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GENESIS

CHAPTER 1

IN the beginning ELOHEEM created heaven *and* land.

The land was without form, *and* void; darkness was upon the face of the deep.

The Spirit of ELOHEEM moved upon the face of the waters.

And ELOHEEM said, Let there be light: then was light.

And the Light ELOHEEM saw good: *and* ELOHEEM divided light from darkness.

And ELOHEEM called light Day, *and* darkness was called Night.

Evening *and* morning, the first day.

And ELOHEEM said, Let there be *a* solid expanse in the midst of waters which divided waters from waters.

And ELOHEEM made the solid expanse, which would divide the waters from *those* which *would be* under the solid expanse from the waters which *would be* above the solid expanse thusly.

And ELOHEEM called the solid expanse heaven.

Evening *and* morning, the second day.

And ELOHEEM said, Let the waters under heaven be gathered together into one place, *a* dryness appearing.

And ELOHEEM called the dryness Land; the gathering together of the waters was called Sea: ELOHEEM saw good.

And ELOHEEM said, Let the Land bring forth grass, herbs yielding seed, *and* fruit trees yielding fruit after his kind, thereby seeding the land.

And the Land brought forth grass, herbs yielding seed after his kind, trees yielding fruit whose seed *is* in itself, after his kind: *and* ELOHEEM saw good.

Evening *and* morning, the third day.

And ELOHEEM said, Let there be lights in the solid expanse, heaven, to divide the Day from the Night; *and* let them be for signs, seasons, days, *and* years:

And let them be for lights in the solid expanse, heaven, to light the land.

And ELOHEEM made two great lights; the greater light to rule the Day, the lesser light to rule the Night, *and* the stars.

And ELOHEEM set them in the solid expanse, heaven, to light the land,

And to rule over the Day *and* over the Night, dividing light from darkness: *and* ELOHEEM saw good.

Evening *and* morning, the fourth day.

And ELOHEEM said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving persons that has life, *and* fowls to fly above the land beneath the solid expanse, heaven.

And ELOHEEM created mighty dragons, living persons that moved, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, winged fowls after their kind: *and* ELOHEEM saw good.

And ELOHEEM blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, multiply, fill the waters in the sea, *and* let fowl multiply in the land.

Evening *and* morning, the fifth day.

And ELOHEEM said, Let the land bring forth the living persons after their kind,

And ELOHEEM made the living of the land after their kind, beasts after their kind, everything that moves upon the ground after their kind: *and* ELOHEEM saw good.

And ELOHEEM said, Let us make adamites in our image, after our likeness: let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the fowls of the air, over the beasts, over all the land, over all moving beings that move upon the land.

So ELOHEEM created adamites in their image, in the image of ELOHEEM created they them; male *and* female created they them.

And ELOHEEM blessed them.

ELOHEEM said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, replenish the land, subdue it, have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the fowls of the air, over all living beings that move upon the land.

And ELOHEEM said, Behold, We give herbs bearing seed upon the face of the land, *and* trees, fruitful trees, yielding seed; to be eaten.

And to every living of the land, to every fowl of the air, *and* to everything that moves upon the land, wherein *is* life, green herbs to be eaten.

And ELOHEEM saw that which had been done *as* very good. Evening *and* morning, the sixth day.

CHAPTER 2

THUS heaven *and* land was finished *and* their hosts.

And on the seventh day ELOHEEM finished their work which they did; *and* they rested on the seventh day from their work which was done.

And ELOHEEM blessed the seventh day sanctifying it because they rested from the work which ELOHEEM created *and* did.

This is the races of heaven *and* land after being created in the day that YAHWAH ELOHEEM had it done in land *and* in heaven,

Before plants of the field were in the land, before herbs of the field grew: because YAHWAH ELOHEEM had not brought rain upon the land, neither existed THE ADAM to serve the ground. But there came up mists from the land, watering the whole face of the ground.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM formed THE ADAM *from* the dust of the ground, breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; *and* THE ADAM became *a* living person.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM planted *a* garden eastward in Eden; *and* there he put THE ADAM whom he had formed.

And out of the ground made YAHWAH ELOHEEM to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, *and* good for food; the tree of life also in the middle of the garden, *and* the tree of knowledge of good *and* evil.

And *a* river went out of Eden to water the garden; which parted becoming four heads.

The name of the first *is* Pison: that *is* it which compasses the whole land of Havilah, where *is* gold;

And the gold of that land *was* good: there *was* bdellium *and* onyx stones.

And the name of the second river *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasses the whole land of Kush.

And the name of the third river *is* Hiddekel: that *is* it which goes toward the east of Assyria. *And* the fourth river *is* Euphrates.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM took THE ADAM, putting him into the garden of Eden to serve it *and* to keep it.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM commanded THE ADAM, saying, Of every tree of the garden you may eat freely:

But of the tree of the knowledge of good *and* evil, you shall not eat of it: for in the day that you eat thereof you shall die the death.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM said, *It is* not good that THE ADAM should be alone; I will make him *a* supporting helper.

And from the ground YAHWAH ELOHEEM formed up all living beings of the field, *and* every fowl of the air; *and* brought unto THE ADAM to see what he would call them: *and* whatsoever

THE ADAM called every living person, that *was* the name.

And THE ADAM gave names to all beasts, to the fowls of the air, *and* to every living being of the field; but for THE ADAM there was not found *a* supporting helper.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM caused *a* deep sleep to fall upon THE ADAM, *and* he slept: *and* HE took a piece of his side, *and* closed up the flesh;

And the side piece, which YAHWAH ELOHEEM had taken from THE ADAM, made HE woman, bringing her to THE ADAM.

And THE ADAM said, This now bone of my bones, flesh of my flesh: she is called Woman, because she was taken from Man.

Therefore shall man leave father, *and* mother, *and* shall stay with his wife being one flesh.

And they were both naked, THE ADAM *and* his wife, *and* were not ashamed.

CHAPTER 3

NOW the serpent was more crafty than any living being of the field which *serpent* YAHWAH ELOHEEM had made. And the *serpent* said to the woman, Yes, has the ELOHEEM said, You all shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

And the woman said to the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the middle of the garden, the ELOHEEM has said, You all shall not eat of it, neither shall you all touch it, lest you all die.

And the serpent said to the woman, You all shall not die the death:

For the ELOHEEM does know that in the day you all eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and you all shall be as ELOHEEM knowing good and evil.

And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it was delightful to the eyes, and *a* tree to be desired to make wise, she took the fruit, and did eat, and gave to her husband, and he did eat.

And the eyes of these two were opened, and they knew nakedness; *and* sewed fig leaves making sewn together loin-coverings.

And they heard the voice of YAHWAH ELOHEEM coming into the garden in the cool of the day: and THE ADAM and his wife hid themselves from the presence of YAHWAH ELOHEEM among the trees of the garden.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM called unto THE ADAM, and said to him, Where *are* you?

And he said, I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.

And he said, Who told you that you *were* naked? Have you eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded you that you should not eat?

And THE ADAM said, The woman whom you gave *to be* with me, she gave this tree, and I did eat.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM said to the woman, What *is* this *that* you have done? And the woman said, The serpent deceived me, and I did eat.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM said to the serpent, Because you did this, you *are* cursed to be below all beasts, and all living beings of the field; upon your belly shall you go, and dust shall you eat all your living days:

And I will put hatred between you and the woman, and between your SEED and her SEED; He shall wound your head, and you shall wound His heel.

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; in sorrow you shall bring forth children; and your desire *shall be* to your husband, and he shall rule over you.

And unto THE ADAM he said, Because you have hearkened unto the voice of your wife, and

have eaten the tree, of which I commanded you, saying, You shall not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground; in sorrow shall you eat *of* it all the days of your life;

Also thorns and thistles shall it bring forth to you; and you shall eat the herbs of the field;

In the sweat of your face shall you eat bread, till you return unto the ground; for out of it were you taken: formed from dust, and you shall return unto dust.

And THE ADAM called his wife's name Eve, mother of life.

Unto THE ADAM also and to his wife did YAHWAH ELOHEEM make coats of skins, and clothed them.

And YAHWAH ELOHEEM said, Behold, THE ADAM is become as one of Us, knowing about good and evil; and now lest he puts forth his hand, and also takes of the tree of life, eats, and lives into the Ages:

YAHWAH ELOHEEM therefore sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to serve the ground from where he was taken.

So He expelled THE ADAMS; and placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims with turning flaming swords to preserve the Way to the tree of life.

CHAPTER 4

THE ADAM also knew the Eve his wife; her first conception brought forth Kain, *and* she said, I have gotten *a* man against YAHWAH.

And she continued to bring forth *his* brother Abel. And Abel was *a* shepherd of sheep, but Kain was *a* server of the ground.

And in the process of time it came to pass, that Kain brought of the fruit of the ground *an* offering unto YAHWAH.

And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And YAHWAH had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

But unto Kain and to his offering he had not respect. And Kain was greatly angered, and his face was cast down.

