A Brief Study on the First Book of Moses, commonly called Genesis

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- The Bible is the Source and Norm of Christian Doctrine the inspired Word of God, without error
 - 2 Timothy 3:16 "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God (pa/sa grafh. qeo,pneustoj), and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."
 - 1 Thessalonians 2:13
 - "For this reason we also thank God without ceasing, because when you received the word of God which you heard from us, you welcomed it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe."

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 - 2 Peter 1:20-21
 - "...knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit."

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- Jeremiah 30:2: "Thus speaks the LORD God of Israel, saying: 'Write in a book for yourself all the words that I have spoken to you."
- Revelation 3:14: "And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, ' These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God:"
- Revelation 21:5: "Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."

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 - "We believe, teach, and confess that the sole rule and standard according to which all dogmas together with [all] teachers should be estimated and judged are the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures of the Old and of the New Testament alone ." F.C., Epit, Summary, Rule & Norm

- Norma Normans: The Bible is the Source and Norm of Christian Doctrine – the inspired Word of God, without error
- Norma Normata: The Lutheran Confessions, as written in the Book of Concord of 1580 A. ▼ D., are a correct exposition of the Holy Bible.

As both Testaments of Scripture teach, the chief article of the Christian faith is: "Also they teach that men cannot be justified before God (Iustitia coram Deo) by their own strength, merits, or works, but aré freely justified for Christ's sake, through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor, and that their sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who, by His death, has made satisfaction for our sins. This faith God imputes for righteousness in His sight. Rom. 3 and 4." Augustana IV

The Original Languages

"...it was not in vain that God caused His Scriptures to be written in these two languages only – the Old Testament in Hebrew, the New Testament in Greek... and we can be very sure of this: we will not preserve the Gospel for very long without the languages. The languages are the sheath in which the Sword of the Spirit is protected... The Apostles themselves considered it necessary to put the New Testament in Greek and to bind it to this language, without doubt in order to preserve it for us secure as if in a sacred ark. (Rev. Dr. Martin Luther, To the Men of the Councils of All the Cities in Germany, that They Establish and Maintain Christian Schools, S.L. IV, 114)

Study Questions on Holy Scripture — See "An Introduction to the Book of Genesis

What is a "testament"?

- Testament: diaqh,kh and tyrib.. A central theme of the O.T.
- In Hebrew 266 times in OT 76x in Pentateuch
- 33 times in Greek NT (17x in Hebrews, never in John)
- Exodus 24:1-11; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 26:26-8; Hebrews 8:6-13
- "The New is in the Old concealed, the Old is in the New revealed." (Handouts)
 - Augustine (*de Doctrina Cristiana*)

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"Let this stand, therefore, as our first and infallible proposition – the mass or Sacrament of the Altar is Christ's testament, which he left behind him at his death to be distributed among his believers. For that is the meaning of His Words, "This cup is the new testament in my blood" [Luke 22:20, 1 Cor. 11:25]. Let this truth stand, I say, as the immovable foundation on which we shall base all that we have to say. For, as you will see, we are going to overthrow all the godless opinions of men which have been imported into this most precious sacrament. Christ, who is the truth, truly says that this is the new testament in his blood, poured out for us [Luke 22:20]. Not without reason do I dwell on this sentence; the matter is of no small moment, and must be most deeply impressed on our minds.

Thus, if we enquire what a testament is, we shall learn at the same time what the mass is, what its right use and blessing, and what its wrong use.

A testament, as everyone knows, is a promise made by one about to die, in which he designates his bequest and appoints his heirs. A testament, therefore, involves first, the death of the testator, and second, the promise of an inheritance and the naming of the heir." *The Babylonian Captivity of the Church*, 1520 A. \maltese D. *AE* 36:37-8.

בַּראשִׁית בָרֶא אֶלֹהֶים אֶת הַשְּׁמִים וְאֵת הָאֶרֶץ: וְהָאָרֶץא בּ הַיִתָה תֹהוֹ נָבֹחוּ נָהְשֶׁךְ עַלֹּיפְּנֵן תְהַוֹם וְרָוּחַ אֵלֹהִים מַרַחָפַת עַל־פִּנֵי הַמָּיִם: נִיְאמֶר אֱלֹהָים יְהַיְ אֲוֹר נַיְדִי־ 3 אור: נירא אלהים את האור כייטוב ניבדל אלהים בין 4 הָאור ובֵין הַחְשֶׁרְ: וַיִּכְוֹרָא אֱלֹהַים ו לָאור יום וַלַחְשֶׁךְ ה בַרָא לִילָה ווֹהִיעֶרב ווִהִיבֹּקר יוֹם אָחֶר: וֹנְאמֶר אֶלהִׁים יְהָי רָקִיעַ בְּתְּוֹךְ הַמָּיִם וִיהַי מַבְּהִיל בֵּין 6 מִים לָמִים: וַיַּעשׁ אֱלֹהִים אֶת־הֶרָקִיעֵּ וַיַּבְרֵל בֵּין הַמַּּיִם ז אָשֶׁר מִתְּחַת לֶרָלִיעַ וּבִין הַמַּיִם אֲשֶׁר מִעַל לְרָכֵיעַ ווְהִי־ בו: וַיַּקרָא אַלוֹנִים לָרָקִיעַ שְׁמָיִם וַיְהִי־עֶרֶב וַיְהִי־בְּכֶּרְ 8 יום שני: וַיָּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יִקְוֹוּ הַפַּׁיִם מִתַּחַת הַשְּׁמַּיִם אֶל־מָקוֹם אֶלְד פּ וְתַרָאָה הַיַּבְּשָׁה וַיְהִרבְן: וַיִּקְרָא צֶּלֹהַים ו לַיַבְשָׁה צֶּרִץ י וּלְמִקוֹת הַמַּיִם קָרָא יַמִּים וַיַּרָא אֱלֹהִים כִּי־טִוֹב: וַיִּאמֶר 11 אַלהום חַרְשַׁא רָאָרֶץ הָשׁא עֵשֶׁב בַּוּרֶיעַ וָּרַע עֵץ פְרִי לַשֶּׁה פְרָי לְמִינוֹ אֲשֶׁר וַרְעוֹדְוֹ עַלְּהָאָרֶץ וַיִּהִי־בֵּוֹ: וַהוצֵא דָאָרֶץ דָּשָא צַשֶּׁב מַוְרָיעַ וָּרַעֹּ לְמִינֵהוּ וְעֵץ עִשֶּׁה־ 12 פַרָי אָשֶר וַרְעוֹ־בָוֹ לְמִינֶהוּ וַיַּרָא אֱלוֹדִים כִּי־מְוֹב: וַיִּהִי־ 13 עֶרֶב וַיְּהִיבְּכֶּר יִוֹם שְׁלִישִׁי: וַיָּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהַי מְאֹרֹת בִּרְקִיעֵ הַשְּׁמִּים לְהַבְּהִיל בֵּין 14 הַיִּוֹם וּבֵין הַלֶּיִלָה וְהָיָוּ לְאֹתֹת וּלְמִוֹצְרִים וּלְיָמִים וְשְׁנִים: Έν ἀρχή ἐποίησεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ τὴν τῆν. ²ἡ δὲ τῆ ἦν 1 ἀόρατος καὶ ἀκατασκεύαστος, καὶ σκότος ἐπάνω τῆς ἀβύσσου, καὶ πνεῦμα θεοῦ ἐπεφέρετο ἐπάνω τοῦ ὕδατος. ³καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεός 3 Γενηθήτω φῶς. καὶ ἐγένετο φῶς. ⁴καὶ εἶδεν ὁ θεὸς τὸ φῶς ὅτι καλόν, καὶ διεχώρισεν ὁ θεὸς ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ φωτὸς καὶ ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ σκότους. ⁵καὶ ἐκάλεσεν ὁ θεὸς τὸ φῶς ἡμέραν καὶ τὸ σκότος 5 ἐκάλεσεν νύκτα. καὶ ἐγένετο ἐσπέρα καὶ ἐγένετο πρωί, ἡμέρα μία.

⁶Καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεός Γενηθήτω στερέωμα ἐν μέσψ τοῦ ὕδατος 6 καὶ ἔστω διαχωρίζον ἀνὰ μέσον ὕδατος καὶ ὕδατος. καὶ ἐγένετο οὕτως. ⁷καὶ ἐποίησεν ὁ θεὸς τὸ στερέωμα, καὶ διεχώρισεν ὁ θεὸς 7 ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ ὕδατος, δ ἦν ὑποκάτω τοῦ στερεώματος, καὶ ἀνὰ μέσον τοῦ ὕδατος τοῦ ἐπάνω τοῦ στερεώματος. ⁸καὶ ἐκάλεσεν 8 ὁ θεὸς τὸ στερέωμα οὐρανόν. καὶ εἶδεν ὁ θεὸς ὅτι καλόν. καὶ ἐγένετο ἑσπέρα καὶ ἐγένετο πρωί, ἡμέρα δευτέρα.

⁹Καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεός Συναχθήτω τὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ὑποκάτω τοῦ οὐρανοῦ 9 εἰς συναγωγὴν μίαν, καὶ ὀφθήτω ἡ ξηρά. καὶ ἐγένετο οὕτως. καὶ συνήχθη τὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ὑποκάτω τοῦ οὐρανοῦ εἰς τὰς συναγωγὰς αὐτῶν, καὶ ὤφθη ἡ ξηρά. ¹⁰καὶ ἐκάλεσεν ὁ θεὸς τὴν ξηρὰν γῆν 10 καὶ τὰ συστήματα τῶν ὑδάτων ἐκάλεσεν θαλάσσας. καὶ εἶδεν ὁ θεὸς ὅτι καλόν. — ¹¹καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεός Βλαστησάτω ἡ γῆ βοτάνην 11 χόρτου, σπεῖρον σπέρμα κατὰ γένος καὶ καθ' ὁμοιότητα, καὶ ξύλον κάρπιμον ποιοῦν καρπόν, οῦ τὸ σπέρμα αὐτοῦ ἐν αὐτῷ κατὰ γένος ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. καὶ ἐγένετο οὕτως. ¹²καὶ ἐξήνεγκεν ἡ γῆ βοτάνην 12 χόρτου, σπεῖρον σπέρμα κατὰ γένος καὶ καθ' ὁμοιότητα, καὶ ξύλον κάρπιμον ποιοῦν καρπόν, οῦ τὸ σπέρμα αὐτοῦ ἐν αὐτῷ κατὰ γένος ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς. καὶ εἶδεν ὁ θεὸς ὅτι καλόν. ¹³καὶ ἐγένετο ἑσπέρα 13 καὶ ἐγένετο πρωί, ἡμέρα τρίτη.

¹⁴ Καὶ εἶπεν ὁ θεός Γενηθήτωσαν φωστήρες ἐν τῷ στερεώματι 14 τοῦ οὐρανοῦ εἰς φαῦσιν τῆς γῆς τοῦ διαχωρίζειν ἀνὰ μέσον τῆς ἡμέρας καὶ ἀνὰ μέσον τῆς νυκτὸς καὶ ἔστωσαν εἰς σημεῖα καὶ εἰς καιροὺς καὶ εἰς ἡμέρας καὶ εἰς ἐνιαυτοὺς ¹⁵καὶ ἔστωσαν εἰς φαῦσιν 15

Gen.: 1—4628 ηρωων Α, 4628 πολιν — 50 BA, 2319—2446 (mutila) etiam S. Inscr.] + κοσμου A^+

¹¹¹ κατα γενος 2^0 mu.] εις ομοιοτητα A (A^c pr. κατα γενος) \parallel 14 του διαχ. mu.] και αρχειν της ημερας και της νυκτος και διαχ. A

INCIPIT LIBER BRESITH firmamentum mass of the firmamentum ID EST GENESIS IV Esr 6,38-54 et factum est ita 9.11.15 2,4; 14,19; Ex 20,11! 8 vocavitque Deus firmamentum cae-Idt 13,24! n principio creavit Deus caelum et Est 13,10! Ps 101,26! 120.2! 133.3! et factum est vespere et mane dies 5! ²terra autem erat inanis et vacua Ier 4,23 et tenebrae super faciem abyssi secundus 9 dixit vero Deus et spiritus Dei ferebatur super aquas ³ dixitque Deus congregentur aquae quae sub caelo 6.9.14.20.24.29 fiat lux et facta est lux sunt in locum unum et appareat II Cor 4,6 arida musel inseura leshal sagur arida 10.12.18.21.25. ⁴et vidit Deus lucem quod esset bona factumque est ita et divisit lucem ac tenebras 10 et vocavit Deus aridam terram ⁵appellavitque lucem diem et tenebras noctem congregationesque aquarum appellavit maria factumque est vespere et mane dies 8.13.19.23.31 et vidit Deus quod esset bonum 11 et 4! 27 divisi cadem scriptitarint, cum Artis 3! 6 dixit quoque Deus fiat firmamentum in medio aquarum germinet terra herbam virentem et et dividat aquas ab aquis facientem semen et lignum pomiferum faciens fruc-⁷et fecit Deus firmamentum tum iuxta genus suum divisitque aquas quae erant sub fir-31 pytagoram ΛΤΜΦ | 32 pro thesifonte ATΦ; pro thesifontem M; + orationem c adv. ΑΛΤΜΦ cr Ruf. | eisdem Mr; isdem T | 34 sunt TMΦ | 43 ~ in translatione tibi c | 46 hebraica c | 47 qui] quia TMΦc | ~ me quia tantum opus c || AOC Genesis. Citantur GAOC et ΣΛΤΜΦ ac crb. Tit. liber genesis hebraice beresith c | 1,1 [desunt ΛΤΜΦ G (usque ad 3,11) et Σ (usque ad 1,22)] | 2 tenebrae + erant Ac | 4 a tenebras C; a tenebcrb ris TΦc | 9 et factum est c.

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Die heilige Schrift.

Altes Testament.

Das erfte Bud Mofe.

Das 1. Rapitel.

Schöpfung ber Welt.

- und Erde. Cbr. 11, 3. †\$f. 33, 6. \$f. 102, 26.
- 2. Und bie Erbe mar mufte und leer, und ber britte Tag. *Bf. 33, 6.
- 3. Und GOtt fprach: * Es werde Licht. den, Beiten, Tage und Jahre; Und es ward Licht. *2 Cor. 4, 6.
- 4. Und Gott fabe, bag bas Licht gut war. Da *ichied GOtt bas Licht von himmels, baß fie icheinen auf Groen. ber Finsternig,
- 5. Und nannte bas Licht Tag, und bie und Morgen ber erfte Tag.
- 6. Und Gott fprach: * Es werbe eine Weite zwischen ben Waffern; und bie fen ein Unterichied zwischen ben Baffern.
- *\$\pi_33, 6. \$\pi_136, 5. 7. Da machte GDtt die Tefte und ichied * bas Waffer unter ber Tefte von bem 2Baffer über ber Tefte. Und es geschah alfo. *Bf. 104, 3. Bf. 148, 4. Jer. 10, 12. c. 51, 15.
- 8. Und GDit nannte bie Fefte Simmel. Da ward aus Abend und Morgen ber anbere Tag.
- 9. Und GOtt fprach: Es fammle fich *bas Baffer unter bem himmel an jon= bere Derter, baß man bas Trockene febe. Und es geichah alfo. * Diob. 38, 8.
- 10. Und GOtt nannte bas Trodene Grbe, und bie Sammlung ber Waffer nannte er Meer. Und WDit fabe, bag es gut war.
- 11. Und GOtt fprach: Es laffe die Erbe Art. Und GOtt fabe, bag es gut mar. aufgeben Gras und Kraut, Das fich bejame; und fruchtbare Baume, ba ein jeg= auf Erden. Und es geschah alfo.
- 12. Und bie Groe ließ aufgeben Gras und

Rraut, bas fich besamete, ein jegliches nach feiner Urt; und Baume, Die Da 1. Um * Unfang fchuf GOtt + himmel bei fich felbst batten, ein jeglicher nach feis *30h. 1, 1. 3. Col. 1, 16. ner Art. Und GOtt fabe, bag es gut mar. 13. Da ward aus Abend und Worgen

es war finster auf ber Tiefe; und * ber | 14. Und Wott fprach: Es werben * Lich= Beift BDttes schwebete auf bem Baffer. ter an ber gefte bes himmels, Die ba icheiben Tag und Racht, und geben Bet-

*\$f. 136, 7. @tr. 43, 2-9.

- 15. Und feien Lichter an ber Tefte bes *3cf. 45, 7. Und es gefchab alfo.
- 16. Und Watt machte zwei große Lich= Finsterniß Racht. Da ward aus Abend ter; ein groß Licht, bas * ben Tag regiere, und ein flein Licht, bas bie Racht regiere, bagu auch † Sterne.

*5 Mof. 4, 19. + Sieb 9, 9.

- 17. Und GOtt feste fie an Die Feste bes Dimmels, baß fie ichienen auf bie Erbe,
- 18. Und ben Tag und die Racht re= gierten, und * ichieben Licht und Finfter= niß. Und WDtt fabe, bag es gut war.

*\$f. 104, 20.

19. Da ward aus Abend und Morgen der vierte Tag.

20. Und WDtt fprach: Es errege fich bas Waffer mit webenben und lebenbigen Thieren, und mit * Bevogel, bas auf Gr= ben unter ber Gefte bes himmels fliege.

21. Und GOtt ichuf große * Wallfische, und allerlei Thier, das da lebet und webet, und vom Baffer erreget ward, ein jegliches nach feiner Art; und allerlei gefie= bertes Bevogel, ein jegliches nach feiner

* 25. 104, 26. Sieb 40, 10. 22. Und GOtt fegnete fie, und fprach: licher nach feiner Urt Frucht trage, und | * Seib fruchtbar und mehret euch, und habe feinen eigenen Samen bei ihm felbft erfüllet bas Baffer im Meer; und bas Gerogel mehre fich auf Erben.

*v. 28. c. 8, 17. c. 9, 1. 7.

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The Pentateuch

- **The Pentaeteuch** Greek Pentateucoi = Five Books/Scrolls
 - Authorship Moses Mandatum Scribendi
 - The Amelikite Battle Exodus 17:8-16:
 - The Book of the Berith Exodus 34:27-8
 - Stages of Israel's journey in the wilderness Numbers 33:2
 - Song of Moses Deuteronomy 31:19-26
 - Also many direct references to God speaking to Moses in Penteteuch (Lev 14:1)
- Jesus attributing Pentateuch to Moses
 - Matthew 8:4, 19:8
 - Mark 1:44, 7:10, 10:3-5, 12:26
 - Luke 5:14, 16:29-31, 20:37, 24:27,
 - John 1:17, 1:45, 5:45-7, 7:19, 7:22-23, 8:5,

Genesis: Structure

- 1. Creation 1:1-2:25
- 2. Fall/Promise 3:1-3:24
- 3. Cain, Abel and Seth the Flood 4:1-7:24
- 4. The Flood to Babel 8:1-11:9
- 5. Geneology/Call of Abraham to death of Joseph 11:10-50:26

Handout – Old Testament Dates

Genesis: Structure

tAdl.At -dly he bore, brought forth

- Gen. 2:4
- First used as verb in Gen 3:16 "In pain shall you bear..."
- Gen. 5:1 of Adam
- Gen. 6:9 of Noah
- Gen. 10:1 of Shem, Ham and Japheth
 - Gen. 10:32 closes section of 10:1-32
- Gen. 11:10 of Shem
- Gen. 11:27 of Terah, father of Abram
- Gen. 25:12 Ishmael, son of Abraham
- Gen. 25:19 Isaac, son of Abraham
- Gen. 36:1 of Esau
 - **Gen. 36:9**
- Gen. 37:2 of Jacob
- See Matthew 1:1-17, Luke 3:23-38

The Perspicuity of Scripture

- The important thing about the Bible, and about the Genesis account of the creation, is that it is written in "literal, plain words."
- God intended it to be understood by us.

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Psalm 19:1

"The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork."

Proverbs 8:22-31

The LORD possessed me at the beginning of His way, Before His works of old. I have been established from everlasting, From the beginning, before there was ever an earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, When there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, Before the hills, I was brought forth; While as yet He had not made the earth or the fields, Or the primeval dust of the world. When He prepared the heavens, I was there, When He drew a circle on the face of the deep, When He established the clouds above, When He strengthened the fountains of the deep, When He assigned to the sea its limit, So that the waters would not transgress His command, When He marked out the foundations of the earth, Thén I was beside Him as a master craftsman; And I was daily *His* delight, Rejoicing always before Him, Rejoicing in His inhabited world, And my delight was with the sons of men.

Isaiah 66:22

"For as the new heavens and the new earth Which I will make shall remain before Me," says the LORD, "So shall your descendants and your name remain..."

Matthew 19:3-4

The Pharisees also came to Him, testing Him, and saying to Him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for just any reason?" And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female,'

Rev 21:1-5

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."



"One Day"

Genesis 1:5

hl'y>l' ar'q' %v,xol;w> ~Ay rAal ~yhil{a/ ar'q.YIw:

'dx'a, ~Ay rq,bo-yhiy>w: br,[,-yhiy>w: '

Deuteronomy 6:4

dx'a, hw"hy> Wnyhel{a/ hw"hy> laer'f.yI [m;v]





Day 1: Formless mass of heaven and earth created- ar'B'- (matter), light added.

In AE 1.22 Luther assigns the creation of angels, and their fall, to this day. See Job 38:7; Isaiah 14:12-15, John 8:44; Revelation 12:7-10



Day 2: The firmament created (heavens), Hebrew verb changes to hf[

See Genesis 7:11



Day 3: Gathering of the waters/dry land
Green herbage that yields seed
Trees bearing fruit with seed
Order and kind



Day 4:

Heavenly luminaria set in the firmament
Division of day and night
For signs and seasons
For days and years



The Six Days of Creation

Day 5: Living creatures in the water

Birds above the earth across
the face of the firmament

Blessing & Command



The Six Days of Creation

Day 6: Living creatures of the earth each according to its kind

Man – by Trinitarian Council to rule (dominion) over the earth 1:26, 28 hdr (Lev 25:43)

male and female
In the image and likeness of God

Green herb for food Blessing and command

Very good

Luther on "likeness" and "image"

"I understand this image of God to be ...
that Adam not only knew God and
believed in Him that He was gracious; but
also that he led an entirely godly life."

Apology II.17-22

"Therefore, original righteousness includes not only physical health in all ways, as they contend (such as pure blood and unimpaired physical ability), but also these gifts: a sure and certain knowledge of God, fear of God, confidence in God, and the desire and ability to give God these things... What else was this image and likeness other than that man was created with wisdom and righteousness so that he could apprehend God and reflect God? Mankind was given the gift of knowing God, fearing God, and being confident in God."

