GENESIS

The Creation of the World

1 In the [a]beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was [b]without
form and void, and darkness was over the face
of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

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

6 And God said, [d]"Let there be an expanse[1]
in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." 7 And God
made[2] the expanse and [e]separated the waters
that were under the expanse from the waters
that were [f]above the expanse. And it was so.
8 And God called the expanse Heaven.[3] And
there was evening and there was morning,
the second day.

9 And God said, [g]"Let the waters under the
heavens be gathered together into one place,
and let the dry land appear." And it was so.
10 God called the dry land Earth,[4] and the
waters that were gathered together he called
Seas. And God saw that it was good.

11 And God said, [h]"Let the earth sprout
vegetation, plants[5] yielding seed, and fruit
trees bearing fruit in which is their seed,
each according to its kind, on the earth."
And it was so. 12 The earth brought forth
vegetation, plants yielding seed according
to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit
in which is their seed, each according to its
kind. And God saw that it was good. 13 And
there was evening and there was morning,
the third day.

14 And God said, "Let there be lights in the
expanse of the heavens to separate the day
from the night. And let them be for [i]signs and
for [j]seasons,[6] and for days and years, 15 and let
them be lights in the expanse of the heavens
to give light upon the earth." And it was so.
16 And God [k]made the two great lights—the
greater light to rule the day and the lesser
light to rule the night—and the stars. 17 And
God set them in the expanse of the heavens
to give light on the earth, 18 to [l]rule over the
day and over the night, and to separate the
light from the darkness. And God saw that it
was good. 19 And there was evening and there
was morning, the fourth day.

20 And God said, "Let the waters swarm
with swarms of living creatures, and let
birds[7] fly above the earth across the expanse
of the heavens." 21 So [m]God created the great
sea creatures and every living creature that
moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird
according to its kind. And God saw that it was
good. 22 And God blessed them, saying, [n]"Be
fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in
the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."
23 And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

24 And God said, "Let the earth bring forth
living creatures according to their kinds—
livestock and creeping things and beasts of
the earth according to their kinds." And it was
so. 25 And God made the beasts of the earth
according to their kinds and the livestock
according to their kinds, and everything that
creeps on the ground according to its kind.
And God saw that it was good.

26 Then God said, [o]"Let us make man[8] in our
image, [p]after our likeness. And [q]let them have
dominion over the fish of the sea and over the
birds of the heavens and over the livestock
and over all the earth and over every creeping
thing that creeps on the earth."

27 So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
[r]male and female he created them.

Chapter 1 1[a] Job 38:4-7; Ps. 33:6; 136:5; Isa. 42:5; 45:18; John 1:1-3; Acts 14:15; 17:24; Col. 1:16, 17; Heb. 1:10; 11:3; Rev. 4:11 2[b] Jer. 4:23 3[c] 2 Cor. 4:6 6[d] Job 37:18; Ps. 136:5; Jer. 10:12; 51:15 7[e] Prov. 8:27-29 [f] Ps. 148:4 9[g] Job 38:8-11; Ps. 33:7; 136:6; Jer. 5:22; 2 Pet. 3:5 11[h] Ps. 104:14 14[i] Jer. 10:2; Ezek. 32:7, 8; Joel 2:30, 31; 3:15; Matt. 24:29; Luke 21:25 [j] Ps. 104:19 16[k] Deut. 4:19; Ps. 136:7-9 18[l] Jer. 31:35 21[m] Ps. 104:25, 26 22[n] ch. 8:17; 9:1 26[o] ch. 3:22; 11:7; Isa. 6:8 [p] ch. 5:1; 9:6; 1 Cor. 11:7; Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10; James 3:9 [q] ch. 9:2; Ps. 8:6-8; James 3:7 27[r] ch. 2:18, 21-23; 5:2; Mal. 2:15; Matt. 19:4; Mark 10:6

[1] Or *a canopy*; also verses 7, 8, 14, 15, 17, 20 [2] Or *fashioned*; also verse 16 [3] Or *Sky*; also verses 9, 14, 15, 17, 20, 26, 28, 30; 2:1 [4] Or *Land*; also verses 11, 12, 22, 24, 25, 26, 28, 30; 2:1 [5] Or *small plants*; also verses 12, 29 [6] Or *appointed times* [7] Or *flying things*; see Leviticus 11:19–20 [8] The Hebrew word for *man* (*adam*) is the generic term for mankind and becomes the proper name *Adam*

28 And God blessed them. And God said
to them, [s]"Be fruitful and multiply and fill
the earth and subdue it, and have dominion
over the fish of the sea and over the birds
of the heavens and over every living thing
that moves on the earth." 29 And God said,
"Behold, I have given you every plant yield-
ing seed that is on the face of all the earth,
and every tree with seed in its fruit. [t]You shall
have them for food. 30 And [u]to every beast of
the earth and to every bird of the heavens
and to everything that creeps on the earth,
everything that has the breath of life, I have
given every green plant for food." And it was
so. 31 [v]And God saw everything that he had
made, and behold, it was very good. And
there was evening and there was morning,
the sixth day.

The Seventh Day, God Rests

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and [w]all the host of them. 2 And [x]on
the seventh day God finished his work that
he had done, and he rested on the seventh
day from all his work that he had done. 3 So
God blessed the seventh day and made it holy,
because on it God rested from all his work
that he had done in creation.

The Creation of Man and Woman

4 [y]These are the generations
of the heavens and the earth when they
were created,
in the day that the LORD God made the
earth and the heavens.