And YAHWAH said to Kain, Why are you angry? and why is your face cast down?

If you please, shall it not be raised up? And if you please not, then sin couches at the door, and you desire it, and it rules you.

As Kain spoke unto Abel his brother in the field, Kain rose up against his brother Abel, and killed him.

And YAHWAH said to Kain, Where *is* Abel your brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper?

And he said, What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cried unto me from the ground.

And now you are being cursed from the ground, which has opened her mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand;

When you serve the ground, it shall not continually give you her strength; *a* fugitive and *a* vagabond shall you be in the land.

And Kain said to YAHWAH, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear.

Behold, you have driven me out this day from the face of the ground; and from your face I shall be hid; and I shall be *a* fugitive and *a* vagabond in the land; and it shall come to pass, anyone that finds out shall kill me.

And YAHWAH said to him, Therefore whosoever kills Kain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And YAHWAH put *a* sign on Kain, lest any finding out should kill him.

And Kain went out from the face of YAHWAH, and dwelt in the land of Nod, to the east of

Eden.

And Kain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he built *a* city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.

And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.

And Adah bare Jubal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and *of such as have* cattle.

And his brother's name *was* Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle harps and pipes.

And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-kain, *an* instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-kain *was* Naamah.

And Lamech said to his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; all you wives of Lamech, hearken unto my words: for I have slain men to my own wounding, and young men to my own hurting.

If Kain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

And THE ADAM knew his wife again; and she bare *a* son, and called his name Seth: For the ELOHEEM, *said she*, has appointed me another SEED instead of Abel, whom Kain slew.

And to Seth, to him also there was born *a* son; and he called his name Enos: *they* began calling out the name YAHWAH.

CHAPTER 5

THIS *is* the book of the adamites race. In the day that ELOHEEM created adamites, in the likeness of ELOHEEM made they them;

Male and female created they them; and blessed them, and called their name adamites, in the day when they were created.

And THE ADAM lived two hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:

And the days of THE ADAM after he had begotten Seth were seven hundred years, and he begat sons and daughters:

And all the days that THE ADAM lived were nine hundred and thirty years, and he died.

And Seth lived two hundred and five years, and begat Enos,

And Seth lived after he begat Enos seven hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters:

And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years, and he died.

And Enos lived one hundred and ninety years, and begat Kainan:

And Enos lived after he begat Kainan seven hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters:

And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years, and he died.

And Kainan lived one hundred and seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel:

And Kainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel seven hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters:

And all the days of Kainan were nine hundred and ten years, and he died.

And Mahalaleel lived one hundred and sixty-five years, and begat Jared:

And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared seven hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters:

And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred and ninety-five years, and he died.

And Jared lived one hundred and sixty-two years, and he begat Enoch:

And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:
And all the days of Jared were nine hundred and sixty-two years: and he died.
And Enoch lived one hundred and sixty-five years, and begat Methuselah:
And Enoch walked with the ELOHEEM after he begat Methuselah two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:
And all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years:
And Enoch walked with the ELOHEEM: and he *was* not; for the ELOHEEM took him.
And Methuselah lived one hundred and eighty-seven years, and begat Lamech:
And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred and eighty-two years, and begat sons and daughters:
And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred and sixty-nine years: and he died.
And Lamech lived one hundred and eighty-eight years, and begat *a* son:
And he called his name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which YAHWAH has cursed.
And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred and sixty-five years, and begat sons and daughters:
And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred and fifty-three years, and he died.
And Noah was five hundred years old and Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

CHAPTER 6

AND it came to pass, when adamites began to multiply on the face of the ground, and daughters were born unto them,
That the sons of eloheem saw the daughters of adamites that they *were* fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.
And YAHWAH said, My spirit shall not always strive with adamites, for that they are also flesh: yet their days shall be one hundred and twenty years.
There were Nephilim *giants* in the land in those days; and also after that, because the sons of eloheem came in unto the daughters of adamites, and they bare *children* to them, these giants of ancient times *were* enosh *men* of renown.
And YAHWAH saw that the wickedness of *these* adamites *was* great in this land, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of their mind *was* only evil continually.
And it sorrowed YAHWAH that adamites were made in this land, and it grieved him in his mind.
And YAHWAH said, I will blot out these created adamites from the face of the ground; the adamites, the beasts, the moving things, the fowls of the air; for it sorrows me that they were made.
But Noah found grace in the sight of YAHWAH.
These *are* the descendants of Noah: Noah was *a* man *being* righteous *and* perfect in his generation, *and* Noah walked with the ELOHEEM.
And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
The land also was corrupt before the ELOHEEM, and the land was filled with violence.
And the ELOHEEM looked upon this land, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all this flesh had corrupted their ways upon this land.
And the ELOHEEM said to Noah, The end of all this flesh is come before me; for this land is filled with violence by them; and, behold, I will destroy them with this land.
Make you *an* ark of gopher wood; rooms shall you make in the ark, and shall pitch it inside and outside with pitch.
And this *is the fashion* which you shall make it: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred

cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

A window shall you make in the ark, and in *a* cubit shall you finish it above; and the door of the ark shall you set in the side thereof; *inside the* lower part, second, and third *stories* shall you make it.

And, behold, I, even I, do bring *a* flood of waters upon this land, to destroy all this flesh, wherein *is* the spirit of life, from under heaven; *and* everything that *is* in this land shall die.

But with you will I establish my covenant; and you shall come into the ark, you, and your sons, and your wife, and your sons' wives with you.

And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shall you bring into the ark, to keep *them* alive with you; they shall be male and female.

Of fowls after their kind, and of beasts after their kind, of every moving thing of the ground after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto you, to keep *them* alive.

And take you unto you of all food that is eaten, and you shall gather *it* to you; and it shall be for food for you, and for them.

Thus did Noah; according to all that the ELOHEEM commanded him, so did he.

CHAPTER 7

AND YAHWAH said to Noah, Come you and all your household into the ark; for you have I seen righteous before me in this gene-race-aion.

Of every clean beast you shall take to you by seven males and seven females: and of unclean beasts by two, the male and female.

Also fowls of the air by seven males and seven females; living seed to live on the face of this land.

For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon this land forty days and forty nights; and every thing of living substance that was made will I wipe off from the face of the ground.

And Noah did according unto all that YAHWAH commanded him.

And Noah *was* six hundred years old when the flood of waters were upon this land.

And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

Of clean beasts, of unclean beasts, of fowls, and of everything that moves upon the ground, They went in by twos and twos unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as the ELOHEEM had commanded Noah.

And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon this land.

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, this same day were broken up great deep fountains, and windows were opened from beneath heaven.

And rains fell upon this land forty days and forty nights.

In the selfsame day Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, entered into the ark;

They with all living after their kind, all beasts after their kind, all moving things that moves upon the land after their kind, all fowls after their kind, and all the winged birds.

And they went in unto Noah into the ark twos by twos of all flesh, wherein *was* the spirit of life.

And they that went in, went in male and female pairs of every flesh, as the ELOHEEM had commanded him: and YAHWAH shut them up inside.

And the flooding was forty days upon this land; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above this land.

And the waters prevailed increasing greatly over this land; and the ark went upon the face of the

waters.

And the waters prevailed greatly; greatly covering the lofty mountains of this land under heaven.

Over fifteen cubits the prevailing waters covered these mountains.

And all flesh died that moved upon this land, of fowl, of beasts, of living things, of moving things that move upon this land, and of adamites:

All in whose nostrils *was* the breath of life, upon this dry land, died.

And every thing of living substance was wiped off of the face of the ground, both adamites, beasts, moving things, and fowl beneath the heaven; and they were destroyed from this land: and only Noah, and they that remained with him in the ark, lived.

And the waters prevailed over this land one hundred and fifty days.

CHAPTER 8

AND the ELOHEEM was mindful of Noah, and all living, and all beasts with him in the ark: and the ELOHEEM'S Spirit passed over the land, and the waters subsided;

Also the fountains of the deep and the windows beneath heaven were shut, and the rain from beneath heaven was stopped;

And the waters continually withdrew from off the land: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters decreased.

And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Urartu.

And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.

And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:

And he sent forth *a* raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the land.

Also he sent forth *a* dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole land: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

And he stayed yet another seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, behold, in her mouth *was an* olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the land.

And he stayed yet another seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him anymore.

And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first *month*, the first *day* of the month, the waters were dried up from off the land: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the land dried.

And the ELOHEEM spoke unto Noah, saying,

Go forth of the ark, you, and your wife, and your sons, and your sons' wives with you.

Bring forth with you all living that *is* with you, of all flesh, *both* of fowl, and of beasts, and of all moving beings that move upon the land; that they may breed abundantly in the land, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the land.

And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

Every beast, every moving thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever moves upon the land, after

their kinds, went forth out of the ark.

And Noah built *an* altar unto YAHWAH; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

And YAHWAH smelled *a* sweet savour; and YAHWAH said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground anymore for adamites' sake; for the imagination of adamites' heart *is* evil from his youth; neither will I again smite anymore everything living, as I have done.