Imago Dei

- Man has a soul
- Man knows God, lives in perfect conformity with His will, and in Communion with Him in joy and bliss
- Man rules over the other creatures, and the earth, as God's representative (Pieper 1.523)
- Judisch: Righteousness, Holiness, Knowledge of Truth (Col 3:9-10; Eph 4:23-24)

Imago Dei

Adam's intellect was the clearest, his memory best, he had perfect tranquility of mind, his will was in perfect accord with God's will. Therefore the image of God was something most excellent, in which are included eternal life, everlasting freedom from fear, and everything that is good. (AE 1.60)



The Seventh Day

Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

The Seventh Day

y[iybiV.h – Seventh

y[iybiV.h; ~AYB; tBov.YIw:

He rested on the Seventh day
Atao vDeq;y>w: y[iybiV.h; ~Ay-ta, ~yhil{a/
%r,b'y>w

And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it hw"hyl; vd,qo-tB;v; !AtB'v; hw"hy> rB,DI

a Sabbath rest, a holy Sabbath to the LORD (Exodus 16:23 – the first use of "Sabbath")







tAdl.At - Toledoth

Genesis 2:4 tAdl.At is from dly - "he begat"

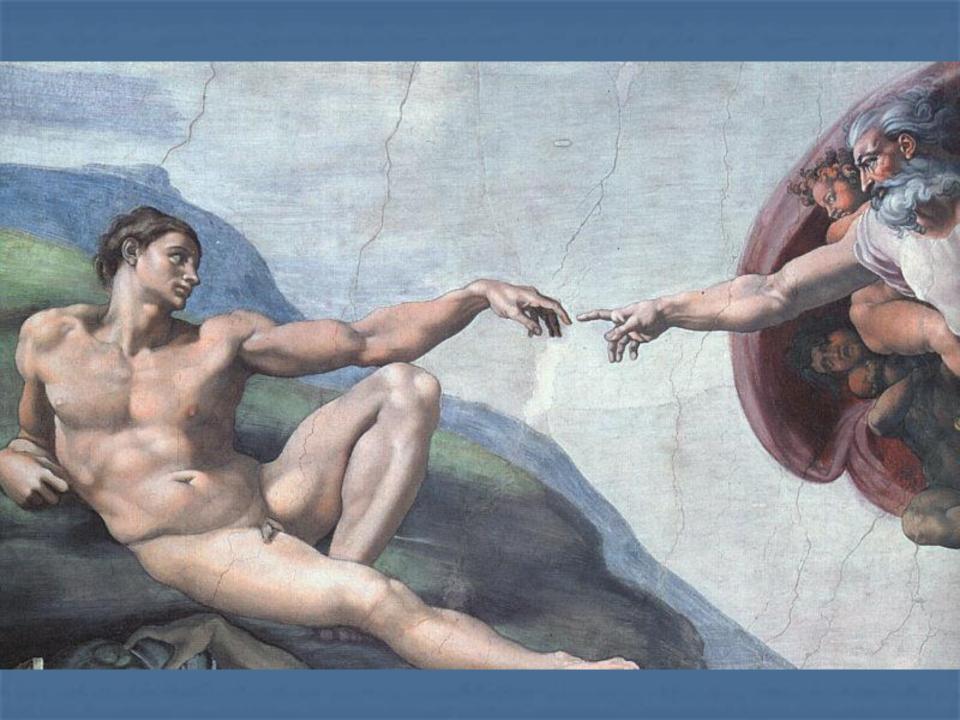
In noun form it literally means "descendants"

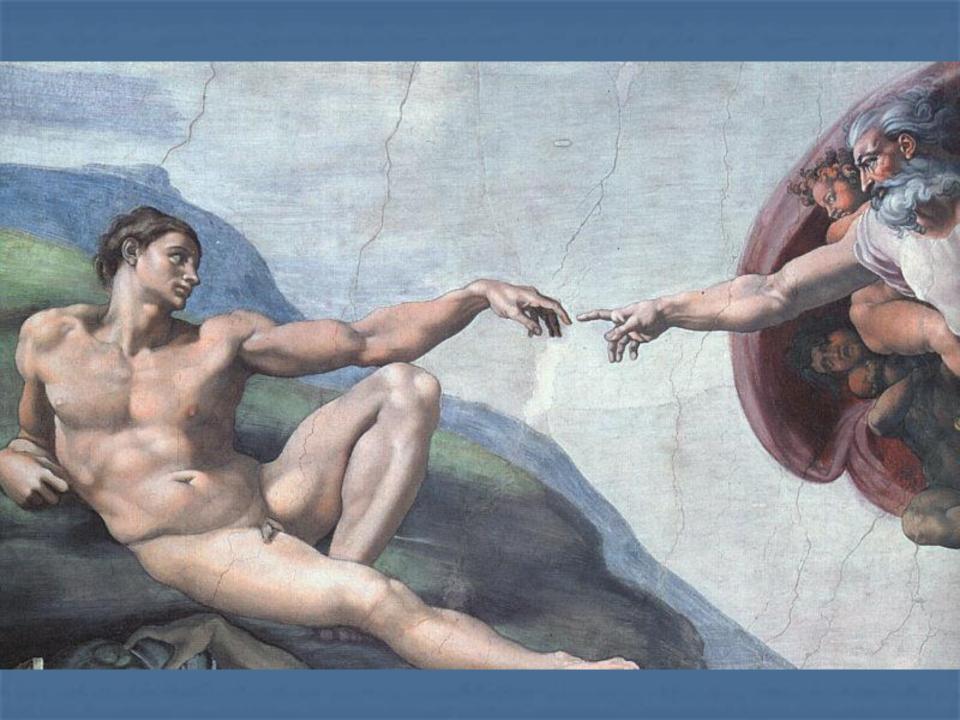
- Genesis 5:1 of Adam
- Genesis 6:9 of Noah
- Genesis 10:1 of Shem, Ham and Japheth
 - 10:32 closes the section of 10:1-32
- Genesis 11:10 of Shem
- Genesis 11:27 of Terah, father of Abraham
- Genesis 25:12 of Ishmael, son of Abraham
- Genesis 25:19 of Isaac
- Genesis 36:1 of Esau
 - Genesis 36:9 of Esau/Edom
- Genesis 37:2 of Jacob

Adam, the "dust of the earth man"

hm'd'a]h'-!mi rp'[' ~d'a'h'-ta, ~yhil{a/ hw"hy> rc,yYIw:

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground





The Tree of Life

"Moses describes Paradise in such a way that he makes of God a gardener, who, after planting his garden with great care according to his design, chooses one or more trees which he tends and loves more than the rest. One of these was the tree of life, created that man, by eating of it, might be preserved in full bodily vigor, free from diseases and free from weariness." AE 1.92

The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

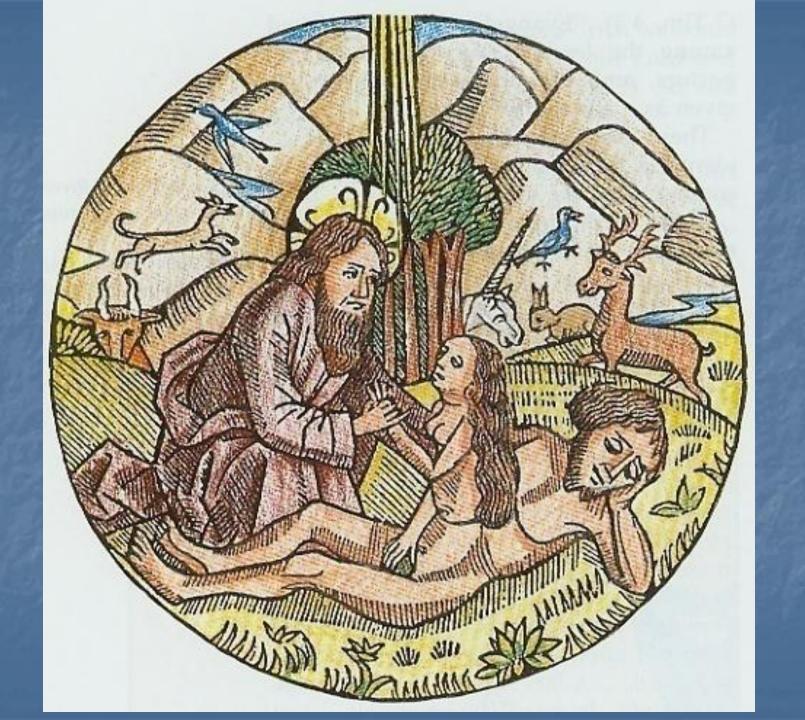
"God finally demands from Adam that at this tree of the knowledge of good and evil he demonstrate his reverence and obedience toward God and that he maintain this practice, as it were, of worshipping God by not eating anything from it..." AE 1.94

The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

"But this is a matter of theology that here this statement about the tree is put before Adam in order that he may also have some outward physical way of indicating his worship of God and of demonstrating his obedience by an outward work. In a similar way the Sabbath, of which we spoke above, has to do chiefly with demonstrating inner and spiritual worship, with faith, love, prayer, etc..." AE 1.94

The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

"But this tree of the knowledge of good and evil was Adam's church, altar, and pulpit. Here he was to yield to God the obedience he owed, give recognition to the Word and will of God, give thanks to God, and call upon God for aid against temptation." AE 1.95





Luther on the Fall

"...this temptation appears to me to have occurred on the Sabbath; thus Adam and Eve were created on the sixth day, Adam earlier and Eve toward evening. Early on the following Sabbath Adam preached to Eve concerning God's will: that the most gracious Lord had created the entire Paradise for the use and enjoyment of people; that, also as a result of His extraordinary goodness, He had created the tree of life, through the use of which the powers of the body would be refreshed and perpetual youth would be maintained; that one tree the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, from which it was not permitted to eat – was forbidden; and that in this respect they should obey so gracious a Creator. Perhaps he led Eve about in paradise and showed her the forbidden tree when he said this." (AE 1.144)



Luther on Genesis 3:1-5

"In the first place, Satan imitates God. Just as God had preached to Adam, so he himself also preaches to Eve... Satan spoke in order to lead them away from what God had said; and after he had taken away the Word, he made corrupt the perfect will which man had previously had, so that he became a rebel."

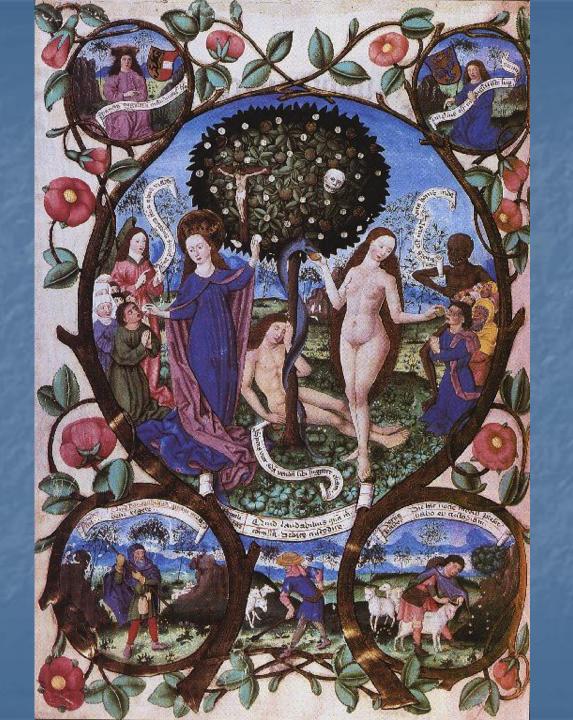
God's Word or another word?

- 2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."
- 3:1 "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"

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3:2-3 "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; but of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.' "



Luther on Genesis 3:7

"These experiences are alike in all temptations and sins, whether of lust or of anger or of greed. While sin is active, it is not felt. It does not frighten, and it does not bite; but it flatters and delights... It is the nature of sin that it is not felt for some time. But when later on sin is revealed through the Law, then it weighs too heavily on man."

Luther on Genesis 3:11

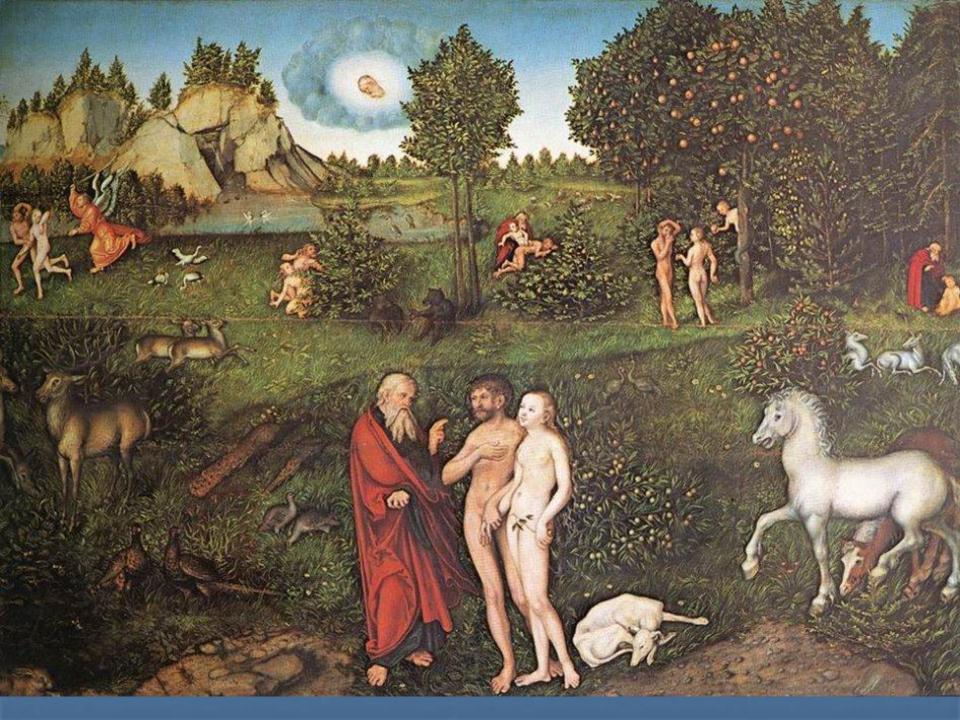
Luther places these words in God's mouth: "You know that you are naked, and for this reason you hid. But your nakedness is my creation. You are not condemning it as something shameful, are you? Therefore it was not the nakedness that perplexed you, it was not My voice that frightened you; but your conscience convicted you of sin because you ate the fruit from the forbidden tree."



The First Gospel – Genesis 3:15

"And I will put enmity between you and the woman,

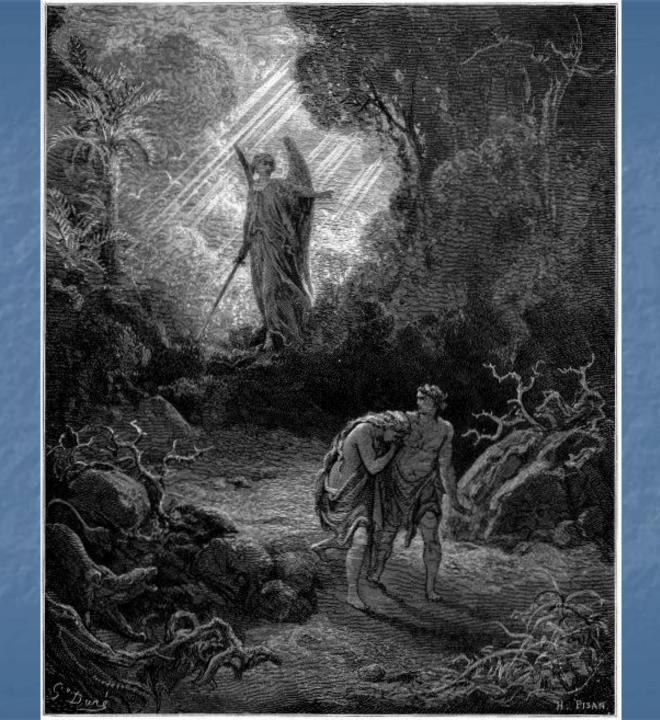
And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

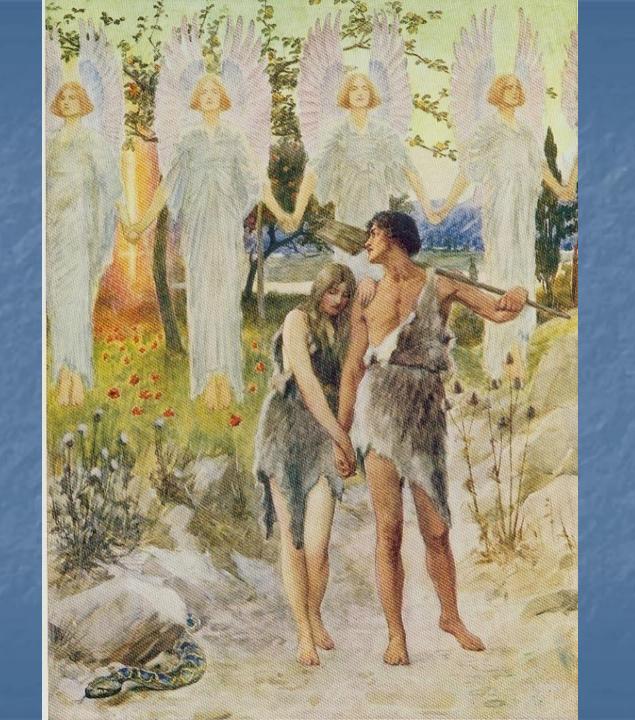


Luther on Genesis 3:18

"This is a new misfortune. Earlier the Lord had given man the most beautiful and delightful gifts, namely, that he was to live on all the trees of Paradise except two. He gave him rule over the fish and over all the fruits and animals on the entire earth. Now all these are taken away from him because he ate the fruit and nothing is left to him except the herbs..." (AE 1.209-210)





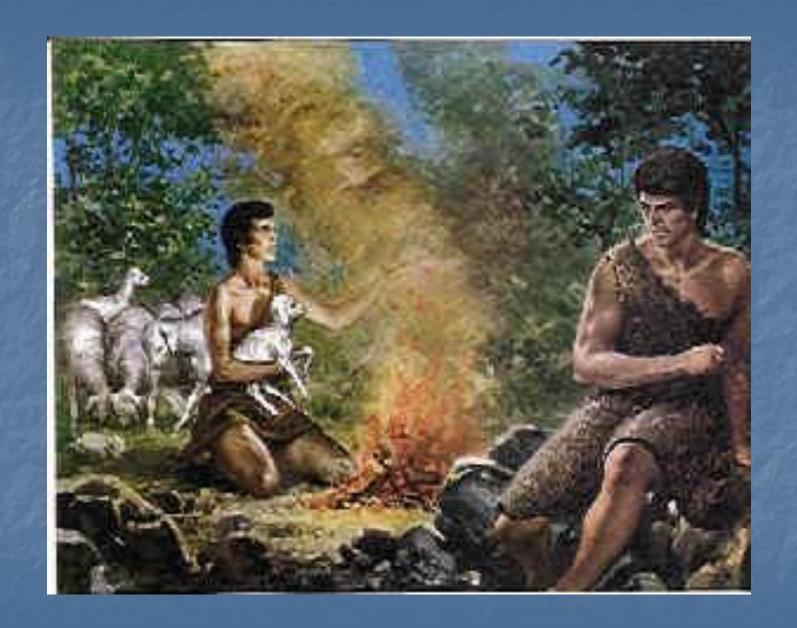




Genesis 4:1

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`hw"hy>-ta, vyai ytiynIq' rm,aTow: !yIq;-ta, dl,Tew:





Luepold on Genesis 4:13-14

"Cain recognizes that the fruitful portion of the earth, 'the ground', is barred from him. He feels that in such favored portions of the earth God can be thought of as being present in a more intimate sense. To be barred from this portion of the earth is, therefore, to him synonymous with being hidden from God. So he exclaims, still by way of complaint, 'I must stay hidden from Thee.""

The Sons of Cain

- Cain possession
- **Enoch** he initiated, dedicated
- **Irad** a heap that comes down that he might be prosperous
- Mehujael he dared to destroy the Canaanites were strong enough to destroy Adam's sons.
- **Methusael** Saul, the "one asked for", comes from the same root "meth" is death.
- Lamech God had punished them, from the word "he humbled, diminished, suppressed". Or, in an active sense, the children of Cain had come to such power they would be able to suppress the church. Lamech took two wives: Adah and Zillah.
- Jabal & Jubal are from the same Hebrew root, "brought or raised." Jabal is the "father" of those who dwell in tents and have livestock. Jubal is the "father" of harpists and flautists.
- **Tubal Cain** "produce wealth". He taught bronze and iron work. Naamah means "beauty".

Sevenfold punishment

Genesis 4:15 – "And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him."

Sinful Pride

Genesis 4:23, 24 – "Then Lamech said to his wives: 'Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; Wives of Lamech, listen to my speech! For I have killed a man for wounding me, Even a young man for hurting me. If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, Then Lamech seventy-sevenfold."

Boundless Grace

Matthew 18:21, 22 – "Then Peter came to Him and said, 'Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven."

..."men began to call on the Name of the Lord."

Luther writes "Here a most excellent definition is given of what it means to worship God, namely, to call upon the Name of the Lord, a work or act of worship in the First Table, which contains the commandments about the true worship of God. But calling upon the Name of the Lord include the preaching of the Word, faith or trust in God, confession, etc. In like manner St. Paul aptly associates these in Romans 10:13-15. The works of the Second Table also have to do with the worship of God, but they are not brought into direct relation to God." (AE 1.327)

Romans 10:4-17

For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down *from above*) or, " 'Who will descend into the abyss?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

Joel 2:32 & Acts 2:21

"And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the Name of the LORD Shall be saved."

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Luther on Genesis 1-4

The burden of these first four chapters is that we should believe that after this life there is a resurrection of the dead and eternal life through the Seed of the woman. this is the lot of the godly and of those who believe, who in this present life endure hardships and are exposed to violence at the hands of men. (AE 1.330)

Luther on Genesis 1-2

- In the first chapter it is pointed out that man was created for immortality inasmuch as he was created according to the image of God.
- The command in the second chapter... points out the same fact. It follows that the first human beings would not have died if they had not eaten. Through their sin, therefore, they fell from a state of immortality into a state of mortality; and out of their bodies they beget descendants who are like themselves. (AE 1.330)

Luther on Genesis 3-4

- But in the third chapter immortality is restored through the promise about the Seed.
- In the fourth there is a clear example of this immortality; for after Abel has been slain by his brother, he lives, after being received into the bosom of God, who bears witness that his blood is crying. (AE 1.330)

Luther on Genesis 5

Furthermore, the fifth chapter, which now follows, is written chiefly because of Enoch, who was taken by the Lord. ...the most striking feature of it is that it relates that Enoch did not die like Adam, was not killed like Abel, and was not seized by lions or bears, but that he was taken by the Lord Himself into immortality. This is to cause us to believe in the Woman's Seed, Christ, our Redeemer

Luther on Genesis 5

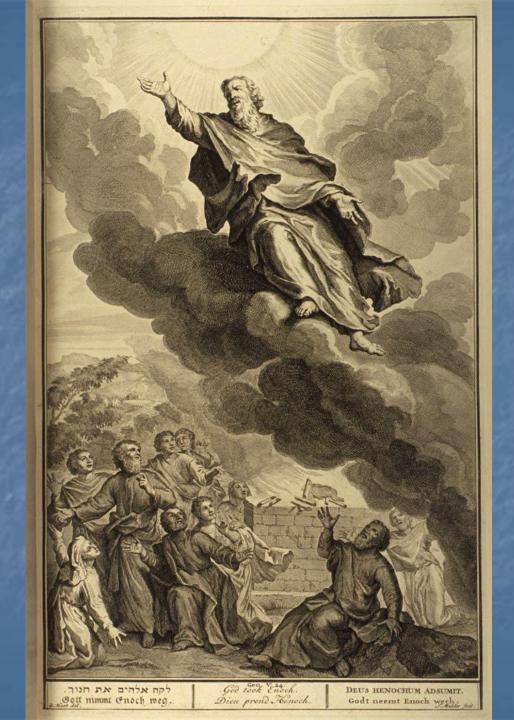
"Here Moses wants us to reflect on the magnificence and superlative grandeur of that age. ... This is the greatest glory of the primitive world, that it had so many good, wise and holy men at the same time. We must not think that these are ordinary names of plain people; but, next to Christ and John the Baptist, they were the most outstanding heroes this world has ever produced." AE 1:334

Sons of Adam through Seth

- Adam Man
- Seth He has made firm
- Enosh Some sources say it means "man," others that it means "frailty." (Leupold)
- Kenan Possession
- Mahalalel Praise of God
- Jared descent
- Enoch dedicated

Luther on Genesis 5:4

"Thus that age was truly a golden one. In comparison with it our age hardly deserves to be called an age of mud. Nine patriarchs lived at the same time with their descendants, in full agreement in their hope for the blessed Seed that had been promised. Of all these facts Moses takes notice, but he does not give any details; if he did, this would be the greatest history of all." AE 1.342.



The birth of Noah

Noah (x;nO)is generally taken to mean "comfort" ("rest"), as is seen in 5:29 -"And he called his name Noah, saying, "This *one* will comfort us (Wnmex]n:y>) concerning our work and the toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD has cursed."

Luther on Noah & 500 years

"Consider the prophets and apostles and also the rest of the patriarchs, who undoubtedly were chaste and holy. But what are they in comparison with this Noah, who is a man and yet lives chastely without marriage for five hundred years?"

The Sons of Noah

`tp,y"-ta,w> ~x'-ta, ~ve-ta, x;nO dl,AYw:

kai. h=n Nwe evtw/n pentakosi,wn kai. evge,nnhsen Nwe trei/j ui`ou,j to.n Shm to.n Cam to.n Iafeq

Shem – "Name"

Ham – "Father in Law"

Japheth – "Opened"

	Age at Birth of First Born	Rest of Life	Whole Life
Adam	130	800	930
Seth	105	807	912
Enos	90	815	905
Cainan	70	840	910
Mahalaleel	65	830	895
Jared	162	800	962
Enoch	65	300	365
Methuselah	187	782	960
Lamech	182	595	777
Noah	500	450	950
to the Flood	100		
Total	1656		



Die Kinder GDITES bermifchen fich mit den Kindern der Belt.

Da faben die Rinder GDITES nach den Tochtern der Menschen, wie fie fcon waren, und nahmen zu Beibern, welche fie wollten.
1 Mefe. Cap. 6. v. 2.

Luther on Genesis 6:3

"The Lord says in this passage: 'I am unable to bear the contempt of My Word any longer. Through their boundless effort My preachers and priests achieve nothing but scorn. Therefore just as a father or a good judge would gladly spare a son, but the son's wickedness compels him to be severe, so I do not enjoy destroying the entire human race. I shall grant them a hundred and twenty years, during which they may come to their senses and I may spare them."