5 When no [z]bush of the field[1] was yet in
the land[2] and no small plant of the field had
yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not
caused it to rain on the land, and there was
no man [a]to work the ground, 6 and a mist[3]
was going up from the land and was water-
ing the whole face of the ground— 7 then the
LORD God formed the man of [b]dust from
the ground and [c]breathed into his [d]nostrils
the breath of life, and [e]the man became a
living creature. 8 And the LORD God planted
a [f]garden in Eden, in the east, and there he
put the man whom he had formed. 9 And
out of the ground the LORD God made to
spring up every tree that is pleasant to the
sight and good for food. [g]The tree of life was
in the midst of the garden, [h]and the tree of
the knowledge of good and evil.

10 A river flowed out of Eden to water the
garden, and there it divided and became four
rivers. 11 The name of the first is the Pishon. It
is the one that flowed around the whole land
of [i]Havilah, where there is gold. 12 And the
gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx
stone are there. 13 The name of the second river
is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around
the whole land of Cush. 14 And the name of the
third river is the [j]Tigris, which flows east of
Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

15 The LORD God took the man [k]and put
him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep
it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man,
saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of
the garden, 17 but of the tree of the knowledge
of good and evil [l]you shall not eat, for in the
day that you eat[4] of it you [m]shall surely die."

18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good
that the man should be alone; [n]I will make
him a helper fit for[5] him." 19 [o]Now out of the
ground the LORD God had formed[6] every
beast of the field and every bird of the heav-
ens and [p]brought them to the man to see
what he would call them. And whatever the
man called every living creature, that was its
name. 20 The man gave names to all livestock
and to the birds of the heavens and to every
beast of the field. But for Adam[7] there was not
found a helper fit for him. 21 So the LORD God
caused a [q]deep sleep to fall upon the man, and
while he slept took one of his ribs and closed
up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the
LORD God had taken from the man he made[8]
into a woman and brought her to the man.
23 Then the man said,

"This at last is [r]bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was [s]taken out of Man."[9]

24 [t]Therefore a man shall leave his father and
his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they

28 [s]ch. 9:1, 7 29 [t]ch. 9:3; Ps. 104:14, 15; 145:15, 16 30 [u]Ps. 147:9 31 [v]Eccles. 7:29; 1 Tim. 4:4
Chapter 2 1 [w]Deut. 4:19; Ps. 33:6 2 [x]Ex. 20:8–11; 31:17; Deut. 5:12–14; Heb. 4:4 4 [y]ch. 1:1
5 [z][ch. 1:11, 12] [a]ch. 3:23 7 [b]ch. 3:19, 23; 18:27; Ps. 103:14; Eccles. 12:7; 1 Cor. 15:47 [c]ch. 7:22;
Job 33:4; Isa. 2:22 [d]Job 27:3 [e]Cited 1 Cor. 15:45 8 [f]ver. 15; ch. 13:10; Isa. 51:3; Ezek. 28:13; 31:8;
Joel 2:3 9 [g]ch. 3:22; Rev. 2:7; 22:2, 14 [h]ver. 17 11 [i]ch. 10:7, 29; 25:18; 1 Sam. 15:7 14 [j]Dan.
10:4 15 [k]ver. 8 17 [l]ch. 3:1–3, 11, 17 [m]Rom. 6:23; James 1:15 18 [n]1 Cor. 11:9; 1 Tim. 2:13
19 [o]ch. 1:20, 24 [p]Ps. 8:6 21 [q]ch. 15:12; 1 Sam. 26:12 23 [r]ch. 29:14; Judg. 9:2; 2 Sam. 5:1;
19:13; [Eph. 5:28–30] [s]1 Cor. 11:8 24 [t]Cited Matt. 19:5; Mark 10:7; 1 Cor. 6:16; Eph. 5:31; [Ps.
45:10; 1 Cor. 7:10, 11]

1 Or *open country* 2 Or *earth*; also verse 6 3 Or *spring* 4 Or *when you eat* 5 Or *corresponding to*; also verse 20 6 Or *And out of the ground the* LORD *God formed* 7 Or *the man* 8 Hebrew *built* 9 The Hebrew words for *woman* (*ishshah*) and *man* (*ish*) sound alike

shall become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

The Fall

3 Now [u] the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You[1] shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, 3 but God said, [v] 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" 4 [w] But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise,[2] she took of its fruit [x] and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, [y] and he ate. 7 [z] Then the eyes of both were opened, [a] and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool[3] of the day, and the man and his wife [b] hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"[4] 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, [c] because I was naked, and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12 The man said, [d] "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." 13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, [e] "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

14 The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and [f] dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring[5] and [g] her offspring;
[h] he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel."

16 To the woman he said,

"I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing;
[i] in pain you shall bring forth children.
[j] Your desire shall be contrary to[6] your husband,
but he shall [k] rule over you."

17 And to Adam he said,

"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife
and have eaten of the tree
[l] of which I commanded you,
'You shall not eat of it,'
[m] cursed is the ground because of you;
[n] in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;
18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;
and you shall eat the plants of the field.
19 By the sweat of your face
you shall eat bread,
till you return to the ground,
for out of it you were taken;
[o] for you are dust,
and [p] to dust you shall return."