While the land remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

CHAPTER 9

AND the ELOHEEM blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the land.

And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the land, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that move *upon* the ground, and upon all the fish of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

Every moving thing that lives shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things.

But flesh with the Life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall you all not eat.

And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of all living will I require it, and at the hand of adamites; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the Life of adamites.

Whoso sheds adamites' blood, by adamites shall his blood be shed: for in the image of ELOHEEM made they adamites.

And you, be you all fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the land, and multiply therein.

And the ELOHEEM spoke unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,

And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

And with every living person that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the beasts, and of every living thing of the land with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every living of the land.

And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off anymore by the waters of *a* flood; neither shall there anymore be *a* flood to destroy the land.

And the ELOHEEM said, This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living person that *is* with you, for perpetual gene-race-aions:

I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for *a* token of *a* covenant between me and the land.

And it shall come to pass, when I bring *a* cloud over the land, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud:

And I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living person of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become *a* flood to destroy all flesh.

And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between the ELOHEEM and every living person of all flesh that *is* upon the land.

And the ELOHEEM said to Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that *is* upon the land.

And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham *is* the father of Kanaan.

These *are* the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole land overspread.

And Noah began *to be* *a* husbandman, and he planted *a* vineyard:

And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered inside his tent.

And Ham, the father of Kanaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren

without.

And Shem and Japheth took *a* garment, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces *were* backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.

And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

And he said, Cursed *be* Kanaan; *a* servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.

And he said, Blessed *be* YAHWAH ELOHEEM of Shem; and Kanaan shall be his servant.

The ELOHEEM shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell [*SHAKANA*] in the tents of Shem; and Kanaan shall be his servant.

And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

CHAPTER 10

NOW these *are* the descendants of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.

The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.

By these were the isles of the nations divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

And the sons of Ham; Kush, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Kanaan.

And the sons of Kush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtecha: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

And Kush begat Nimrod: he began to be *a* mighty one in the land.

He was *a* mighty hunter before YAHWAH: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before YAHWAH.

And the beginning of his kingdom Babylon was Erech, Accad, Kalneh, in the land of the Chaldeans.

Out of that land went forth Asshur, and built Nineveh, and the city Rehoboth, and Kalah,

And Resen between Nineveh and Kalah: the same *is a* great city.

And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

And Pathrusim, and Kasluhim, (*out of whom came Philistim,*) and Kaphtorim.

And Kanaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,

And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite,

And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,

And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterwards were the families of the Kanaanites spread abroad.

And the border of the Kanaanites was from Zidon, as you come to Gerar, unto Gaza; as you go, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.

These *are* the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, *and* in their nations.

Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were *children* born.

The children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.

And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.

And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat Eber.

And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one *was* Peleg; for in his days was the land divided; and his brother's name *was* Joktan.

And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah,

And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these *were* the sons of Joktan.

And their dwelling was from Mesha, as you go unto Sephar *a* mountain of the east.

These *are* the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations.

These *are* the families of the sons of Noah, after their gene-race-aion, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the land after the flood.

CHAPTER 11

AND the whole land was of one language, and of one speech.

And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the East, that they found *a* plain in the land of the Chaldeans; and they dwelt there.

And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.

And they said, Go to, let us build us *a* city and *a* tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us *a* name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole land.

And YAHWAH came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of adamites built.

And YAHWAH said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

So YAHWAH scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the land: and they left off to build the city.

Therefore is the name of it called Babylon; because YAHWAH did there confound the language of all the land: and from thence did YAHWAH scatter them abroad upon the face of all the land.

These *are* the descendants of Shem: Shem *was a* hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood:

And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Arphaxad lived [*a hundred and*] thirty-five years, and begat Salah:

And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Salah lived [*a hundred and*] thirty years, and begat Eber:

And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Eber lived [*a hundred and*] thirty-four years, and begat Peleg:

And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Peleg lived [*a hundred and*] thirty years, and begat Reu:

And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Reu lived [*a hundred and*] thirty-two years, and begat Serug:

And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Serug lived [*a hundred and*] thirty years, and begat Nahor:

And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Nahor lived [*a hundred and*] twenty-nine years, and begat Terah:

And Nahor lived after he begat Terah *a* hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and

daughters.

And Terah lived [*a hundred and*] seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

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

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

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

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

And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldeans, to go into the land of Kanaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

CHAPTER 12

NOW YAHWAH had said to Abram, Get you out of your land, and from your kindred, and from your father's house, unto *a* land that I will show you:

And I will make of you *a* great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and you shall be *a* blessing:

And I will bless them that bless you, and curse him that curses you: and in you shall all families of the ground be blessed.

So Abram departed, as YAHWAH had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the persons that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Kanaan; and into the land of Kanaan they came.

And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Kanaanite *was* then in the land.

And YAHWAH appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto your seed will I give this land: and there built he *an* altar unto YAHWAH, who appeared unto him.

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

And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

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

And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said to Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that you *are a* fair woman to look upon:

Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see you, that they shall say, This *is* his wife: and they will kill me, but you will live.

Say, I pray you, you *are* my sister: that it may be well with me for your sake; and my person shall live because of you.

And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she *was* very fair.

The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.

And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.

And YAHWAH plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.

And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What *is* this *that* you have done unto me? why did you not tell me that she *was* your wife?

Why said you, She *is* my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold your wife, take *her*, and go your way.

And Pharaoh commanded *his* men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

CHAPTER 13

AND Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.

And Abram *was* very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai;

Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of YAHWAH.

And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents.

And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

And there was *a* strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Kanaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.

And Abram said to Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray you, between me and you, and between my herdmen and your herdmen; for we *be* brethren.

Is not the whole land before you? separate yourself, I pray you, from me: if *you will take* the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if *you depart* to the right hand, then I will go to the left.

And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it *was* well watered every where, before YAHWAH destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, *even* as the garden of YAHWAH, like the land of Egypt, as you come unto Zoar.

Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

Abram dwelled in the land of Kanaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched *his* tent toward Sodom.

But the men of Sodom *were* wicked and sinners before YAHWAH exceedingly.

And YAHWAH said to Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now your eyes, and look from the place where you are northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

For all the land which you see, to you will I give it, and to your seed forever.

And I will make your seed as the dust of the land: so that if *a* man can number the dust of the land, *then* shall your seed also be numbered.

Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto you.

Then Abram removed *his* tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which *is* in Hebron, and built there *an* altar unto YAHWAH.

CHAPTER 14

AND it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Chaldea, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations;

These made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is Zoar.

All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.
 Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.
 And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that *were* with him, and smote the Rephaim [*Nephilim giants*] in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim,
 And the Horites in their mountain Seir, unto Elparan, which *is* by the wilderness.
 And they returned, and came to Enmishpat, which *is* Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezontamar.
 And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (*the same is Zoar,*) and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim;
 With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Chaldea, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five.
 And the vale of Siddim *was full of* slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.
 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way.
 And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.
 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these *were* confederate with Abram.
 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained *servants*, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued *them* unto Dan.
 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which *is* on the left hand of Damascus.
 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.
 And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that *were* with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which *is* the king's dale.
 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he *was* the priest of the most high God.
 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed *be* Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and land:
 And blessed be the most high God, which has delivered your enemies into your hand. And he gave him tithes of all.
 And the king of Sodom said to Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to yourself.
 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up my hand unto YAHWAH, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and land,
 That I will not *take* from *a* thread even to *a* shoelatchet, and that I will not take anything that *is* your, lest you should say, I have made Abram rich:
 Apart from that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.

CHAPTER 15

AFTER these things the word of YAHWAH came unto Abram in *a* vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I *am* your shield, *and* your exceeding great reward.
 And Abram said, Lord YAHWAH, what will you give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward

of my house *is* this Eliezer of Damascus?

And Abram said, Behold, to me you have given no seed: and, behold, one born in my house is my heir.

And, behold, the word of YAHWAH *came* unto him, saying, This shall not be your heir; but he that shall come forth out of your own bowels shall be your heir.

And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if you be able to number them: and he said to him, So shall your seed be.

And he believed YAHWAH; and into him was imputed righteousness.

And he said to him, I *am* YAHWAH that brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it.

And he said, Lord YAHWAH, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?

And he said to him, Take me *a* heifer of three years old, and *a* she goat of three years old, and *a* ram of three years old, and *a* turtledove, and *a* young pigeon.

And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.

And when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

And when the sun was going down, *a* deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, behold, *a* horror of great darkness fell upon him.

And he said to Abram, Know of *a* surety that your seed shall be *a* stranger in *a* land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterwards shall they come out with great substance.

And you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in *a* good old age.

But in the fourth gene-race-aion they shall come here again: for the iniquity of the Amorites *is* not yet full.

And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold *a* smoking furnace, and *a* burning lamp that passed between those pieces.