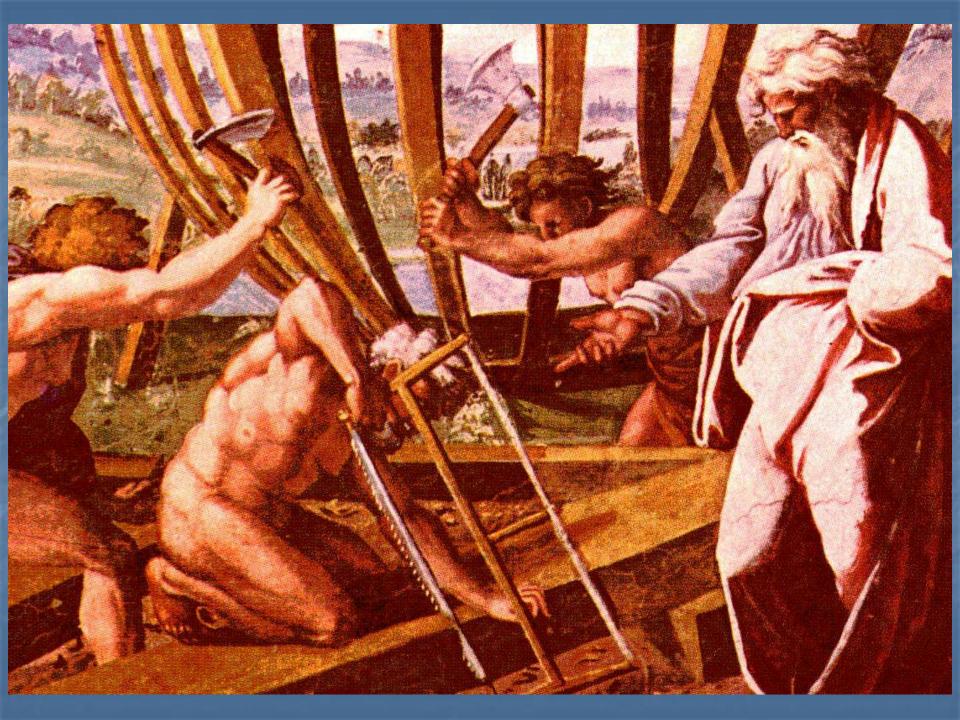
Genesis 6:4 – The Nephilim

~ylipiN>h from lp'n", "he fell"

Luther: "Such is my explanation of the giants or ~ylipiN>h in this passage, as being not men of huge mass of body, as in the passage in Numbers, but unruly and mischievious men, the way the poets depict the Cyclopes, who fear neither God nor men but pursue only their own desires and rely on their own power and strength." *AE 2.34*

Luther on Genesis 6:8

addressing the Blessed Virgin: 'You have found favor with God'. This expression very clearly rules out any merit and gives praise to faith, by which alone we are justified before God that is, are acceptable to God and please Him." AE 2.45





Berfündigung der Sundfluth und Bau der Arche.

Da sprach GDII zu Roah: alles Fleisches Ende ift fur mich kommen, benn die Erde ift voll Frevels von ihnen, und siehe ba, ich will sie verderben mit der Erden. Aber mit dir will ich einen Bund aufrichten, und du sollt in den Kasten gehen mit deinen Sohnen, mit deinem Weibe und mit deiner Sohne Weibern.

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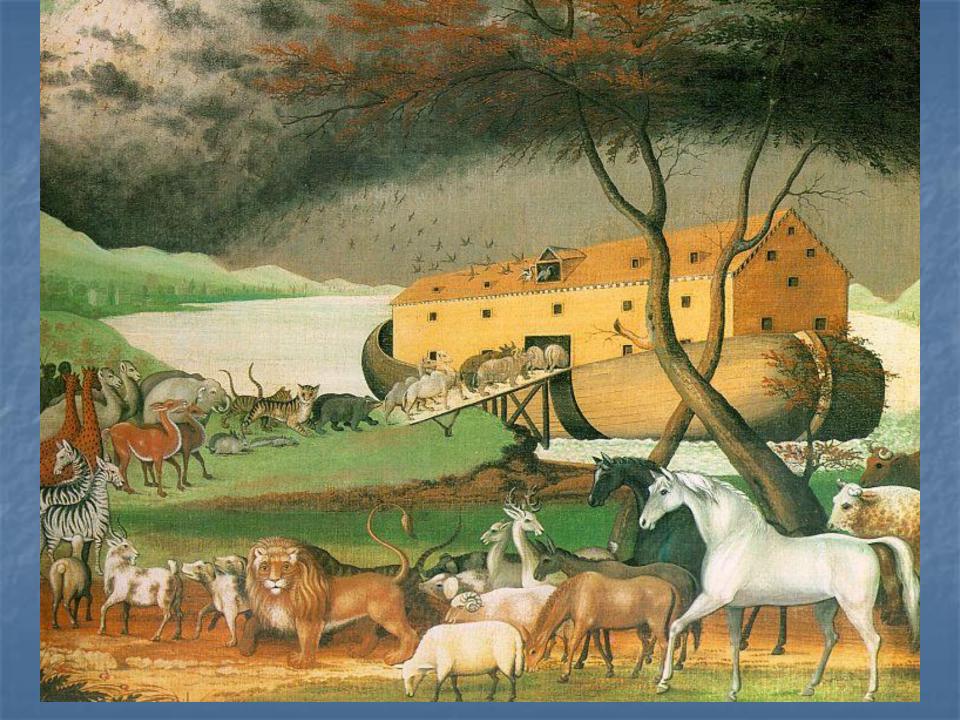
Genesis 7:2 – How many animals?

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Braden "from out of all the clean beast take unto thee seven seven male and his female and from out of the beast which are not clean a pair, male and his female."

KJV — "Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female."



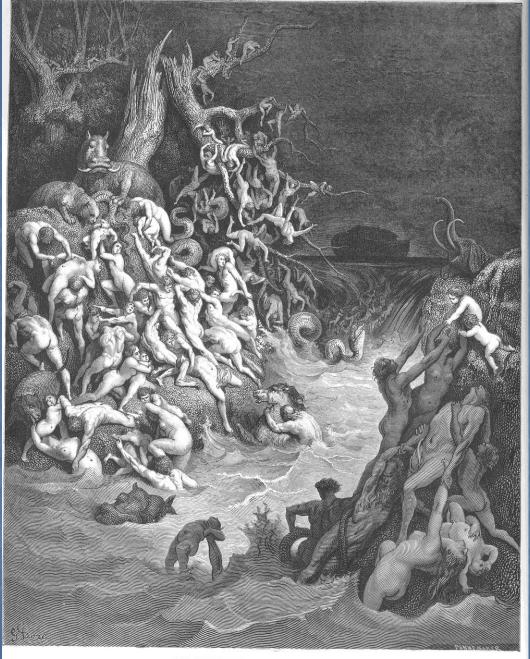


The Epic of Gilgamesh

According to the list of Sumerian Kings, Gilgamesh was the son of Lugualbanda, and the fifth king of Uruk (Early Dynastic II, first dynasty of Uruk). Gilgamesh ruled circa 2600 B.C.

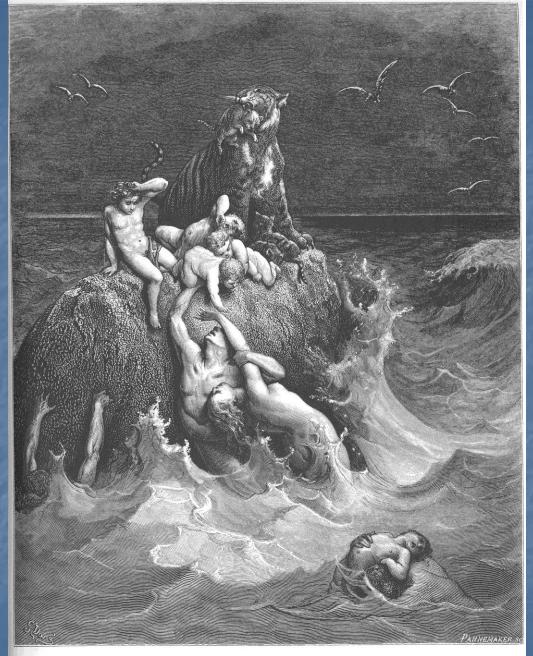
The Epic of Gilgamesh, Tablet XI

"Six days and seven nights came the wind and flood, the storm flattening the land. When the seventh day arrived, the storm was pounding, the flood was a war--struggling with itself like a woman writhing (in labor). The sea calmed, fell still, the whirlwind (and) flood stopped up. I looked around all day long--quiet had set in and all the human beings had turned to clay! The terrain was as flat as a roof."



THE WORLD DESTROYED BY WATER

And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them ... (Genesis 6: 7) (\$7:19)

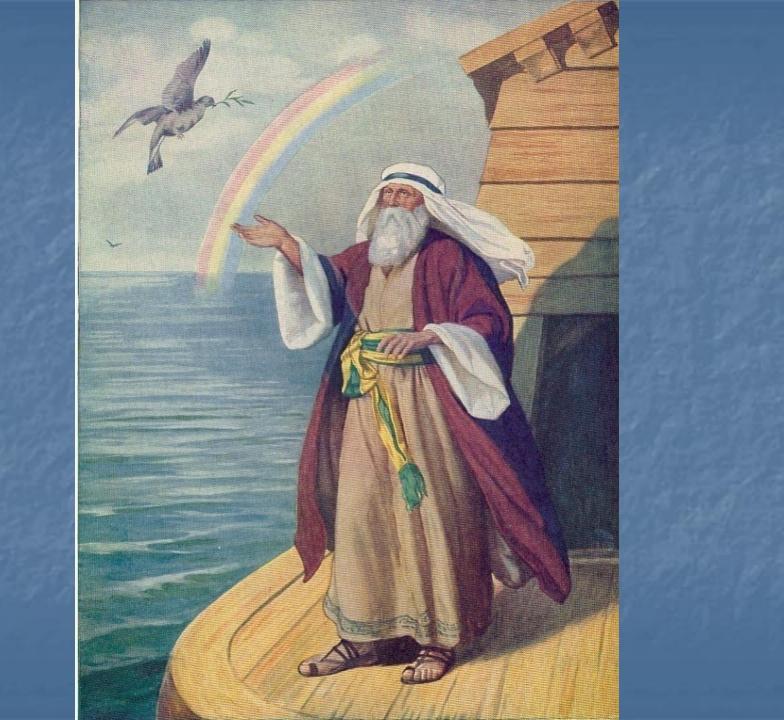


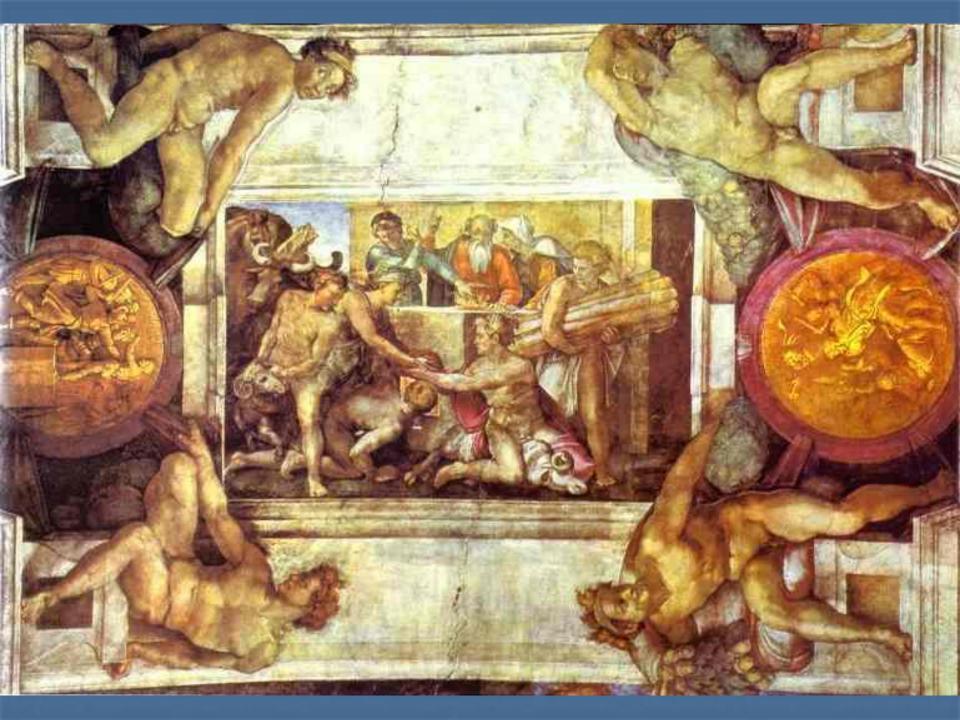
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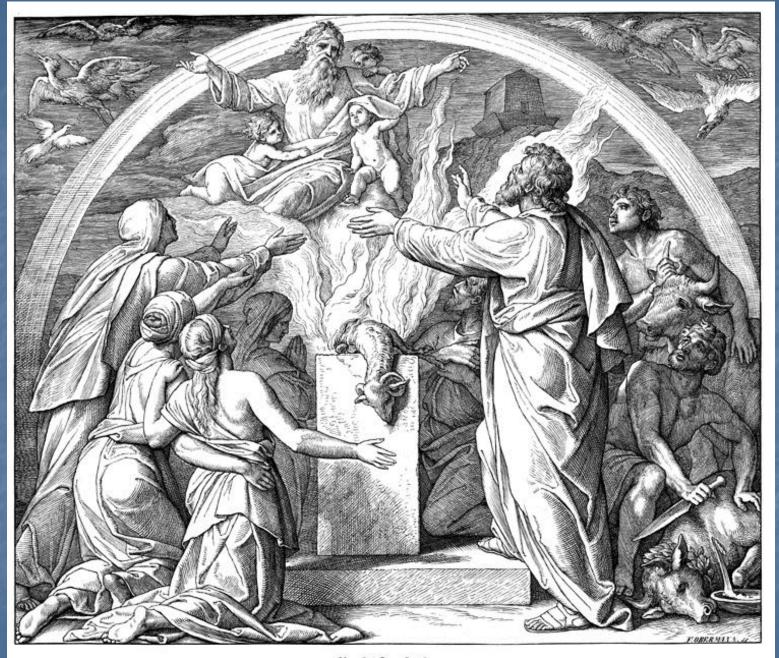
And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark . . . (Genesis 7: 23)







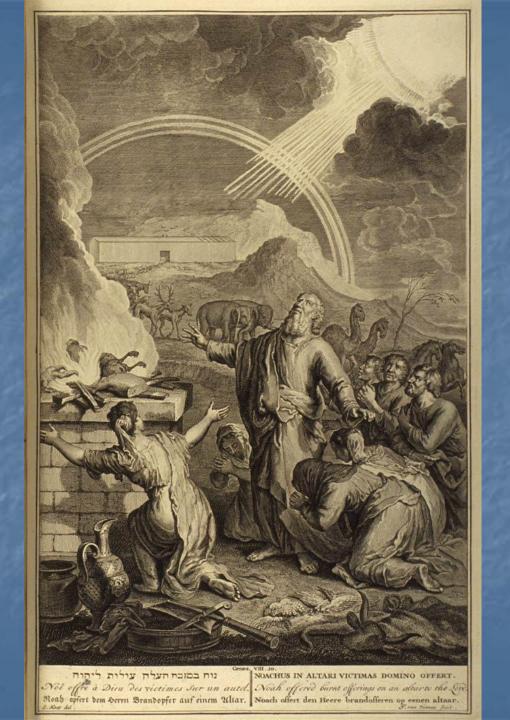




Moahs Danfopfer.

Roah aber baute bem SENNR einen Altar, und nahm von allerlei reinem Bieh und von allerlei reinem Gevogel und opferte Brandopfer auf dem Altar.

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Luther's Explanation to the 4th Commandment

"Thou shalt honor thy thy father and thy mother, that it may be wll with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth." What does this mean? We should fear and love God that we may not despise our parents and masters, nor provoke them to anger, but give them honor, serve and obey them, and hold them in love and esteem."

Luther's Explanation to the 8th Commandment

"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." What does this mean? "We should fear and love God that we may not deceitfully belie, betray, slander nor defame our neighbor but defend him, speak well of him, and put the best construction on everything."





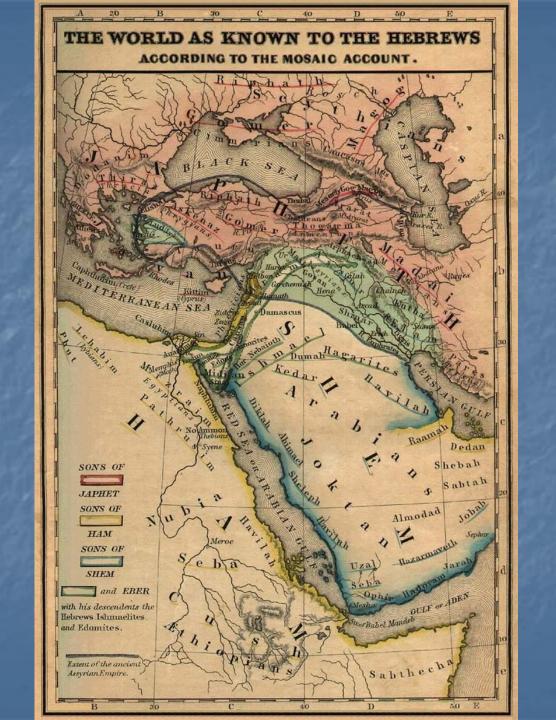
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Sons of Noah

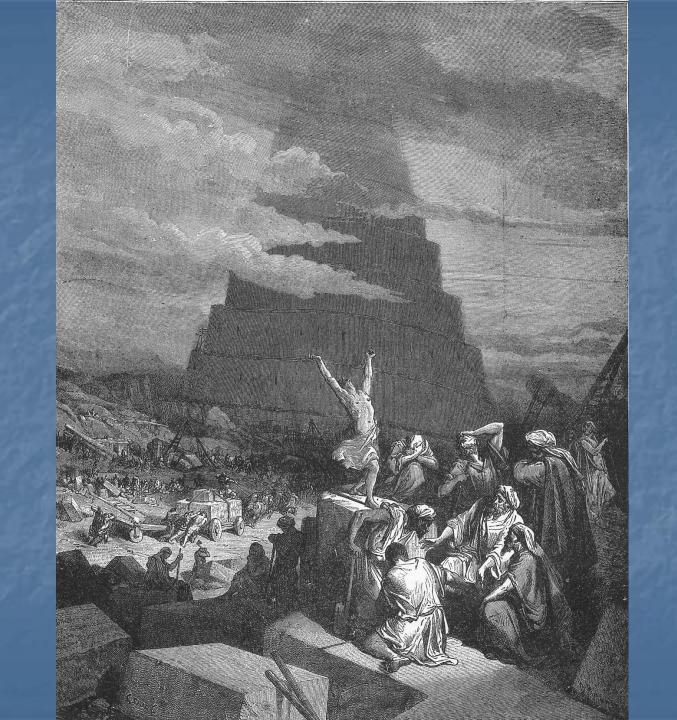
- Japheth 14 nations
 - Eurasia
- Ham − 30 nations −
 - North east Africa
 - South west Asia
- Shem 26 nations





Luther on Genesis 10

"Therefore we have reason to regard the Holy Bible highly and to consider it a most precious treasure. This very chapter, even though it is considered full of dead words, has in it the thread that is drawn from the first world to the middle and to the end of all things. From Adam the promise concerning the Christ is passed on to Seth, from Seth to Noah, from Noah to Shem, and from Shem to this Eber, from whom the Hebrew nation received its name as the heir for whom the promise about the Christ was intended in preference to all other peoples of the whole world. This knowledge the Holy Scriptures reveal to us. Those who are without them live in error, uncertainty, and boundless ungodliness; for they have no knowledge about who they are and whence they came." AE 2.209



Luther on Genesis 11:3

"This is clear evidence that the city of Babel and the tower were constructed of bricks or baked stone, just as Rome was built of bricks." AE 2.217

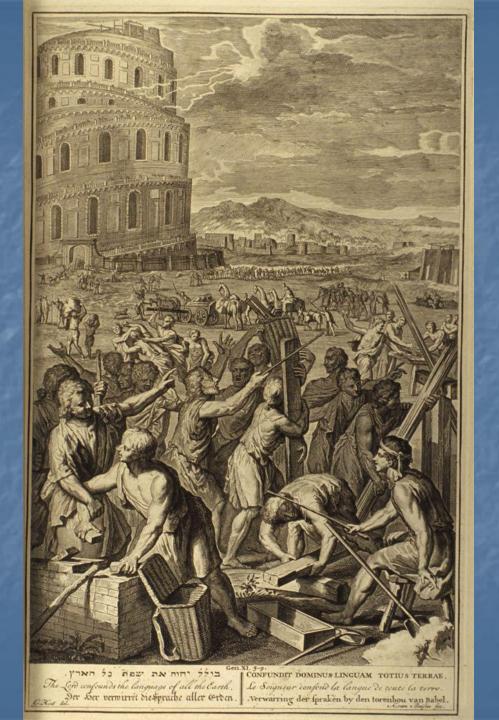


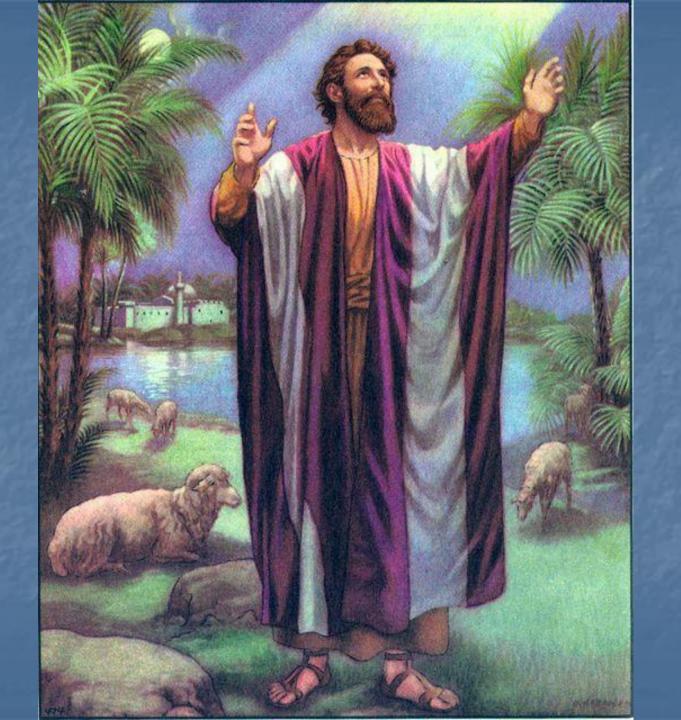
Luther on Genesis 11:4

"It is a common occurrence, as Solomon bears witness... (Proverbs 10:24), that the ungodly foretell evil for themselves, and that what they dread happens to them... Thus in the passage before us the words reveal a conscience that is troubled and yet smugly keeps on disregarding the punishment." AE 2.218









The Seven-Fold Blessing of Abram

- "I will make you a great nation;
- I will bless you
- And make your name great;
- And you shall be a blessing.
- I will bless those who bless you,
- And I will curse him who curses you;
- And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

Luther on Genesis 12:1

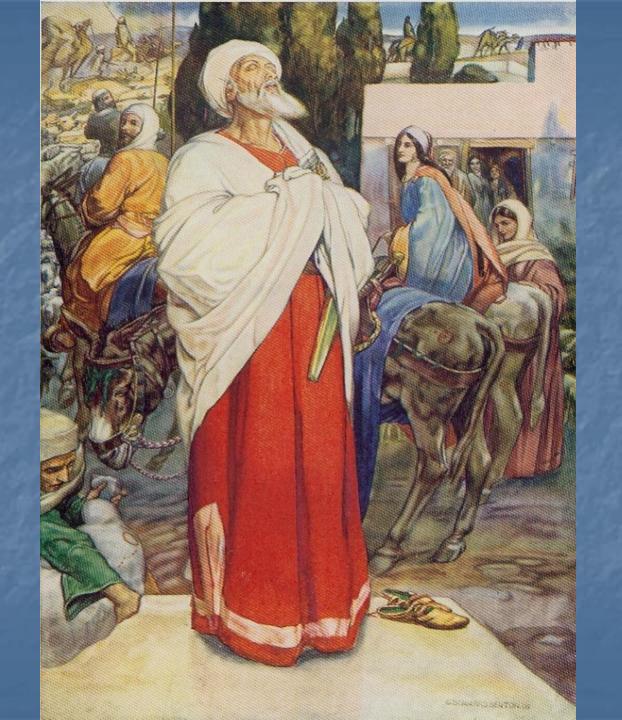
"This is a new age (as it is called), in which Holy Scripture begins the description of the church from a new stem... This account deserves our attention as an extraordinary example of mercy. It should encourage and persuade us that God will preserve the church also in our own time..." AE 2.245

Luther on Genesis 12:2

"This is a most outstanding passage and one of the most important in all Holy Scripture. For this reason it should be examined repeatedly and carefully unfolded and explained..." AE 2.253

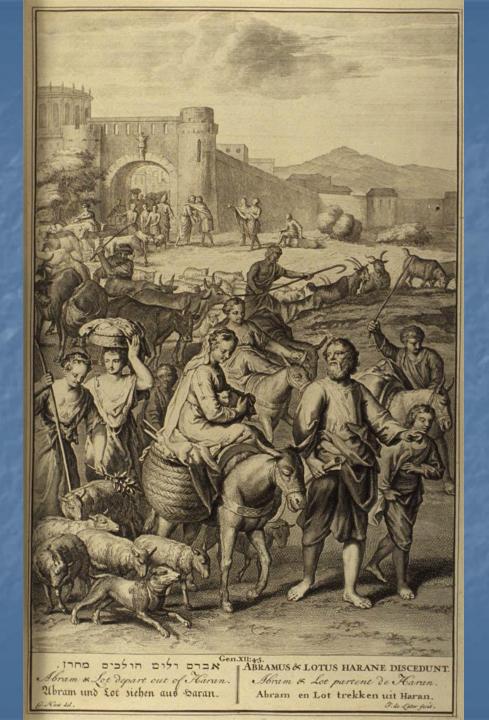
Psalm 89:30-34

If they break My statutes and do not keep My commandments, Then I will punish their transgression with the rod, And their iniquity with stripes. Nevertheless My lovingkindness I will not utterly take from him, Nor allow My faithfulness to fail. My covenant I will not break, Nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips.