20 The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.[7] 21 And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said, [q] "Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand [r] and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—" 23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden [s] to work the

Chapter 3 1 [u] Matt. 10:16; 2 Cor. 11:3; Rev. 12:9; 20:2 3 [v] ch. 2:17 4 [w] ver. 13; John 8:44; [2 Cor. 11:3] 6 [x] 1 Tim. 2:14 [y] ver. 12, 17; Hos. 6:7 7 [z] ver. 5 [a] ch. 2:25 8 [b] [Ps. 139:1-12; Jer. 23:23, 24] 10 [c] ver. 7; ch. 2:25 12 [d] ch. 2:18; Job 31:33 13 [e] ver. 4; 2 Cor. 11:3; 1 Tim. 2:14 14 [f] Isa. 65:25; Mic. 7:17 15 [g] Isa. 7:14; Mic. 5:3; Matt. 1:23, 25; Luke 1:34, 35; Gal. 4:4; 1 Tim. 2:15 [h] Rom. 16:20; Heb. 2:14; Rev. 20:1-3, 10 16 [i] [John 16:21] [j] ch. 4:7; Song 7:10 [k] 1 Cor. 11:3; 14:34; Eph. 5:22-24; Col. 3:18; 1 Tim. 2:11, 12; Titus 2:5; 1 Pet. 3:1, 5, 6 17 [l] ch. 2:17 [m] ch. 5:29; [Rom. 8:20-22] [n] Eccles. 2:22, 23 19 [o] ch. 2:7; Ps. 103:14 [p] Job 34:15; Ps. 104:29; Eccles. 3:20; 12:7; Rom. 5:12 22 [q] ver. 5 [r] ch. 2:9 23 [s] ch. 2:5

[1] In Hebrew *you* is plural in verses 1–5 [2] Or *to give insight* [3] Hebrew *wind* [4] In Hebrew *you* is singular in verses 9 and 11 [5] Hebrew *seed;* so throughout Genesis [6] Or *shall be toward* (see 4:7) [7] *Eve* sounds like the Hebrew for *life-giver* and resembles the word for *living*

ground from which he was taken. 24 He drove
out the man, and at the east of the garden of
Eden he placed the [t]cherubim and a flaming
sword that turned every way to guard the way
to the tree of life.

Cain and Abel

4 Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she
conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have
gotten[1] a man with the help of the LORD." 2 And
again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was
a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the
ground. 3 In the course of time Cain brought
to the LORD an offering of [u]the fruit of the
ground, 4 and Abel also brought of [v]the first-
born of his flock and of their fat portions. And
the LORD [w]had regard for Abel and his offer-
ing, 5 but [x]for Cain and his offering he had no
regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell.
6 The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry,
and why has your face fallen? 7 [y]If you do well,
will you not be accepted?[2] And if you do not
do well, sin is crouching at the door. [z]Its desire
is contrary to[3] you, but you must rule over it."

8 Cain spoke to Abel his brother.[4] And when
they were in the field, Cain rose up against his
brother Abel and [a]killed him. 9 Then the LORD
said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?"
He said, [b]"I do not know; am I my brother's
keeper?" 10 And the LORD said, "What have you
done? The voice of your brother's blood [c]is cry-
ing to me from the ground. 11 And now [d]you
are cursed from the ground, which has opened
its mouth to receive your brother's blood from
your hand. 12 When you work the ground, it
shall no longer yield to you its strength. You
shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth."
13 Cain said to the LORD, "My [e]punishment is
greater than I can bear.[5] 14 Behold, [f]you have
driven me today away from the ground, and
[g]from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be
a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, [h]and
whoever finds me will kill me." 15 Then the
LORD said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain,
vengeance shall be taken on him [i]sevenfold."
And the LORD [j]put a mark on Cain, lest any
who found him should attack him. 16 Then
Cain went away from the presence of the LORD
and settled in the land of Nod,[6] east of Eden.

17 Cain knew his wife, and she conceived
and bore Enoch. When he built a city, he called
the name of the city after the name of his son,
Enoch. 18 To Enoch was born Irad, and Irad
fathered Mehujael, and Mehujael fathered
Methushael, and Methushael fathered
Lamech. 19 And Lamech took two wives. The
name of the one was Adah, and the name of
the other Zillah. 20 Adah bore Jabal; he was the
father of those who dwell in tents and have
livestock. 21 His brother's name was Jubal; he
was the father of all those who play the lyre
and pipe. 22 Zillah also bore Tubal-cain; he was
the forger of all instruments of bronze and
iron. The sister of Tubal-cain was Naamah.

23 Lamech said to his wives:

"Adah and Zillah, hear my voice;
you wives of Lamech, listen to what
I say:
I have killed a man for wounding me,
a young man for striking me.
24 [k]If Cain's revenge is sevenfold,
then Lamech's is seventy-sevenfold."

25 And Adam knew his wife again, and she
bore a son and called his name Seth, for she
said, "God has appointed[7] for me another off-
spring instead of Abel, for Cain killed him."
26 To [l]Seth also a son was born, and he called
his name [m]Enosh. At that time people began
[n]to call upon the name of the LORD.

Adam's Descendants to Noah

5 This is the book of the generations of
Adam. When God created man, [o]he made
him in the likeness of God. 2 Male and female
he created them, and he blessed them and
named them Man[8] when they were created.
3 When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered
a son in his own likeness, after his image, and
[p]named him Seth. 4 [q]The days of Adam after
he fathered Seth were 800 years; and he had
other sons and daughters. 5 Thus all the days
that Adam lived were 930 years, [r]and he died.

