

At Bethany our desire is: to T*each* the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ, to preach R*epentance* toward sin, to encourage U*nderstanding* in God's Word, to T*rain* our members how to share their faith, and to lovingly H*elp* our community and beyond to know the T*RUTH* that make's one free. *John 8:32*



A Series on-Having A Faith That Obeys God's Word!

Intro. "Three Beliefs Foundational To Faith In God."

Hebrews 11:6

1. God does exist.
2. God is a giver of good things
3. God cares for those who care for Him.

"Faith enables the believing soul to treat the future as present and the invisible as seen." *Dr. Oswald Sanders*

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1. Who was Abram?

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3. Why did Abraham follow God's call?

Application: How much are you like Abraham?

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Hebrews. 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

2. For by it the elders obtained a good report.

3. Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

4. By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

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5. By faith Enoch was translated-(transferred, transported, change sides) that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

6. But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that (1) He is, and *that* (2) He is a rewarder (3) of them that diligently seek Him.

7. By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith

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Hebrews 11:8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.

1. Who was Abram?

Genesis 11:26 And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

27 Now these *are* the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.

28 And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.

29 And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife *was* Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.

30 But Sarai was barren; she *had* no child.

1. Who was Abram?

Josuha 24:1 And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God.

2 And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, *even* Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they served other gods.

3 And I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.

CHRONOLOGY CHART FROM ADAM TO ABRAHAM

Lifespan of the Biblical Patriarchs

YEARS FROM CREATION

LIFESPAN

YEARS FROM CREATION

CREATION

FLOOD

FIRST 20 PATRIARCHS

Name	Start (Years from Creation)	End (Years from Creation)	Lifespan (Years)
ADAM	0	930	930
SETH	130	1042	912
ENOS	235	1140	905
CAINAN	325	1235	910
MAHALALEEL	395	1290	895
JARED	460	1422	962
ENOCH	622	987	365
METHUSELAH	687	1656	969
LAMECH	874	1651	777
NOAH	1056	2006	950
SHEM	1558	2158	600
ARPHAXAD	1658	2096	438
SALAH	1693	2126	433
EBER	1723	2187	464
PELEG	1757	1996	239
REU	1787	2026	239
SERUG	1819	2049	230
NAHOR	1849	1997	148
TERAH	1878	2083	205
ABRAHAM	2008	2183	175