Romans 4:16

Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all...





Luther on Genesis 12:4

"This then, is the mark of the true and divine promises, that they are in conflict with reason, and that reason does not want to accept them. Because those of the devil, on the other hand, are in agreement with human reason, they are accepted by reason readily and without hesitation." AE 2.267



Abram erblidt das ihm berheißene Land.

3ch will segnen die dich segnen und verfluchen die dich verfluchen; und in dir sollen gesegnet werden alle Geschlechte auf Erden. Und es erschien der Heram und sprach: deinem Samen will ich dieß Land geben. I Wos. Cap. 12. v. 3 u. 7.

Luther on Genesis 12:4

Promise and faith belong together naturally and inseparably. For what is the use of making any promise if there is no one to believe it? On the other hand, what would be the advantage of faith if there should be no promise? Hence promise and faith are related terms... AE 2.266

The First Altar in the Promised Land

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"...and he built there an altar unto YHWH who had appeared to him."

The Second Altar of the Promised Land

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"...he built there an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD."

Joshua 24:2

"And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'Your fathers, including Terah, the father of Abraham and the father of Nahor, dwelt on the other side of the River in old times; and they served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from the other side of the River, led him throughout all the land of Canaan..."

Abram

- Romans 4:1 What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh?
- **Exodus 3:5-6** Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground." Moreover He said, "I am the God of your father -- the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God.
- Matthew 22:31-33 But concerning the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob"? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living. And when the multitudes heard this, they were astonished at His teaching.

Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house

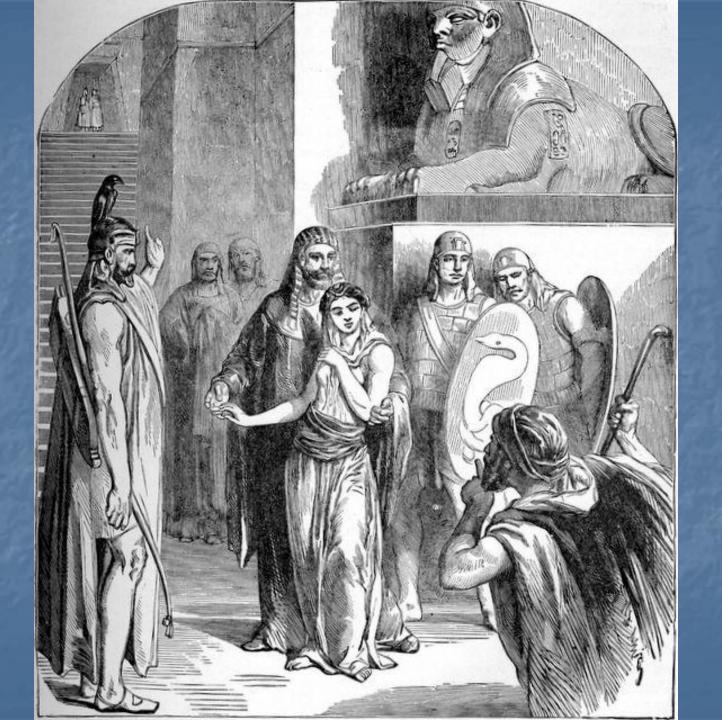
- Matthew 4:21-22 Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.
- Matthew 10:37-40 He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it. He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me.
- Matthew 16:24-25 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it."
- Mathew 19:29-30 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

Hebrews 11:8-10

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

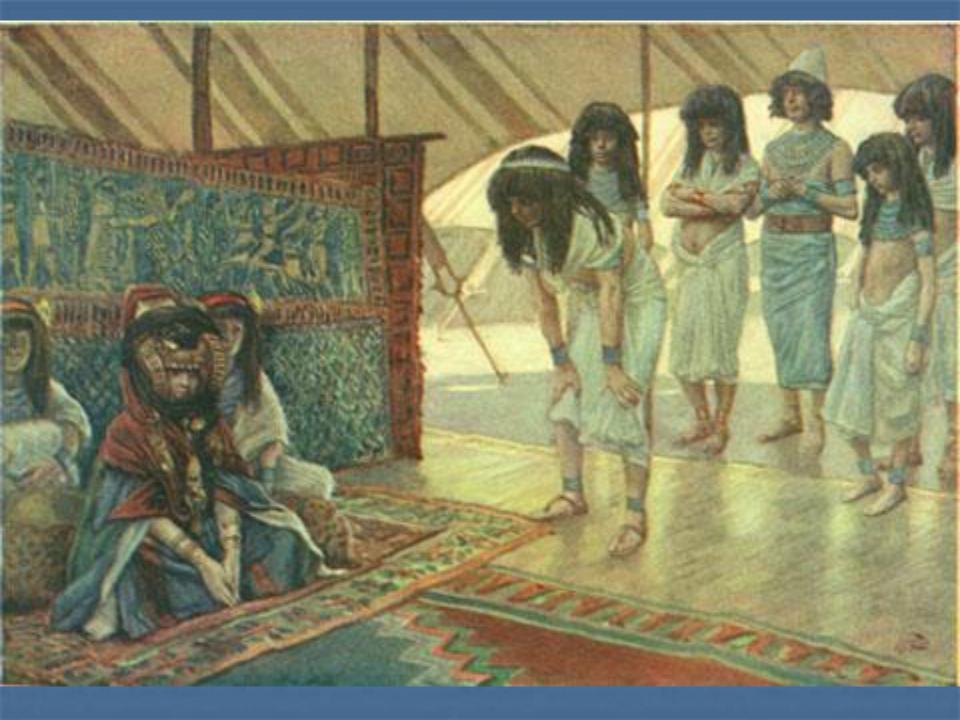
Acts 3:25

You are sons of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying to Abraham, "And in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed."



Luther on Genesis 12:11-13

This passage greatly offends the fathers and all the theologians because Abraham himself not only lies, but he urges his wife to lie too... So far as Abraham's action is concerned, let us maintain that he did not lie; or at least let us say that it was an obliging lie and praiseworthy foresight. AE 2.292



Genesis 20:1-3

And Abraham journeyed from there to the South, and dwelt between Kadesh and Shur, and stayed in Gerar. Now Abraham said of Sarah his wife, "She is my sister." And Abimelech king of Gerar sent and took Sarah. But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, "Indeed you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is a man's wife."

Genesis 26:1-7

There was a famine in the land, besides the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went to Abimelech king of the Philistines, in Gerar. Then the LORD appeared to him and said: "Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land of which I shall tell you. "Dwell in this land, and I will be with you and bless you; for to you and your descendants I give all these lands, and I will perform the oath which I swore to Abraham your father. And I will make your descendants multiply as the stars of heaven; I will give to your descendants all these lands; and in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed; because Abraham obeyed My voice and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws." So Isaac dwelt in Gerar. And the men of the place asked about his wife. And he said, "She is my sister"; for he was afraid to say, "She is my wife," because he thought, "lest the men of the place kill me for Rebekah, because she is beautiful to behold."



Genesis 12:16 & Exodus 12:34-36

He treated Abram well for her sake. He had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male and female servants, female donkeys, and camels.

So the people took their dough before it was leavened, having their kneading bowls bound up in their clothes on their shoulders. Now the children of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, and they had asked from the Egyptians articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing. And the LORD had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they granted them what they requested. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.

Genesis 12:17 & Exodus 8:24-25

But the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife.

And the LORD did so. Thick swarms of flies came into the house of Pharaoh, into his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt. The land was corrupted because of the swarms of flies.

Genesis 12:19-20 & Exodus 12:30-31

Why did you say, 'She is my sister'? I might have taken her as my wife. Now therefore, here is your wife; take her and go your way." So Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him; and they sent him away, with his wife and all that he had.

So Pharaoh rose in the night, he, all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where there was not one dead. Then he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, "Rise, go out from among my people, both you and the children of Israel. And go, serve the LORD as you have said.

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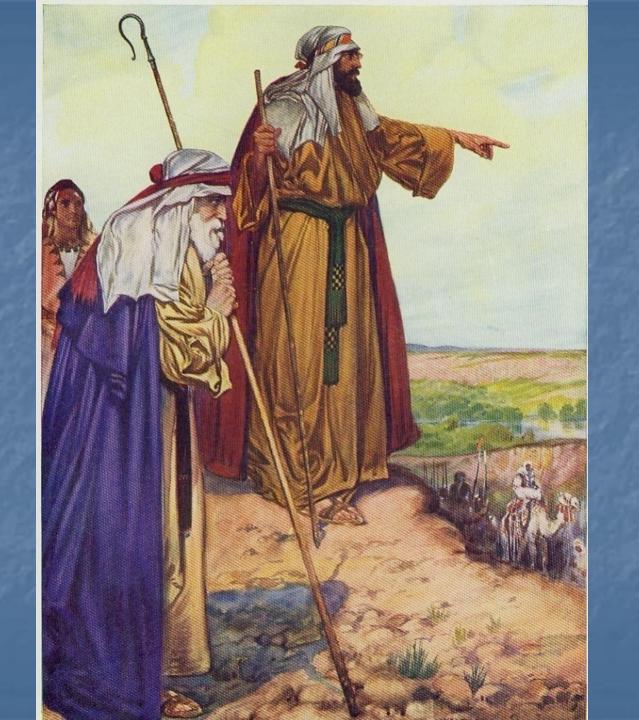
Matthew 2:13-15

Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him." When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son." (Hosea 11:1)

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Genesis 13:15

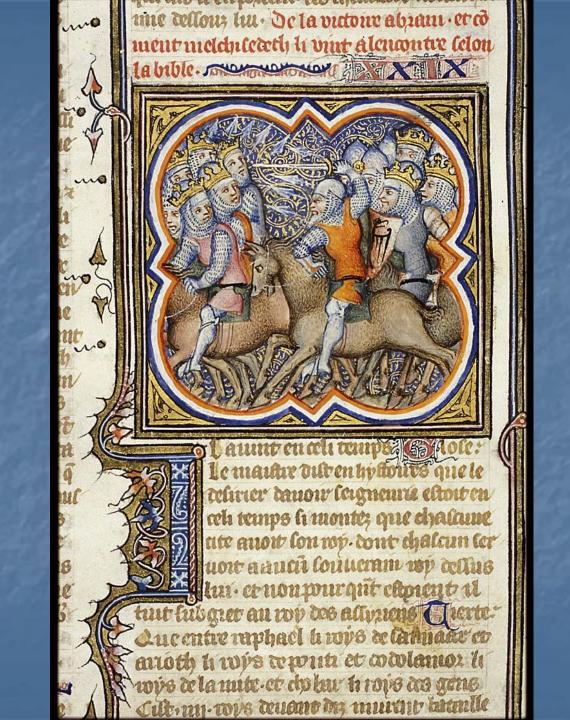
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"For all the land which you see unto you I shall give and unto your seed unto eternity." The word "seed" is singular.

Galatians 3:16 – "Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, 'And to seeds,' as of many, but as of one, 'And to your Seed,' who is Christ."

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Genesis 14:13

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Abram the Hebrew

yrIb.[I "Son of Eber" or "from far away"

Genesis 14:15 - 16

- Abram and 318 men did what five kings and their armies could not do.
- 1 Samuel 17:45-47 "Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. Then all this assembly shall know that the LORD does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's, and He will give you into our hands."

Genesis 14:18

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Melchizedek – King of Righteousness King of Peace King of Jerusalem (Joshua 10:1 – Adonai-Zedek)

- Brought out bread and wine
- Blessed Abraham
- Blessed God
- Received of Abraham his tithe

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Melchizedek in Psalm 110

- 1 (A Psalm of David) The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."
- 2 The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies!
- 3 Your people shall be volunteers In the day of Your power; In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, You have the dew of Your youth.
- 4 The LORD has sworn And will not relent, "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek."
- 5 The Lord is at Your right hand; He shall execute kings in the day of His wrath.

Psalm 110 in Matthew 22:44

Jesus asked them, saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?" They said to Him, "The Son of David." He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: 'The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" '? "If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son?"

Melchizedek in Hebrews

Hebrews 5:5-6 - So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You." As He also says in another place: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek";

6:19-20 - This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Melchizedek in Hebrews

- 7:1 For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him,
- 2 to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated "king of righteousness," and then also king of Salem, meaning "king of peace,"
- 3 without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.
- 4 Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils.
- 5 And indeed those who are of the sons of Levi, who receive the priesthood, have a commandment to receive tithes from the people according to the law, that is, from their brethren, though they have come from the loins of Abraham;
- 6 but he whose genealogy is not derived from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises.
- 7 Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better.
- 8 Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives.
- 9 Even Levi, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, so to speak, 10 for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him.

Melchizedek in Hebrews

- 11 Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron?
- 12 For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law.
- 13 For He of whom these things are spoken belongs to another tribe, from which no man has officiated at the altar.
- 14 For it is evident that our Lord arose from Judah, of which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood.
- 15 And it is yet far more evident if, in the likeness of Melchizedek, there arises another priest
- 16 who has come, not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an endless life.
- 17 For He testifies: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."
- 18 For on the one hand there is an annulling of the former commandment because of its weakness and unprofitableness,
- 19 for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, there is the bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.
- 20 And inasmuch as He was not made priest without an oath
- 21 (for they have become priests without an oath, but He with an oath by Him who said to Him: "The LORD has sworn And will not relent, 'You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek' "),
- 22 by so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant.



Melchizedek

"On the basis of the general conviction of the Hebrews it is assumed that this Melchizedek is Noah's son Shem. Even though not much depends on whether their conviction is right or wrong, I gladly agree with their opinion; for the computation of the times based on the historical accounts proves not only that Shem was living at that time, but that he even survived Abraham, and that he died not long before Jacob's entry into Egypt...." Luther

Melchizedek

"Thus I am pleased with the general opinion that Melchizedek is Shem, because there was no greater patriarch at the time, especially in spiritual matters... He held both offices, that of king and priest. And although he did nothing inordinate in the government but managed all affairs righteously, he gained a reputation for righteousness because of his service in the church; for he taught the forgiveness of sins through the future Seed of the woman... Luther

Melchizedek

"Concerning the bringing out of the bread and wine the author of the Epistle to the Hebrews says absolutely nothing. Therefore in this there is no suggestion of allegory." Luther

Genesis 14:18

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A New Name for God

"But here it must also be noted that in this passage Moses calls God by a new name. He states that Melchizedek was a priest ('!Ayl.[, lael. !heko) of God Most High.

The psalms rather frequently emply this name; I believe it is derived from the word l[; which means "over" or

"upward", to indicate the difference of the forms of worship in existence at that time. The king of Sodom, the king of Gomorrah, the Rephaim, the Babylonians, and others had their own particular gods and forms of worship; for the world has always been full of various kinds of sects. But the holy fathers and the descendants of Eber worshipped God !Ayl.[,, that is the Most High,

who above all others is the one and eternal God." --Luther

Genesis 14:23-24

According to the Promise of God, (12:2-3), Abram would be blessed by God, not by men. Abram refuses that which the king of Sodom offered as an expression of his faith in God's Promise.

Genesis 15

"This chapter is one of the most important in the Holy Scriptures in their entirety; by the Holy Spirit the prophets have taken much from this chapter. -- Luther

The Word of God

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After these things the Word of God came to Abram in a vision.

The Word of God – A Theophany

"Concerning the affirmation of the text that the Lord spoke with Abram "in a vision" (hz < x]M;B;) we have not read this

expression before in Moses..." - Luther

The Word of God – A Theophany

- 1 Samuel 3:1; 3:6; 3:10; 3:21
- 1 Kings 19:4-9
- Jeremiah 1:4-13

Geischen, Angelomorphic Christology

The Word of God – A Theophany

"But when this passage says that the Lord spoke in a vision, we should understand that Abraham heard the Lord speaking in the vision. That is to say that he not only heard the Word, but the Word was represented by a specific likeness of Him that spoke, whatever the nature was."

--Luther

Genesis 15:5

"As we have said much earlier, these acounts are most excellent because the voice of God is heard in them." Luther

Genesis 15:6

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And he believed (in) God, and it was credited unto him as righteousness.

Romans 4:1-5

- 1 What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh?
- 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has *something* to boast about, but not before God.
- 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."
- 4 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt.
- 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness,

Galatians 3:1-14

O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed among you as crucified? This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh? Have you suffered so many things in vain -- if indeed *it was* in vain? Therefore He who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you, *does He do it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? -- just as Abraham "believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness."

Therefore know that *only* those who are of faith are sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel to Abraham beforehand, *saying*, "In you all the nations shall be blessed." So then those who *are* of faith are blessed with believing Abraham. For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, "Cursed *is* everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them."

But that no one is justified by the law in the sight of God *is* evident, for "the just shall live by faith." Yet the law is not of faith, but "the man who does them shall live by them." Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed *is* everyone who hangs on a tree"), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Galatians 3:15-19

- 15 Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though *it is* only a man's covenant, yet *if it is* confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it.
- 16 Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ.
- 17 And this I say, *that* the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect.
- 18 For if the inheritance *is* of the law, *it is* no longer of promise; but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.
- 19 What purpose then *does* the law *serve?* It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator.

Augustana IV — "The Article on which the Church stands or falls."

"Also they teach that men cannot be justified before God by their own strength, merits, or works, but are freely justified for Christ's sake, through faith, when they believe that they are received into favor, and that their sins are forgiven for Christ's sake, who, by His death, has made satisfaction for our sins. This faith God imputes for righteousness in His sight. Rom. 3 and 4." Augustana IV

Smalkald Articles, Part 2, I

The first and chief article is this,

- That Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, died for our sins, and was raised again for our justification, Rom. 4, 25.
- And He alone is the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world, John 1, 29; and God has laid upon Him the iniquities of us all, Is. 53, 6.
- Likewise: All have sinned and are justified without merit [freely, and without their own works or merits] by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, in His blood, Rom. 3, 23 f.
- Now, since it is necessary to believe this, and it cannot be otherwise acquired or apprehended by any work, law, or merit, it is clear and certain that this faith alone justifies us as St. Paul says, Rom. 3, 28: For we conclude that a man is justified by faith, without the deeds of the Law. Likewise v. 26: That He might be just, and the Justifier of him which believeth in Christ.
- Of this article nothing can be yielded or surrendered [nor can anything be granted or permitted contrary to the same], even though heaven and earth, and whatever will not abide, should sink to ruin. For there is none other name under heaven, given among men whereby we must be saved, says Peter, Acts 4, 12. And with His stripes we are healed, Is. 53, 5. And upon this article all things depend which we teach and practice in opposition to the Pope, the devil, and the [whole] world. Therefore, we must be sure concerning this doctrine, and not doubt; for otherwise all is lost, and the Pope and devil and all things gain the victory and suit over us.

Romans 1:16-17 & Habakkuk 2:4

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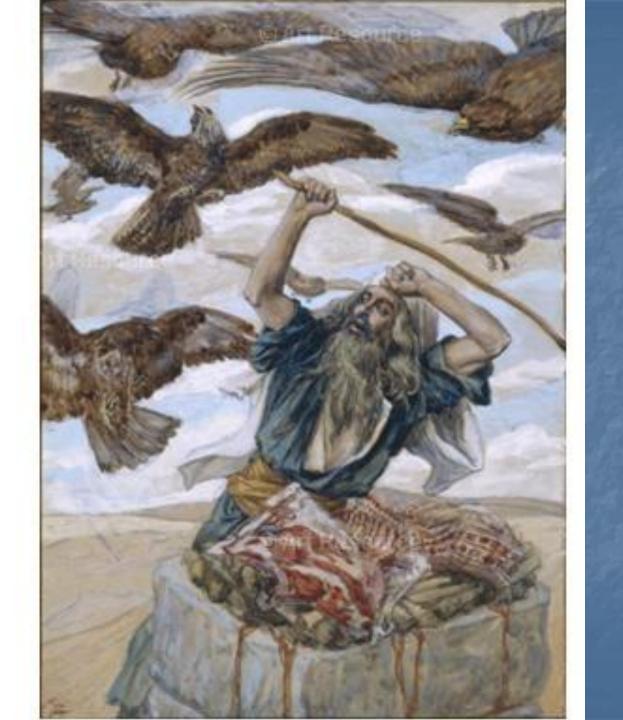
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The Covenant with Abram

"The symbolism is clear: First, the two participants approached the covenant ceremony as equals. Each had to contribute something to put the covenant into effect. And second, if either person violated the terms of the contract, the gory remains of the animal victims were a silent reminder that the person who violated the contract would forfeit his own life." Jeske

The vultures, and Abram's horror and great darkness

Abram saw that the enemies of his offspring would attack, and he tasted the horror and darkness of his offspring, who would be held captive in Egypt.

"The birds of prey represented the foes of Israel, who would seek to... exterminate it. And the fact that Abram scared them away was a sign, that Abram's faith and his relation to the Lord would preserve the whole of his posterity from desctruction..."

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Luther on Genesis 15:11

"(Verses 13-16) This is the explanation of the sign. The slaughtered animals are the people of Israel, who were abused and afflicted in various ways in Egypt. The birds about to consume the pieces of flesh are Pharaoh and the Egyptians... the promise made to Abraham does not permit this nation to be completely crushed, even though it is severely oppressed..."

God's Covenant with Abram

"What was the purpose of the appearance of a flaming torch? Abram had asked God for a sign, and God gave him a spectacular sign that clarified his plan of salvation. The flaming torch, symbolizing the very presence of God, appeared all alone as it moved between the pieces of the sacrifice. God's covenant was indeed an agreement between two parties, but the two were by no means equal partners. One party assumed all the obligations, and the other party received all the benefits. Abram promised nothing, did nothing, said nothing." Jeske

Genesis 15:18

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Genesis 18:1-19 – The Three Men

Genesis 32:24 – Jacob wrestles with God

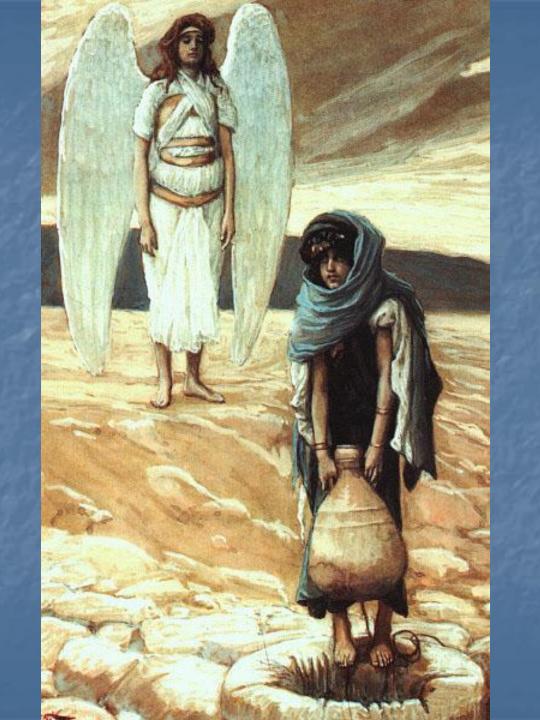
Exodus 14:19 – Guiding Israel

Judges 13:3-15 — Manoa and Samson

Joshua 5:13-15 - Joshuah and

the Angel of the Lord

1 Chronicles 21:14-16 — David and the Angel



Galatians 4:21-31

- 21 Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law?
- 22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman.
- 23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise,
- 24 which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar --
- 25 for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children --
- 26 but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all.
- 27 For it is written: "Rejoice, O barren, *You* who do not bear! Break forth and shout, You who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children Than she who has a husband."
- 28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise.
- 29 But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him *who was born* according to the Spirit, even so *it is* now.
- 30 Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? "Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman."
- 31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

Genesis 17:1

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... the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am Almighty God

Génesis 17:5

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No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations.