6 When Seth had lived 105 years, [s]he
fathered Enosh. 7 Seth lived after he fathered

24 [t]Ps. 18:10; 104:4; Heb. 1:7; [Ex. 25:18-22; Ezek. 28:11-16] **Chapter 4** **3** [u]Lev. 2:12; Num. 18:12 **4** [v]Ex. 13:12; Num. 18:17; Prov. 3:9 [w]Heb. 11:4 **5** [x][Prov. 21:27] **7** [y]Eccles. 8:12, 13; Isa. 3:10, 11; Rom. 2:6-11 [z]ch. 3:16 **8** [a]Matt. 23:35; Heb. 12:24; 1 John 3:12; Jude 11 **9** [b]John 8:44 **10** [c]Heb. 12:24; [Rev. 6:10] **11** [d]Deut. 27:24; [Num. 35:33] **13** [e]ch. 19:15 **14** [f]Job 15:20-24 [g]2 Kgs. 24:20; Ps. 51:11; 143:7; Jer. 52:3 [h]ch. 9:6; Num. 35:19 **15** [i]Ps. 79:12 [j][Ezek. 9:4, 6; Rev. 14:9, 11] **24** [k]ver. 15 **26** [l]1 Chr. 1:1; Luke 3:38 [m]ch. 5:6 [n]Ps. 116:17; Zeph. 3:9; Zech. 13:9 **Chapter 5** **1** [o]See ch. 1:26, 27 **3** [p]ch. 4:25 **4** [q]For ver. 4-32, see 1 Chr. 1:1-4; Luke 3:36-38 **5** [r]ch. 3:19 **6** [s]ch. 4:26

[1] *Cain* sounds like the Hebrew for *gotten* [2] Hebrew *will there not be a lifting up* [of your face]? [3] Or *is toward* [4] Hebrew; Samaritan, Septuagint, Syriac, Vulgate add *Let us go out to the field* [5] Or *My guilt is too great to bear* [6] *Nod* means *wandering* [7] *Seth* sounds like the Hebrew for *he appointed* [8] Hebrew *adam*

Enosh 807 years and had other sons and daughters. 8 Thus all the days of Seth were 912 years, and he died.

9 When Enosh had lived 90 years, he fathered Kenan. 10 Enosh lived after he fathered Kenan 815 years and had other sons and daughters. 11 Thus all the days of Enosh were 905 years, and he died.

12 When Kenan had lived 70 years, he fathered Mahalalel. 13 Kenan lived after he fathered Mahalalel 840 years and had other sons and daughters. 14 Thus all the days of Kenan were 910 years, and he died.

15 When Mahalalel had lived 65 years, he fathered Jared. 16 Mahalalel lived after he fathered Jared 830 years and had other sons and daughters. 17 Thus all the days of Mahalalel were 895 years, and he died.

18 When Jared had lived 162 years, he fathered [t]Enoch. 19 Jared lived after he fathered Enoch 800 years and had other sons and daughters. 20 Thus all the days of Jared were 962 years, and he died.

21 When Enoch had lived 65 years, he fathered Methuselah. 22 Enoch [u]walked with God[1] after he fathered Methuselah 300 years and had other sons and daughters. 23 Thus all the days of Enoch were 365 years. 24 Enoch [u]walked with God, and he was not,[2] [v]for God took him.

25 When Methuselah had lived 187 years, he fathered Lamech. 26 Methuselah lived after he fathered Lamech 782 years and had other sons and daughters. 27 Thus all the days of Methuselah were 969 years, and he died.

28 When Lamech had lived 182 years, he fathered a son 29 and called his name Noah, saying, "Out of the ground [w]that the LORD has cursed, this one shall bring us relief[3] from our work and from the painful toil of our hands." 30 Lamech lived after he fathered Noah 595 years and had other sons and daughters. 31 Thus all the days of Lamech were 777 years, and he died.

32 After Noah was 500 years old, Noah fathered [x]Shem, Ham, and [y]Japheth.

Increasing Corruption on Earth

6 When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, 2 the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. 3 Then the LORD said, [z]"My Spirit shall not abide in[4] man forever, [a]for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years." 4 The Nephilim[5] were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown.

5 [b]The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every [c]intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And [d]the LORD regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it [e]grieved him to his heart. 7 So the LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." 8 But Noah [f]found favor in the eyes of the LORD.

Noah and the Flood

9 These are the generations of Noah. [g]Noah was a righteous man, [h]blameless in his generation. Noah [i]walked with God. 10 And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

11 Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 And God [j]saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, [k]for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. 13 And God said to Noah, [l]"I have determined to make an end of all flesh,[6] for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. 14 Make yourself an ark of gopher wood.[7] Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. 15 This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits,[8] its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. 16 Make a roof[9] for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. 17 [m]For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven.

18 [t]Jude 14 **22** [u]ver. 24; ch. 6:9; [Mic. 6:8; Mal. 2:6] **24** [u][See ver. 22 above] [v]Heb. 11:5; [2 Kgs. 2:11] **29** [w]ch. 3:17 **32** [x]ch. 6:10 [y]ch. 10:21 **Chapter 6 3** [z]1 Pet. 3:19, 20; [Neh. 9:30; Gal. 5:16, 17] [a]Ps. 78:39 **5** [b]Ps. 14:2, 3 [c]ch. 8:21; Job 14:4; 15:14; Ps. 51:5; Jer. 17:9; Matt. 15:19; Rom. 3:23 **6** [d]1 Sam. 15:11; 2 Sam. 24:16; Joel 2:13; [Num. 23:19; 1 Sam. 15:29] [e]Isa. 63:10; Eph. 4:30 **8** [f]ch. 19:19; Ex. 33:12, 13, 16, 17 **9** [g]ch. 7:1; Ezek. 14:14, 20; 2 Pet. 2:5 [h]Job 1:1, 8; Luke 1:6 [i]ch. 5:22, 24; [Heb. 11:7] **12** [j]Ps. 14:2, 3; 53:2, 3 [k]Job 22:15-17 **13** [l]Ezek. 7:2, 3, 6 **17** [m]ch. 7:4; 2 Pet. 2:5

