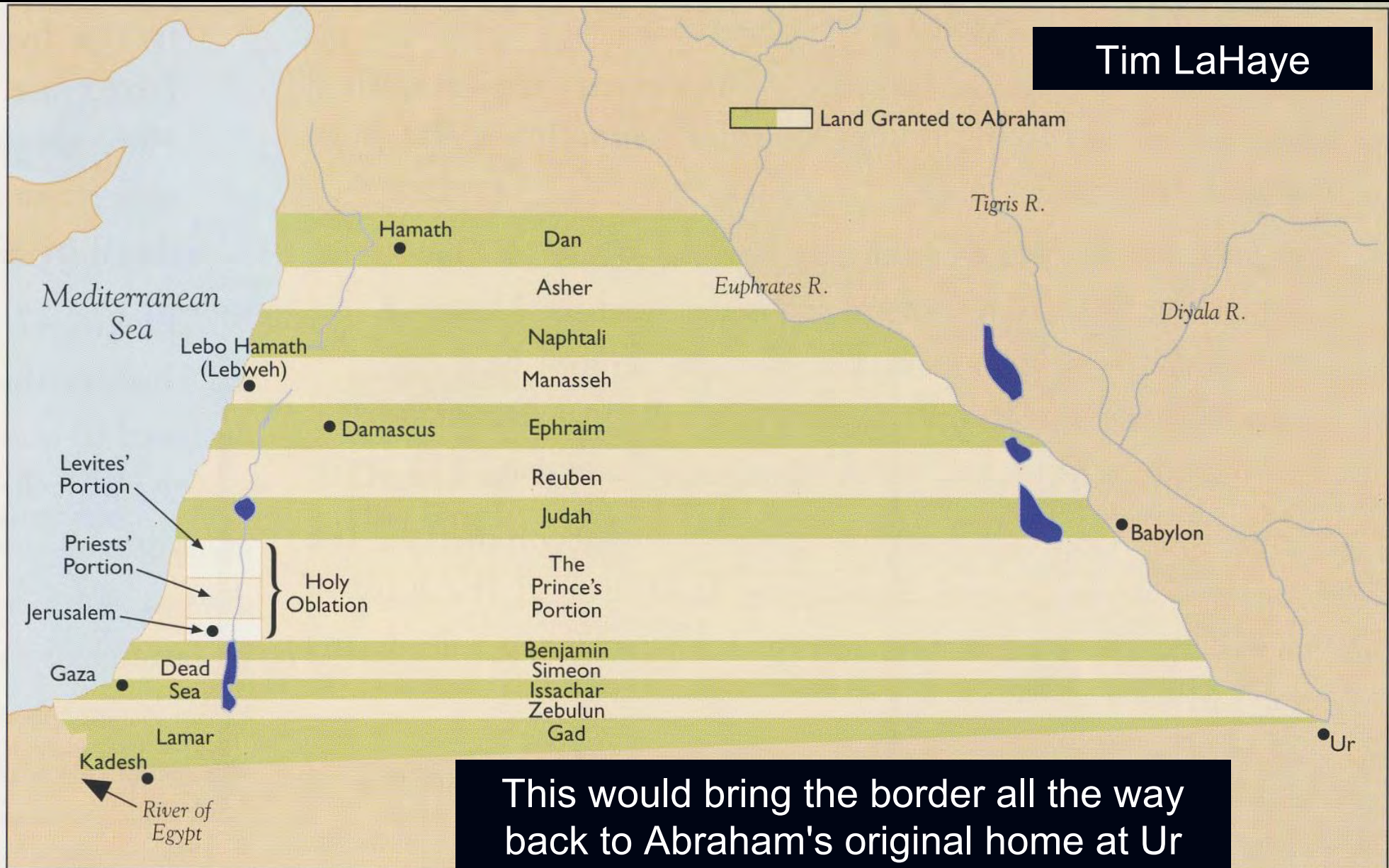


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Millennial Jerusalem in Ezekiel 47 retains its central location but is south (not north) of Judah

Another View of the Eastern Border

Tim LaHaye



This would bring the border all the way back to Abraham's original home at Ur



Will Israel's millennial border go all the way east to the Euphrates River?

Land Portions

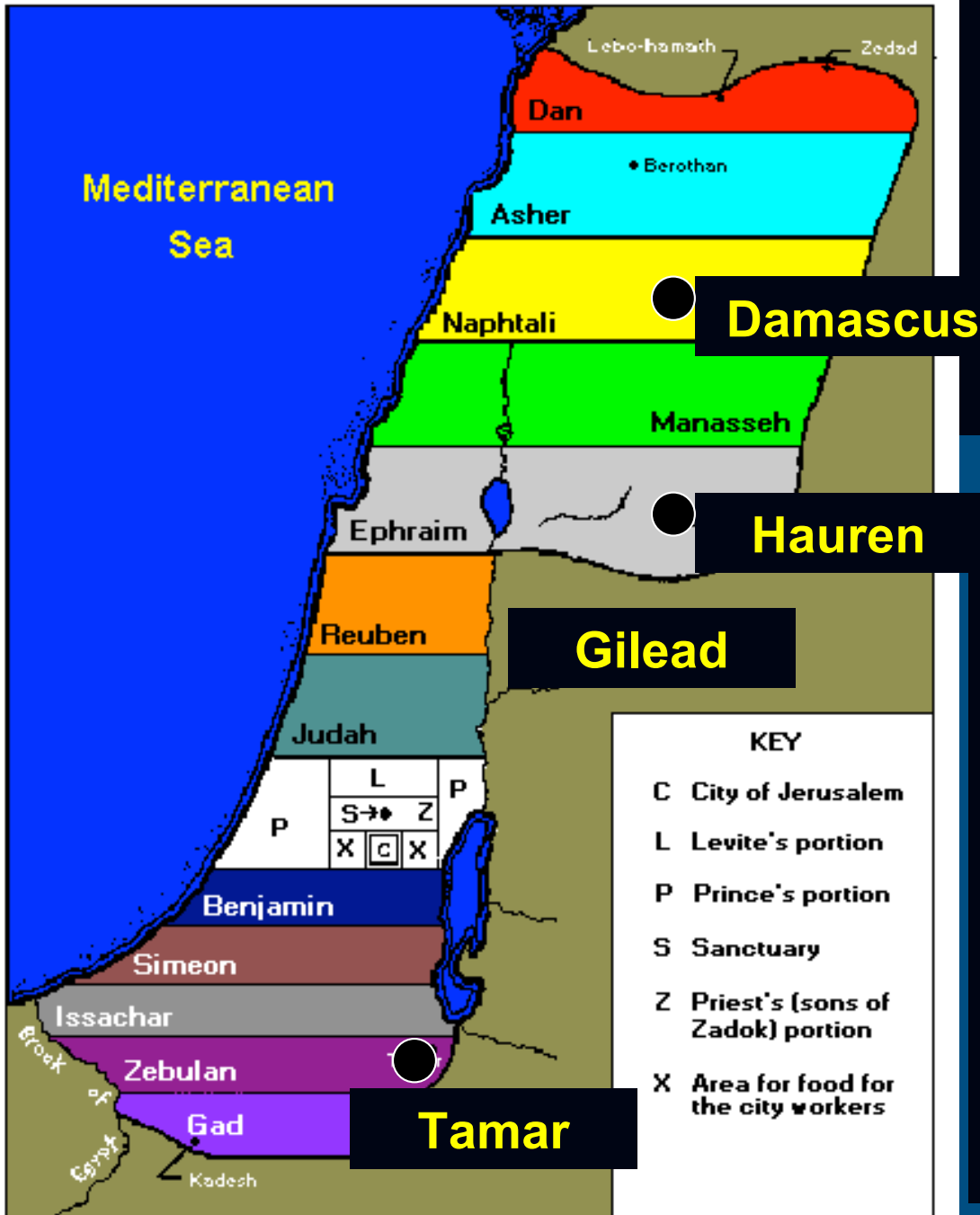
(48:1-7)



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Portions of land for the tribes of Israel going straight across from east to west. I have not tried to present accurate boundaries, but rather to show the general arrangement of the tribal portions. For example, the Golan Heights will probably be within the borders of Israel, though the picture doesn't show it that way.

LAND ALLOTMENT IN THE MILLENIUM ACCORDING TO EZEKIEL

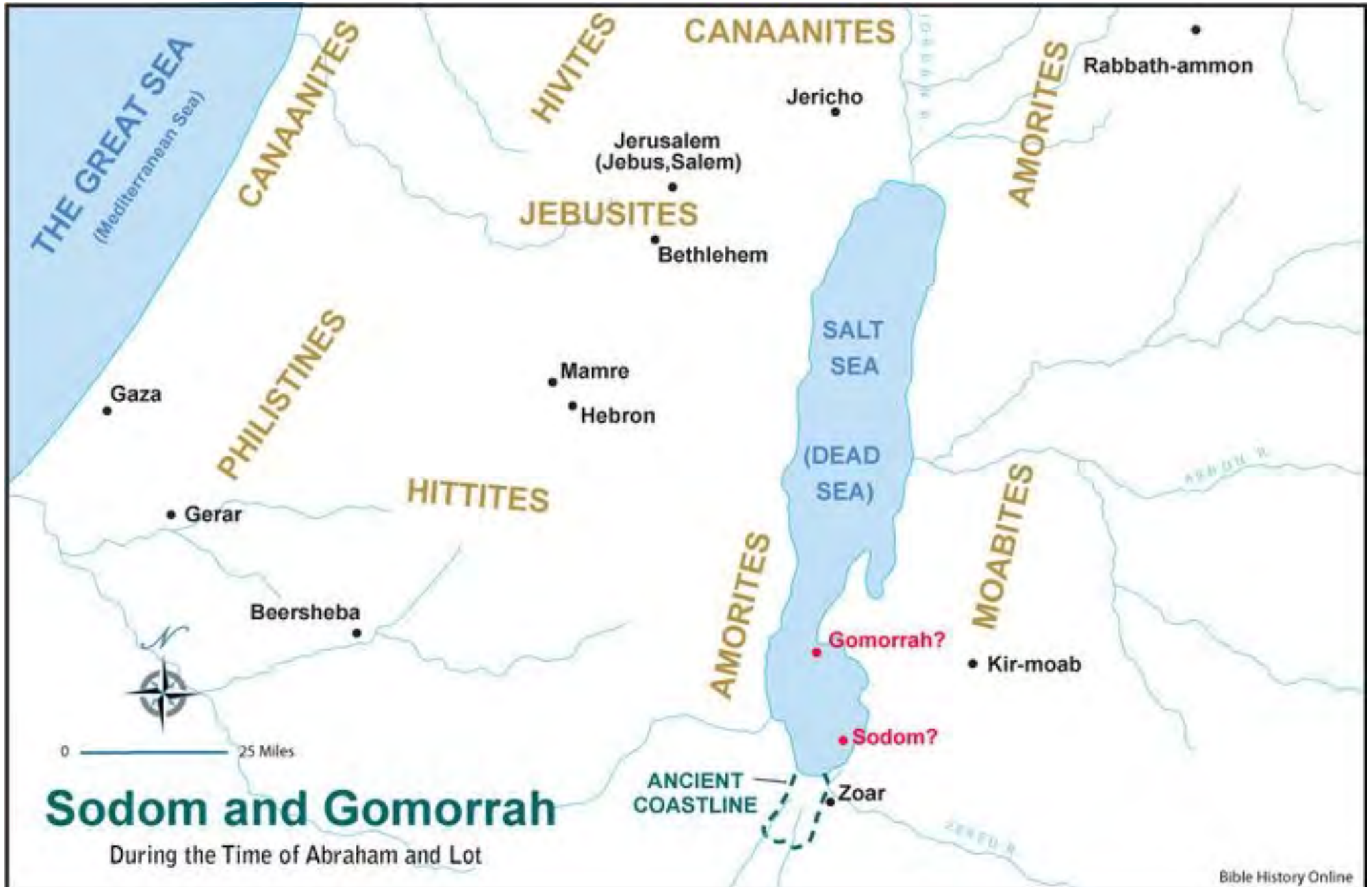


A Mediating View
is Probably Most
Accurate

Ezekiel 47:18 says, "The eastern border starts at a point between **Hauran** and **Damascus** and runs south along the Jordan River between Israel and **Gilead**, past the Dead Sea and as far south as **Tamar**. This will be the eastern border."