The Covenant of Circumcision

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This is My covenant which you shall keep, between Me and you and your descendants after you: Every male child among you shall be circumcised;



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Romans 2:25 - 3:2

- 25 For circumcision is indeed profitable if you keep the law; but if you are a breaker of the law, your circumcision has become uncircumcision.
- 26 Therefore, if an uncircumcised man keeps the righteous requirements of the law, will not his uncircumcision be counted as circumcision?
- 27 And will not the physically uncircumcised, if he fulfills the law, judge you who, *even* with *your* written *code* and circumcision, *are* a transgressor of the law?
- 28 For he is not a Jew who *is one* outwardly, nor *is* circumcision that which *is* outward in the flesh;
- 29 but *he is* a Jew who *is one* inwardly; and circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise *is* not from men but from God.
- 3:1 What advantage then has the Jew, or what *is* the profit of circumcision?
- 2 Much in every way! Chiefly because to them were committed the oracles of God.

Romans 4:11-13

- 11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which *he had while still* uncircumcised, that he might be the father of all those who believe, though they are uncircumcised, that righteousness might be imputed to them also,
 - 12 and the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham had while still uncircumcised.
 - 13 For the promise that he would be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.

Romans 15:8

Now I say that Jesus Christ has become a servant to the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises *made* to the fathers

Galatians 5:6 & 6:15

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love.

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.

Philippians 3:2-7

- 2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the mutilation!
 - 3 For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh,
 - 4 though I also might have confidence in the flesh. If anyone else thinks he may have confidence in the flesh, I more so:
 - 5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee;
 - 6 concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.
 - 7 But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ.

Colossians 2:8-14

- 8 Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.
- 9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;
- 10 and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.
- 11 In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ,
- 12 buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with *Him* through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.
- 13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,
- 14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

"This law of circumcision was placed upon the Jews, not in order that they be justified by circumcision – because this way, in this manner, Christ would have been promised in vain – but, in order that they be a people separated from all the other people, of the part of the land where the Savior would be born..." Luther

"Because circumcision serves the Promise, and the Promise is included in circumcision. For, if the Promise had been completed, would circumcision have been necessary? Therefore if the Promise was not included, we would be baptized in vain. But when this promise of baptism is completed in the life to come, baptism will no longer be necessary." Luther

"In short, circumcision was a sacrament through which they were shown that they were the people of God. But they did not become the people of God through circumcision." Luther

"For this reason circumcision was given to Abraham in order that it be for his descendants a sacrament through which they were justified if they believed the promise which the Lord had attached to circumcision. In the case of Abraham, who already having been justified, there was a different reason for this work, but for him also it was a seal of righteousness." Luther

A New Name for Sarai

Both yr'f Sarai and hr'f Sarah are derived from rf which means "prince".

Isaac's Birth Foretold

qx'c.yI means "he laughs"

And yet – The Blessing of God is upon him

Not through the first...

- 1 Corinthians 15:45 And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.
- 46 However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual.
- 47 The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.
- 48 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly.
- 49 And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.



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Abraham and the Three Men

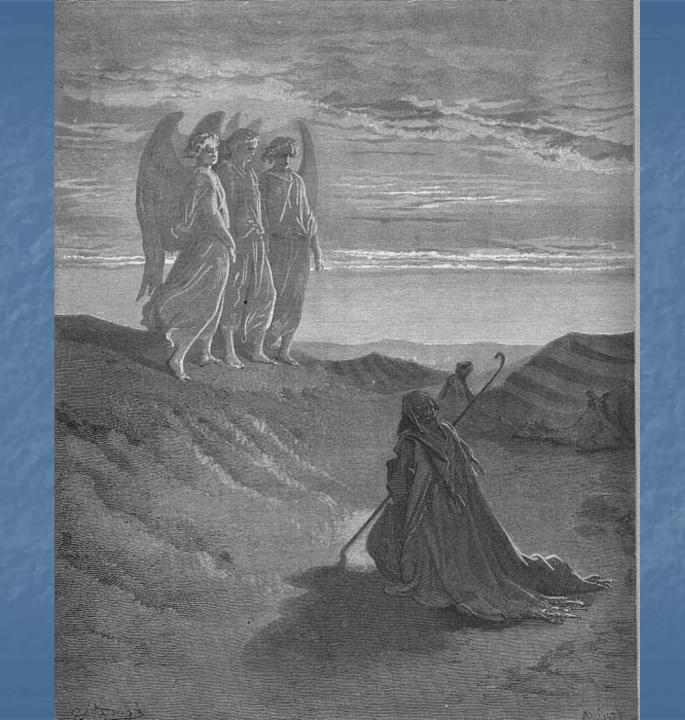
Hebrews 13:1-2

Let brotherly love continue. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.



Luther on Genesis 18

The chief content of this chapter is that God wants to confirm the promise He had made concerning Isaac. In the preceding chapter Abraham is promised a son from Sarah, and the Lord calls this son Isaac because Abraham had laughed. But Sarah was not present at that time, and it seems that she did not believer Abraham when he told her about this. Therefore the promise is repeated here, in order that Sarah may hear it, not form the mouth of Abraham, as had been the case, but from the mouth of God Himself, of whom it is stated that He stood turned away; that is, He had turned His back, to indicate that Sarah did not believe until she was reproached. (AE 3.176)



Luther on the Three Men

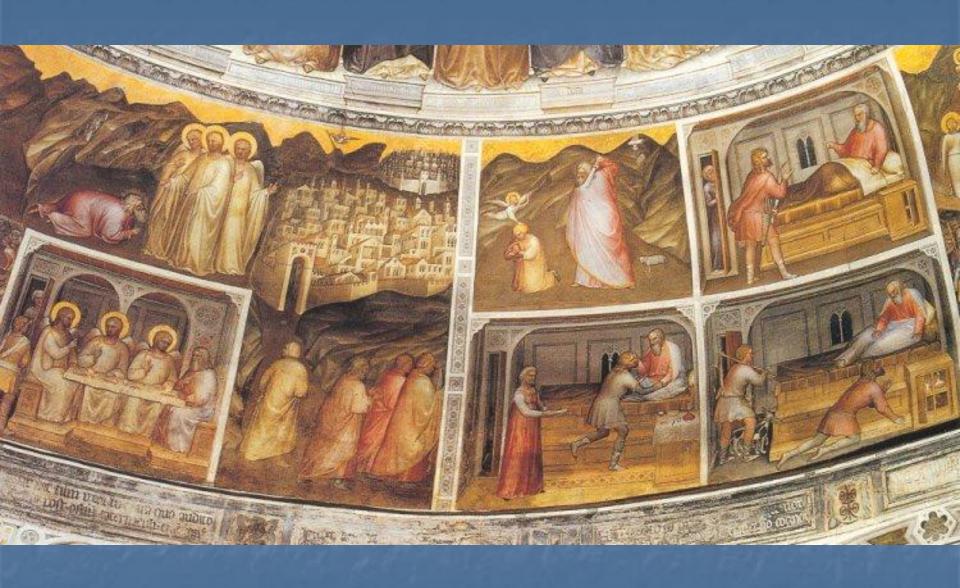
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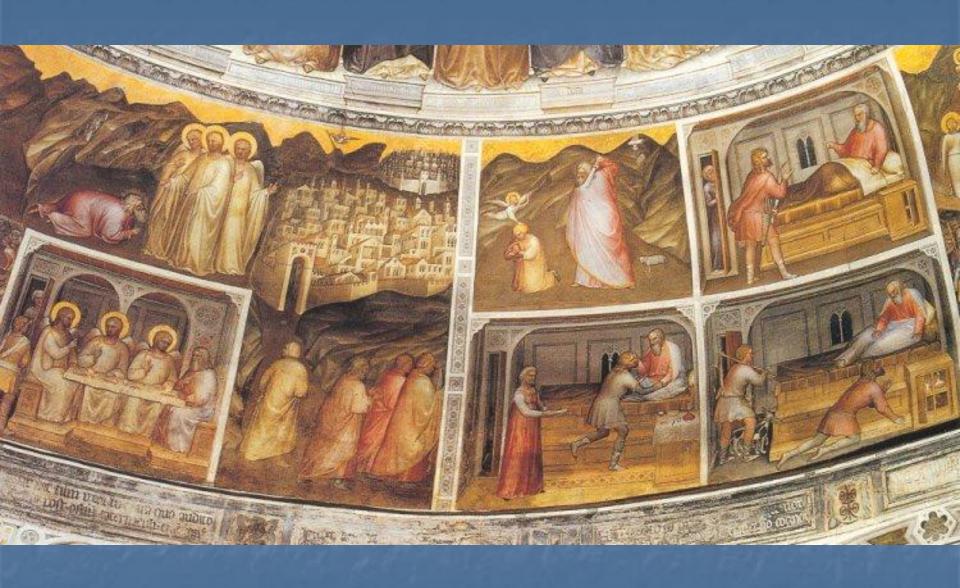


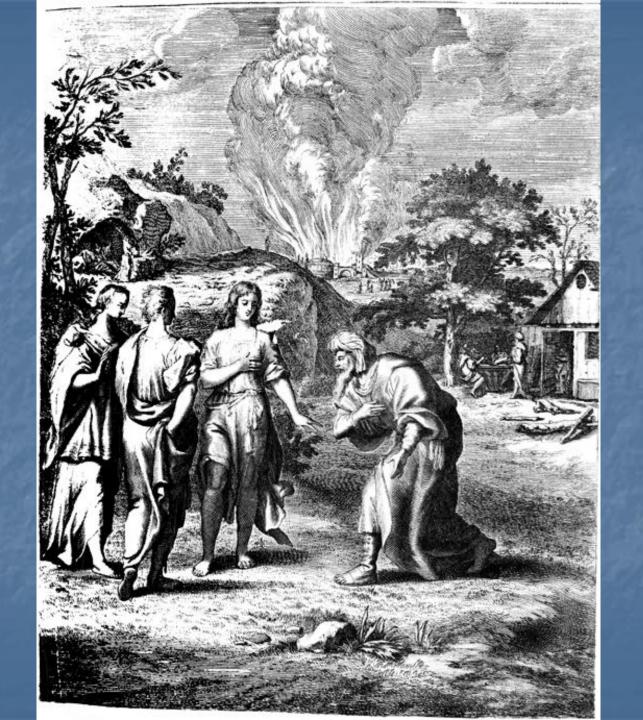
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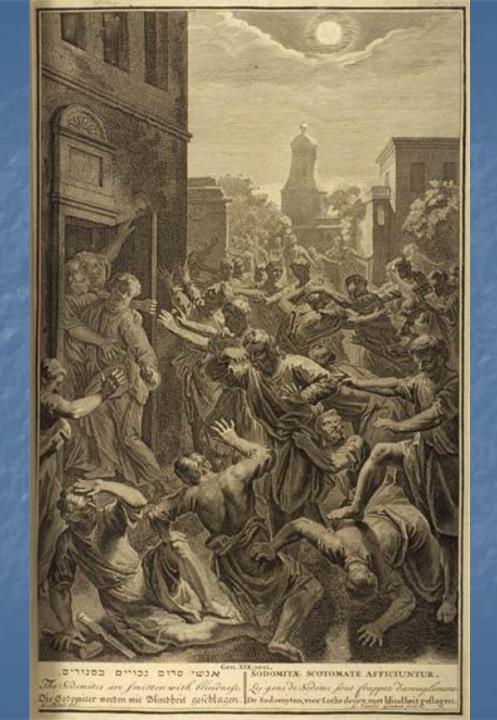




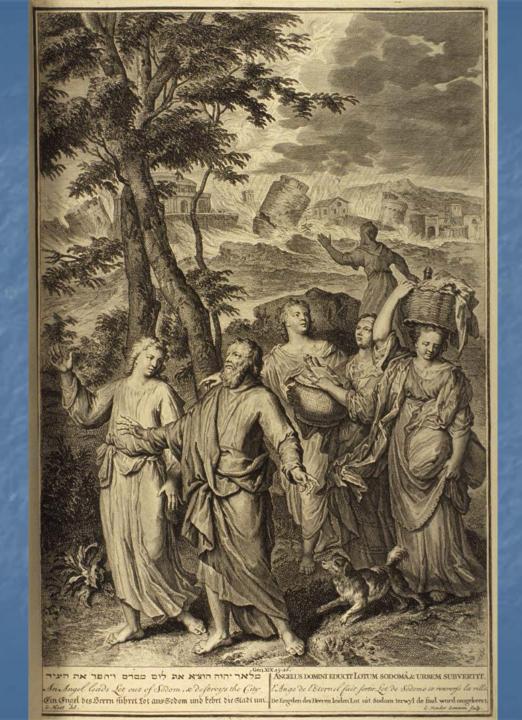


Luther on Genesis 19:8

"What reason have we for exerting ourselves so diligently to excuse the sins of saints? They were human.... I excuse Lot and think that he adopted this plan without sinning. He did not plan to expose his daughters to danger, for he knew that they were not desired by the frenzied men; but he hoped that this would be a way to soften their wrath. Therefore this speech should be regarded as hyperbole... Abraham kills four kings in Egypt, twice he exposes his wife to danger in regard to her honor, and Lot offers his daughters for defilement. Why they do this is none of your concern. For in this way God wanted to reveal His wisdom and power." (AE 3.258-9)







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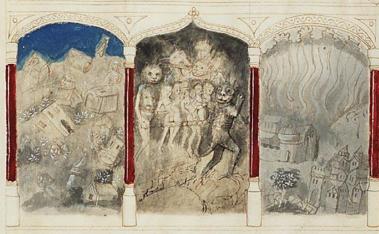


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Luther on Lot and his daughters

"I am saying this, not to excuse them, but to set forth the true reasons for this deed... The father is saintly, the girls are saintly, but both sin."





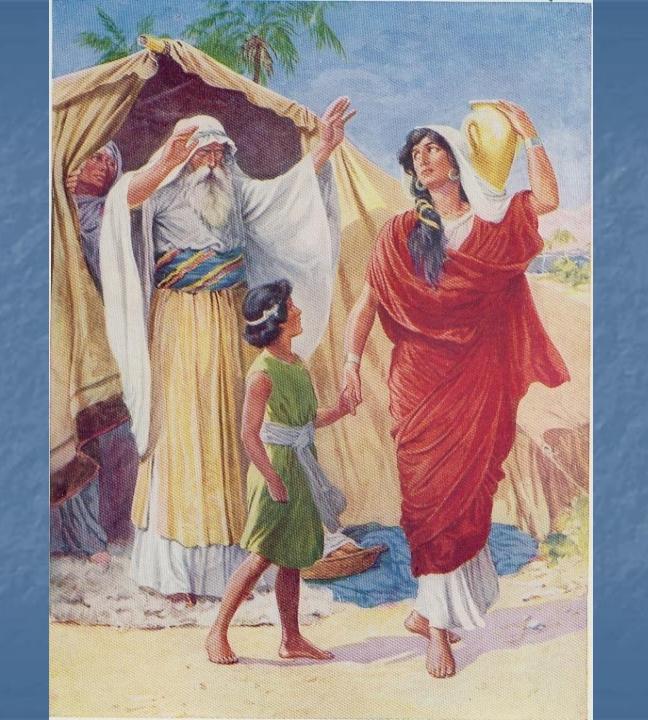




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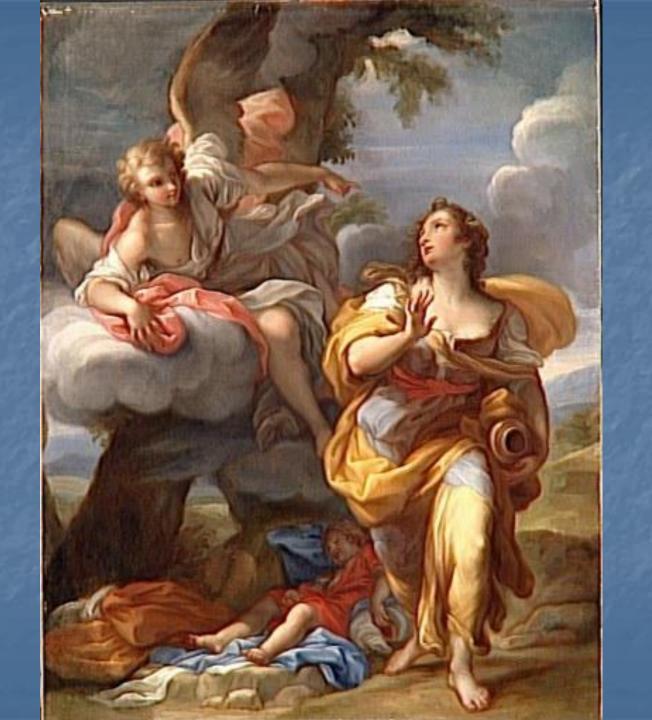


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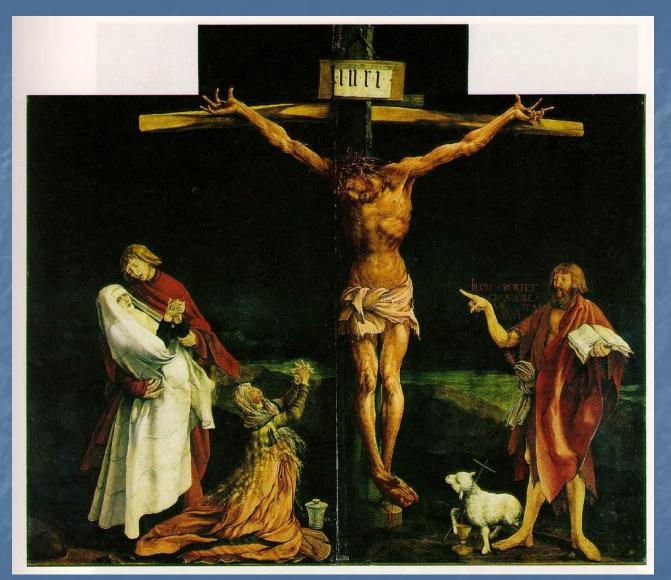
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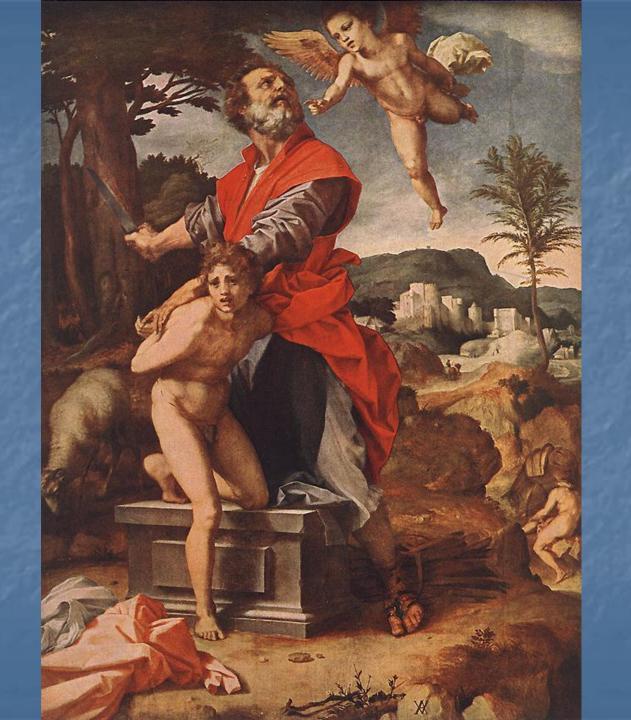


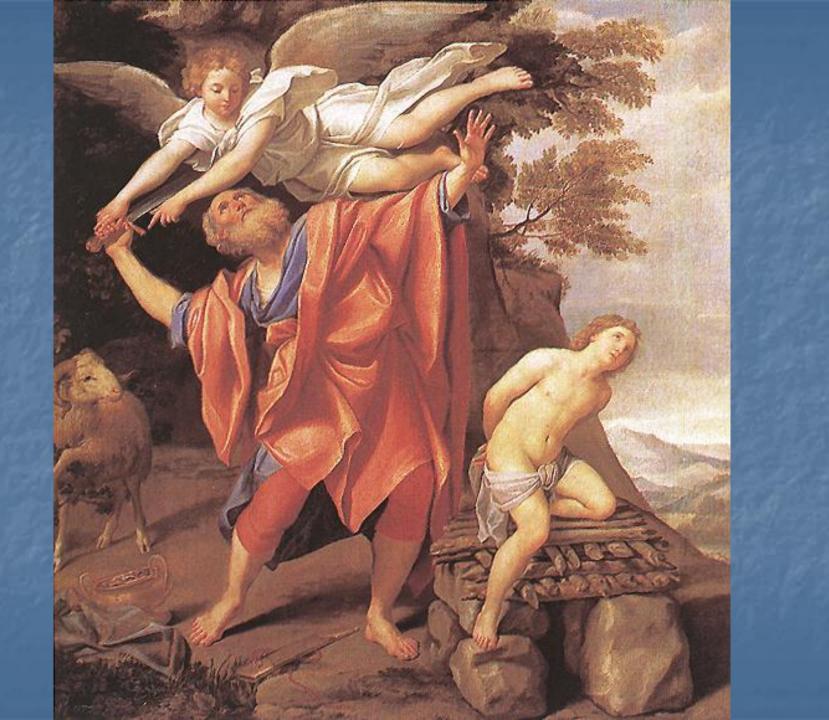
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And Abraham called the name of that place "The Lord Will Be Seen (Provide)", which is said today "In the Mountain of the LORD He Is Seen (will provide)"



The Lord will see unto Himself a Lamb...





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"And they shall be blessed in your seed all peoples of the earth because (of which) you listened to (by) my voice."



Abrami gladium molles spectate parentes, Non timet hoc natum sacrificare suum. Vos vestra mandante Deo non parcite proli, Tum ruet in stugios victima pauca rogos

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Genesis 22:20-24

Nahor had 12 sons —
8 by Milcah:
Huz, Buz, Kemuel, Chesed, Hazo,
Pildash, Jidlaph, Bethuel
4 by Reumah:
Tebah, Gaham, Tamash and Maacah

Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel, would marry Isaac – See Genesis 24:15

Genesis 23 The Death of Sarah

At the age of 127, Sarah dies at Kiriath Arba, which means "town of Arba". See Joshua 14:13-15. The town is also called Hebron - See Genesis 13:18, and Mamre – see 23:19

"Abraham went to mourn..." perhaps from Beersheba, see 22:19.

Genesis 23 The Cave at Machpelah

The Burial Ground of the Patriarchs: Abraham & Sarah (23:19, 25:8-10) Isaac & Rebekah (35:28-29, 49:29-31) Jacob & Leah (50:12-13)

A testimony to their faith in the resurrection of the dead on the last day.

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"That I cause you to swear (hiphil imperfect of שבּע) by YHWH God of the heavens and God of the Earth *that*

ֹלְאַ־תִקַּכְּח אָשָׁה ֹ לִבְנִיֹּי מִבְּנוֹת ֹ הָכְּנַעֲנִיֹּי

not you will not take a woman unto my son from the daughters of the Canaanites

:אֲשֶׁכֶר אֲנֹכִי יוֹשֵׁכְב בְּקַרְבְּוֹ *of* which I dwell in the midst

:אַרַיֶם נְהַרַיָם אֶל־עָיָר נְחְוֹר

"...Aram Naharaim unto the city of Nahor"

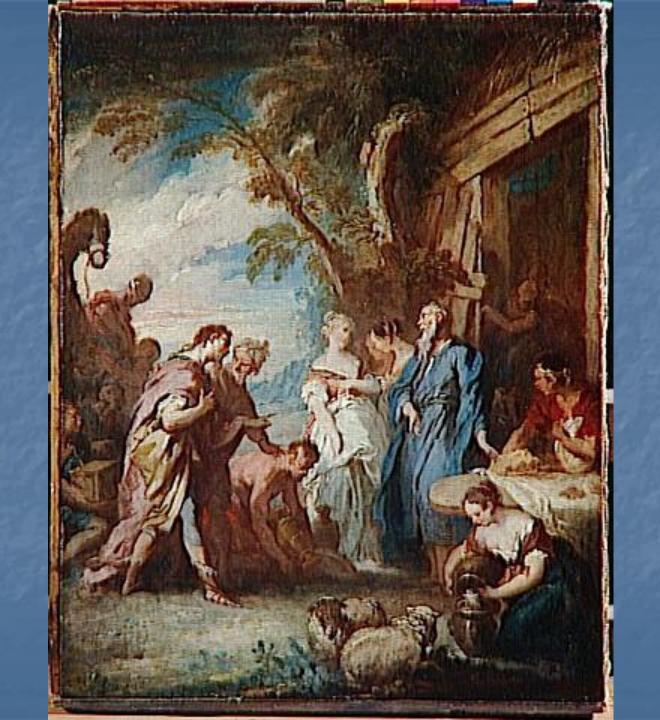
Aram Naharaim means "Field of the Two Rivers".