[1] Septuagint *pleased God*; also verse 24 [2] Septuagint *was not found* [3] *Noah* sounds like the Hebrew for *rest* [4] Or *My Spirit shall not contend with* [5] Or *giants* [6] Hebrew *The end of all flesh has come before me* [7] An unknown kind of tree; transliterated from Hebrew [8] A *cubit* was about 18 inches or 45 centimeters [9] Or *skylight*

Everything that is on the earth shall die. 18 But [n]I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. 19 And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. 20 Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground, according to its kind, two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive. 21 Also take with you every sort of food that is eaten, and store it up. It shall serve as food for you and for them." 22 [o]Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

7 Then the LORD said to Noah, [p]"Go into the ark, you and all your household, for I have seen that [q]you are righteous before me in this generation. 2 Take with you seven pairs of all [r]clean animals,[1] the male and his mate, and a pair of the animals that are not clean, the male and his mate, 3 and seven pairs[2] of the birds of the heavens also, male and female, to keep their offspring alive on the face of all the earth. 4 For in seven days [s]I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, [t]and every living thing[3] that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground." 5 [u]And Noah did all that the LORD had commanded him.

6 Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters came upon the earth. 7 And Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him went into the ark to escape the waters of the flood. 8 Of clean animals, and of animals that are not clean, and of birds, and of everything that creeps on the ground, 9 two and two, male and female, went into the ark with Noah, as God had commanded Noah. 10 And after seven days the waters of the flood came upon the earth.

11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the [v]fountains of the great deep burst forth, and [w]the windows of the heavens were opened. 12 And rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights. 13 On the very same day Noah and his sons, Shem and Ham and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them entered the ark, 14 they and every beast, according to its kind, and all the livestock according to their kinds, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, according to its kind, and every bird, according to its kind, every winged creature. 15 They [x]went into the ark with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. 16 And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in [y]as God had commanded him. And the LORD shut him in.

17 The flood [z]continued forty days on the earth. The waters increased and bore up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. 18 The waters prevailed and increased greatly on the earth, and the ark floated on the face of the waters. 19 And the waters prevailed so mightily on the earth that all the high mountains under the whole heaven were covered. 20 The waters prevailed above the mountains, covering them fifteen cubits[4] deep. 21 And [a]all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. 22 Everything on the dry land [b]in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. 23 He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only [c]Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark. 24 And the waters prevailed on the earth 150 days.

The Flood Subsides

8 But God [d]remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the livestock that were with him in the ark. And [e]God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided. 2 [f]The fountains of the deep and [f]the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, 3 and the waters receded from the earth continually. At the end [g]of 150 days the waters had abated, 4 and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of [h]Ararat. 5 And the waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen.

6 At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made 7 and

18 [n]ch. 9:9, 11 **22** [o]Heb. 11:7; [Ex. 40:16] **Chapter 7** **1** [p]Matt. 24:38, 39; Luke 17:26, 27; Heb. 11:7; 1 Pet. 3:20; 2 Pet. 2:5 [q]ch. 6:9 **2** [r]ch. 8:20; [Lev. 11] **4** [s]ver. 12, 17; [Job 37:11-13] [t]ch. 6:17 **5** [u]ch. 6:22 **11** [v]ch. 8:2; Prov. 8:28; [Amos 9:6] [w]ch. 8:2; 2 Kgs. 7:19; Isa. 24:18; Mal. 3:10; [Ps. 78:23] **15** [x]ch. 6:20 **16** [y]ver. 2, 3 **17** [z]ver. 4, 12 **21** [a]ver. 4; ch. 6:13, 17; 2 Pet. 3:6 **22** [b]ch. 2:7 **23** [c]2 Pet. 2:5 **Chapter 8** **1** [d]ch. 19:29; 30:22; Ex. 2:24; 1 Sam. 1:19 [e]Ex. 14:21 **2** [f]ch. 7:11 **3** [g]ch. 7:24 **4** [h]2 Kgs. 19:37; Isa. 37:38; Jer. 51:27

[1] Or *seven of each kind of clean animal* [2] Or *seven of each kind* [3] Hebrew *all existence*; also verse 23 [4] A *cubit* was about 18 inches or 45 centimeters

sent forth a raven. It went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. 8 Then he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground. 9 But the dove found no place to set her foot, and she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her and brought her into the ark with him. 10 He waited another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark. 11 And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. 12 Then he waited another seven days and sent forth the dove, and she did not return to him anymore.

13 In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried from off the earth. And Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry. 14 In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth had dried out. 15 Then God said to Noah, 16 "Go out from the ark, [i]you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. 17 Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—that they may swarm on the earth, and [j]be fruitful and multiply on the earth." 18 So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. 19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by families from the ark.

God's Covenant with Noah

20 Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 And when the LORD smelled [k]the pleasing aroma, the LORD said in his heart, "I will never again [l]curse[1] the ground because of man, for [m]the intention of man's heart is evil from his youth. [n]Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. 22 [o]While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, [p]day and night, shall not cease."