Genesis 13

Zoar lay south of the Salt Sea



Abram & Lot



- Sodom
- Gomorrah
- Zoar
- Admah
- Zeboiim

"Lot took a long look at the fertile plains of the Jordan Valley in the direction of Zoar. The whole area was well watered everywhere, like the garden of the LORD or the beautiful land of Egypt. (This was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.)"
(Gen 13:10 NLT).

Abram & Lot

• Jebus

• Hebron





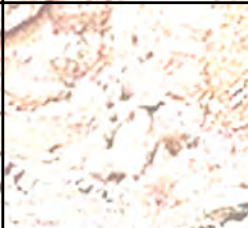

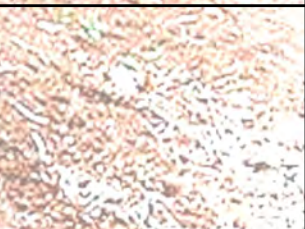



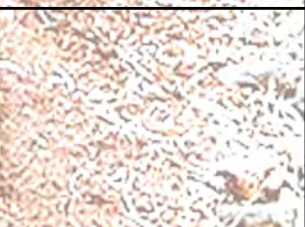

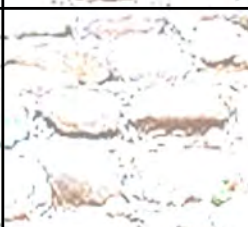
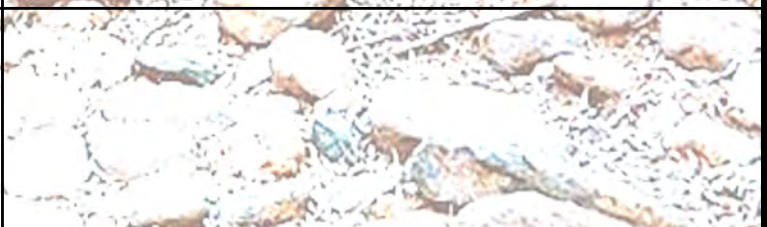
- Sodom
- Gomorrah
- Zoar
- Admah
- Zeboiim

"Lot chose for himself the whole Jordan Valley to the east of them. He went there with his flocks and servants and parted company with his uncle Abram. ¹²So Abram settled in the land of Canaan, and Lot moved his tents to a place near Sodom and settled among the cities of the plain"
(Gen 13:11-12 NLT).



"Lot took a long look at the fertile plains of the Jordan Valley in the direction of Zoar. The whole area was well watered everywhere, like the garden of the LORD or **the beautiful land of Egypt**. (This was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.)" (Gen 13:10 NLT).

Promises & Threats

	Condition	Land	Threats	Summary
	Promise	Seed		
	Oath	Blessing		
	Blood			
Gen. 12	C			Leave country
Gen. 13–14				
Gen. 15–16				
Gen. 17–21				

Overview & Threats

Condition **Land** **Threats** **Summary**
Promise **Seed**
Oath **Blessing**
Blood

12:1	C			Go to new country
12:2-3	P	S		Made into great nation
12:3		B		All nations cursed or blessed
12:7	P			I give this land to your seed
12:15-16			T	Sarah almost sold to Pharaoh
13:7			T	Quarrel with Lot
13:15	P	L		Land given
14:21			T	Accusation wealth from self

Genesis 14

Our Priest

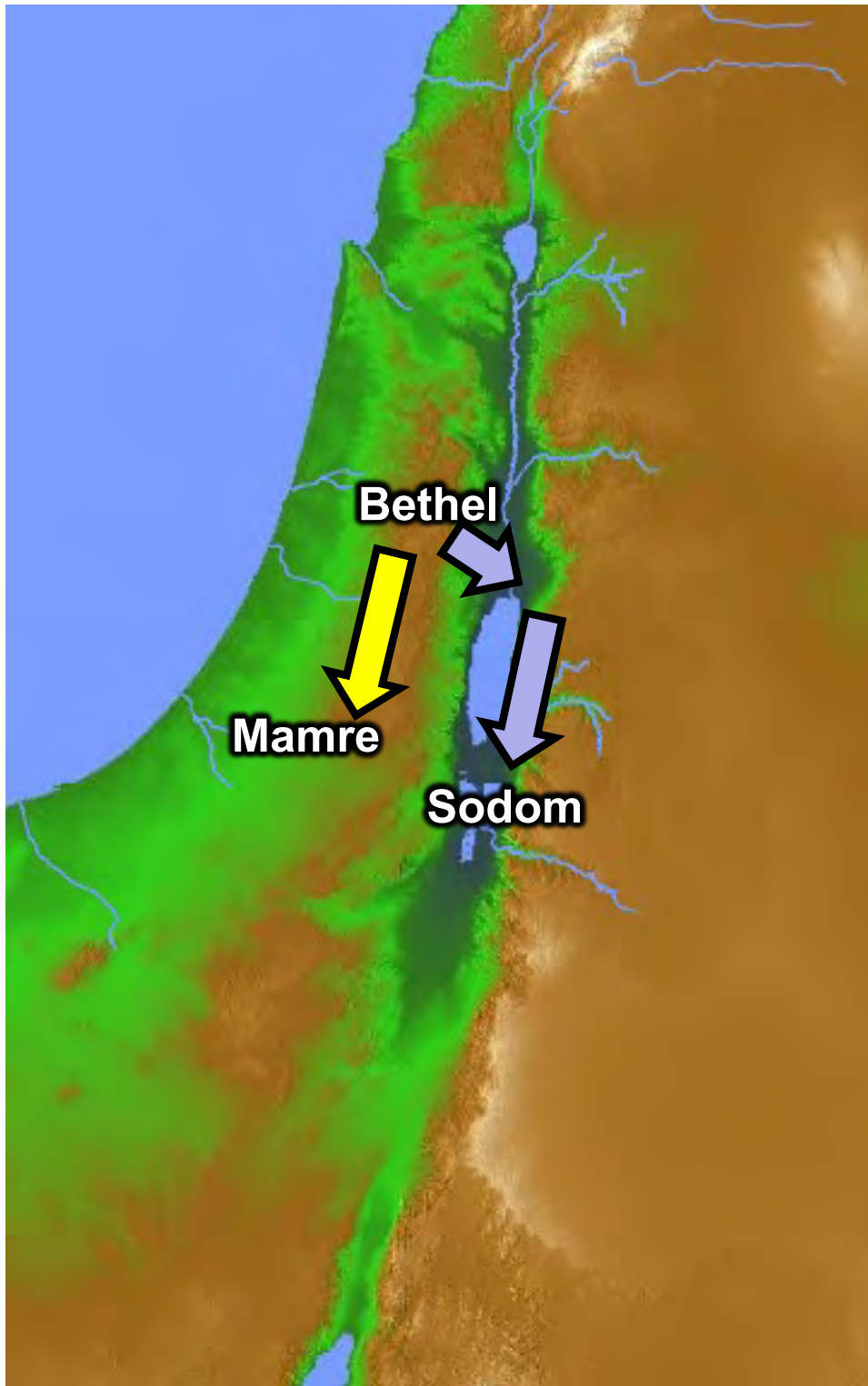


Genesis 14

How should we respond to **attacks** against our faith in God?



The Land of Canaan (2000 BC)



Bethel

Mamre

Sodom

Abraham
Lot



"Lot took a long look at the fertile plains of the Jordan Valley in the direction of Zoar. The whole area was well watered everywhere, like the garden of the LORD" (Gen. 13:10 NLT)