In the same day YAHWAH made *a* covenant with Abram, saying, Unto your seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:

The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaim [*Nephilim giants*],

And the Amorites, and the Kanaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

CHAPTER 16

NOW Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had *a* handmaid, *an* Egyptian, whose name *was* Hagar.

And Sarai said to Abram, Behold now, YAHWAH has restrained me from bearing: I pray you, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Kanaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.

And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.

And Sarai said to Abram, My wrong *be* upon you: I have given my maid into your bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: YAHWAH judge between me and you.

But Abram said to Sarai, Behold, your maid *is* in your hand; do to her as it pleases you. And

when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.

And the angel of YAHWAH found her by *a* fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.

And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, where came you? and where will you go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.

And the angel of YAHWAH said to her, Return to your mistress, and submit yourself under her hands.

And the angel of YAHWAH said to her, I will multiply your seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.

And the angel of YAHWAH said to her, Behold, you *are* with child, and shall bear *a* son, and shall call his name Ishmael; because YAHWAH has heard your affliction.

And he will be *a* wild adamite; his hand *will be* against every man, and every hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.

And she called the name of YAHWAH that spoke unto her, You God sees me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that sees me?

Wherefore the well was called Beerlahairoi; behold, *it is* between Kadesh and Bered.

And Hagar bare Abram *a* son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

And Abram *was* fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

CHAPTER 17

AND when Abram was ninety years old and nine, YAHWAH appeared to Abram, and said to him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be you perfect.

And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly.

And Abram fell on his face: and ELOHEEM talked with him, saying,

As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with you, and you shall be *a* father of many nations.

Neither shall your name anymore be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for *a* father of many nations have I made you.

And I will make you exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come out of you.

And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your seed after you in their descendants for *an* everlasting covenant, to be *a* ELOHEEM unto you, and to your seed after you.

And I will give unto you, and to your seed after you, the land wherein you are *a* stranger, all the land of Kanaan, for *an* everlasting possession; and I will be ELOHEEM.

And ELOHEEM said to Abraham, You shall keep my covenant therefore, you, and your seed after you in their descendants.

This *is* my covenant, which you all shall keep, between me and you and your seed after you; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

And you all shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be *a* token of the covenant betwixt me and you.

And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your race, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is* not of your seed.

He that is born in your house, and he that is bought with your money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for *an* everlasting covenant.

And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that person shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.

And ELOHEEM said to Abraham, As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but

Sarah *shall* her name *be*.

And I will bless her, and give you *a* son also of her: yes, I will bless her, and she shall be *a mother* of nations; kings of people shall be of her.

Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall *a child* be born unto him that is *a* hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?

And Abraham said to ELOHEEM, O that Ishmael might live before you!

And ELOHEEM said, Sarah your wife shall bear you *a* son indeed; and you shall call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for *an* everlasting covenant, *and* with his seed after him.

And as for Ishmael, I have heard you: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him *a* great nation.

But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto you at this set time in the next year.

And he left off talking with him, and ELOHEEM went up from Abraham.

And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as ELOHEEM had said to him.

And Abraham *was* ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

And Ishmael his son *was* thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

CHAPTER 18

AND YAHWAH appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;

And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, behold, three men stood by him: and when he saw *them*, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,

And said, My lords, if now I have found favour in your sight, pass not away, I pray you, from your servant:

Let *a* little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

And I will fetch *a* morsel of bread, and comfort you all your hearts; after that you all shall pass on: for therefore are you all come to your servant. And they said, So do, as you have said.

And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead, and make cakes upon the hearth.

And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht *a* male ox, tender and good, and gave *it* unto *a* young man; and he hasted to prepare it.

And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had prepared, and set before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.

And they said to him, Where *is* Sarah your wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

And he said, I will certainly return unto you according to the time of life; and, behold, Sarah your wife shall have *a* son. And Sarah heard *it* in the tent door, which *was* behind him.

Now Abraham and Sarah *were* old *and* well stricken in age; *and* it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

Therefore Sarah laughed inside herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my

Lord being old also?

And YAHWAH said to Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of *a* surety bear *a* child, which am old?

Is anything too hard for YAHWAH? At the time appointed I will return unto you, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have *a* son.

Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but you did laugh.

And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

And YAHWAH said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

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

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

And YAHWAH said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;

I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.

And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before YAHWAH.

And Abraham drew near, and said, Will you also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

Peradventure there be fifty righteous inside of the city: will you also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein?

That be far from you to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from you: Shall not the Judge of all the land do right?

And YAHWAH said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous inside of the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.

And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which *am but* dust and ashes:

Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: will you destroy all the city for *lack of* five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy *it*.

And he spoke unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do *it* for forty's sake.

And he said to *him*, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do *it*, if I find thirty there.

And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for twenty's sake.

And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for ten's sake.

And YAHWAH went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

CHAPTER 19

AND there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing *them* rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the land;

And he said, Behold now, my Lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and wait all night, and wash your feet, and you all shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night.

And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them *a* feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.

But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

And they called unto Lot, and said to him, Where *are* the men which came in to you this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.

And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do you all to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.

And they said, Stand back. And they said *again*, This one *fellow* came in to sojourn, and he will needs be *a* judge: now will we deal worse with you, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and came near to break the door.

But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.

And they smote the men that *were* at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

And the men said to Lot, Have you here any besides? son in law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whatsoever you have in the city, bring *them* out of this place:

For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of YAHWAH; and YAHWAH has sent us to destroy it.

And Lot went out, and spoke unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for YAHWAH will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.

And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take your wife, and your two daughters, which are here; lest you be consumed in the iniquity of the city.

And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; YAHWAH being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him outside of the city.

And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for your life; look not behind you, neither stay you in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest you be consumed.

And Lot said to them, Oh, not so, my Lords:

Behold now, your servant has found grace in your sight, and you have magnified your mercy, which you have showed unto me in keeping my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

Behold now, this city *is* near to flee unto, and it *is a* little one: Oh, let me escape there, (*is it not a little one?*) and my person shall live.

And he said to him, See, I have accepted you concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which you have spoken.

Haste you, escape there; for I cannot do anything till you be come there. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

The sun was risen upon the land when Lot entered into Zoar.

Then YAHWAH rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from YAHWAH

out of heaven;

And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became *a* pillar of salt.

And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before YAHWAH:

And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, behold, the smoke of the land went up as the smoke of *a* furnace.

And it came to pass, when ELOHEEM destroyed the cities of the plain, that ELOHEEM remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in which Lot dwelt.

And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in *a* cave, he and his two daughters.

And the firstborn said to the younger, Our father *is* old, and *there is* not *a* man in the land to come in unto us after the manner of all the land:

Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said to the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go you in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

And the firstborn bare *a* son, and called his name Moab: the same *is* the father of the Moabites unto this day.

And the younger, she also bare *a* son, and called his name Ben-ammi: the same *is* the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

CHAPTER 20

AND Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south land, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.

And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She *is* my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah.

But the ELOHEEM came to Abimelech in *a* dream by night, and said to him, Behold, you *are* *but* *a* dead man, for the woman which you have taken; for she *is* *a* man's wife.

But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, Lord, will you slay also *a* righteous nation?

Said he not unto me, She *is* my sister? and she, even she herself said, He *is* my brother: in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.

And the ELOHEEM said to him in *a* dream, Yes, I know that you did this in the integrity of your heart; for I also withheld you from sinning against me: therefore suffered I you not to touch her.

Now therefore restore the man *his* wife; for he *is* *a* prophet, and he shall pray for you, and you shall live: and if you restore *her* not, know you that you shall surely die, you, and all that *are* your.

Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said to him, What have you done unto us? and what have I

offended you, that you have brought on me and on my kingdom *a* great sin? you have done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.

And Abimelech said to Abraham, What saw you, that you have done this thing?

And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of the ELOHEEM *is* not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake.

And yet indeed *she is* my sister; she *is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

And it came to pass, when the ELOHEEM caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said to her, This *is* your kindness which you shall show unto me; at every place where we shall come, say of me, He *is* my brother.

And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave *them* unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

And Abimelech said, Behold, my land *is* before you: dwell where it pleases you.

And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given your brother *a* thousand *pieces* of silver: behold, he *is* to you *a* covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with you, and with all *other*: thus she was reproved.

So Abraham prayed unto the ELOHEEM: and the ELOHEEM healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare *children*.

For YAHWAH had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.

CHAPTER 21

AND YAHWAH visited Sarah as he had said, and YAHWAH did unto Sarah as he had spoken.

For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham *a* son in his old age, at the set time of which ELOHEEM had spoken to him.

And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as ELOHEEM had commanded him.

And Abraham was *a* hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

And Sarah said, ELOHEEM has made me to laugh, *so that* all that hear will laugh with me.

And she said, Who would have said to Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? for I have born *him a* son in his old age.

And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made *a* great feast the *same* day that Isaac was weaned.

And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.

Wherefore she said to Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, *even* with Isaac.

And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.