9 And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, [q]"Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. 2 [r]The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the heavens, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered. 3 [s]Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And [t]as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. 4 But you shall not eat flesh with its [u]life, that is, its blood. 5 And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: [v]from every beast I will require it and [w]from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man.

6 [x]"Whoever sheds the blood of man,
by man shall his blood be shed,
[y]for God made man in his own image.

7 And you,[2] be fruitful and multiply, increase greatly on the earth and multiply in it."

8 Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 9 "Behold, [z]I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, 10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. 11 [a]I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." 12 And God said, [b]"This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13 I have set [c]my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15 [d]I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember [e]the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth."

[1] Or *dishonor* [2] In Hebrew *you* is plural

16 [i]ch. 7:13 **17** [j]ch. 1:22, 28; 9:1 **21** [k]Ex. 29:18, 25, 41; Lev. 1:9, 13, 17; See Ezek. 16:19; 20:41; 2 Cor. 2:15; Eph. 5:2; Phil. 4:18 [l]ch. 3:17; 6:17 [m]ch. 6:5; Ps. 58:3; Rom. 1:21; [Matt. 15:19] [n]ch. 9:11, 15; Isa. 54:9 **22** [o]Jer. 5:24 [p]Jer. 33:20, 25 **Chapter 9** **1** [q]ch. 1:22, 28; 8:17 **2** [r](Ps. 8:6-8; James 3:7] **3** [s]Deut. 12:15; 1 Tim. 4:3, 4 [t]ch. 1:29 **4** [u]Lev. 17:10, 11, 14; Deut. 12:16, 23; 1 Sam. 14:33; Acts 15:20, 29 **5** [v]Ex. 21:28 [w]ch. 4:10, 11 **6** [x]Ex. 21:12, 14; Lev. 24:17; Num. 35:31, 33; [Matt. 26:52; Rev. 13:10] [y]ch. 1:27; 5:1; James 3:9 **9** [z]ch. 6:18; 8:20-22 **11** [a]Isa. 54:9, 10 **12** [b]ch. 17:11 **13** [c]Ezek. 1:28; [Rev. 4:3; 10:1] **15** [d][Lev. 26:42, 45; 1 Kgs. 8:23; Ezek. 16:60] **16** [e]ch. 17:7, 13, 19

17 God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the
covenant that I have established between me
and all flesh that is on the earth."

Noah's Descendants

18 The sons of Noah who went forth from
the ark were [f]Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham
was the father of Canaan.) 19 These three were
the sons of Noah, and [g]from these the people
of the whole earth were dispersed.[1]

20 Noah began to be a man of the soil, and he
planted a vineyard.[2] 21 He drank of the wine
and became drunk and lay uncovered in his
tent. 22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw
the nakedness of his father and told his two
brothers outside. 23 Then Shem and Japheth
took a garment, laid it on both their shoul-
ders, and walked backward and covered the
nakedness of their father. Their faces were
turned backward, and they did not see their
father's nakedness. 24 When Noah awoke from
his wine [h]and knew what his youngest son
had done to him, 25 he said,

[i]"Cursed be Canaan;
[j]a servant of servants shall he be to his
brothers."

26 He also said,

"Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem;
and let Canaan be his servant.
27 May God enlarge Japheth,[3]
and let him dwell in the tents of
Shem,
and let Canaan be his servant."

28 After the flood Noah lived 350 years. 29 All
the days of Noah were 950 years, and he died.

Nations Descended from Noah

10 These are the generations of the sons of
Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Sons
were born to them after the flood.

2 [k]The sons of Japheth: Gomer, Magog,
Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.
3 The sons of Gomer: Ashkenaz, Riphath,
and Togarmah. 4 The sons of Javan: Elishah,
[l]Tarshish, [m]Kittim, and Dodanim. 5 From
these [n]the coastland peoples spread in their
lands, each with his own language, by their
clans, in their nations.

6 [o]The sons of Ham: Cush, Egypt, Put, and
Canaan. 7 The sons of Cush: Seba, Havilah,
Sabtah, Raamah, and Sabteca. The sons of
Raamah: Sheba and Dedan. 8 Cush fathered
Nimrod; he was the first on earth to be a
mighty man.[4] 9 He was a mighty hunter before
the LORD. Therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod a
mighty hunter before the LORD." 10 The begin-
ning of his kingdom was [p]Babel, Erech, Accad,
and Calneh, in [q]the land of Shinar. 11 From that
land he went into Assyria and built Nineveh,
Rehoboth-Ir, Calah, and 12 Resen between
Nineveh and Calah; that is the great city.
13 [r]Egypt fathered Ludim, Anamim, Lehabim,
Naphtuhim, 14 Pathrusim, Casluhim (from
whom[5] the Philistines came), and [s]Caphtorim.

15 [t]Canaan fathered Sidon his firstborn and
Heth, 16 and the Jebusites, the Amorites, the
Girgashites, 17 the Hivites, the Arkites, the
Sinites, 18 the Arvadites, the Zemarites, and
the Hamathites. Afterward the clans of the
Canaanites dispersed. 19 And the territory of
the Canaanites extended from Sidon in the
direction of Gerar as far as Gaza, and in the
direction of Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, and
Zeboiim, as far as Lasha. 20 These are the sons
of Ham, by their clans, their languages, their
lands, and their nations.