The Lush Jordan Valley

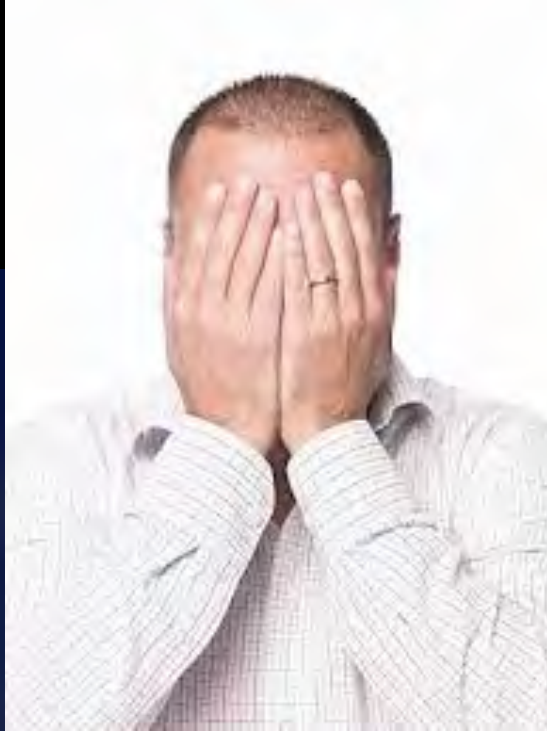
Lot first pitched his tent near Sodom

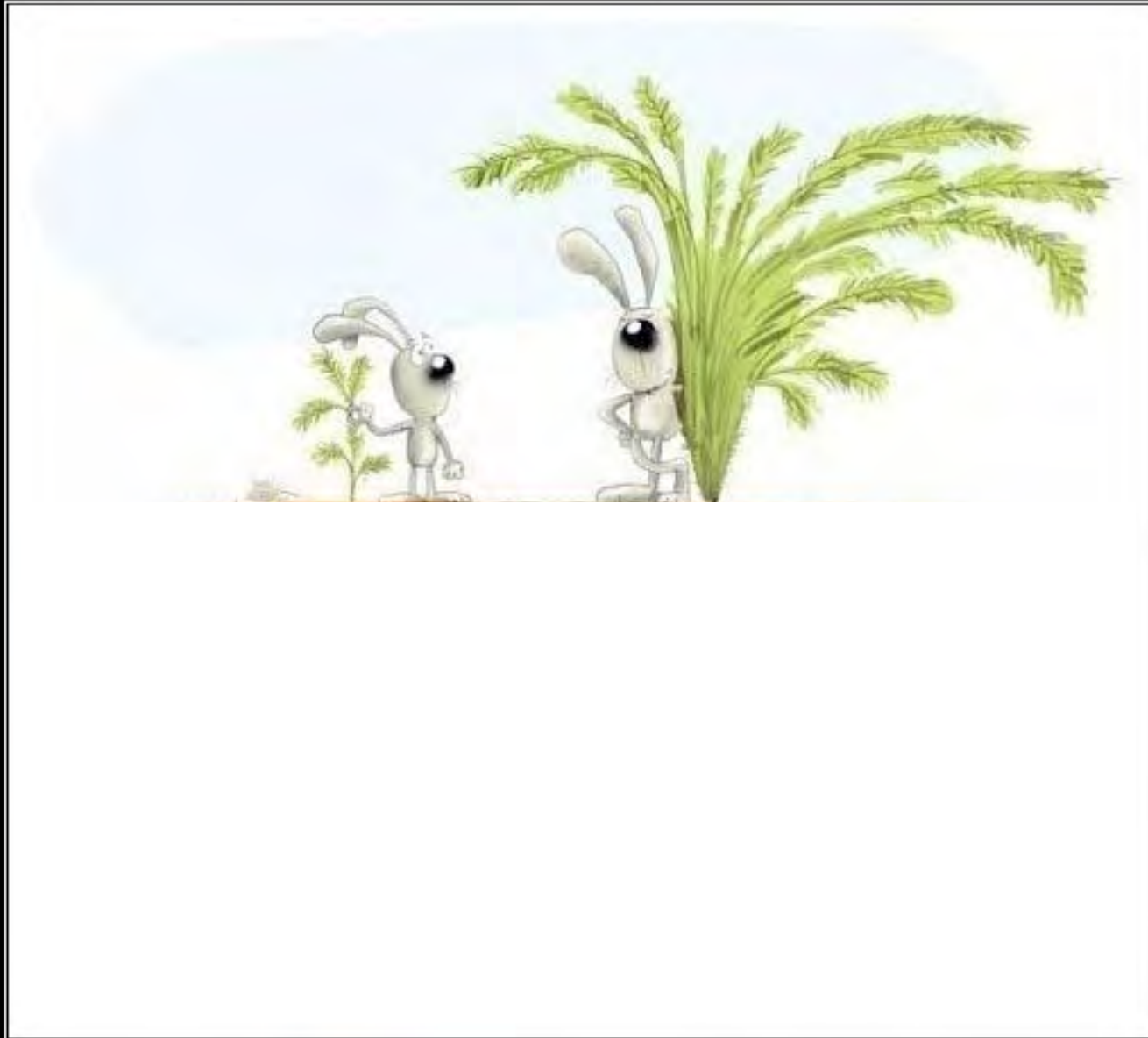


But soon Lot was living in Sodom



Perils of Success





SUCCESS
is not always what you see

How should we respond to **attacks**
against our faith in God?



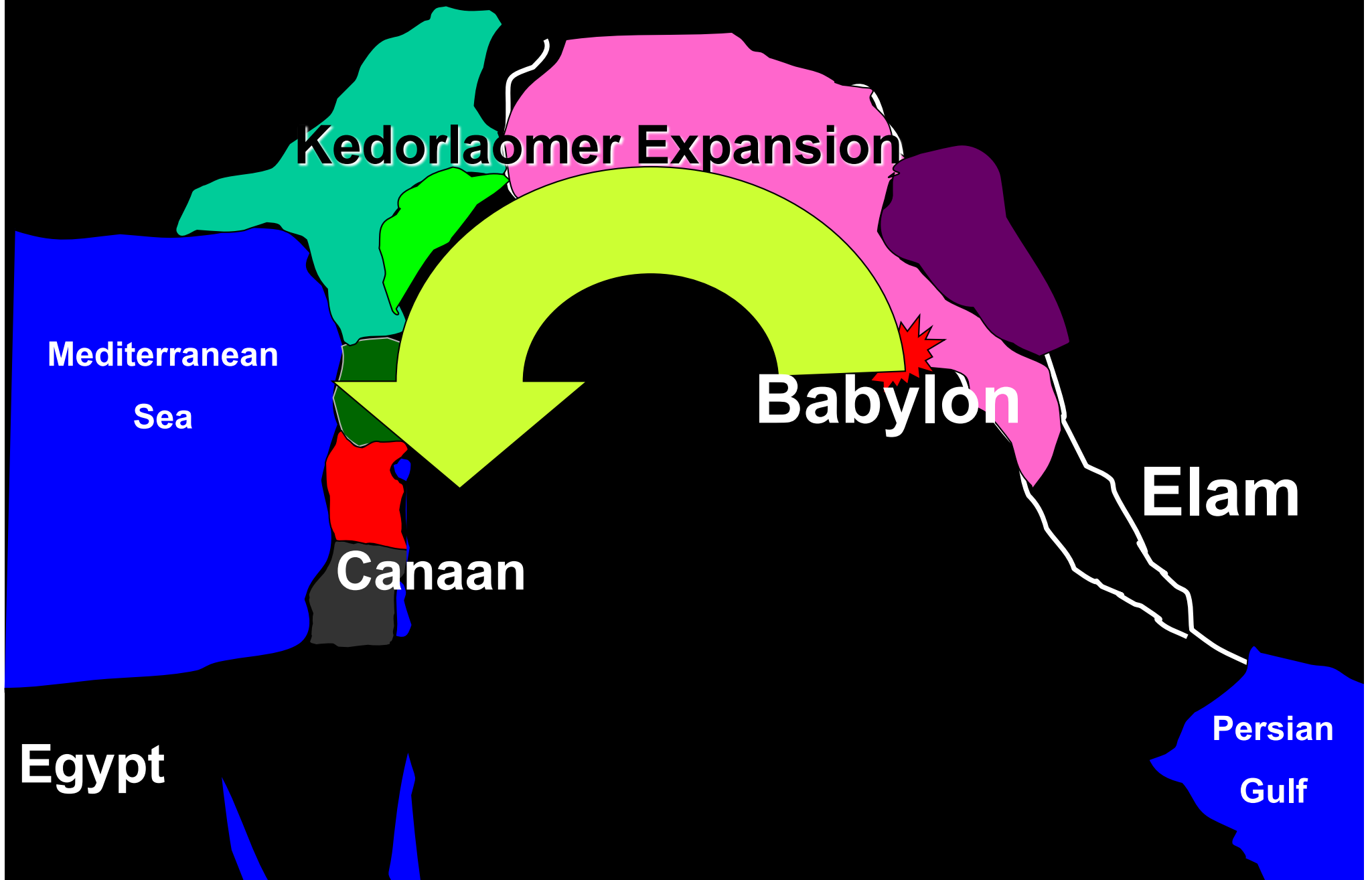
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Gen. 14

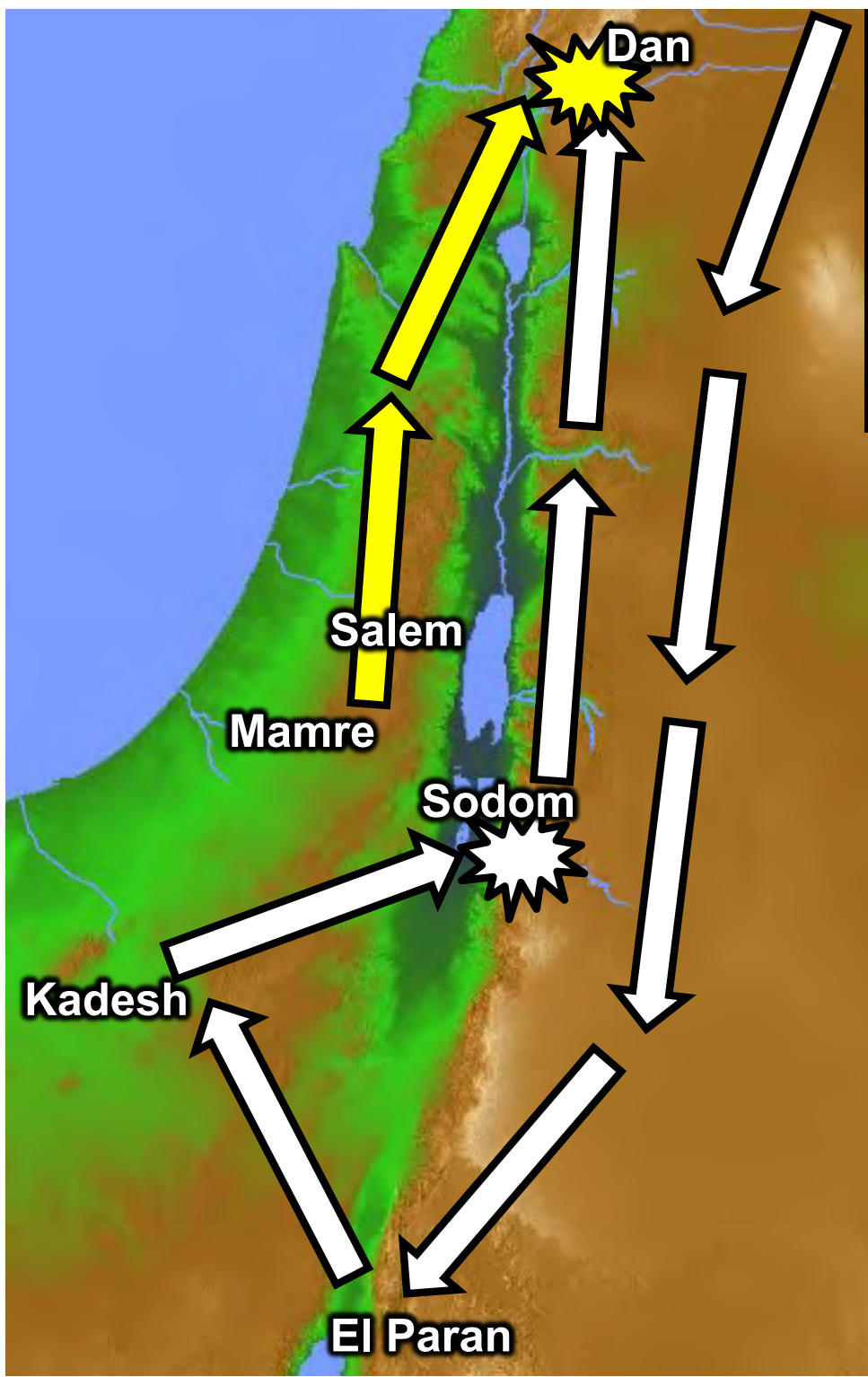
I. **Trust** God for victory.



