

Abram's Journeys

Joshua 24:1-2, 15 Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to **Shechem** and called for the elders of Israel, for their heads, for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God. ²And 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**."

Euphrates
River

Mesopotamia
Acts 7:2-3

1. "Get out..."
Acts 7:2-3

Acts 7:2-4 And he said, "Brethren and fathers, listen: The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was **in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Haran**, ³and said to him, 'Get out of your country and from your relatives, and come to a land that I will show you.' ⁴So he left the land of the Chaldeans and settled in Haran. After the death of his father, God sent him to this land where you are now living.

Genesis 11 (NKJV)

27This is the genealogy of Terah:

Terah begot Abram, Nahor, and Haran(הָרָן). Haran begot Lot. **28**And Haran died before his father Terah in his native land(בְּאֶרֶץ מוֹלְדָתוֹ), **in Ur of the Chaldeans**. **29**Then Abram and Nahor took wives: the name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and the father of Iscah. **30**But Sarai was barren; she had no child.

Ur of the
Chaldeans

31And Terah took his son Abram and his grandson Lot, the son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram's wife, and they went out with them from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to the land of Canaan; and they came **to Haran(הָרָן) and dwelt there**. **32**So the days of Terah were two hundred and five years, and Terah died in Haran.

Haran

Genesis 12 (NKJV)

1 Now the Lord had said to Abram:

“**Get out** of your country (מֵאֶרֶץ),
From your family (וּמִמִּלְדָּתוֹ),
And from your father’s house (וּמִבֵּית אָבִיו),
To a land (הָאֶרֶץ) that I will show you.

2. “Get out...”

2 I will make you a great nation (לְגוֹי גָּדוֹל);

I will bless you (וְאַבְרָם בָּרַךְ);

And make your name great (וְאַגְדַּלְתָּה שְׁמִי);

And you shall be a blessing.

3 I will bless those who bless you,

And I will curse him who curses you (וְאִם קָלַלְתָּ אִישׁ);

And in you all the families (מִכָּל־פְּחָת) of the earth (הָאֲדָמָה)
shall be blessed (וְיִבְרַכְךָ).”

The Blessing
of Abraham

4 So Abram departed as the Lord had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from **Haran**. 5 Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came **to the land of Canaan**.

To
Canaan

6 Abram passed through **the land** to the place of **Shechem**, as far as **the terebinth tree of Moreh** (מֹרֶה). And the Canaanites were then in the land.

Shechem

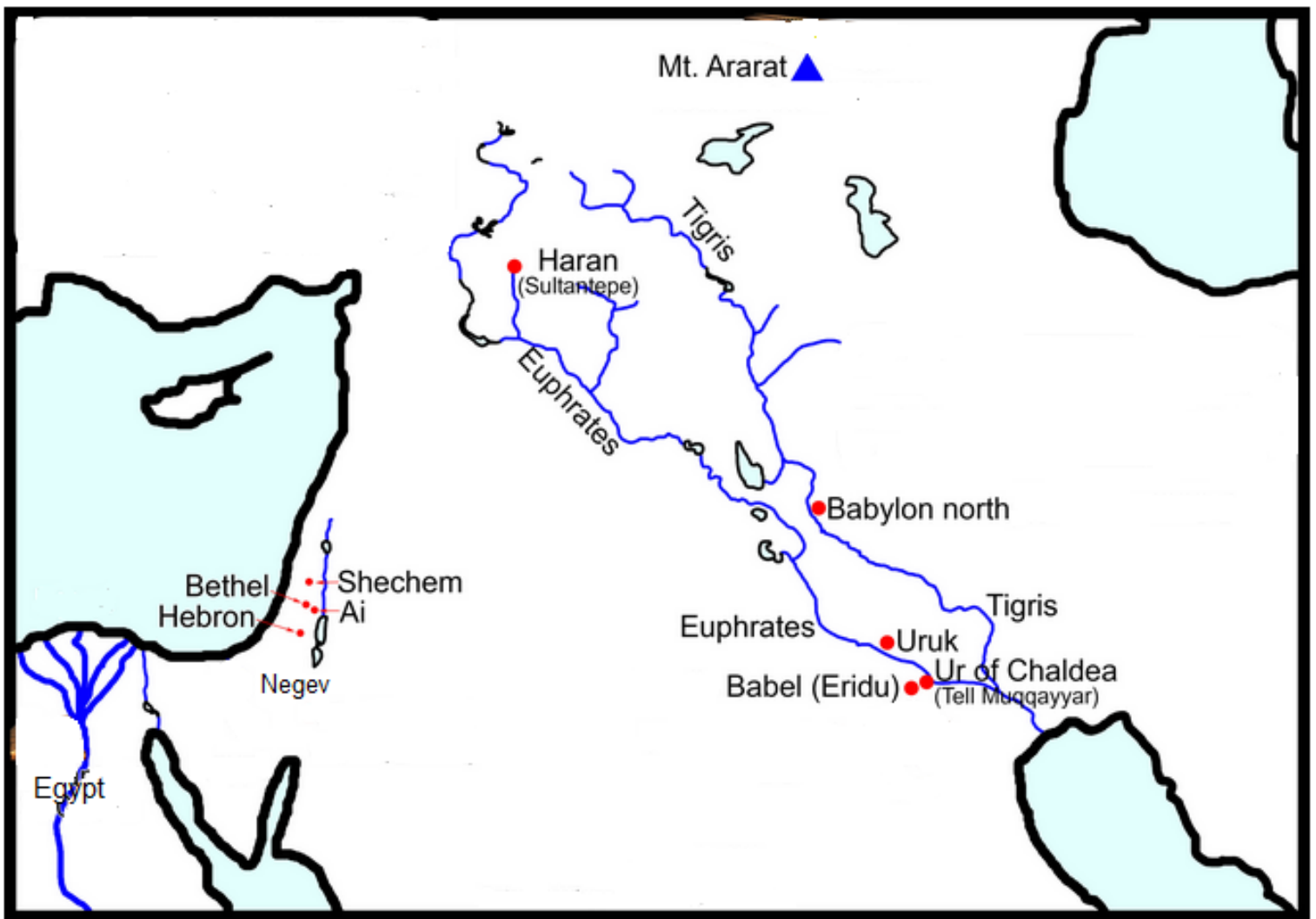
7 Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants (לְבָנֶיךָ) I will give this land (הָאֶרֶץ).” And there **he built an altar** to the Lord, who had appeared to him.