1. Who was Abram?

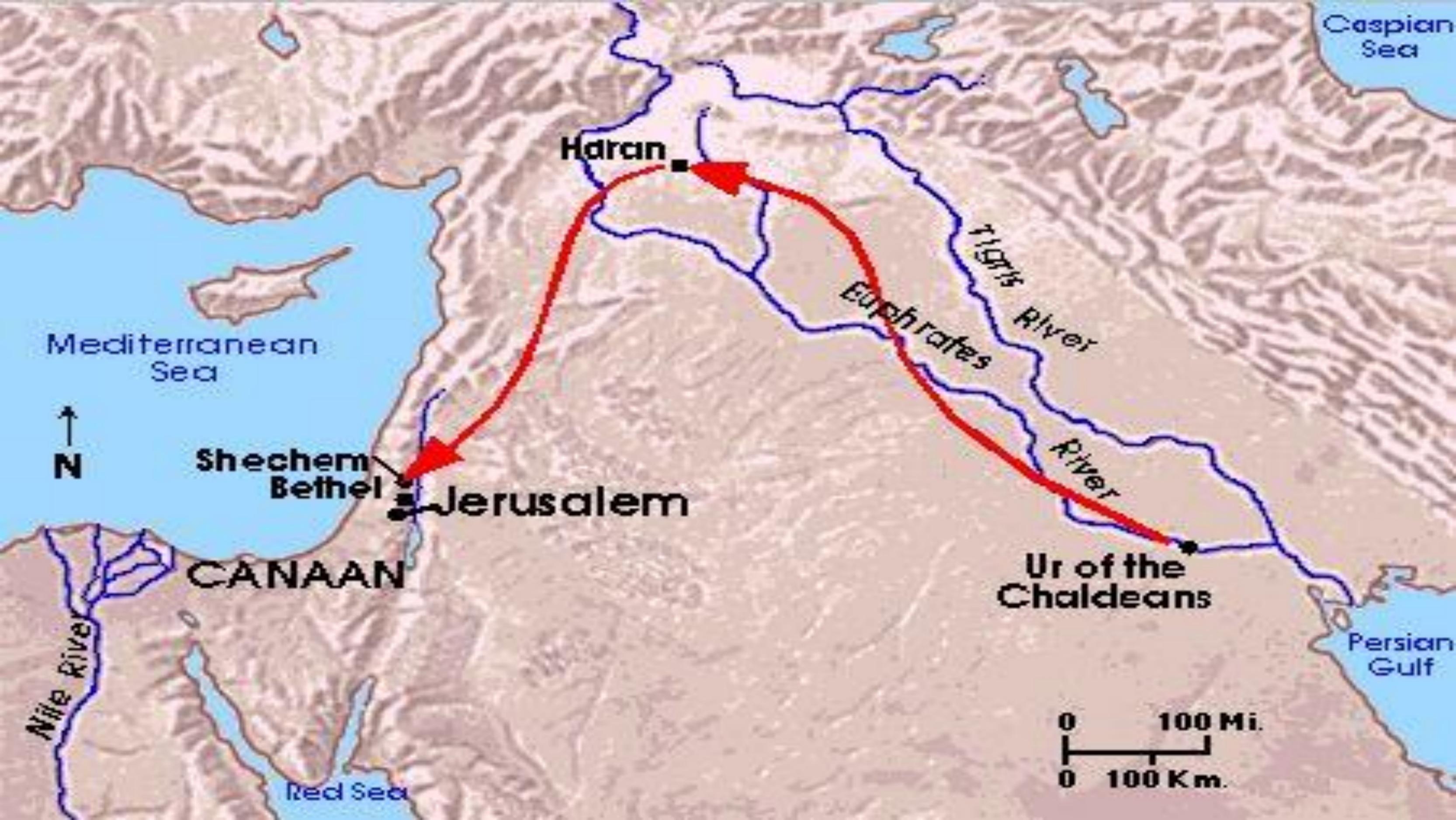
Act 7:1 Then said the high priest, Are these things so?

2 And he-(Stephen) said, Men, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father

Abraham-(father of a multitude), when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,

3 And said unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.

4 Then came he out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead, He removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell.



Caspian Sea

Haran

Tigris River

Euphrates River

Mediterranean Sea

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Shechem
Bethel

Jerusalem

CANAAN

Ur of the Chaldeans

Persian Gulf

Nile River

Red Sea

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2. Why did God Choose Abram?

Genesis 12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram-(exalted father), Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

2. Why did God Choose Abram?

Genesis 12:4 So Abram, -(exalted father) departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