Kings from the East



The Land of Canaan (2000 BC)

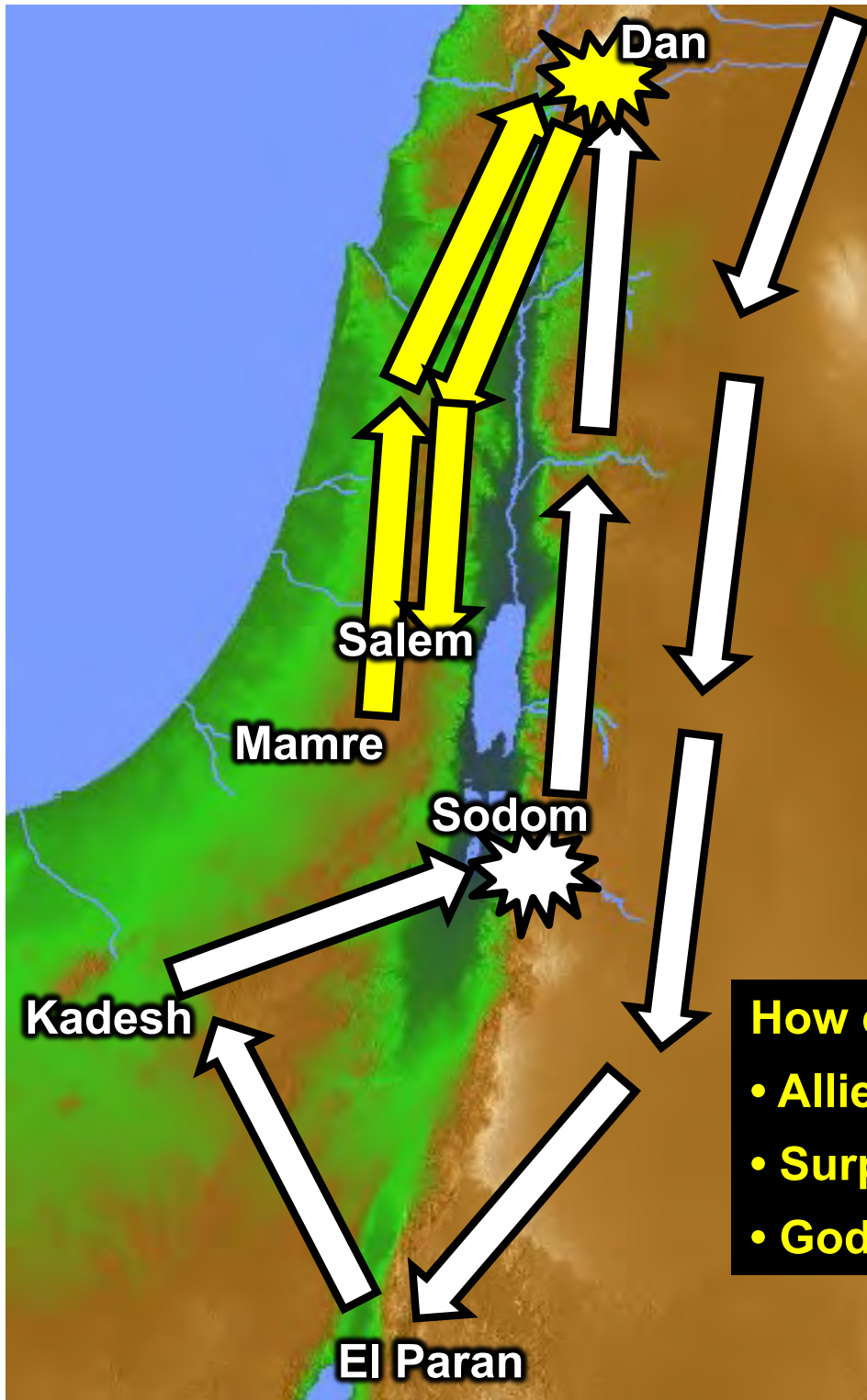


4 Kings 
Abraham 



**The Gate to Dan
(Gen. 14:15)**

The Land of Canaan (2000 BC)



4 Kings
Abraham



How could Abraham win?

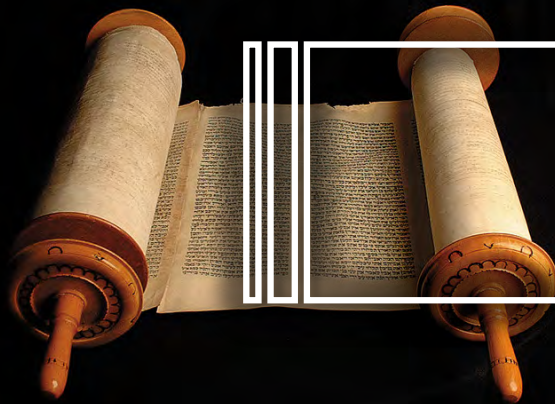
- Allies Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre (14:13, 24)
- Surprise night attack
- God

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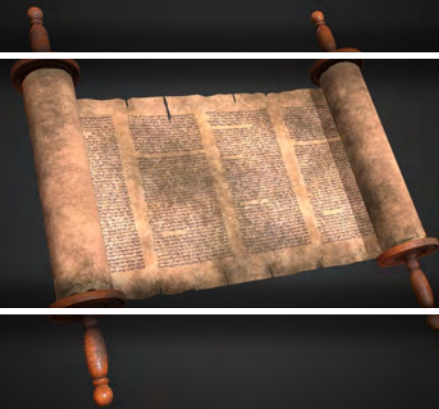


Hebrew Consistency

Why does the whole OT show a consistent use of Hebrew so that the Pentateuch does not look like it was written 1000 years before Malachi?



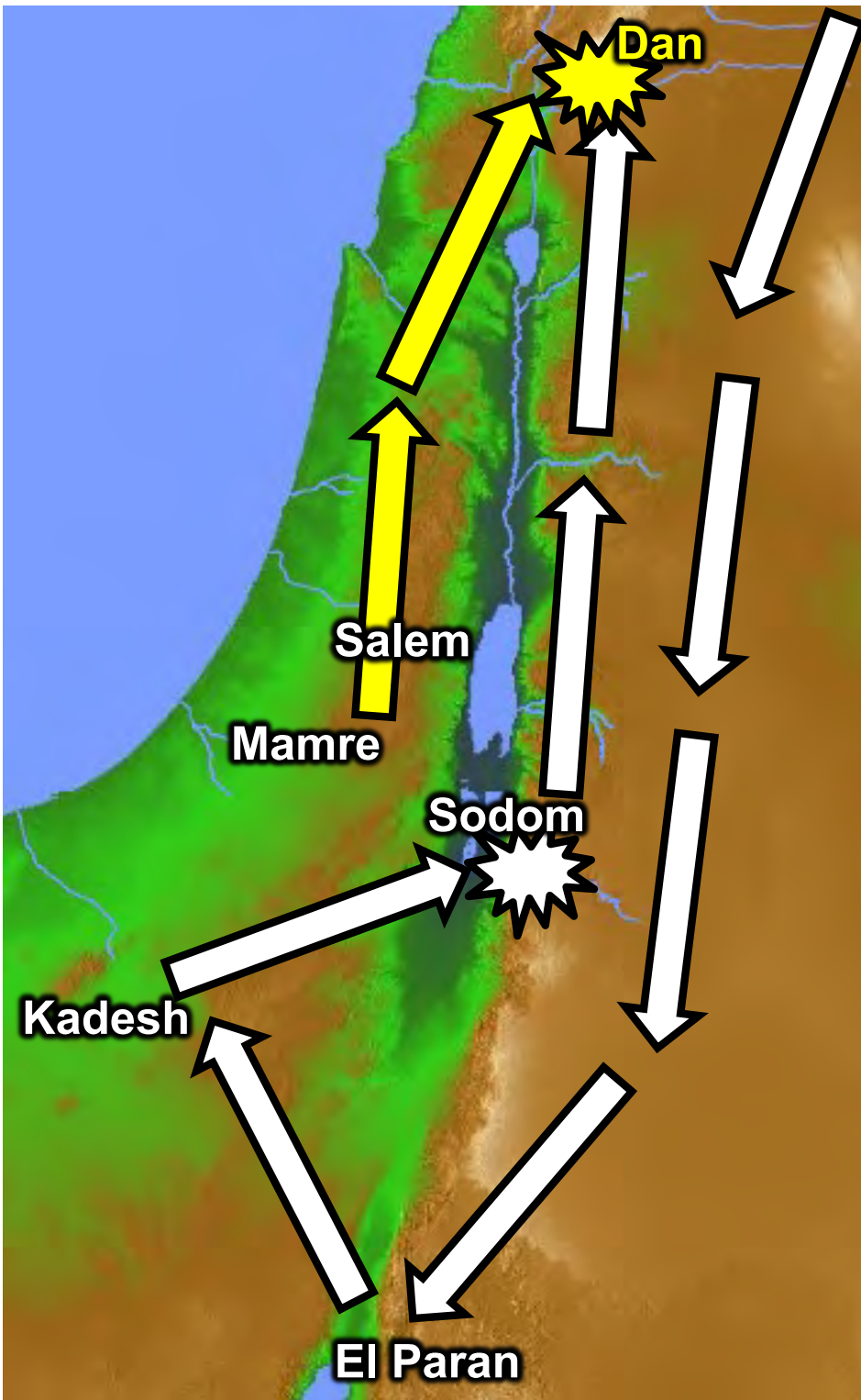
Pentateuch
1400 BC



Poetics
1000 BC



Malachi
400 BC



The Land of Canaan (2000 BC)