8 And **he moved** from there to **the mountain** east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with **Bethel on the west and Ai on the east**; **there he built an altar** to the Lord and **called on the name of the Lord**.

Bethel
/Ai

9 So **Abram journeyed**, going on still **toward the South** (הַיָּבֵשׁ).
South (הַיָּבֵשׁ).

Negev



What kind of Great Nation?

Nimrod and the men of Babel who tried to make their name great (Gen 11:4-9) were thwarted.

Deuteronomy 4:6-7 Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, **“Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.”** 7 What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the LORD our God is near us whenever we pray to him?

David’s name - 2 Samuel 7:9 “And I have been with you wherever you have gone, and have cut off all your enemies from before you, and have made you **a great name**, like the name of the great men who are on the earth.

All nations/ families

Genesis 10:2, 5 The **sons of Jepheth**....5From these the coastland peoples of the Gentiles were separated into their lands, everyone according to his language, according to their **families**, into their nations.

Genesis 10:20 These were **the sons of Ham, according to their families**, according to their languages, in their lands and in their nations.

Genesis 10:31 These were **the sons of Shem, according to their families**, according to their languages, in their lands, according to their nations.

Mark 16:15 He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the good news to **all creation**.

Matthew 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of **all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
Acts 2

Sojourner

Abraham - Acts 7:5 He gave him **no inheritance here, not even a foot of ground**. But God promised him that he and his descendants after him would possess the land, even though at that time Abraham had no child.

Jacob - Deuteronomy 26:5 NKJV "And you shall answer and say before the Lord your God: '**My father was a Syrian**, about to perish, and he went down to Egypt and dwelt there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous.

Jacob - Deuteronomy 26:5 NIV Then you shall declare before the LORD your God: "My father was a **wandering Aramean**, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous.

David - Psalm 39:12 "Hear my prayer, O Lord, And give ear to my cry; Do not be silent at my tears; For I am a stranger with You, **A sojourner**, as all my fathers were.

Hebrews 11:13 All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance. And they admitted that **they were aliens and strangers on earth**.

1 Corinthians 7:31 those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away.

Acts 17:26 "And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings,

Shem, father of Hebrews

Genesis 10:21 And children were born also to **Shem, the father of all the children of Eber**....

Genesis 14:13 Then one who had escaped came and told **Abram the Hebrew**, for he dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and brother of Aner; and they were allies with Abram.

Genesis 25:22 But the children struggled together within her{*Rebecca*}; and she said, "If all is well, why am I like this?" So she went to inquire of the Lord

Wealth of Abraham

Genesis 12:5 Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, **and all their possessions** that they had gathered, **and the people whom they had acquired in Haran**, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan.

Genesis 12:16 He treated Abram well for her sake. **He had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male and female servants, female donkeys, and camels**.

Genesis 13:6 Now the land was not able to support them, that they might dwell together, **for their possessions were so great** that they could not dwell together.

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