And the ELOHEEM said to Abraham, Let it not be grievous in your sight because of the lad, and because of your bondwoman; in all that Sarah has said to you, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall your seed be called.

And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make *a* nation, because he *is* your seed.

And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and *a* bottle of water, and gave *it* unto Hagar, putting *it* on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.

And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.

And she went, and sat her down over against *him a* good way off, as it were *a* bowshot: for she

said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against *him*, and lift up her voice, and wept.

And the ELOHEEM heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of the ELOHEEM called to Hagar out of heaven, and said to her, What ails you, Hagar? fear not; for the ELOHEEM has heard the voice of the lad where he *is*.

Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in your hand; for I will make him *a* great nation.

And the ELOHEEM opened her eyes, and she saw *a* well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.

And the ELOHEEM was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became *an* archer.

And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him *a* wife out of the land of Egypt.

And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phichol the chief captain of his host spoke unto Abraham, saying, the ELOHEEM *is* with you in all that you do:

Now therefore swear unto me here by the ELOHEEM that you will not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son: *but* according to the kindness that I have done unto you, you shall do unto me, and to the land wherein you have sojourned.

And Abraham said, I will swear.

And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of *a* well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away.

And Abimelech said, I wot not who has done this thing: neither did you tell me, neither yet heard I *of it*, but today.

And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and both of them made *a* covenant.

And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

And Abimelech said to Abraham, What *mean* these seven ewe lambs which you have set by themselves?

And he said, For *these* seven ewe lambs shall you take of my hand, that they may be *a* witness unto me, that I have digged this well.

Wherefore he called that place Beersheba; because there they sware both of them.

Thus they made *a* covenant at Beersheba: then Abimelech rose up, and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.

And *Abraham* planted *a* grove in Beersheba, and called there on the name of YAHWAH, the everlasting God.

And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.

CHAPTER 22

AND it came to pass after these things, that the ELOHEEM did tempt Abraham, and said to him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, *here I am*.

And he said, Take now your son, your only *son* Isaac, whom you love, and get you into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for *a* burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell you of.

And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which the ELOHEEM had told him.

Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

And Abraham said to his young men, Abide you all here with the ass; and I and the lad will go

yonder and worship, and come again to you.

And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid *it* upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and *a* knife; and they went both of them together.

And Isaac spoke unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where *is* the lamb for *a* burnt offering?

And Abraham said, My son, the ELOHEEM will provide himself *a* lamb for *a* burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

And they came to the place which the ELOHEEM had told him of; and Abraham built *an* altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

And the angel of YAHWAH called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here *am* I.

And he said, Lay not your hand upon the lad, neither do you anything unto him: for now I know that you fear the ELOHEEM, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only *son* from me.

And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* *a* ram caught in *a* thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for *a* burnt offering in the stead of his son.

And Abraham called the name of that place YAHWAHjireh: as it is said *to* this day, In the mountain of YAHWAH it shall be seen.

And the angel of YAHWAH called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

And said, By myself have I sworn, said YAHWAH, for because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only *son*:

That in blessing I will bless you, and in multiplying I will multiply your seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which *is* upon the sea shore; and your seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

And in your seed shall all the nations of the land be blessed; because you have obeyed my voice.

So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beersheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beersheba.

And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah, she has also born children unto your brother Nahor;

Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram,

And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel.

And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

And his concubine, whose name *was* Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and Maachah.

CHAPTER 23

AND Sarah was *a* hundred and seven and twenty years old: *these were* the years of the Life of Sarah.

And Sarah died in Kirjatharba; the same *is* Hebron in the land of Kanaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.

And Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spoke unto the sons of Heth, saying,

I *am* *a* stranger and *a* sojourner with you: give me *a* possession of *a* tomb with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him,

Hear us, my Lord: you *are* *a* mighty prince among us: in the choice of our tombs bury your dead;

none of us shall withhold from you his tomb, but that you may bury your dead.

And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, *even* to the children of Heth.

And he communed with them, saying, If it be your person that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he has, which *is* in the end of his field; for as much money as it is worth he shall give it me for *a* possession of *a* tomb amongst you.

And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, *even* of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying,

Nay, my Lord, hear me: the field give I you, and the cave that *is* therein, I give it you; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it you: bury your dead.

And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

And he spoke unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if you *will give it*, I pray you, hear me: I will give you money for the field; take *it* of me, and I will bury my dead there.

And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,

My Lord, hearken unto me: the land *is worth* four hundred shekels of silver; what *is* that betwixt me and you? bury therefore your dead.

And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current *money* with the merchant.

And the field of Ephron, which *was* in Machpelah, which *was* before Mamre, the field, and the cave which *was* therein, and all the trees that *were* in the field, that *were* in all the borders round about, were made sure

Unto Abraham for *a* possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.

And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same *is* Hebron in the land of Kanaan.

And the field, and the cave that *is* therein, were made sure unto Abraham for *a* possession of *a* tomb by the sons of Heth.

CHAPTER 24

AND Abraham was old, *and* well stricken in age: and YAHWAH had blessed Abraham in all things.

And Abraham said to his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray you, your hand under my thigh:

And I will make you swear by YAHWAH the ELOHEEM of heaven, and the ELOHEEM of the land, that you shall not take *a* wife unto my son of the daughters of the Kanaanites, among whom I dwell:

But you shall go unto my land, and to my kindred, and take *a* wife unto my son Isaac.

And the servant said to him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring your son again unto the land from where you came?

And Abraham said to him, Beware you that you bring not my son there again.

YAHWAH ELOHEEM of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spoke unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto your seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before you, and you shall take *a* wife unto my son from thence.

And if the woman will not be willing to follow you, then you shall be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son there again.

And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and swore to him concerning that matter.

And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; for all the goods of his master *were* in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.

And he made his camels to kneel down outside of the city by *a* well of water at the time of the evening, *even* the time that women go out to draw *water*.

And he said, O YAHWAH ELOHEEM of my master Abraham, I pray you, send me good speed this day, and show kindness unto my master Abraham.

Behold, I stand *here* by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:

And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down your pitcher, I pray you, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give your camels drink also: *let the same be she that* you have appointed for your servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that you have showed kindness unto my master.

And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

And the damsel *was* very fair to look upon, *a* virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray you, drink *a* little water of your pitcher. And she said, Drink, my Lord: and she hastened, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw *water* for your camels also, until they have done drinking.

And she hastened, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels.

And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether YAHWAH had made his journey prosperous or not.

And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took *a* golden earring of half *a* shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *shekels* weight of gold;

And said, Whose daughter *are* you? tell me, I pray you: is there room *in* your father's house for us to lodge in?

And she said to him, I *am* the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto Nahor. She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.

And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped YAHWAH.

And he said, Blessed *be* YAHWAH ELOHEEM of my master Abraham, who has not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I *being* in the Way, YAHWAH led me to the house of my master's brethren.

And the damsel ran, and told *them of* her mother's house these things.

And Rebekah had *a* brother, and his name *was* Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the well.

And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spoke the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

And he said, Come in, you blessed of YAHWAH; wherefore stand you without? for I have

prepared the house, and room for the camels.

And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that *were* with him.

And there was set *meat* before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told my errand. And he said, Speak on.

And he said, I *am* Abraham's servant.

And YAHWAH has blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he has given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.

And Sarah my master's wife bare *a* son to my master when she was old: and unto him has he given all that he has.

And my master made me swear, saying, You shall not take *a* wife to my son of the daughters of the Kanaanites, in whose land I dwell:

But you shall go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take *a* wife unto my son.

And I said to my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.

And he said to me, YAHWAH, before whom I walk, will send his angel with you, and prosper your way; and you shall take *a* wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

Then shall you be clear from *this* my oath, when you come to my kindred; and if they give not you *one*, you shall be clear from my oath.

And I came this day unto the well, and said, O YAHWAH ELOHEEM of my master Abraham, if now you do prosper my way which I go:

Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin came forth to draw *water*, and I say to her, Give me, I pray you, *a* little water of your pitcher to drink;

And she say to me, Both drink you, and I will also draw for your camels: *let* the same *be* the woman whom YAHWAH has appointed out for my master's son.

And before I had done speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew *water*: and I said to her, Let me drink, I pray you.

And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her *shoulder*, and said, Drink, and I will give your camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter *are* you? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

And I bowed down my head, and worshipped YAHWAH, and blessed YAHWAH ELOHEEM of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.

And now if you all will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.

Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceeds from YAHWAH: we cannot speak unto you bad or good.

Behold, Rebekah *is* before you, take *her*, and go, and let her be your master's son's wife, as YAHWAH has spoken.

And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped YAHWAH, *bowing himself* to the land.

And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave *them* to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.

And they did eat and drink, he and the men that *were* with him, and waited all night; and they

rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.

And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us *a few* days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.

And he said to them, Hinder me not, seeing YAHWAH has prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.

And they said, We will call the damsel, and inquire at her mouth.

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, Will you go with this man? And she said, I will go.