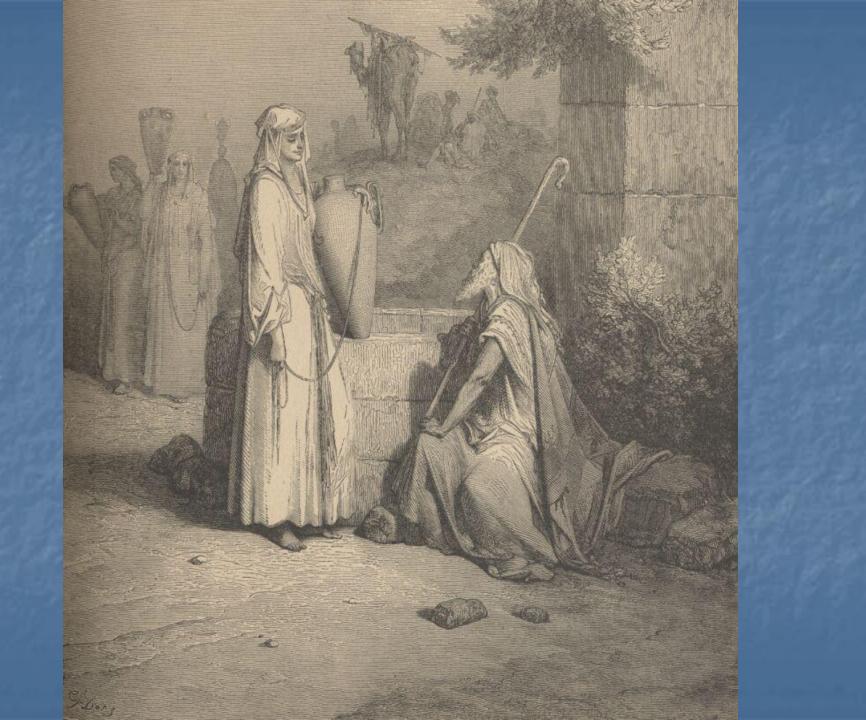
In Greek the word is Mesopotami,a.

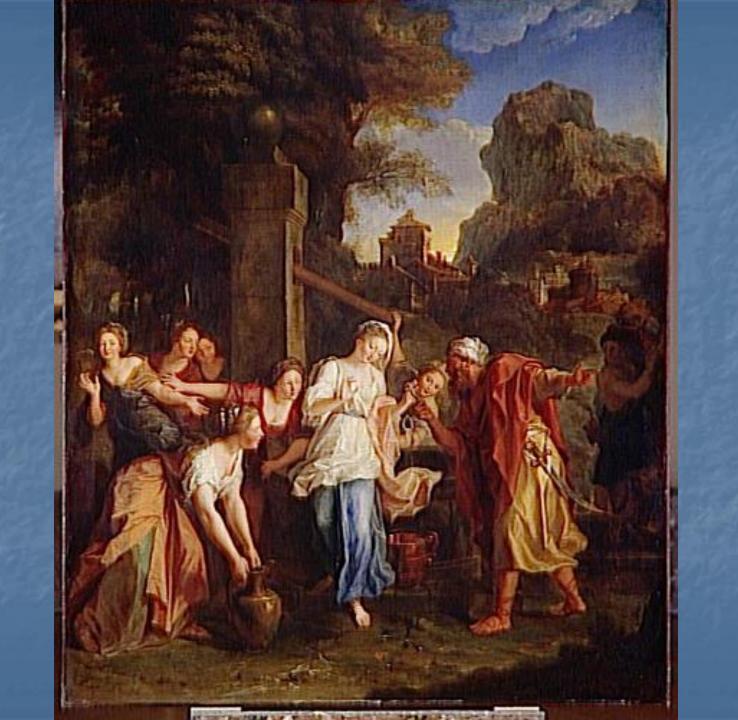
Nahor's city is Haran – See 27:43, 28:10

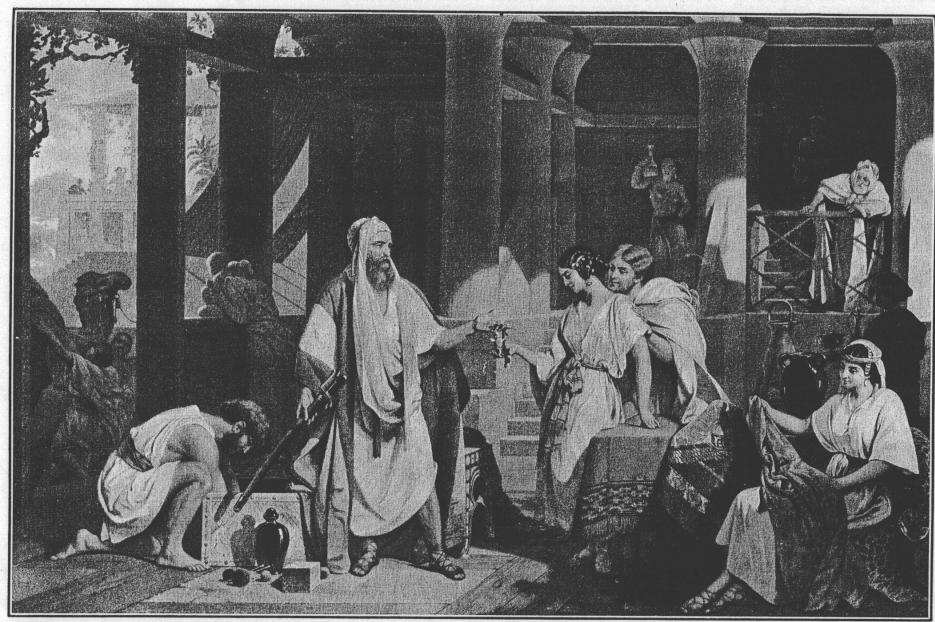
JÖŰÜ "Mercy", "Loving Kindness", "Covenant Faithfulness"

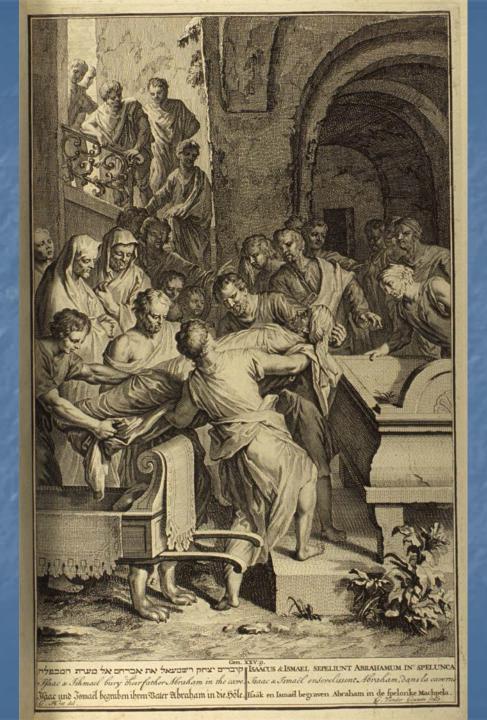










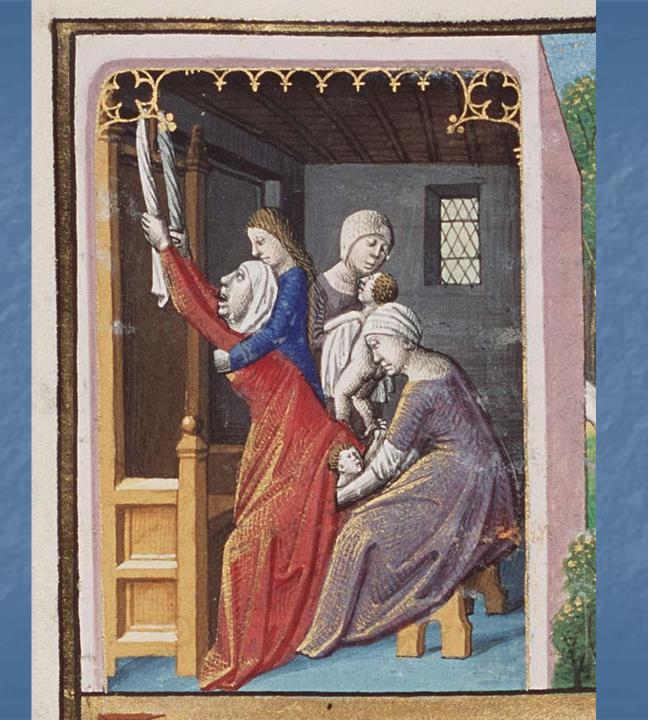




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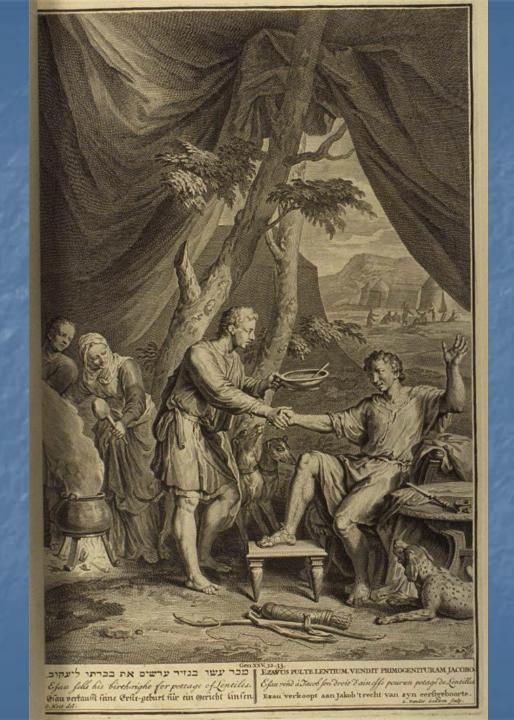
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Esau vend sa prinogeniture a son frere lacob pour du pain et un plat de l'entilles

Esaus primogenituram suam fratri Iacobo

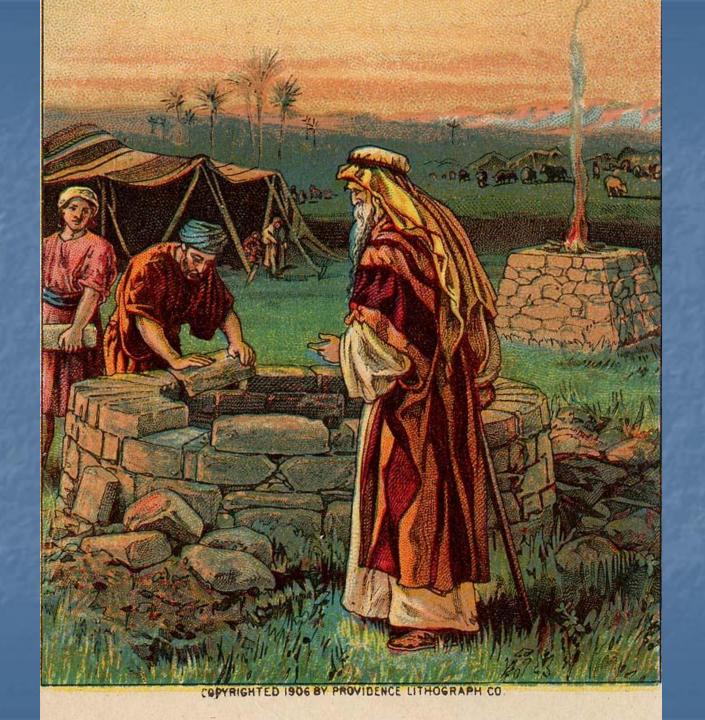
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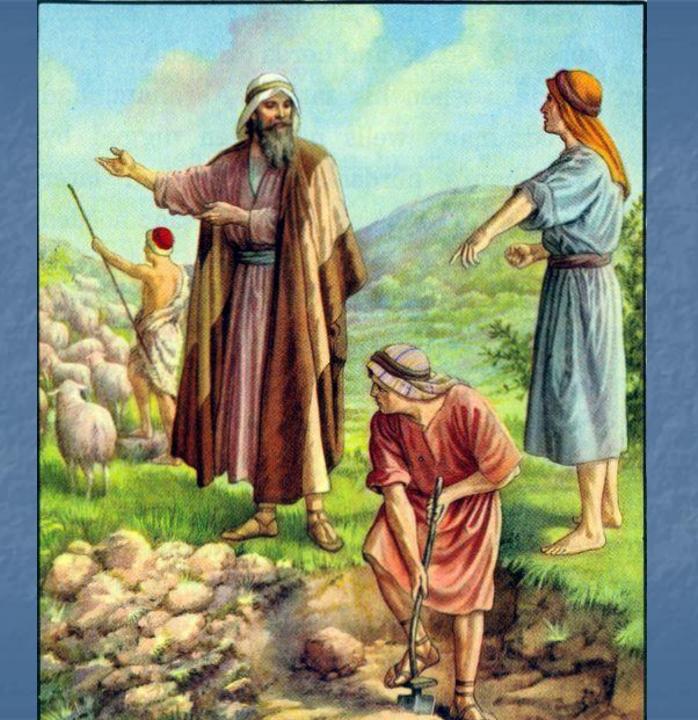
hurgium paftorum Haad propter puteos.



I Buch Mol XXVI. 18. Haaches zu Gerar die Walfer Brunen fei nes Vatters wider auf graben, aber die Birte Zu Gerar Sauchet einer den Dirten Haacs.

The Wells of Genesis 26

- עֵיֹשֶׁק Esek "contention"
- ם חַבְּים Sitnah "opposition"
- Лі ்⊐і¬ Rehoboth "wide, roomy, enlarged"







Jaac und Abimelech freuer an outh of friendflip to each other.

Jaac und Abimelech Se Jurene alleance.

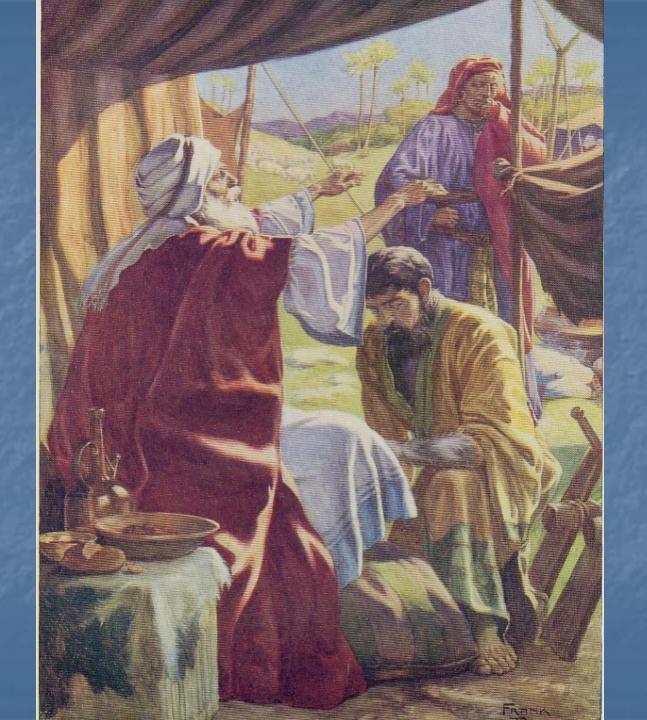
Abimelech en Haak zweeren malkander een verbont.

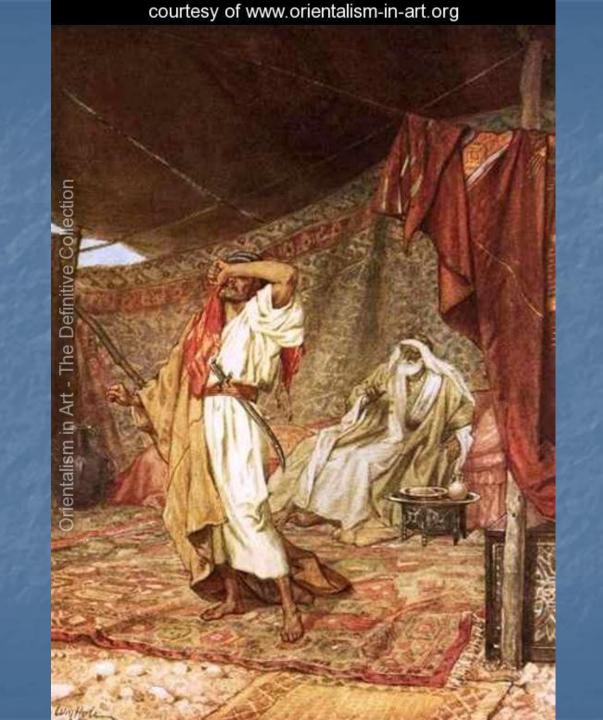
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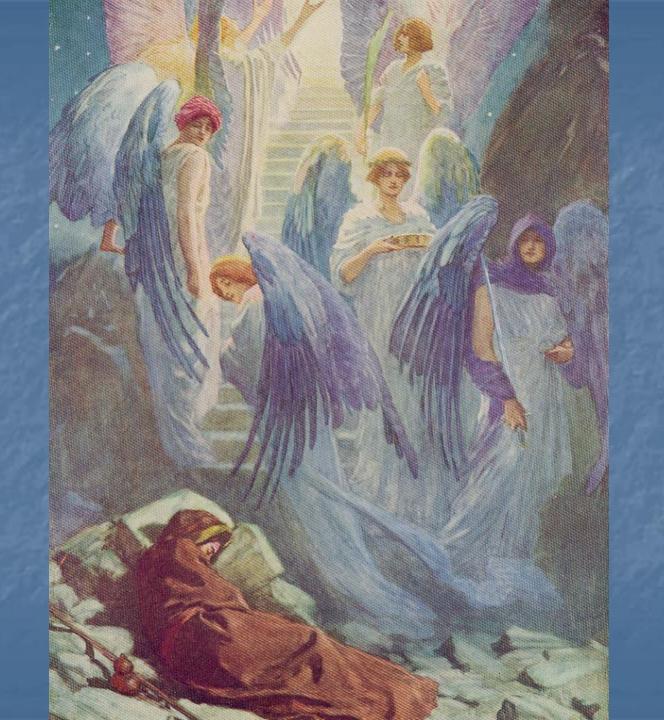






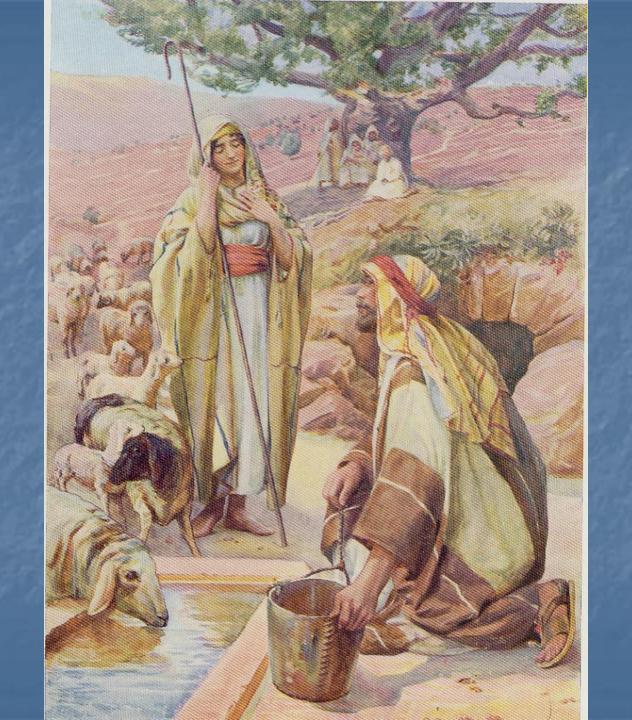














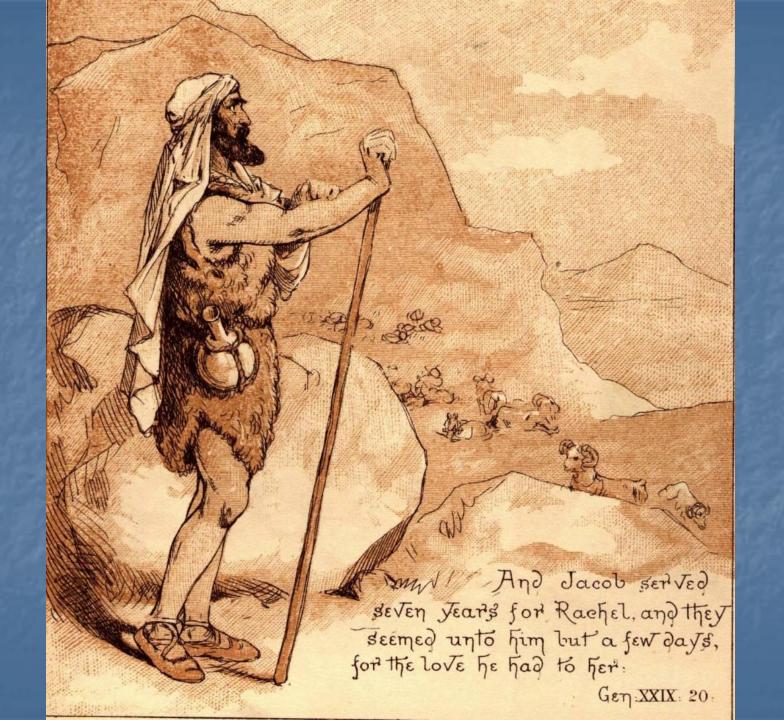


Jafob wirbt um Rabel.

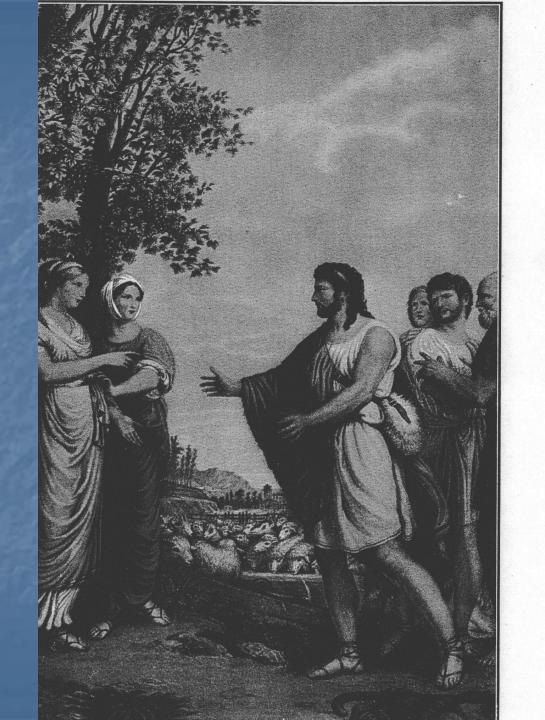
Und Jatob gewann die Rabel lieb und fprach: ich will dir fieben Jahr um Rabel beine jungfte Tochter Dienen. Laban antwortete; es ift beffer, ich gebe bir fie benn einem andern, bleib bei mir.

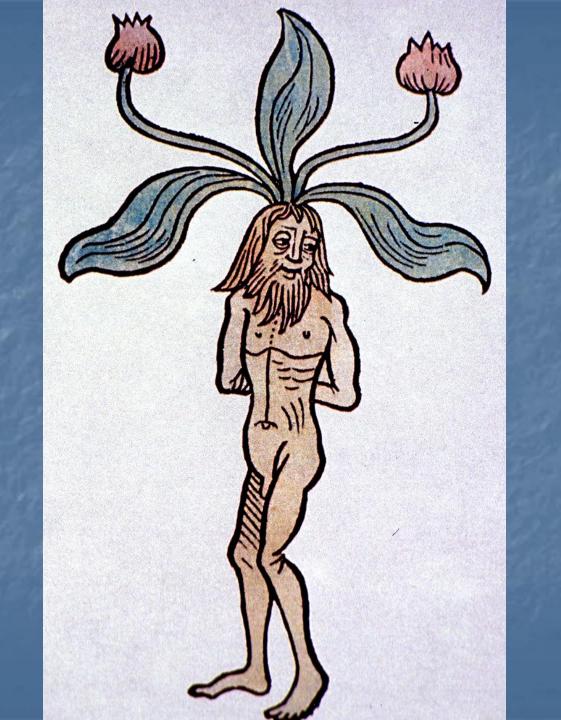
I Mufe. Cap. 29, v. 18, 19,













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Own rachel a des liberes postulauis set est
exaudita est et peperit filium quivocatus
cst Io sephus
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GENESIS XXX.