21 To Shem also, the father of all the chil-
dren of Eber, the elder brother of Japheth,
children were born. 22 The [u]sons of Shem:
Elam, Asshur, Arpachshad, Lud, and Aram.
23 The sons of Aram: Uz, Hul, Gether, and
Mash. 24 Arpachshad fathered [v]Shelah; and
Shelah fathered Eber. 25 [w]To Eber were born
two sons: the name of the one was Peleg,[6]
for in his days the earth was divided, and his
brother's name was Joktan. 26 Joktan fathered
Almodad, Sheleph, Hazarmaveth, Jerah,
27 Hadoram, Uzal, Diklah, 28 Obal, Abimael,
Sheba, 29 [x]Ophir, Havilah, and Jobab; all these
were the sons of Joktan. 30 The territory in
which they lived extended from Mesha in
the direction of Sephar to the hill country
of the east. 31 These are the sons of Shem, by
their clans, their languages, their lands, and
their nations.

18 [f]ch. 5:32; 10:1 **19** [g]ch. 10:32 **24** [h]Hab. 2:15] **25** [i]Deut. 27:16 [j]Josh. 9:23; Judg. 1:28; 1 Kgs. 9:20, 21 **Chapter 10** **2** [k]For ver. 1-5, see 1 Chr. 1:5-7; Ezek. 38:1-6 **4** [l]Ps. 72:10; Ezek. 38:13 [m]Num. 24:24; Isa. 23:1, 12; Dan. 11:30 **5** [n]Isa. 11:11; Jer. 2:10; 25:22; Ezek. 27:6; Zeph. 2:11 **6** [o]For ver. 6-8, see 1 Chr. 1:8-10 **10** [p]ch. 11:9 [q]ch. 11:2 **13** [r]For ver. 13-18, see 1 Chr. 1:11-16 **14** [s]Deut. 2:23; Jer. 47:4; Amos 9:7 **15** [t][ch. 15:18-21] **22** [u]For ver. 22-29, see 1 Chr. 1:17-25 **24** [v]ch. 11:12; Luke 3:35, 36 **25** [w]1 Chr. 1:19 **29** [x]1 Kgs. 9:28; 10:11

[1] Or *from these the whole earth was populated* [2] Or *Noah, a man of the soil, was the first to plant a vineyard* [3] *Japheth* sounds like the Hebrew for *enlarge* [4] Or *he began to be a mighty man on the earth* [5] Or *from where* [6] *Peleg* means *division*

32 These are the clans of the sons of Noah,
according to their genealogies, in their
nations, [y]and from these the nations spread
abroad on the earth after the flood.

The Tower of Babel

11 Now the whole earth had one language
and the same words. 2 And as people
migrated from the east, they found a plain
in [z]the land of Shinar and settled there. 3 And
they said to one another, "Come, let us make
bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they
had brick for stone, [a]and bitumen for mortar.
4 Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves
a city and a tower [b]with its top in the heavens,
and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we
be dispersed over the face of the whole earth."
5 And [c]the LORD came down to see the city and
the tower, which the children of man had built.
6 And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one peo-
ple, and they have all one language, and this is
only the beginning of what they will do. And
nothing that they propose to do will now be
impossible for them. 7 Come, [d]let us go down
and there confuse their language, so that they
may not understand one another's speech." 8 So
[e]the LORD dispersed them from there over the
face of all the earth, and they left off building
the city. 9 Therefore its name was called [f]Babel,
because there the LORD confused[1] the language
of all the earth. And from there the LORD dis-
persed them over the face of all the earth.

Shem's Descendants

10 [g]These are the generations of Shem.
When Shem was 100 years old, he fathered
Arpachshad two years after the flood. 11 And
Shem lived after he fathered Arpachshad 500
years and had other sons and daughters.

12 When Arpachshad had lived 35 years,
he fathered Shelah. 13 And Arpachshad lived
after he fathered Shelah 403 years and had
other sons and daughters.

14 When Shelah had lived 30 years, he
fathered Eber. 15 And Shelah lived after he
fathered Eber 403 years and had other sons
and daughters.

16 When Eber had lived 34 years, he fathered
Peleg. 17 And Eber lived after he fathered Peleg
430 years and had other sons and daughters.

18 When Peleg had lived 30 years, he fathered
Reu. 19 And Peleg lived after he fathered Reu
209 years and had other sons and daughters.

20 When Reu had lived 32 years, he fathered
Serug. 21 And Reu lived after he fathered Serug
207 years and had other sons and daughters.

22 When Serug had lived 30 years, he
fathered Nahor. 23 And Serug lived after he
fathered Nahor 200 years and had other sons
and daughters.

24 When [h]Nahor had lived 29 years, he
fathered Terah. 25 And Nahor lived after he
fathered Terah 119 years and had other sons
and daughters.

26 When [h]Terah had lived 70 years, he
fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

Terah's Descendants

27 Now these are the generations of Terah.
Terah fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran;
and Haran fathered Lot. 28 Haran died in the
presence of his father Terah in the land of his
kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans. 29 And Abram
and Nahor took wives. The name of Abram's
wife was [i]Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife,
[j]Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of
Milcah and Iscah. 30 Now Sarai was barren;
she had no child.

31 Terah [k]took Abram his son and Lot the son
of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daugh-
ter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they went
forth together [l]from Ur of the Chaldeans to go
into the land of Canaan, but when they came
to Haran, they settled there. 32 The days of
Terah were 205 years, and Terah died in Haran.