4 Kings

Abraham

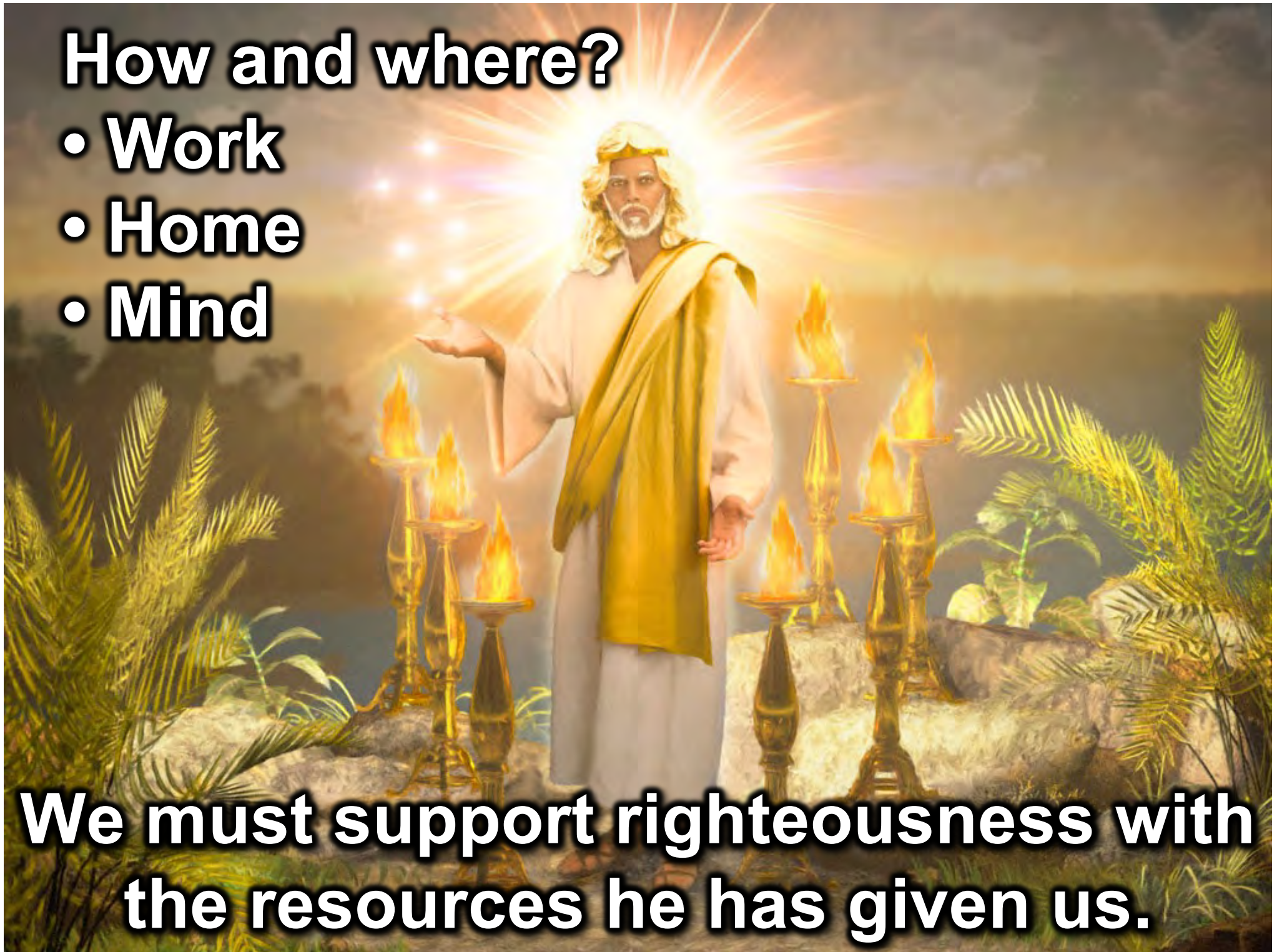


“When Abram heard that his relative had been taken captive, he called out the 318 trained men born in his household and went in pursuit as far as **Dan**”
(Genesis 14:14 NIV).

How and where?

- Work
- Home
- Mind

We must support righteousness with the resources he has given us.



I. **Trust** God for victory.



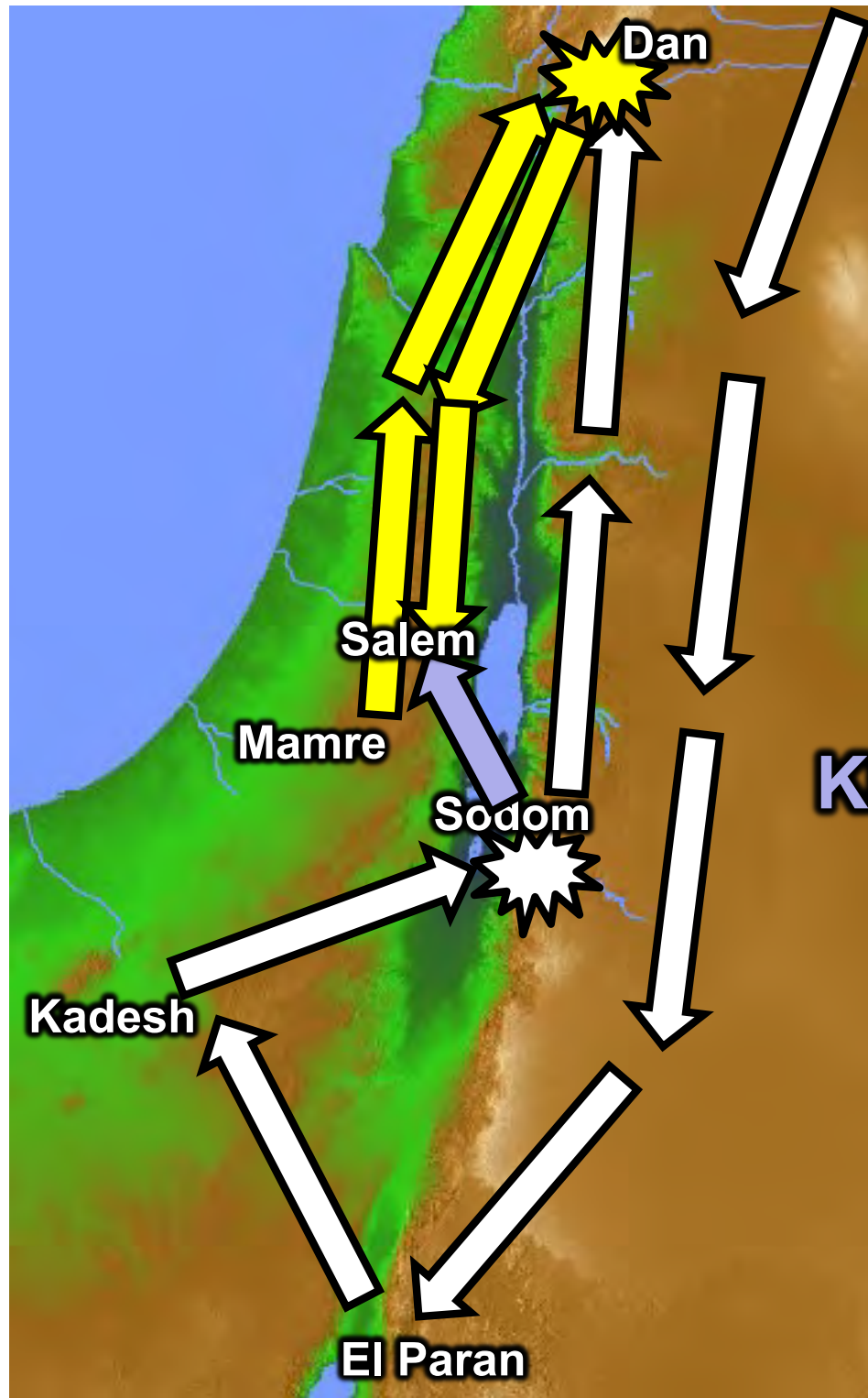


**Our greater danger is not failure.
It is success.**

II. Credit God for his victories in your life (17-24).



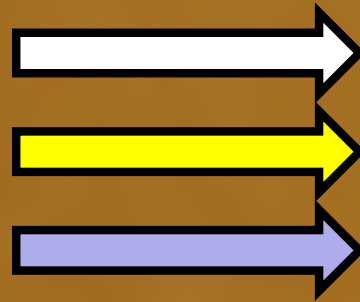
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4 Kings

Abraham

King of Sodom

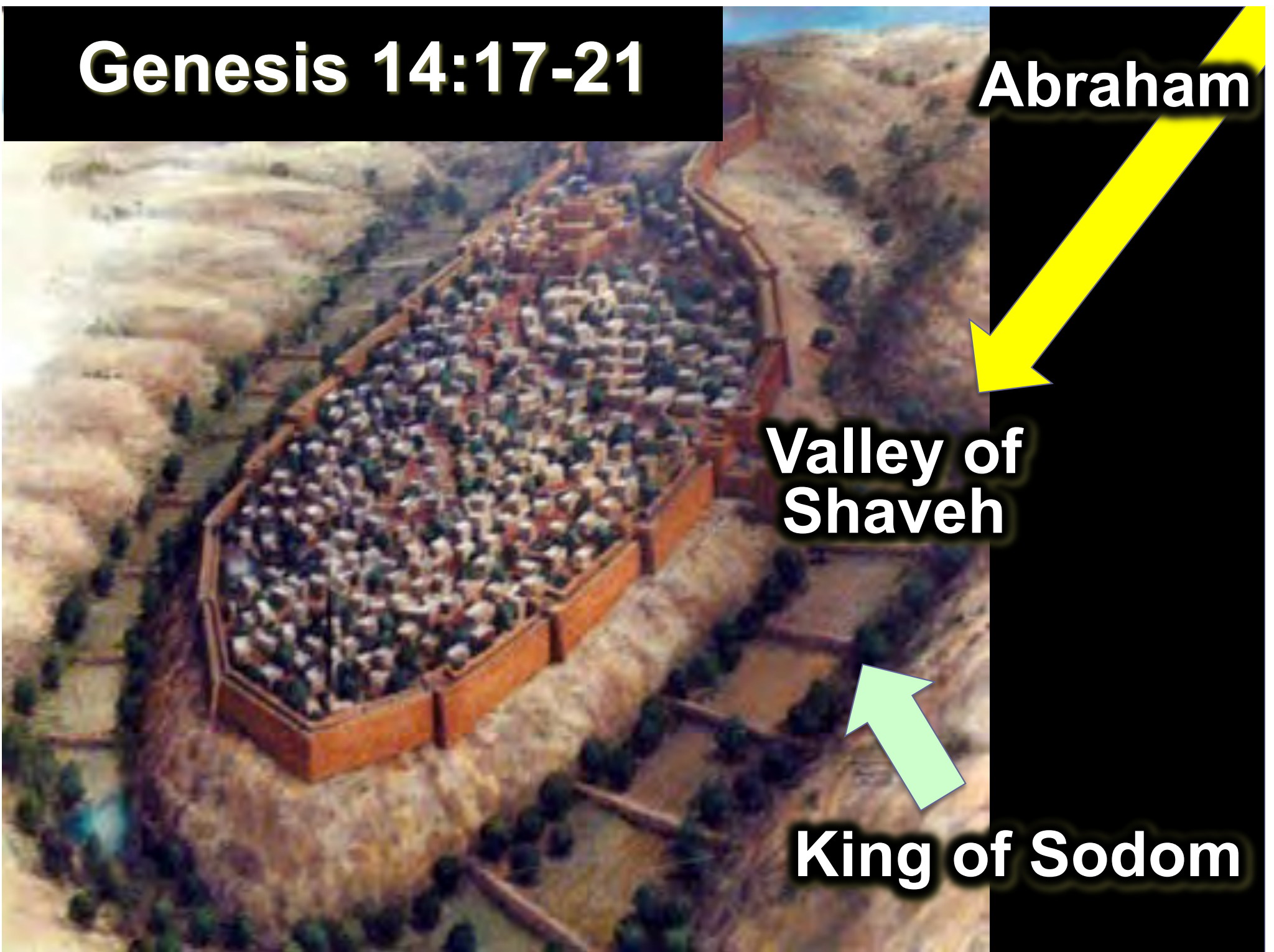


Genesis 14:17-21

Abraham

Valley of Shaveh

King of Sodom





King of Sodom

Genesis 14:17-21

Abraham

Valley of Shaveh

King of Sodom



The Valley of Shaveh

**"During his lifetime, Absalom had built a monument to himself in the King's Valley, for he said, 'I have no son to carry on my name.' He named the monument after himself, and it is known as Absalom's Monument to this day"
(2 Sam. 18:18 NLT)**



Absalom's Pillar

The Valley of Shaveh



Absalom's Pillar

"And Melchizedek, the king of Salem and a priest of God Most High, brought Abram some bread and wine"

(14:18 NLT).