Nafcitur è sterili diuinus coniuge Ioseph, Fallaci à socero Iacob abire parat. Fraudibus in generum cum Laban utitur, illum Quo magis opprimitur sata secunda i uuant.

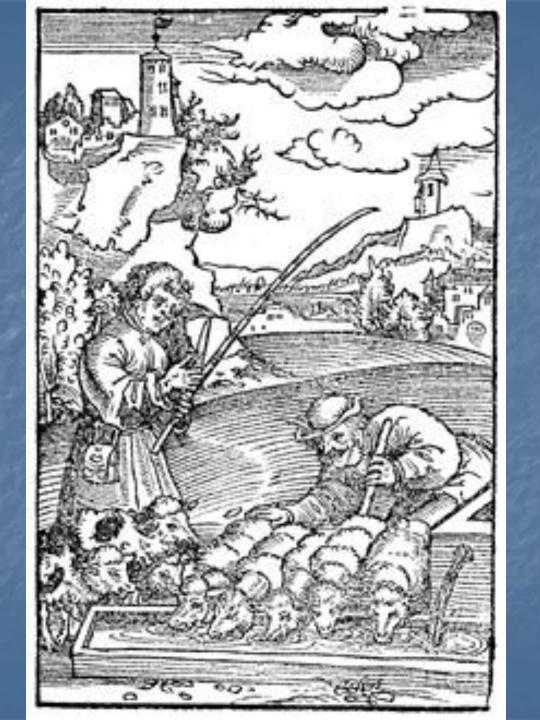


Joseph von Rachel wird geborn!

Jacob wil fliehen seins Schwähers zorn!

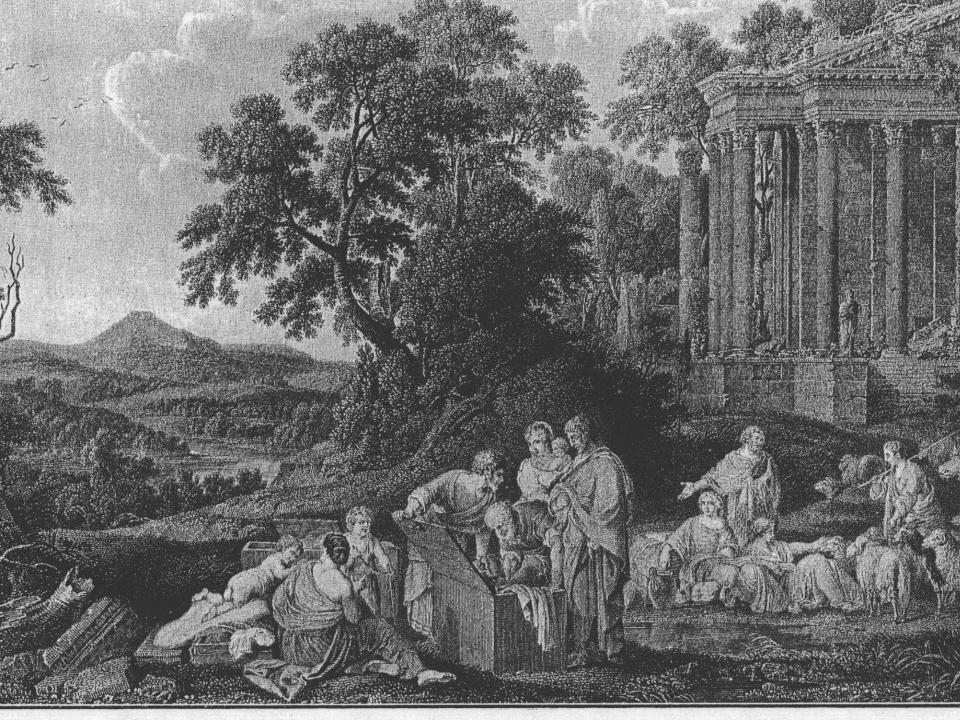
Der ihm vil hindrung bracht zwegen!

Doch hilfft ihm Gott durch manchen segen.









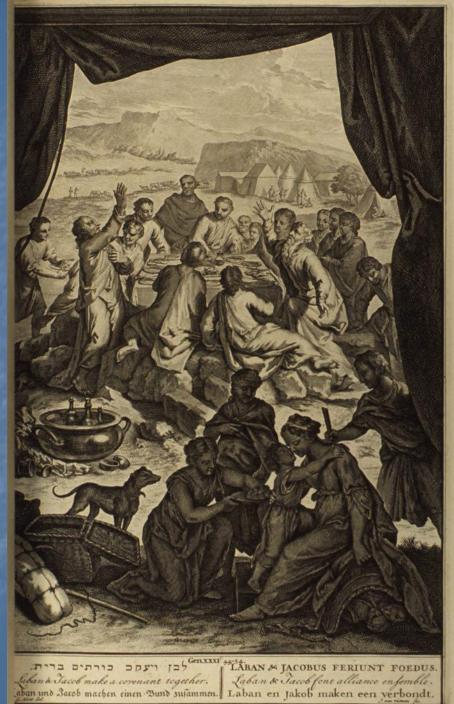


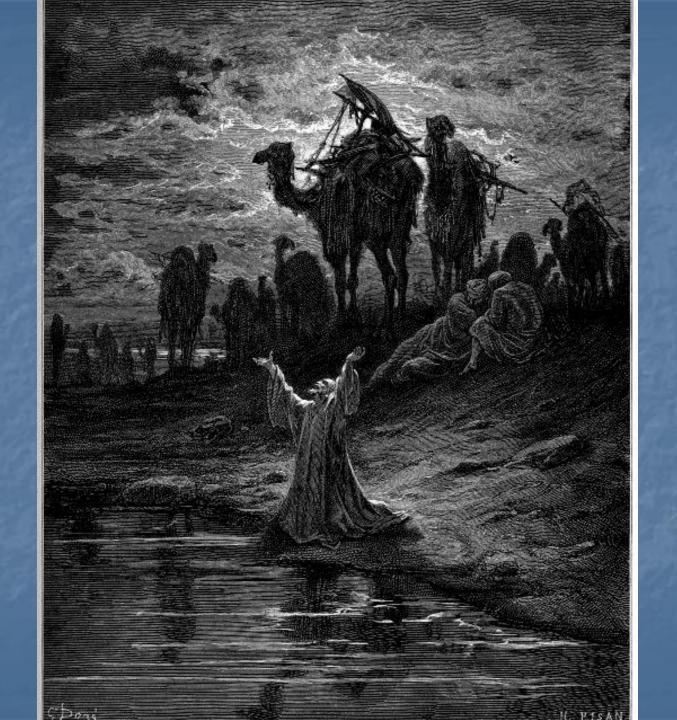


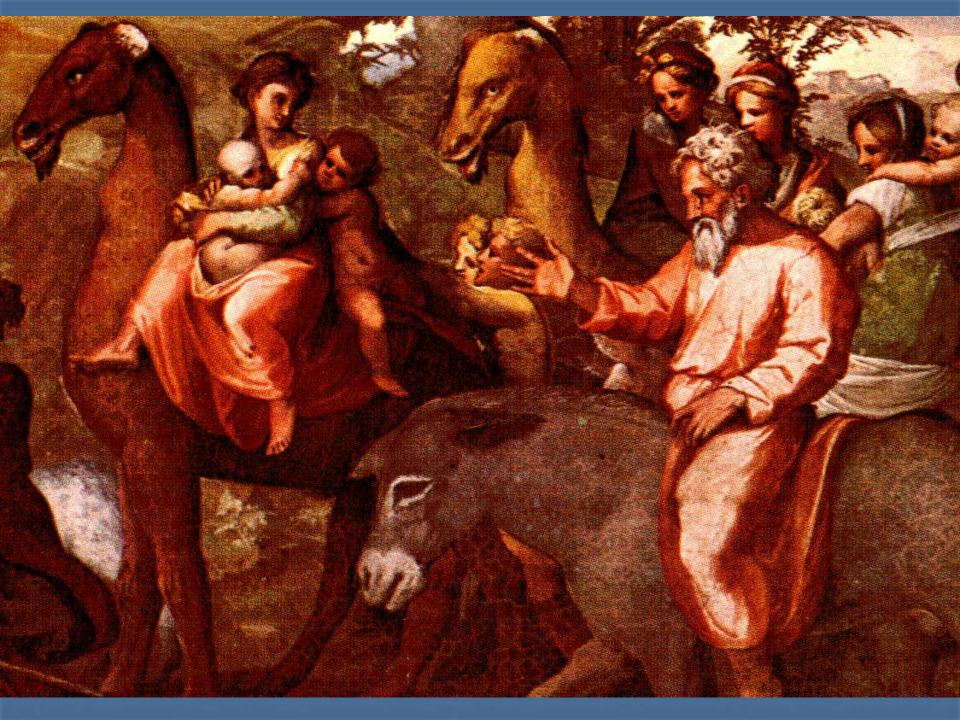
Foedus inter Iacob et Labans



Laban prach Sit Jacob Washaffir getha dandit mein ferfigendenhalt it halt meine Cochierent fuhret alsote durchs Jehnert gefange nare!







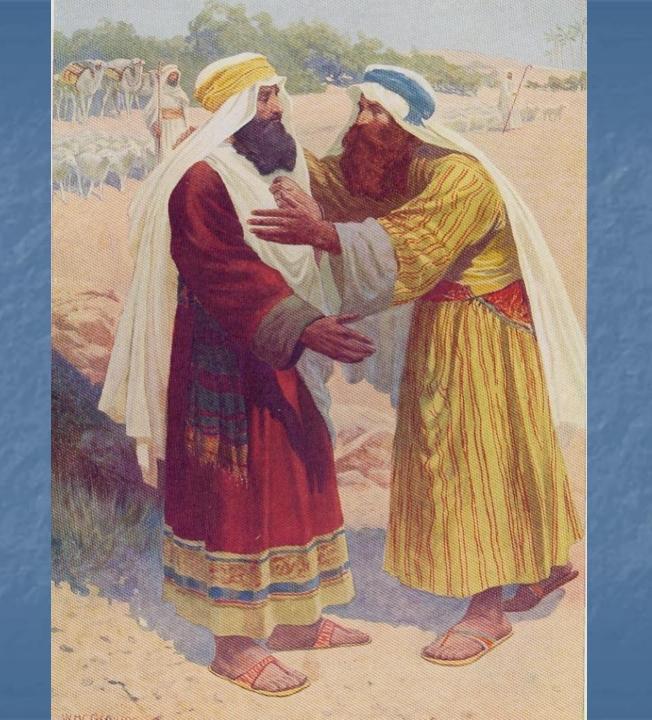






Jacob ringt mit dem Engel des herrn.

Und er sprach: laß mich gehen, denn die Morgenröthe bricht an. Aber er antwortete: ich lasse dich nicht, du segnest mich denn.
1 Mese. Cap. 32. v. 24.





efan font seinem Bruder Jacob entgegen empfangt ihn freimdlich



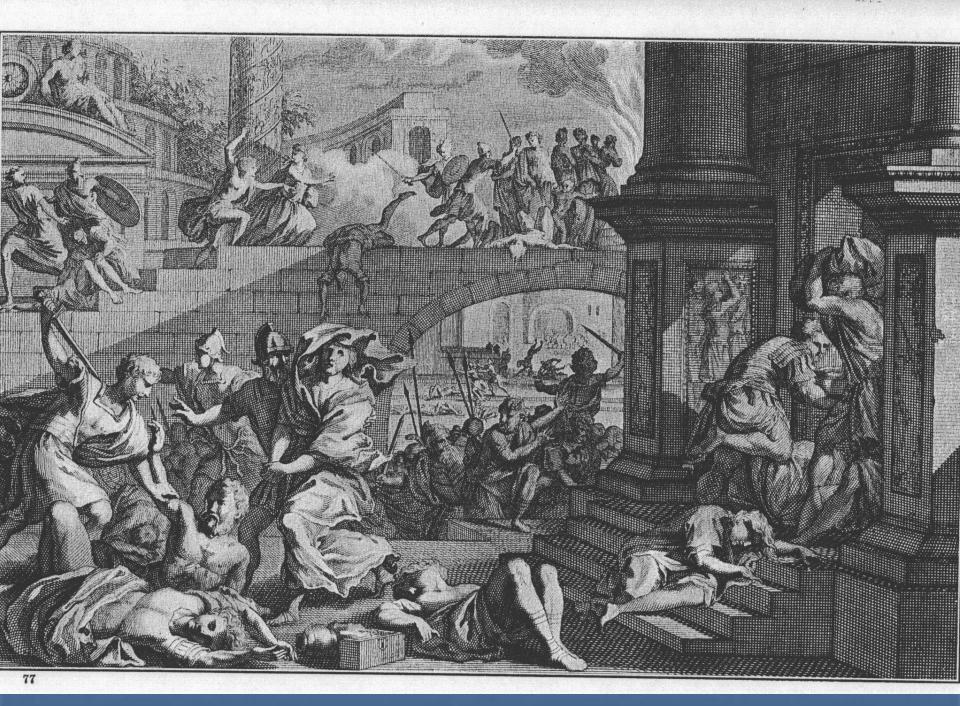
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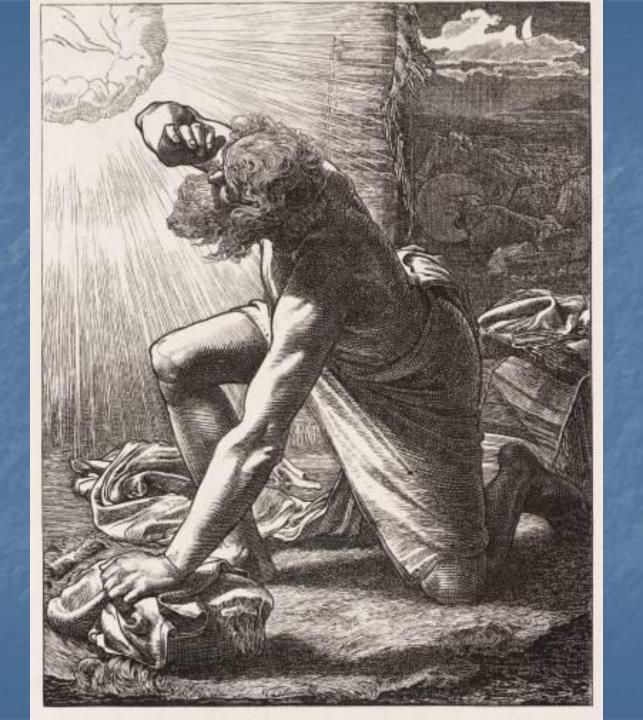
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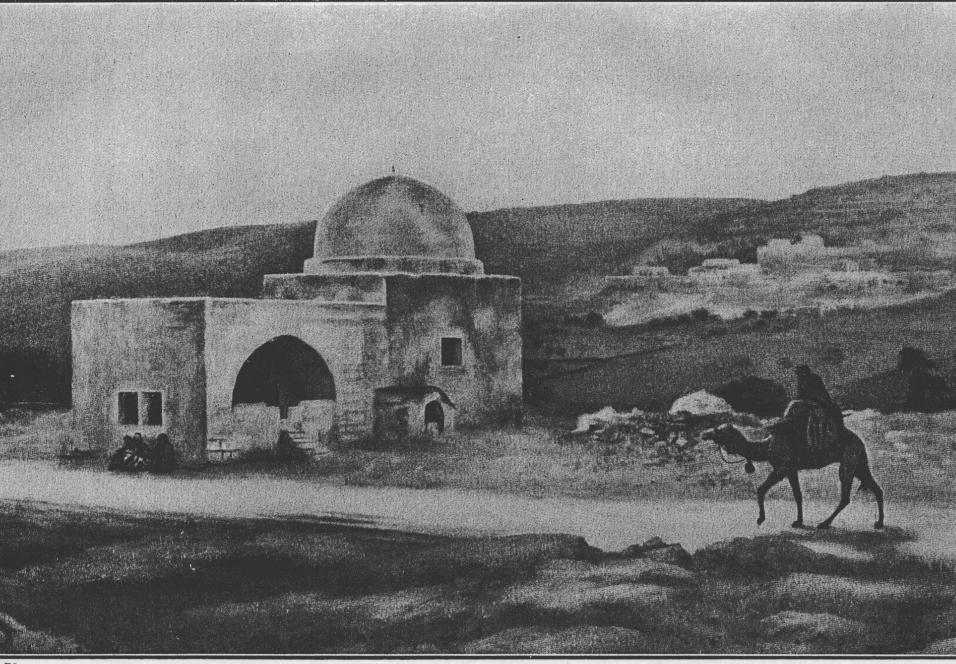


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I-S-R-A-E-L ZXRXH PHXRES **ISSACHAR ASHER** GAD WYNYZZEH EPHRIAM BENJAMIN ZEBULUN EVERY MAN SHALL CAMP BY THE ENSIGN OF THEIR FATHERS HOUSE











And Esau said to Jacob, "Please feed me with that same red stew, for I am weary." Therefore his name was called Edom.

Genesis 25:30



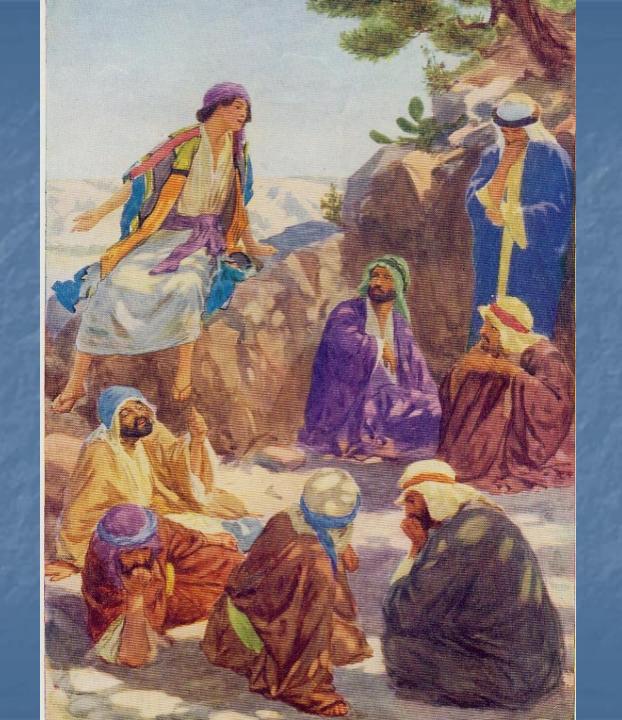






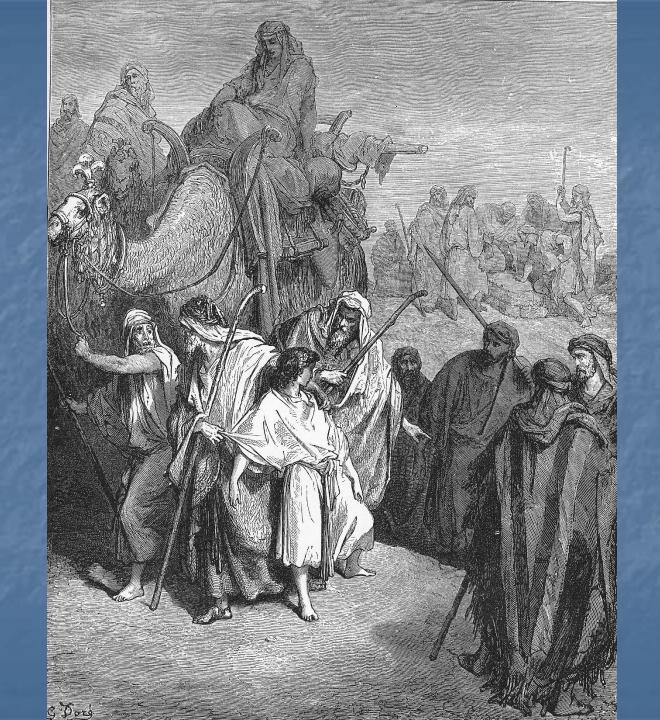
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dem Wege sthen meinet es ware ein stijs

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GENES XXXVIII . Thamar agnitis muneriby à poena liberatur

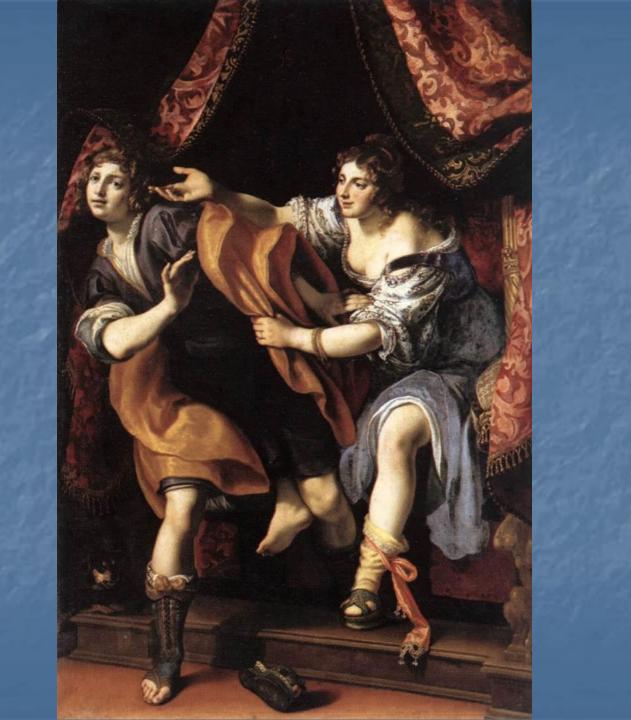


I Buch Mol XXXVIII 24.26. Juda wolfe feine Schmir Chamar ünt, Burerenwillen verbiennensallen hatte fie aberunfvongewisenes Pfand loßgesproche.



Josephs Reuschheit und der Potiphar Untreue.

Bie follt ich benn nun ein fold groß Uebel thun, und wider Gott fündigen? I Doje, Cap. 30, v. 9.

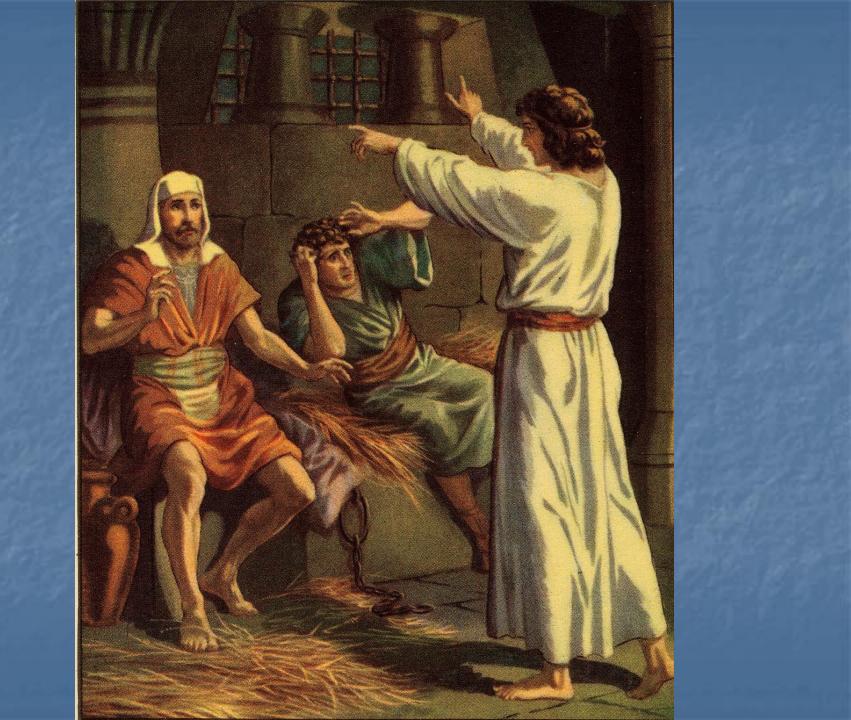




lofeph traditur in carderem.