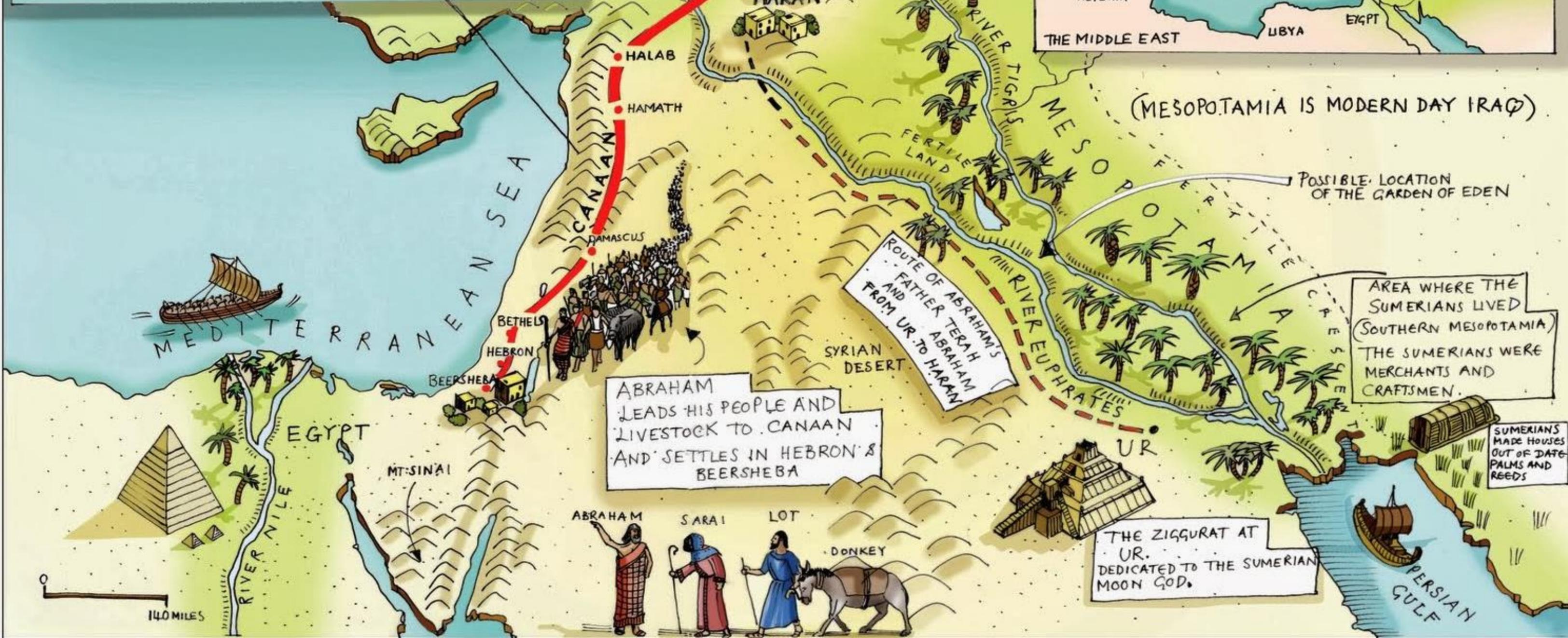
5 And Abram-(exalted father) took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. 6 And Abram-(exalted father) passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite *was* then in the land.



THE WORLD



THE MIDDLE EAST



(MESOPOTAMIA IS MODERN DAY IRAQ)

POSSIBLE LOCATION OF THE GARDEN OF EDEN

AREA WHERE THE SUMERIANS LIVED (SOUTHERN MESOPOTAMIA) THE SUMERIANS WERE MERCHANTS AND CRAFTSMEN.

SUMERIANS MADE HOUSES OUT OF DATE PALMS AND REEDS

THE ZIGGURAT AT UR. DEDICATED TO THE SUMERIAN MOON GOD.

ROUTE OF ABRAHAM'S FATHER TERAH AND FROM UR TO HARAN

ABRAHAM LEADS HIS PEOPLE AND LIVESTOCK TO CANAAN AND SETTLES IN HEBRON & BEERSHEBA



140 MILES

2. Why did God Choose Abram?

Genesis 12:7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.

8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, *having* Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.

9 And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine *was* grievous in the land.

2. Why did God Choose Abram?

Genesis 18:17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

3. Why did Abraham follow God's call, yet in his way.

Hebrews 11:8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

Genesis 12:1 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great;...and a blessing:

Genesis 15:5 And He brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and He said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

6 And he believed in the LORD; and He counted it to him for righteousness.

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1. Who was Abram? -Son of Idol Worshipper

2. Why did God Choose Abram? -He had a will to follow

3. Why did Abraham follow God's call?-Believed the Promises

Application: How much are you like Abraham?

Abraham's Faith Followed God's Call, But In his Time.

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Is your faith cautious or reluctant to make total commitment of yourself to following our Saviours leading. Cheer up! Our Saviour knows how apprehensive we are at following His will. Like Abraham He will work with us as we drag our feet. Follow through on the measure of faith you have!

Matthew 10:37 *He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.*

38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after Me, is not worthy of Me.

Scriptures passage For March 2020: Romans 12:3

For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

Philippians 2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *His* good pleasure.



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