The Call of Abram

12 Now [m]the LORD said[2] to Abram, "Go
from your country[3] and your kindred
and your father's house to the land that I will
show you. 2 [n]And I will make of you a great
nation, and I will bless you and make your
name great, so that you will be a blessing.
3 [o]I will bless those who bless you, and him
who dishonors you I will curse, and [p]in you
all the families of the earth shall be blessed."[4]

4 So Abram went, as the LORD had told him,
and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-
five years old when he departed from [q]Haran.
5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his
brother's son, and all their possessions that

32 [y]ver. 1; ch. 9:19 **Chapter 11** 2 [z]ch. 10:10; 14:1, 9; Isa. 11:11; Dan. 1:2; Zech. 5:11 3 [a]ch. 14:10; Ex. 2:3 4 [b]Deut. 1:28 5 [c]ch. 18:21 7 [d]ch. 1:26; [Ps. 2:4] 8 [e]ch. 10:25, 32; Luke 1:51 9 [f]ch. 10:10 10 [g][ch. 10:22]; For ver. 10-26, see 1 Chr. 1:17-27 24 [h]Josh. 24:2 26 [h][See ver. 24 above] 29 [i]ch. 17:15 [j]ch. 22:20 31 [k]ch. 12:1 [l]ch. 15:7; Josh. 24:2; Neh. 9:7; Acts 7:2, 4 **Chapter 12** 1 [m]Acts 7:3; Heb. 11:8 2 [n]ch. 17:6; 18:18; [Gal. 3:14] 3 [o]ch. 27:29; Num. 24:9 [p]ch. 18:18; 22:18; 26:4; 28:14; Jer. 4:2; Acts 3:25; Gal. 3:16; Cited Gal. 3:8 4 [q]ch. 11:31

[1] *Babel* sounds like the Hebrew for *confused* [2] Or *had said* [3] Or *land* [4] Or *by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves*

they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, 6 Abram [r] passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to [s] the oak[1] of [t] Moreh. At that time [u] the Canaanites were in the land. 7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, [v] "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. 8 From there he moved to the hill country on the east of [w] Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. 9 And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

Abram and Sarai in Egypt

10 Now [x] there was a famine in the land. So Abram went down to Egypt to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. 11 When he was about to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, "I know that you are a woman beautiful in appearance, 12 and when the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife.' Then they [y] will kill me, but they will let you live. 13 Say you are my sister, that it may go well with me because of you, and that my life may be spared for your sake." 14 When Abram entered Egypt, the Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful. 15 And when the princes of Pharaoh saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. 16 And for her sake he dealt well with Abram; and he had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male servants, female servants, female donkeys, and camels.

17 But the LORD [z] afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. 18 So Pharaoh called Abram and said, "What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? 19 Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her for my wife? Now then, here is your wife; take her, and go." 20 And Pharaoh gave men orders concerning him, and they sent him away with his wife and all that he had.

Abram and Lot Separate

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

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

8 Then Abram said to Lot, [g] "Let there be no strife between you and me, and between your herdsmen and my herdsmen, [h] for we are kinsmen.[2] 9 [i] Is not the whole land before you? Separate yourself from me. If you take the left hand, then I will go to the right, or if you take the right hand, then I will go to the left." 10 And Lot lifted up his eyes and saw that the [j] Jordan Valley was well watered everywhere like [k] the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, in the direction of [l] Zoar. (This was before the LORD [m] destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) 11 So Lot chose for himself all the Jordan Valley, and Lot journeyed east. Thus they separated from each other. 12 Abram settled in the land of Canaan, while Lot settled among the cities of the valley and moved his tent as far as Sodom. 13 Now the men of Sodom [n] were wicked, great sinners against the LORD.

14 The LORD said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, "Lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are, [o] northward and southward and eastward and westward, 15 for all the land that you see I will give [p] to you and [q] to your offspring forever. 16 [r] I will make your offspring as the dust of the earth, so that if one can count the dust of the earth, your offspring also can be counted. 17 Arise, walk through the length and the breadth of the land, for I will give it to you." 18 So Abram

1 Or *terebinth* 2 Hebrew *we are men, brothers*

6 [r] (Heb. 11:9) [s] ch. 13:18 [t] Deut. 11:30; Judg. 7:1 [u] ch. 13:7 **7** [v] ch. 13:15; 17:8; Ex. 33:1; Ps. 105:9-12; (Num. 32:11); Gal. 3:16 **8** [w] ch. 28:19 **10** [x] ch. 26:1; 43:1 **12** [y] See ch. 20:1-18; 26:6-11 **17** [z] 1 Chr. 16:21; Ps. 105:14 **Chapter 13** **1** [a] ch. 12:9 **2** [b] ch. 24:35; [Ps. 112:1-3; Prov. 10:22] **4** [c] ch. 12:7, 8 **6** [d] ch. 36:6, 7 **7** [e] ch. 26:20 [f] ch. 12:6 **8** [g] [1 Cor. 6:1-8] [h] (Acts 7:26) **9** [i] ch. 20:15; 34:10 **10** [j] ch. 19:17, 25, 28; Deut. 34:3; 1 Kgs. 7:46; [Matt. 3:5] [k] ch. 2:8; Isa. 51:3; Ezek. 28:13; Joel 2:3 [l] ch. 14:2, 8; 19:22 [m] ch. 19:24, 25 **13** [n] ch. 18:20; Ezek. 16:49; 2 Pet. 2:7, 8 **14** [o] ch. 28:14 **15** [p] ch. 17:8; 28:13; 35:12; Acts 7:5 [q] ch. 12:7; 15:18; 24:7; 26:4; Deut. 34:4; 2 Chr. 20:7 **16** [r] ch. 22:17; 28:14; 32:12; Num. 23:10; [1 Kgs. 3:8]; See ch. 15:5