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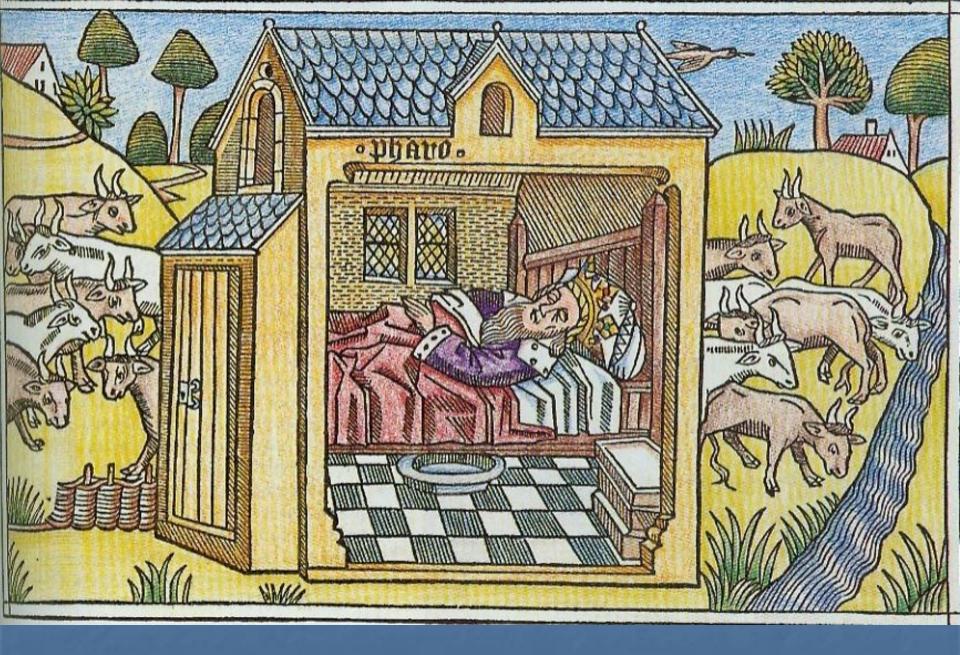


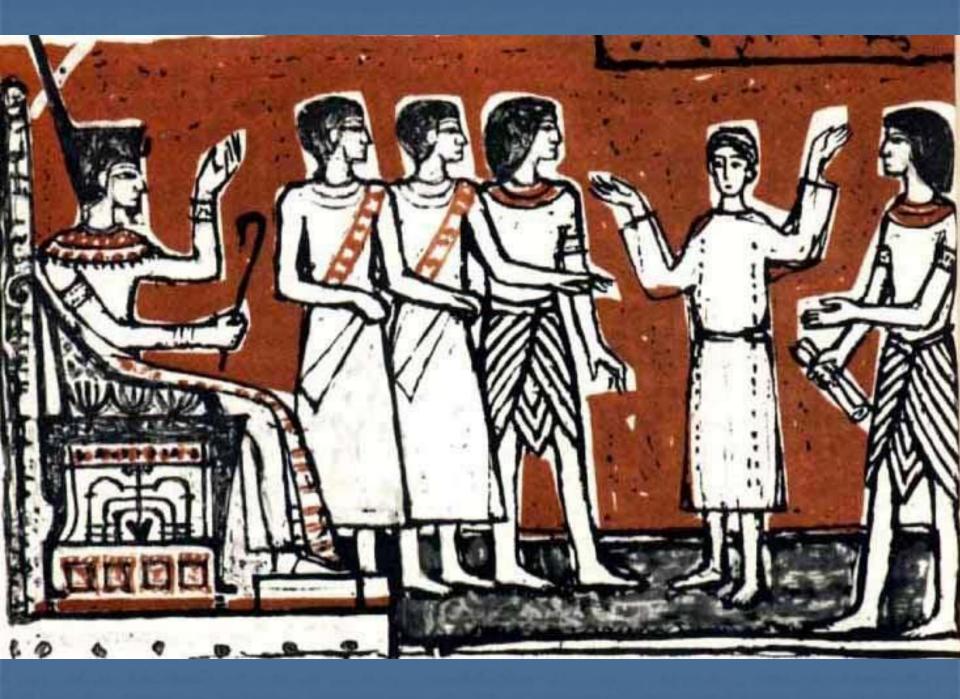
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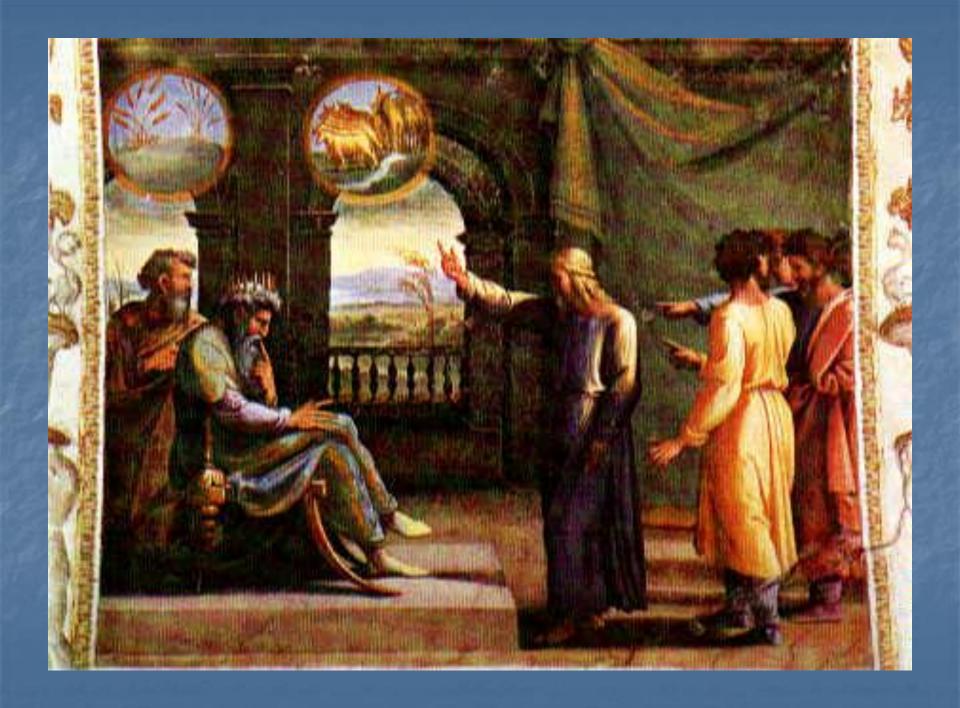
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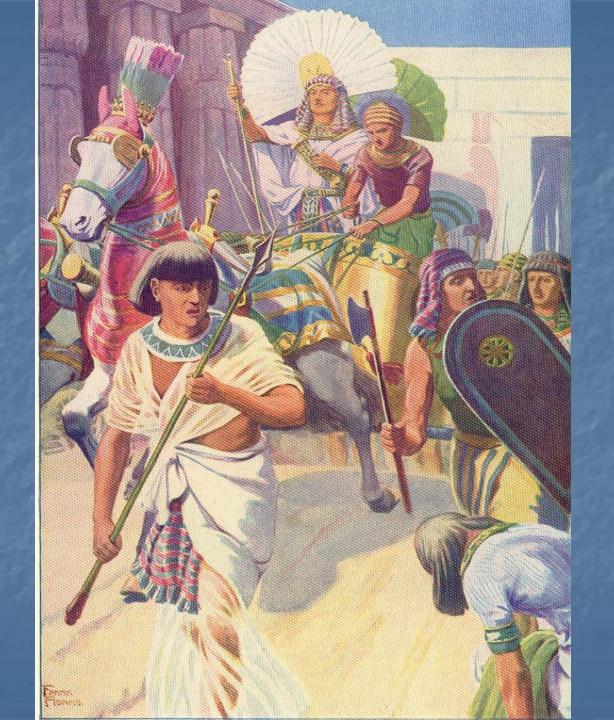
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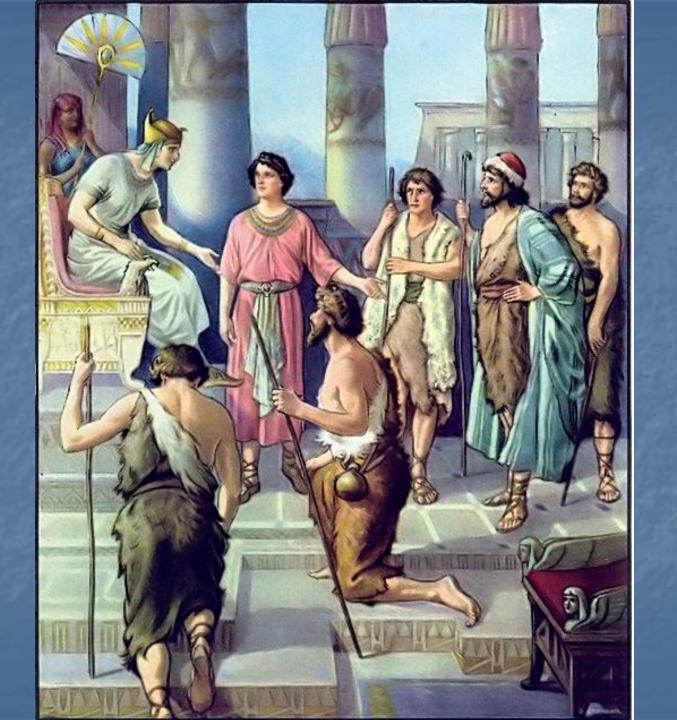


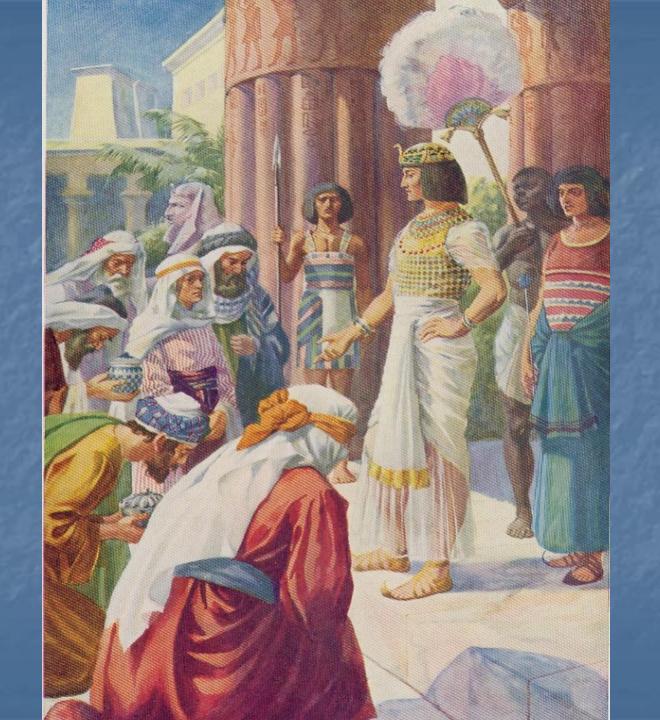
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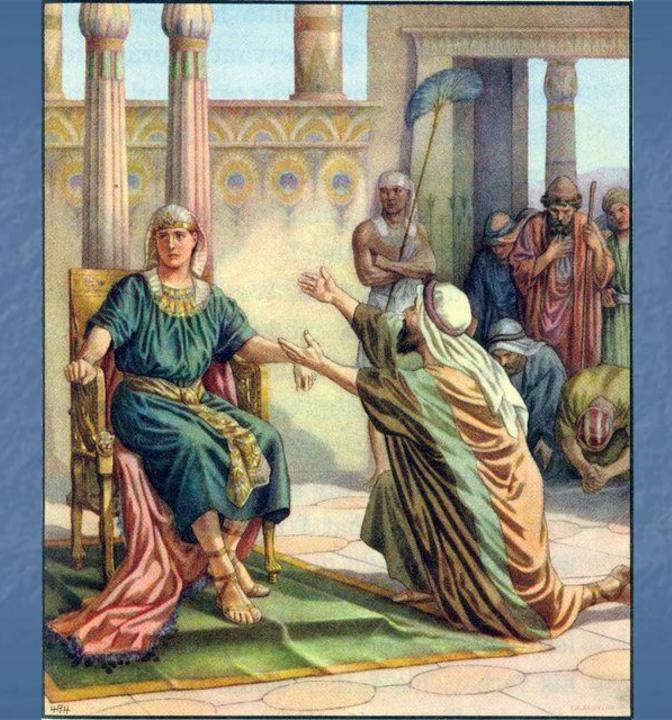
Loseph faict amasser les bleds et autres grains dans Loseph magnam vim frumenti in ægiptum coacernat toute lægipte pour survenir a la sterilite prochaine Vt sterilitati futuræ Lenationem possit afferce Gen. 41

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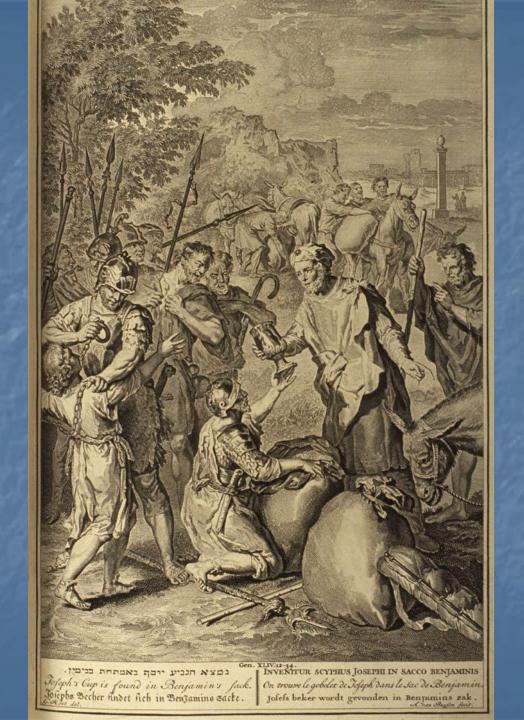


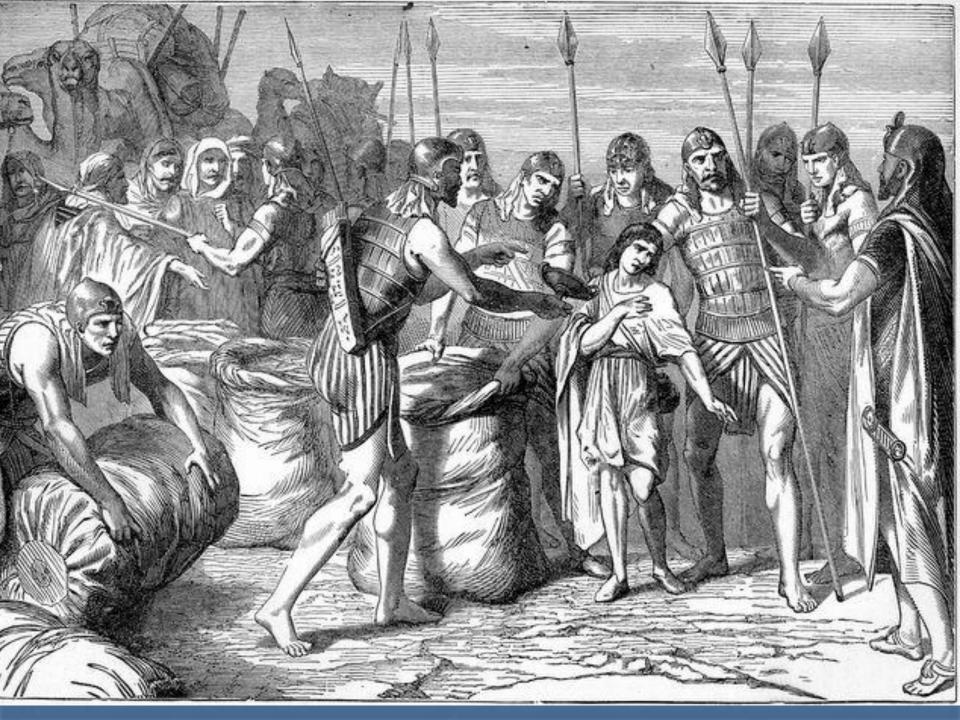














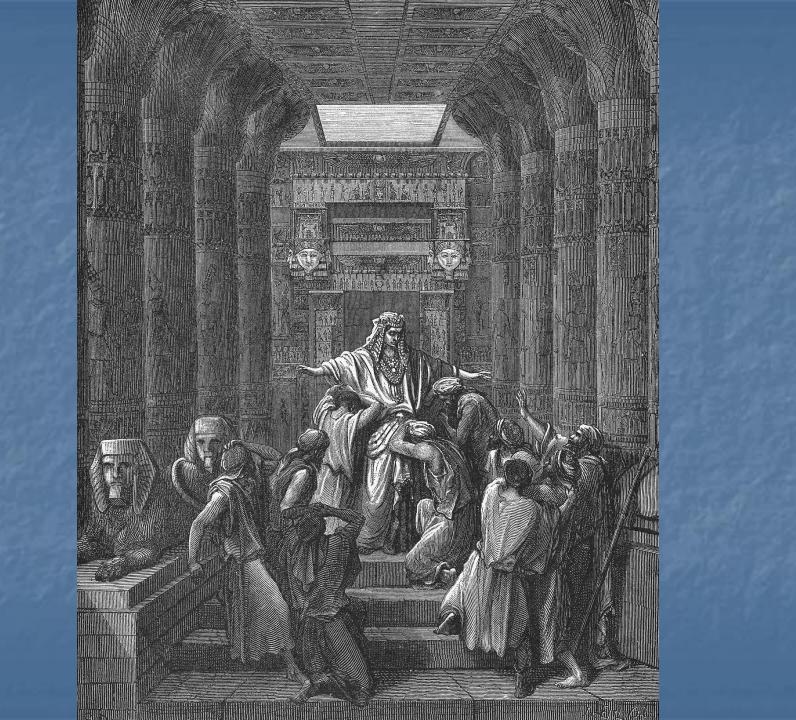
Die Wiedererkennung Josephs.

Und er weinete laut, bag es die Egypter und das Gefinde Pharao boreten, und fprach ju feinen Brudern : ich bin Joseph, lebet mein Bater noch? Und feine Bruder fonnten ihm nicht antworten, so erichraften fie vor feinem Angesicht.

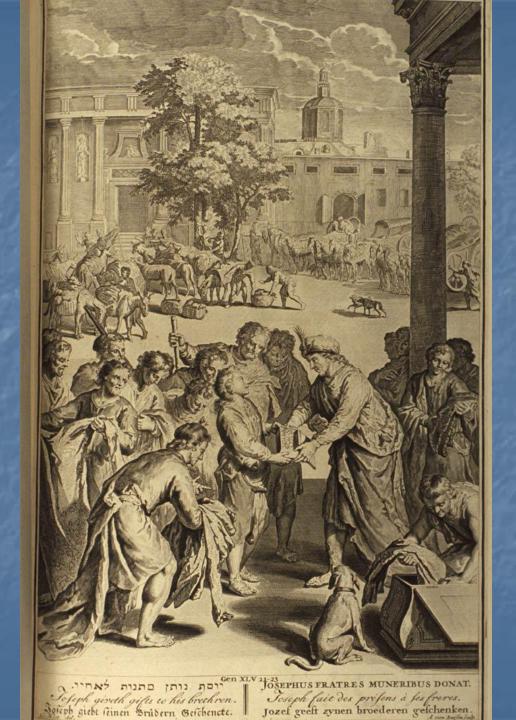
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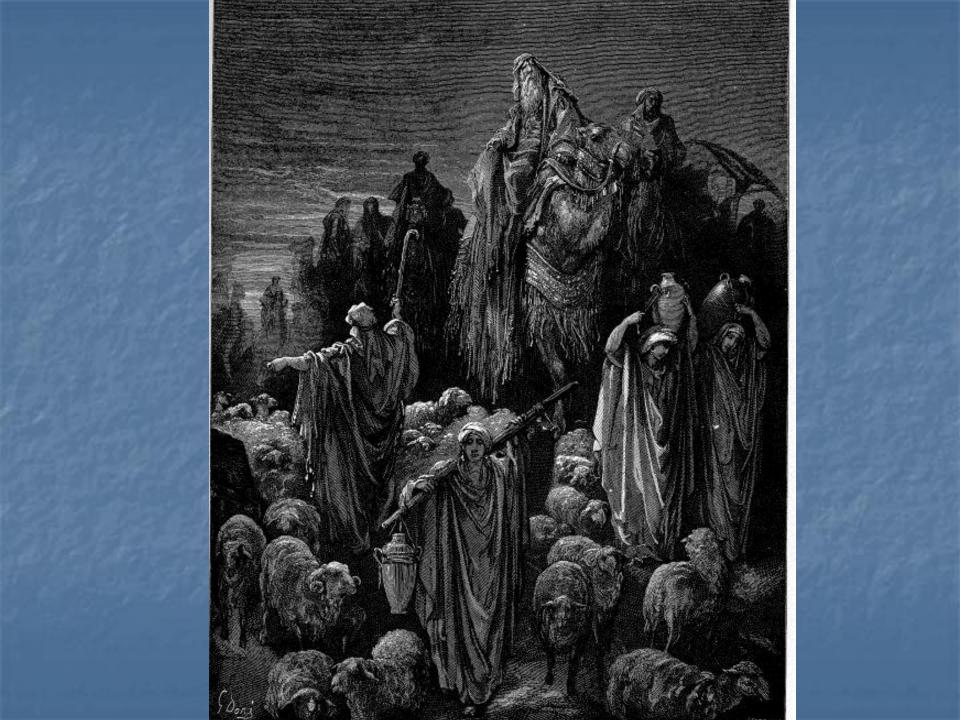


Iolephus fratres increpates Joseph fürdert von seinen Frindern wegen des entwendetenzes Diechenkehnfit

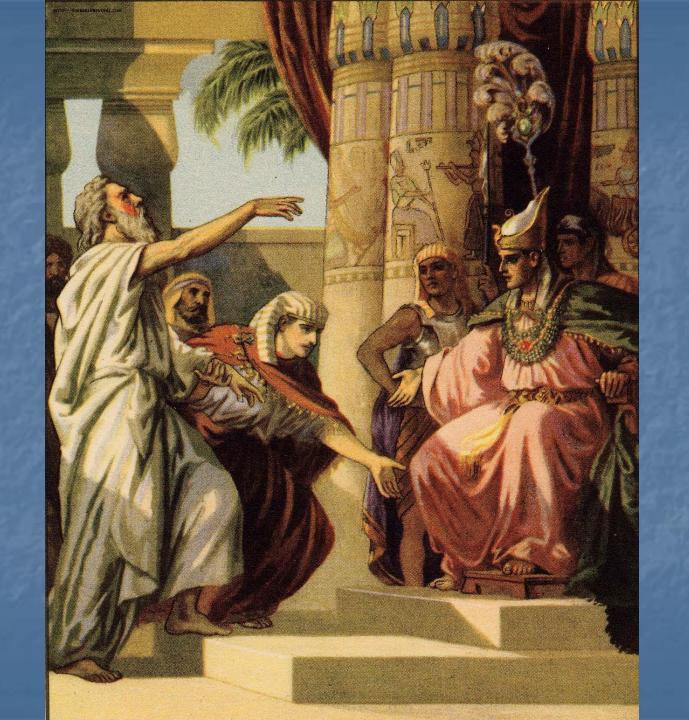


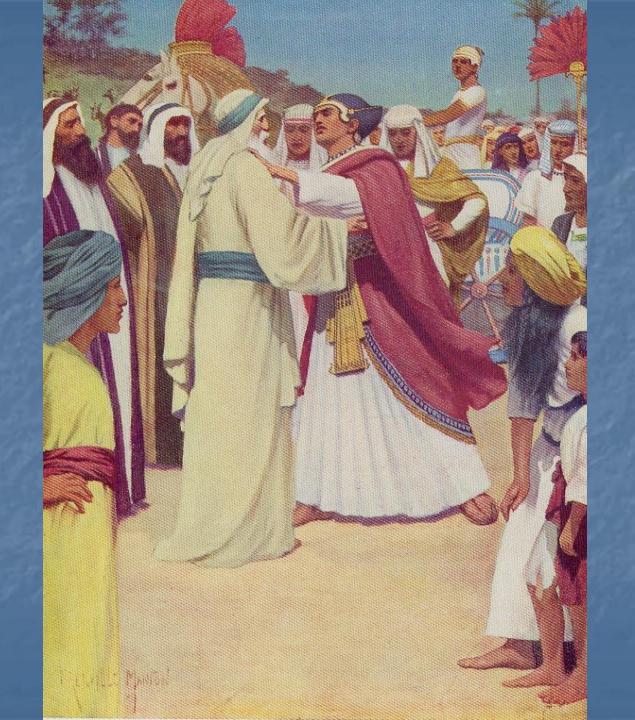
















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Iacob adjurat filium de sepultura.



Josephleget seine Hand unter Jacobehuff feine fehneret Ihm daß Erjhm wolle thun wie Ergesagt hat?



GEN. XLVIII. Faciat tibi De, ficut Ephraim e ficut Māafse



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