Genesis 14:19-20

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth.

²⁰And blessed be God Most High, who has defeated your enemies for you!"

Abraham



Valley of Shaveh



Melchizedek



King of Sodom



Vast Differences!



Bera

**Wicked King
of Sodom**



Melchizedek

**King of
Righteousness**

Melchizedek



Melchizedek

**Who
was he?**



The Mystical Melchizedek



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Lord Melchizedek



Melchizedek



**The Pre-Incarnate
Christ?**

The Angel Melchizedek





Melchizedek

(Judaism; New Age)

"...Ancient mystical texts describe Melchizedek as one who conducts spirit releasement on a massive scale, working in conjunction with Archangel Michael."

<http://www.angelsandmasters.net/A57.html>



Mormon Priesthood

A painting
depicting the
restoration of
the Melchizedek
Priesthood by
Peter, James,
and John

Mormonbeliefs.org

CELEBRATING
Christmas
@ Melchizedek Church

SUNDAY
December 21
10:30am & 7:00pm

Kids Celebration
Friday, December 19
6:30pm



Who *really* was Melchizedek?

- "King of righteousness"
- King of Jerusalem (cf. Ps. 76:2)
- Priest of God Most High

The Aaronic High Priest



One Decision



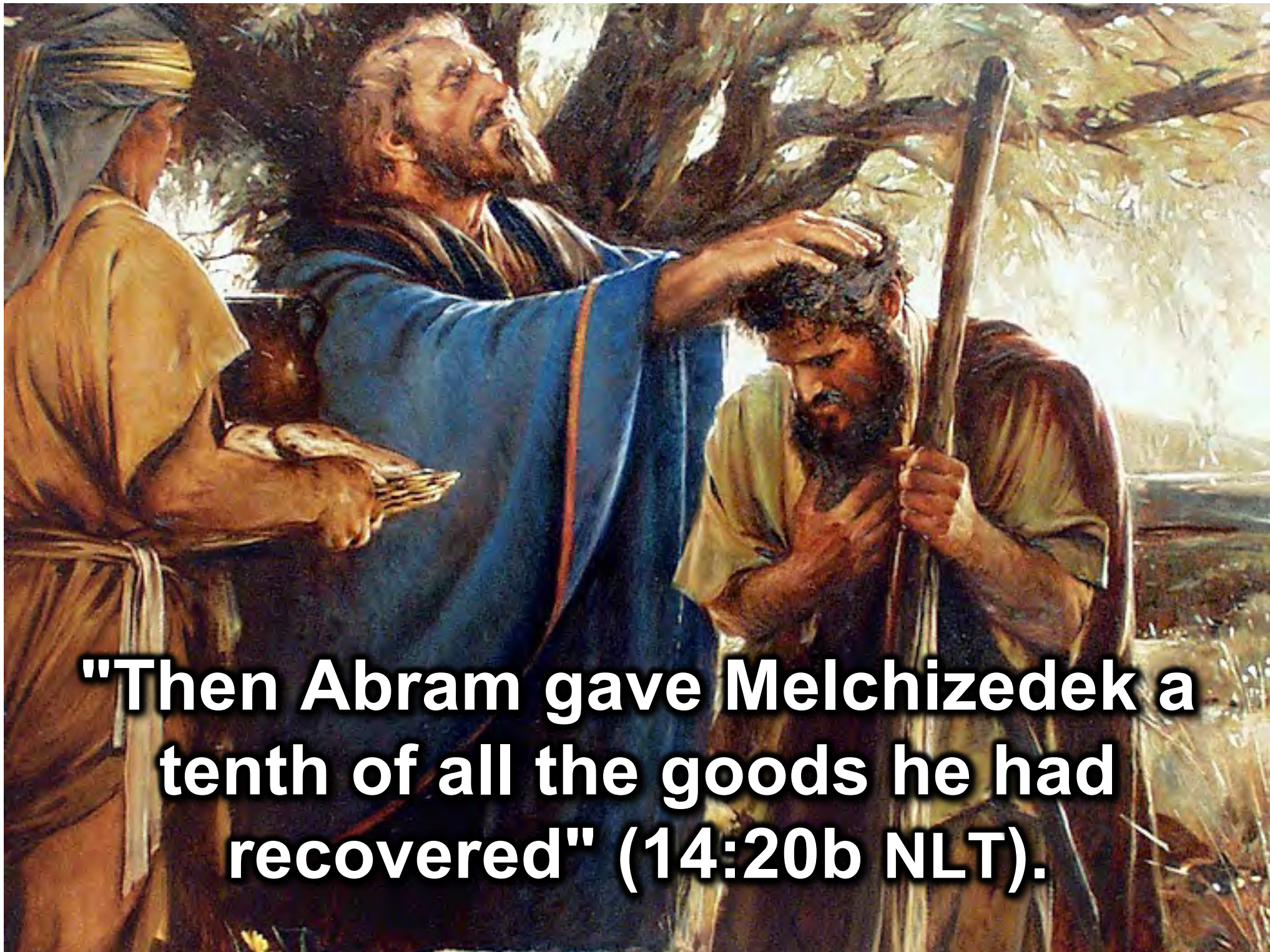
Bera

**Wicked King
of Sodom**



Melchizedek

**King of
Righteousness**



"Then Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of all the goods he had recovered" (14:20b NLT).

Melchizedek



Origins
of The Tithe

2000 BC
(Gen 14)

ABRAHAM

MELCHIZEDEK
(priest / king)

1700 BC

LEVI

JUDAH

1500 BC

1000 BC

Priests

Kings

(eg David Ps 110)

30 AD

60 AD

Book of Hebrews

Q: Is Jesus Qualified? Legit?

A: Jesus is Better! + Essential!

+

JESUS =
King +
High Priest

Genesis 14:19-20

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth.

²⁰And blessed be God Most High, who has defeated your enemies for you!"

Abraham



Valley of Shaveh



Melchizedek



"I've got a deal for you!"

King of Sodom



Offer Rejected

"The king of Sodom said to Abram, 'Give back my people who were captured. But you may keep for yourself all the goods you have recovered.' ²²Abram replied to the king of Sodom, 'I solemnly swear to the LORD, God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth, ²³that I will not take so much as a single thread or sandal thong from what belongs to you. Otherwise you might say, "I am the one who made Abram rich." ²⁴I will accept only what my young warriors have already eaten, and I request that you give a fair share of the goods to my allies—Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre'" (14:21-24 NLT).

One Decision



Bera

**Wicked King
of Sodom**

**"Give back my
people..."**



Melchizedek

**King of
Righteousness**

**"Blessed be
Abram..."**

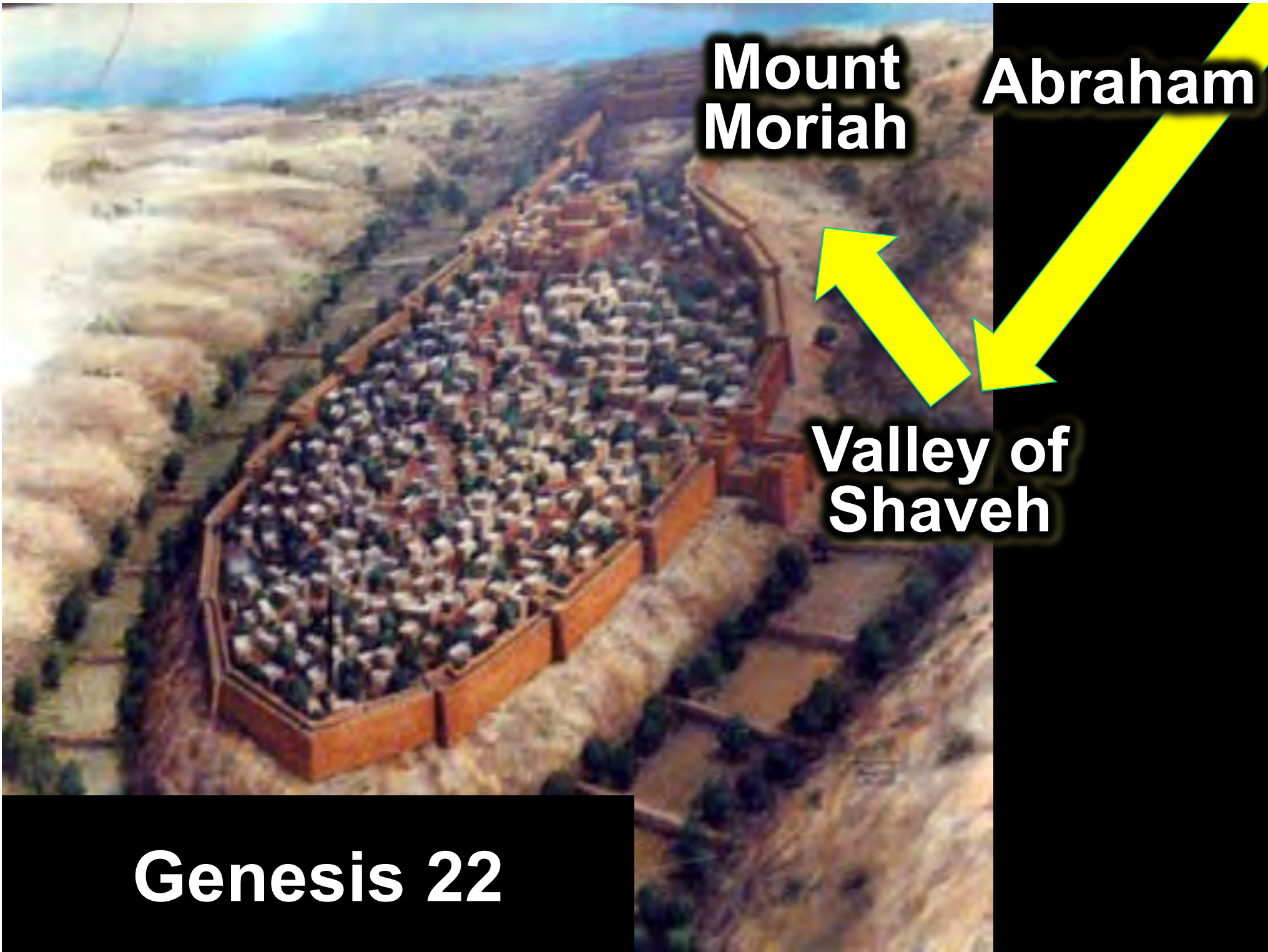
**We must credit Jesus as our
Mediator with God**