And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

And they blessed Rebekah, and said to her, You *are* our sister, be you *the mother* of thousands of millions, and let your seed possess the gate of those which hate them.

And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi; for he dwelt in the south land.

And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels *were* coming.

And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel.

For she *had* said to the servant, What man *is* this that walks in the field to meet us? And the servant *had* said, It *is* my master: therefore she took *a* veil, and covered herself.

And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.

And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.

CHAPTER 25

THEN again Abraham took *a* wife, and her name *was* Keturah.

And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.

And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.

And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these *were* the children of Keturah.

And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east land.

And these *are* the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, *a* hundred and seventy-five years.

Then Abraham gave up the spirit, and died in *a* good old age, *an* old man, and full *of* years; and was gathered to his people.

And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which *is* before Mamre;

The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that the ELOHEEM blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the well Lahairoi.

Now these *are* the descendants of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:

And these *are* the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their descendants: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah:

These *are* the sons of Ishmael, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their castles; twelve princes according to their tribes.

And these *are* the years of the Life of Ishmael, *a* hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the spirit and died; and was gathered unto his people.

And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that *is* before Egypt, as you go toward Assyria: *and* he died in the presence of all his brethren.

And these *are* the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac:

And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.

And Isaac intreated YAHWAH for his wife, because she *was* barren: and YAHWAH was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

And the children struggled together inside of her; and she said, If *it be* so, why *am* I thus? And she went to inquire of YAHWAH.

And YAHWAH said to her, Two nations *are* in your womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from your bowels; and *the one* people shall be stronger than *the other* people; and the elder shall serve the younger.

And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, *there were* twins in her womb.

And the first came out red, all over like *a* hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.

And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac *was* sixty years old when she bare them.

And the boys grew: and Esau was *a* cunning hunter, *a* man of the field; and Jacob *was a* plain man, dwelling in tents.

And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of *his* venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.

And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he *was* faint:

And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray you, with that same red *pottage*; for I *am* faint: therefore was his name called Edom.

And Jacob said, Sell me this day your birthright.

And Esau said, Behold, I *am* at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?

And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.

Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised *his* birthright.

CHAPTER 26

AND there was *a* famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.

And YAHWAH appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell you of:

Sojourn in this land, and I will be with you, and will bless you; for unto you, and unto your seed, I will give all these lands, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham your father;

And I will make your seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto your seed all these lands; and in your seed shall all the nations of the land be blessed;

Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:

And the men of the place asked *him* of his wife; and he said, She *is* my sister: for he feared to

say, *She is* my wife; lest, *said he*, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she *was* fair to look upon.

And it came to pass, when he had been there *a* long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at *a* window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac *was* sporting with Rebekah his wife.

And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of *a* surety she *is* your wife: and how said you, She *is* my sister? And Isaac said to him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.

And Abimelech said, What *is* this you have done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with your wife, and you should have brought guiltiness upon us.

And Abimelech charged all *his* people, saying, He that touches this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.

Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year *a* hundredfold: and YAHWAH blessed him.

And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great:

For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.

For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

And Abimelech said to Isaac, Go from us; for you are much mightier than we.

And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.

And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there *a* well of springing water.

And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water *is* ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they strove with him.

And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah.

And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now YAHWAH has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.

And he went up from thence to Beersheba.

And YAHWAH appeared unto him the same night, and said, I *am* the ELOHEEM of Abraham your father: fear not, for I *am* with you, and will bless you, and multiply your seed for my servant Abraham's sake.

And he built *an* altar there, and called upon the name of YAHWAH, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged *a* well.

Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.

And Isaac said to them, Wherefore come you all to me, seeing you all hate me, and have sent me away from you?

And they said, We saw certainly that YAHWAH was with you: and we said, Let there be now *an* oath betwixt us, *even* betwixt us and you, and let us make *a* covenant with you;

That you will do us no hurt, as we have not touched you, and as we have done unto you nothing but good, and have sent you away in peace: you *are* now the blessed of YAHWAH.

And he made them *a* feast, and they did eat and drink.

And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.

And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well

which they had digged, and said to him, We have found water.

And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city *is* Beersheba unto this day.

And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beerli the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:

Which were *a* grief of spirit unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

CHAPTER 27

AND it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said to him, My son: and he said to him, Behold, *here am I*.

And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:

Now therefore take, I pray you, your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and take me *some* venison;

And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my person may bless you before I die.

And Rebekah heard when Isaac spoke to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt *for* venison, *and* to bring *it*.

And Rebekah spoke unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard your father speak unto Esau your brother, saying,

Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless you before YAHWAH before my death.

Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command you.

Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for your father, such as he loves:

And you shall bring *it* to your father, that he may eat, and that he may bless you before his death.

And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother *is a* hairy man, and I *am a* smooth man:

My father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as *a* deceiver; and I shall bring *a* curse upon me, and not *a* blessing.

And his mother said to him, Upon me *be* your curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me *them*.

And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved.

And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck:

And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am I*; who *are* you, my son?

And Jacob said to his father, I *am* Esau your firstborn; I have done according as you bid me: arise, I pray you, sit and eat of my venison, that your person may bless me.

And Isaac said to his son, How *is it* that you have found *it* so quickly, my son? And he said, Because YAHWAH ELOHEEM brought *it* to me.

And Isaac said to Jacob, Come near, I pray you, that I may feel you, my son, whether you *be* my very son Esau or not.

And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice *is* Jacob's voice, but the hands *are* the hands of Esau.

And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he

blessed him.

And he said, *Are you my very son Esau?* And he said, *I am.*

And he said, Bring *it* near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my person may bless you. And he brought *it* near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank.

And his father Isaac said to him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son *is* as the smell of *a* field which YAHWAH has blessed:

Therefore the ELOHEEM give you of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the land, and plenty of grain and wine:

Let people serve you, and peoples bow down to you: be Lord over your brethren, and let your mother's sons bow down to you: cursed *be* every one that curses you, and blessed *be* he that blesses you.

And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made *an* end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said to his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that your person may bless me.

And Isaac his father said to him, Who *are* you? And he said, *I am* your son, your firstborn Esau.

And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where *is* he that has taken venison, and brought *it* me, and I have eaten of all before you came, and have blessed him? yes, *and* he shall be blessed.

And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with *a* great and exceeding bitter cry, and said to his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.

And he said, Your brother came with subtilty, and has taken away your blessing.

And he said, Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he has supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he has taken away my blessing. And he said, Have you not reserved *a* blessing for me?

And Isaac answered and said to Esau, Behold, I have made him your Lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with grain and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto you, my son?

And Esau said to his father, Have you but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even* me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

And Isaac his father answered and said to him, Behold, your dwelling shall be the fatness of the land, and of the dew of heaven from above;

And by your sword shall you live, and shall serve your brother; and it shall come to pass when you shall have the dominion, that you shall break his yoke from off your neck.

And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.

And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said to him, Behold, your brother Esau, as touching you, does comfort himself, *purposing* to kill you.

Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee you to Laban my brother to Haran;

And wait with him *a* few days, until your brother's fury turn away;

Until your brother's anger turn away from you, and he forget *that* which you have done to him: then I will send, and fetch you from thence: why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?

And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take

a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

CHAPTER 28

AND Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said to him, You shall not take a wife of the daughters of Kanaan.

Arise, go to Padanaram, to the house of Bethuel your mother's father; and take you a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban your mother's brother.

And God Almighty bless you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, that you may be leaders of people;

And give you the blessing of Abraham, to you, and to your seed with you; that you may inherit the land wherein you are a stranger, which the ELOHEEM gave unto Abraham.

And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padanaram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padanaram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, You shall not take a wife of the daughters of Kanaan;

And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padanaram;

And Esau seeing that the daughters of Kanaan pleased not Isaac his father;

Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran.

And he lighted upon a certain place, and waited there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the land, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels ELOHEEM ascending and descending on it.

And, behold, YAHWAH stood above it, and said, I *am* YAHWAH ELOHEEM of Abraham your father, and the ELOHEEM of Isaac: the land whereon you lie, to you will I give it, and to your seed;

And your seed shall be as the dust of the land, and you shall spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in you and in your seed shall all the families of the land be blessed.

And, behold, I *am* with you, and will keep you in all *places* where you go, and will bring you again into this land; for I will not leave you, until I have done *that* which I have spoken to you of.

And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely YAHWAH is in this place; and I knew *it* not.

And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful *is* this place! this *is* none other but the house of the ELOHEEM, and this *is* the gate of heaven.

And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put *for* his pillows, and set it up *for* a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.

And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of that city *was called* Luz at the first.

And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If the ELOHEEM will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall YAHWAH be the ELOHEEM:

And this stone, which I have set *for* a pillar, shall be the ELOHEEM'S house: and of all that you shall give me I will surely give the tenth unto you.

CHAPTER 29

THEN Jacob went on his journey, and came into the land of the people of the east.

And he looked, and behold *a* well in the field, and, behold, there *were* three flocks of sheep lying by it; for out of that well they watered the flocks: and *a* great stone *was* upon the well's mouth.

And there were all the flocks gathered: and they rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone again upon the well's mouth in his place.

And Jacob said to them, My brethren, where *be* you all? And they said, Of Haran *are* we.

And he said to them, Know you all Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know *him*.

And he said to them, *Is* he well? And they said, *He is* well: and, behold, Rachael his daughter came with the sheep.

And he said, Behold, *it is* yet high day, neither *is it* time that the cattle should be gathered together: water you all the sheep, and go *and* feed *them*.

And they said, We cannot, until all the flocks be gathered together, and *till* they roll the stone from the well's mouth; then we water the sheep.

And while he yet spoke with them, Rachael came with her father's sheep: for she kept them.

And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachael the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.

And Jacob kissed Rachael, and lifted up his voice, and wept.

And Jacob told Rachael that he *was* her father's brother, and that he *was* Rebekah's son: and she ran and told her father.

And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things.

And Laban said to him, Surely you *are* my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him the space of *a* month.

And Laban said to Jacob, Because you *are* my brother, should you therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what *shall* your wages *be*?

And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder *was* Leah, and the name of the younger *was* Rachael.

Leah *was* tender eyed; but Rachael was beautiful and well favoured.

And Jacob loved Rachael; and said, I will serve you seven years for Rachael your younger daughter.

And Laban said, *It is* better that I give her to you, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me.

And Jacob served seven years for Rachael; and they seemed unto him *but a* few days, for the love he had to her.

And Jacob said to Laban, Give *me* my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her.

And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made *a* feast.

And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her.

And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid *for a* handmaid.

And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it *was* Leah: and he said to Laban, What *is* this you have done unto me? did not I serve with you for Rachael? wherefore then have you beguiled me?

And Laban said, It must not be so done in our country, to give the younger before the firstborn.

Fulfill her week, and we will give you this also for the service which you shall serve with me yet

seven other years.

And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachael his daughter to wife also.

And Laban gave to Rachael his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.

And he went in also unto Rachael, and he loved also Rachael more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

And when YAHWAH saw that Leah *was* hated, he opened her womb: but Rachael *was* barren.

And Leah conceived, and bare *a* son, and she called his name Reuben: for she said, Surely YAHWAH has looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.

And she conceived again, and bare *a* son; and said, Because YAHWAH has heard that I *was* hated, he has therefore given me this *son* also: and she called his name Simeon.

And she conceived again, and bare *a* son; and said, Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have born him three sons: therefore was his name called Levi.

And she conceived again, and bare *a* son: and she said, Now will I praise YAHWAH: therefore she called his name Judah; and left bearing.

CHAPTER 30

AND when Rachael saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachael envied her sister; and said to Jacob, Give me children, or else I die.

And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachael: and he said, *Am* I in the ELOHEEM'S stead, who has withheld from you the fruit of the womb?

And she said, Behold my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; and she shall bear upon my knees, that I may also have children by her.

And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in unto her.

And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob *a* son.

And Rachael said, the ELOHEEM has judged me, and has also heard my voice, and has given me *a* son: therefore called she his name Dan.

And Bilhah Rachael's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob *a* second son.

And Rachael said, With great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have prevailed: and she called his name Naphtali.

When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her maid, and gave her Jacob to wife.

And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob *a* son.

And Leah said, A troop comes: and she called his name Gad.

And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob *a* second son.

And Leah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she called his name Asher.

And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachael said to Leah, Give me, I pray you, of your son's mandrakes.

And she said to her, *Is it a* small matter that you have taken my husband? and would you take away my son's mandrakes also? And Rachael said, Therefore he shall lie with you to night for your son's mandrakes.

And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, You must come in unto me; for surely I have hired you with my son's mandrakes. And he lay with her that night.

And the ELOHEEM hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob the fifth son.

And Leah said, the ELOHEEM has given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name Issachar.

And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.

And Leah said, the ELOHEEM has endued me *with a* good dowry; now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name Zebulun.

And afterwards she bare *a* daughter, and called her name Dinah.

And the ELOHEEM remembered Rachael, and the ELOHEEM hearkened to her, and opened her womb.

And she conceived, and bare *a* son; and said, the ELOHEEM has taken away my reproach:

And she called his name Joseph; and said, YAHWAH shall add to me another son.

And it came to pass, when Rachael had born Joseph, that Jacob said to Laban, Send me away, that I may go unto my own place, and to my land.

Give *me* my wives and my children, for whom I have served you, and let me go: for you know my service which I have done you.

And Laban said to him, I pray you, if I have found favour in your eyes, *wait: for* I have learned by experience that YAHWAH has blessed me for your sake.

And he said, Appoint me your wages, and I will give *it*.

And he said to him, You know how I have served you, and how your cattle was with me.

For *it was* little which you had before I *came*, and it is *now* increased unto *a* multitude; and YAHWAH has blessed you since my coming: and now when shall I provide for my own house also?

And he said, What shall I give you? And Jacob said, You shall not give me anything: if you will do this thing for me, I will again feed *and* keep your flock:

I will pass through all your flock today, removing from thence all the speckled and spotted lambs, and all the brown lambs among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and *this* shall be my hire.

So shall my righteousness answer for me in time to come, when it shall come for my hire before your face: every one that *is* not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that shall be counted stolen with me.

And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be according to your word.

And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, *and* every one that had *some* white in it, and all the brown among the sheep, and gave *them* into the hand of his sons.

And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

And Jacob took him rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and chesnut tree; and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appear which *was* in the rods.

And he set the rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs when the flocks came to drink, that they should conceive when they came to drink.

And the flocks conceived before the rods, and brought forth sheep ringstraked, speckled, and spotted.

And Jacob did separate the sheep, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto Laban's flocks.

And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger sheep did conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the sheep in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.

But when the sheep were feeble, he put *them* not in: so the feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.

And the man increased exceedingly, and had much flocks, and maidservants, and menservants,

and camels, and asses.

CHAPTER 31

AND he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob has taken away all that *was* our father's; and of *that* which *was* our father's has he gotten all this glory.

And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it *was* not toward him as before.

And YAHWAH said to Jacob, Return unto the land of your fathers, and to your kindred; and I will be with you.

And Jacob sent and called Rachael and Leah to the field unto his flock,

And said to them, I see your father's countenance, that it *is* not toward me as before; but the ELOHEEM of my father has been with me.

And you all know that with all my power I have served your father.

And your father has deceived me, and changed my wages ten times; but the ELOHEEM suffered him not to hurt me.

If he said thus, The speckled shall be your wages; then all the sheep bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ringstraked shall be your hire; then bare all the sheep ringstraked.

Thus the ELOHEEM has taken away the flocks of your father, and given *them* to me.

And it came to pass at the time that the sheep conceived, that I lifted up my eyes, and saw in *a* dream, and, behold, the rams which leaped upon the sheep *were* ringstraked, speckled, and grisled.

And the angel of the ELOHEEM spoke unto me in *a* dream, *saying*, Jacob: And I said, Here *am* I.

And he said, Lift up now your eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the sheep *are* ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for I have seen all that Laban does unto you.

I *am* the God of Bethel, where you anointed the pillar, *and* where you vowed *a* vow unto me: now arise, get you out from this land, and return unto the land of your kindred.

And Rachael and Leah answered and said to him, *Is there* yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house?

Are we not counted of him strangers? for he has sold us, and has quite devoured also our money.

For all the riches which the ELOHEEM has taken from our father, that *is* ours, and our children's: now then, whatsoever the ELOHEEM has said to you, do.

Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels;

And he carried away all his flocks, and all his goods which he had gotten, the flocks of his getting, which he had gotten in Padanaram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of Kanaan.

And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachael had stolen the images that *were* her father's.

And Jacob stole away unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled.

So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set his face *toward* the mountain of Gilead.

And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.

And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the mountain of Gilead.

And ELOHEEM came to Laban the Syrian in *a* dream by night, and said to him, Take heed that you speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mountain: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mountain of Gilead.

And Laban said to Jacob, What have you done, that you have stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives *taken* with the sword?

Wherefore did you flee away secretly, and steal away from me; and did not tell me, that I might have sent you away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp?

And have not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? you have now done foolishly in *so* doing.

It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the ELOHEEM of your father spoke unto me yesternight, saying, Take you heed that you speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

And now, *though* you would needs be gone, because you sore long after your father's house, *yet* wherefore have you stolen my eloheems?

And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure you would take by force your daughters from me.

With whomsoever you find your eloheems, let him not live: before our brethren discern you what *is* yours with me, and take *it* to you. For Jacob knew not that Rachael had stolen them.

And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachael's tent.

Now Rachael had taken the images, and put them in the camel's furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban searched all the tent, but found *them* not.

And she said to her father, Let it not displease my Lord that I cannot rise up before you; for the custom of women *is* upon me. And he searched, but found not the images.