JESUS

the great high priest

Series on the Book of Hebrews

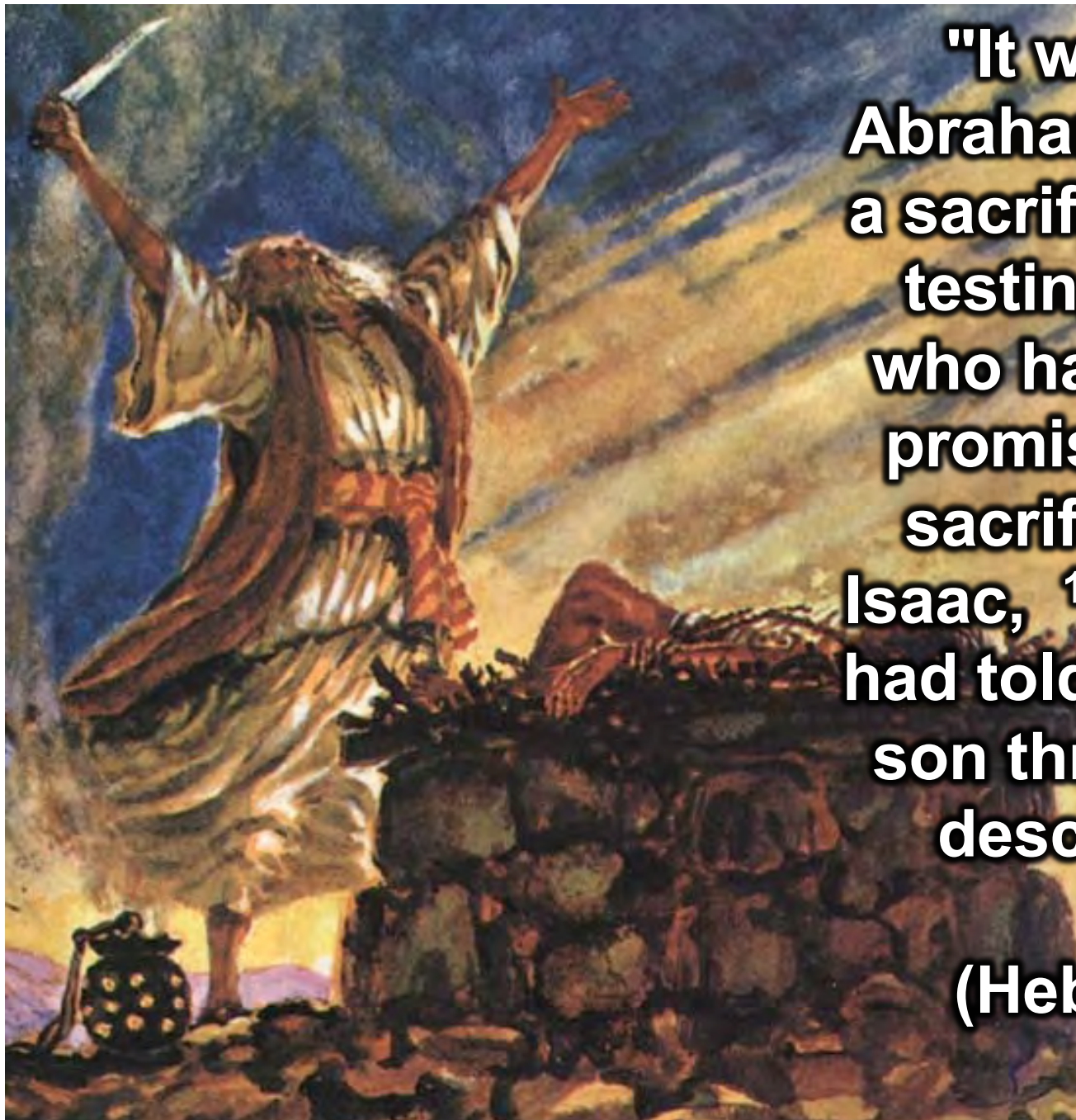


**Mount
Moriah**

Abraham

**Valley of
Shaveh**


Genesis 22



"It was by faith that Abraham offered Isaac as a sacrifice when God was testing him. Abraham, who had received God's promises, was ready to sacrifice his only son, Isaac, ¹⁸even though God had told him, "Isaac is the son through whom your descendants will be counted"

(Heb. 11:17-18 NLT)

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)

A dramatic scene depicting Abraham, an elderly man with a long white beard and hair, wearing a blue and white robe. He is holding a knife high in his right hand, looking upwards with a pained expression. Isaac, a young boy in a white tunic, lies on a dark cloth on the ground, his head resting on Abraham's hand. The background shows a hazy, mountainous landscape under a bright sky.

**"Abraham
reasoned that if
Isaac died, God
was able to bring
him back to life
again. And in a
sense, Abraham
did receive his
son back from
the dead"
(Heb. 11:19 NLT)**

"By Faith..." (Hebrews 11)

**Christ's
Death**

**Solomon's
Temple**

Abraham

**Valley of
Shaveh**

1 Kings 6–9





**THE ORDER OF
MELCHIZEDEK**

David Prophesied of Jesus

A golden chalice with purple gemstones and a red liquid being poured from it. The chalice is ornate, with several large purple stones set into its body. A stream of red liquid is being poured from the top of the chalice, creating a vertical line of red. The background is a dark purple gradient.

**"The LORD has taken an oath
and will not break his vow:
'You are a priest forever in the
order of Melchizedek'"**
(Ps. 110:4 NLT).

How should we respond to **attacks** against our faith in God?



A religious painting depicting a priest in ornate, colorful vestments (blue, gold, and red) performing a ritual. He is holding a golden vessel, possibly a chalice or a ciborium, and is surrounded by other figures in similar attire. The background is a soft, golden glow.

*Defend and
worship Christ
as God's **priest***

A cluster of small, irregular, light-colored, crystalline fragments, possibly representing a substance used in a religious ritual or a symbolic element.

Main Idea

I. **Trust** God for victory.



II. Credit God for his victories in your life (17-24).



What should we do?

Melchizedek
& CHRIST



- **Like Abraham, defend God's honor against attackers.**
- **Like Abraham, accept God's blessing instead of the best the world can offer.**
- **Trust in Christ as God's appointed Mediator-Priest.**

Genesis 15

Then he brought him outside and said, "Look at the sky and count the stars, if you are able to number them." And he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

So he believed in the Lord, and it was accounted to him for righteousness

Genesis 15 Ratification



ROYAL LAND GRANT FORM OF THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

*This painting
inaccurately
depicts Abram
walking
through the
pieces*

Borders of the Land Promised to Abraham



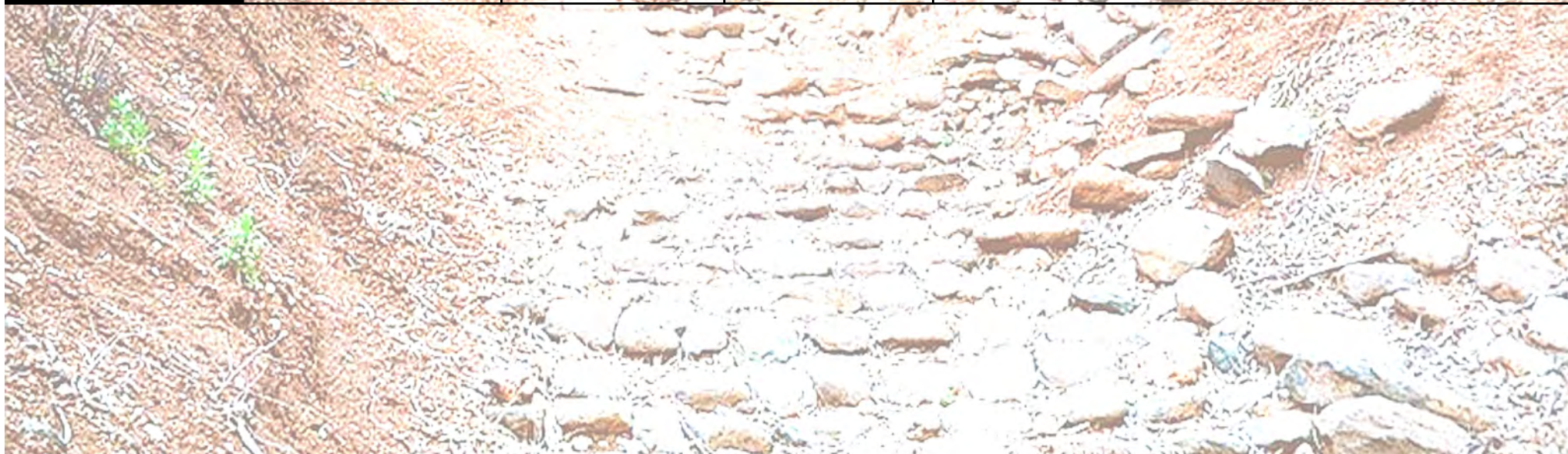
Genesis 15:18

"On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates'" (ESV)

Genesis 16

Promises & Threats

	Condition	Land	Threats	Summary
	Promise	Seed		
	Oath	Blessing		
	Blood			
15:4	P	S		Son, offspring like stars
15:18-19		L		Long life
15:9		B		Bring sacrifice
16			T	Hagar & Ishmael





No Son of the Promise



Sarah & Hagar



Abraham & Hagar

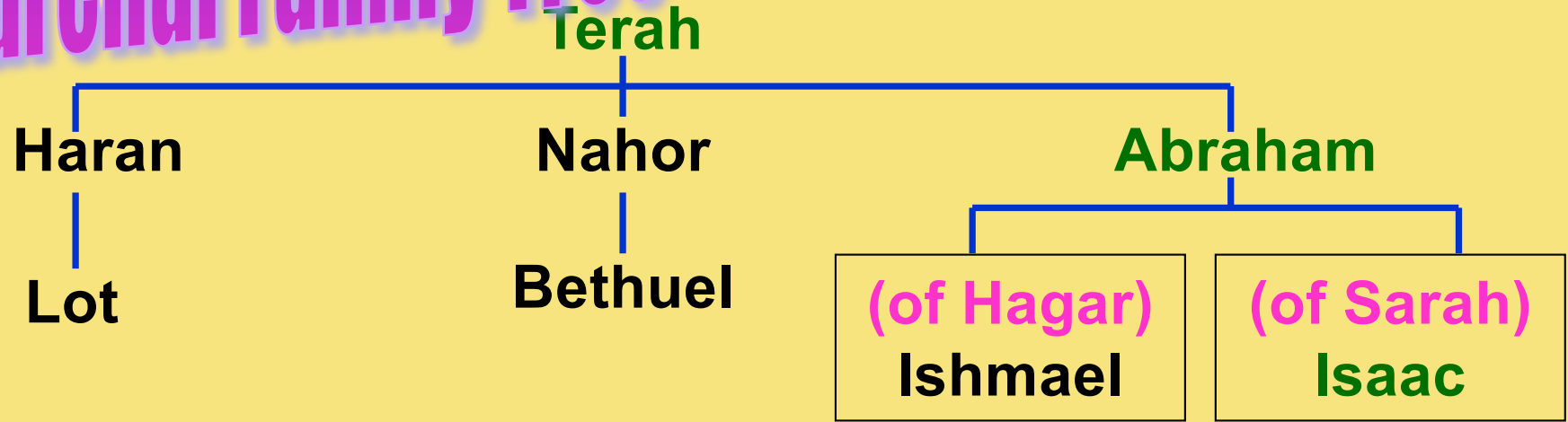


Ishmael & Hagar



Ishmael & Hagar

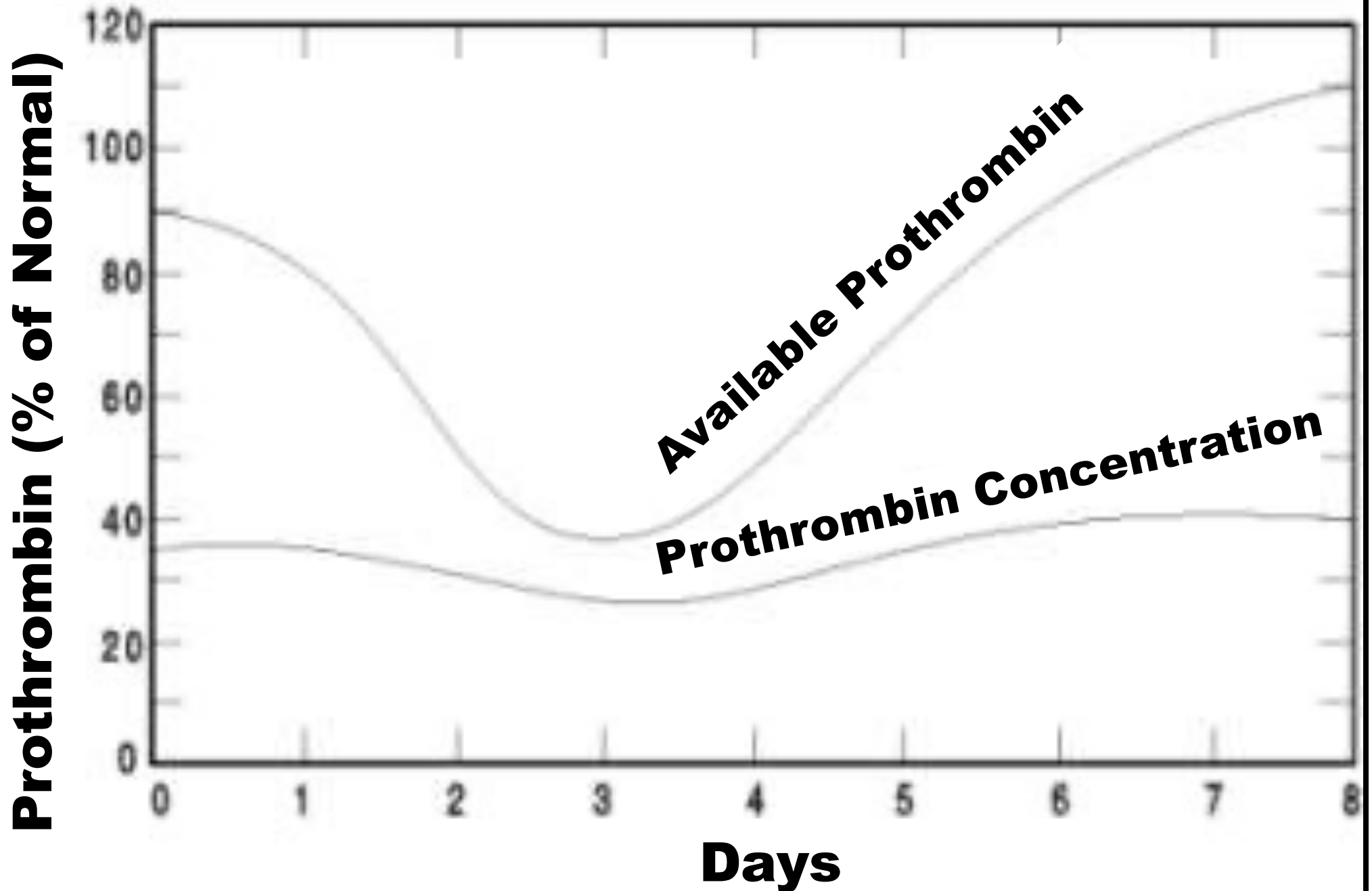
Patriarchal Family Tree



A Carnal Plan (Genesis 16)

Genesis 17

Circumcision, Vitamin K & Prothrombin



Promises & Threats

	Condition	Land	Threats	Summary
	Promise	Seed		
	Oath	Blessing		
	Blood			
17:1	C			Walk before Me blamelessly
17:10		B		Circumcision
18	O			Bargaining with Angel
19:30-38			T	Moab & Ammon born
20			T	Sarah & Abimelech
21			T	Ishmael born

Eternal Land for Abraham's Descendants



Genesis 17:7-8 (NIV)

"I will establish my covenant as an **everlasting covenant** between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. ⁸The whole land of Canaan, where you are now an alien, I will give as an **everlasting possession** to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God."



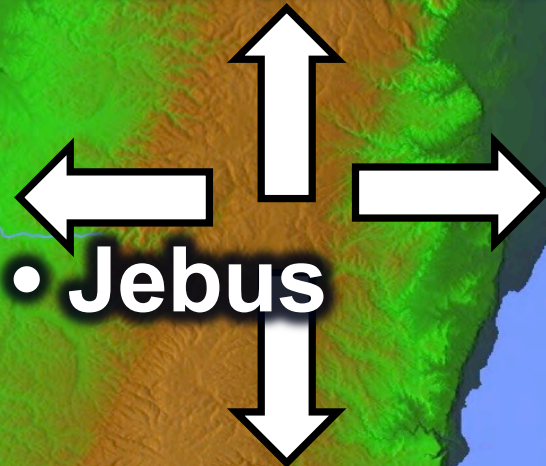
Abraham & Sarah



Abraham & Sarah

Genesis 18

Abram & Lot



• **Jebus**

• **Hebron**

- **Sodom**
- **Gomorrah**
- **Zoar**
- **Admah**
- **Zeboiim**

"The LORD appeared again to Abraham near the oak grove belonging to Mamre. One day Abraham was sitting at the entrance to his tent during the hottest part of the day" (Gen 18:1 NLT).



**Abraham & Three Guests
(Genesis 18)**



Abram and the Three Strangers

Genesis 18:1-15























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Genesis 19



Three Guests

Two of the three angels went to Sodom to warn the people





The Destruction of Sodom

Cities of the Plain (destroyed cities in **yellow**)

- **Sodom**
- **Gomorrah**
- Zoar
- **Admah**
- **Zeboiim**

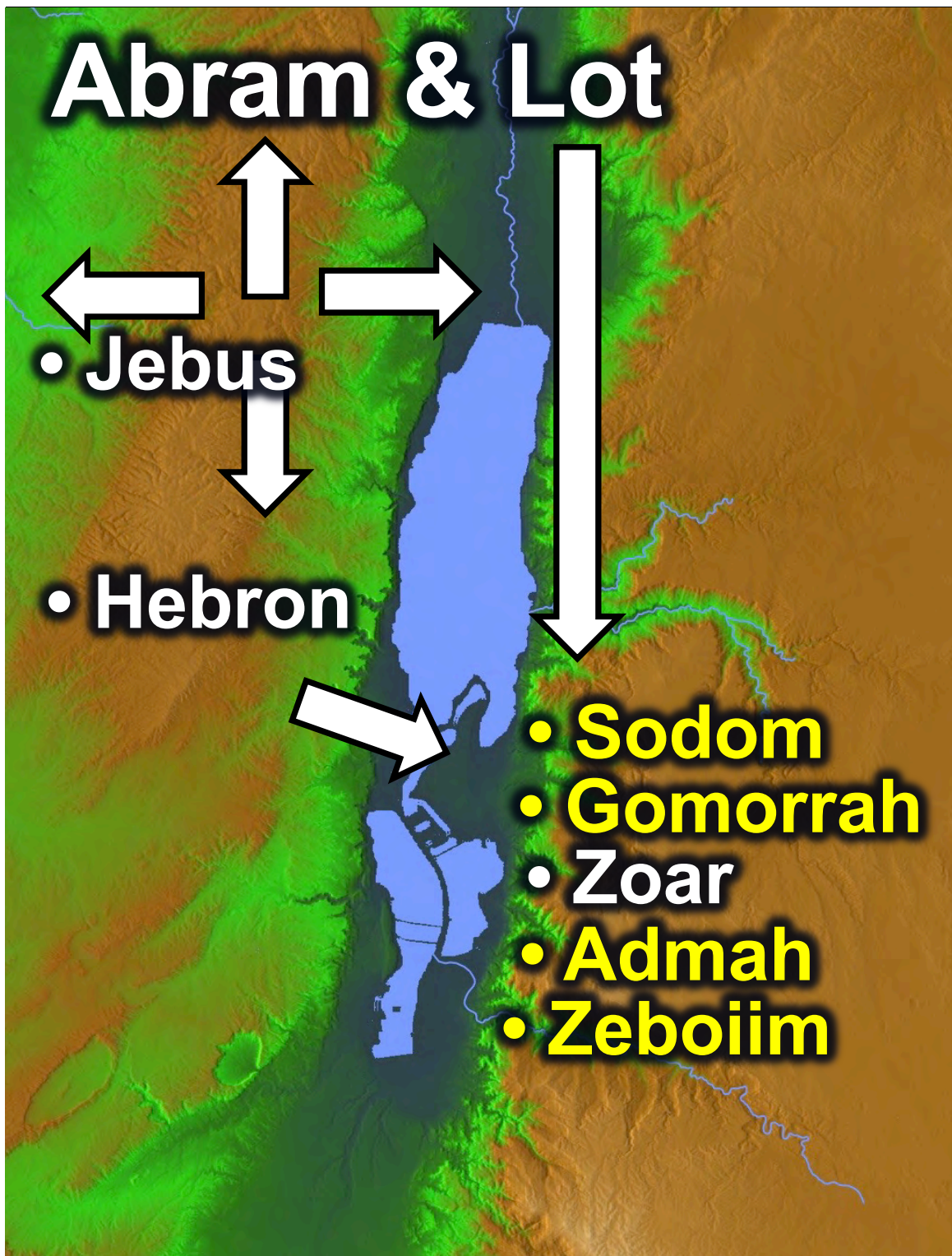
Lot begged to go to Zoar. "Then the LORD rained down fire and burning sulfur from the sky on Sodom and Gomorrah. ²⁵ He utterly destroyed them, along with the other cities and villages of the plain, wiping out all the people and every bit of vegetation" (Gen 19:24-25 NLT).

Lot in Genesis 19





"Remember Lot's wife" (Luke 17:32)



"Abraham got up early that morning and hurried out to the place where he had stood in the LORD's presence. 28 He looked out across the plain toward Sodom and Gomorrah and watched as columns of smoke rose from the cities like smoke from a furnace" (Gen 19:27-28 NLT).

Genesis 20



Abimelech, Sarah & Abraham

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