And Jacob was wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What *is* my trespass? what *is* my sin, that you have so hotly pursued after me?

Whereas you have searched all my stuff, what have you found of all your household stuff? set *it* here before my brethren and your brethren, that they may judge betwixt us both.

This twenty years *have I been* with you; your ewes and your she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of your flock have I not eaten.

That which was torn *of beasts* I brought not unto you; I bare the loss of it; of my hand did you require it, *whether* stolen by day, or stolen by night.

Thus I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from my eyes.

Thus have I been twenty years in your house; I served you fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for your flocks: and you have changed my wages ten times.

Except the ELOHEEM of my father, the ELOHEEM of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely you had sent me away now empty. the ELOHEEM has seen my affliction and the labor of my hands, and rebuked *you* yesternight.

And Laban answered and said to Jacob, *These* daughters *are* my daughters, and *these* children *are* my children, and *these* flocks *are* my flocks, and all that you see *is* mine: and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?

Now therefore come you, let us make *a* covenant, I and you; and let it be for *a* witness between me and you.

And Jacob took *a* stone, and set it up *for a* pillar.

And Jacob said to his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made *a* heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

And Laban called it Jegarsahadutha: but Jacob called it Galeed.

And Laban said, This heap *is a* witness between me and you this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed;

And Mizpah; for he said, YAHWAH watch between me and you, when we are absent one from another.

If you shall afflict my daughters, or if you shall take *other* wives beside my daughters, no man *is*

with us; see, the ELOHEEM *is* witness betwixt me and you.

And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold *this* pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and you;

This heap *be* witness, and *this* pillar *be* witness, that I will not pass over this heap to you, and that you shall not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

the ELOHEEM of Abraham, and the ELOHEEM of Nahor, the ELOHEEM of their father, judge betwixt us. And Jacob swore by the fear of his father Isaac.

Then Jacob offered sacrifice upon the mountain, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and waited all night in the mountain.

And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned unto his place.

CHAPTER 32

AND Jacob went on his way, and the angels of the ELOHEEM met him.

And when Jacob saw them, he said, This *is* the ELOHEEM'S host: and he called the name of that place Mahanaim.

And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the country of Edom.

And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall you all speak unto my Lord Esau; Your servant Jacob said thus, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed there until now:

And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and menservants, and womenservants: and I have sent to tell my Lord, that I may find grace in your sight.

And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to your brother Esau, and also he comes to meet you, and four hundred men with him.

Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed: and he divided the people that *was* with him, and the flocks, and herds, and the camels, into two bands;

And said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the other company which is left shall escape.

And Jacob said, O ELOHEEM of my father Abraham, and the ELOHEEM of my father Isaac, YAHWAH which said unto me, Return unto your land, and to your kindred, and I will deal well with you:

I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the Truth, which you have showed unto your servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two bands.

Deliver me, I pray you, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, *and* the mother with the children.

And you saidst, I will surely do you good, and make your seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came to his hand *a* present for Esau his brother;

Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams,

Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and ten foals.

And he delivered *them* into the hand of his servants, every drove by themselves; and said to his servants, Pass over before me, and put *a* space betwixt drove and drove.

And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meets you, and asks you, saying, Whose *are* you? and where go you? and whose *are* these before you?

Then you shall say, *They be* your servant Jacob's; it *is a* present sent unto my Lord Esau: and, behold, also he *is* behind us.

And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, On this manner shall you all speak unto Esau, when you all find him.

And say you all moreover, Behold, your servant Jacob *is* behind us. For he said, I will appease him with the present that goes before me, and afterwards I will see his face; peradventure he will accept of me.

So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the company.

And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jabbok.

And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled *a* man with him until the breaking of the day.

And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.

And he said, Let me go, for the day breaks. And he said, I will not let you go, except you bless me.

And he said to him, What *is* your name? And he said, Jacob.

And he said, Your name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as *a* prince have you power with the ELOHEEM and with men, and have prevailed.

And Jacob asked *him*, and said, Tell *me*, I pray you, your name. And he said, Wherefore *is* it *that* you do ask after my name? And he blessed him there.

And Jacob called the name of the place Penuel: for I have seen the ELOHEEM face to face, and my life is preserved.

And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.

Therefore the children of Israel eat not *of* the sinew which shrank, which *is* upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew that shrank.

CHAPTER 33

AND Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came, and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachael, and unto the two handmaids.

And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachael and Joseph hindermost.

And he passed over before them, and bowed himself to the land seven times, until he came near to his brother.

And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.

And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who *are* those with you? And he said, The children which the ELOHEEM has graciously given your servant.

Then the handmaidens came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves.

And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachael, and they bowed themselves.

And he said, What *mean* you by all this drove which I met? And he said, *These are* to find grace in the sight of my Lord.

And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that you have unto yourself.

And Jacob said, Nay, I pray you, if now I have found grace in your sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen your face, as though I had seen the face of the ELOHEEM, and you were pleased with me.

Take, I pray you, my blessing that is brought to you; because the ELOHEEM has dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and he took *it*.

And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before you.

And he said to him, My Lord knows that the children *are* tender, and the flocks and herds with young *are* with me: and if men should overdrive them one day, all the flock will die.

Let my Lord, I pray you, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on softly, according as the flocks that goes before me and the children be able to endure, until I come unto my Lord unto Seir.

And Esau said, Let me now leave with you *some* of the folk that *are* with me. And he said, What is the need? let me find grace in the sight of my Lord.

So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.

And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him *a* house, and made booths for his flocks: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.

And Jacob came to Shalem, *a* city of Shechem, which *is* in the land of Kanaan, when he came from Padanaram; and pitched his tent before the city.

And he bought *a* parcel of *a* field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for *a* hundred pieces of money.

And he erected there *an* altar, and called it EleloheIsrael.

CHAPTER 34

AND Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the land, saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and defiled her.

And his person clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spoke kindly unto the damsel.

And Shechem spoke unto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this damsel to wife.

And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter: now his sons were with his flocks in the field: and Jacob held his peace until they were come.

And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him.

And the sons of Jacob came out of the field when they heard *it*: and the men were grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had worked folly in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter; which thing ought not to be done.

And Hamor communed with them, saying, The person of my son Shechem longs for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.

And make you all marriages with us, *and* give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you.

And you all shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade you all therein, and get you possessions therein.

And Shechem said to her father and unto her brethren, Let me find grace in your eyes, and what you all shall say to me I will give.

Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I will give according as you all shall say to me: but give me the damsel to wife.

And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah their sister:

And they said to them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that *were* *a* reproach unto us:

But in this will we consent unto you: If you all will be as we *be*, that every male of you be circumcised;

Then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.

But if you all will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter, and we will be gone.

And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son.

And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob's daughter: and he *was* more honourable than all the house of his father.

And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying,

These men *are* peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for the land, behold, *it is* large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our daughters.

Only herein will the men consent unto us for to dwell with us, to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they *are* circumcised.

Shall not their flocks and their substance and every beast of theirs *be* ours? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.

And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.

And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister. They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that which *was* in the city, and that which *was* in the field,

And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and spoiled even all that *was* in the house.

And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, You all have troubled me to make me to stink among the inhabitants of the land, among the Kanaanites and the Perizzites: and I *being* few in number, they shall gather themselves together against me, and slay me; and I shall be destroyed, I and my house.

And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with *a* whore?

CHAPTER 35

AND the ELOHEEM said to Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there *an* altar unto God, that appeared unto you when you fled from the face of Esau your brother.

Then Jacob said to his household, and to all that *were* with him, Put away the strange eloheems that *are* among you, and be clean, and change your garments:

And let us arise, and go up to Bethel; and I will make there *an* altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went.

And they gave unto Jacob all the strange eloheems which *were* in their hand, and *all their* earrings which *were* in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which *was* by Shechem.

And they journeyed: and the terror of the ELOHEEM was upon the cities that *were* round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.

So Jacob came to Luz, which *is* in the land of Kanaan, that *is*, Bethel, he and all the people that *were* with him.

And he built there *an* altar, and called the place Elbethel: because there the ELOHEEM appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Bethel under *an* oak: and the name of it was called Allonbachuth.

And the ELOHEEM appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padanaram, and blessed him.

And the ELOHEEM said to him, Your name *is* Jacob: your name shall not be called anymore Jacob, but Israel shall be your name: and he called his name Israel.

And the ELOHEEM said to him, I *am* God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; *a* nation and leaders of nations shall be of you, and kings shall come out of your loins;

And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to you I will give it, and to your seed after you will I give the land.

And the ELOHEEM went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

And Jacob set up *a* pillar in the place where he talked with him, *even a* pillar of stone: and he poured *a* drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.

And Jacob called the name of the place where the ELOHEEM spoke with him, Bethel.

And they journeyed from Bethel; and there was but *a* little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachael travailed, and she had hard labor.

And it came to pass, when she was in hard labor, that the midwife said to her, Fear not; you shall have this son also.

And it came to pass, as her person was in departing, (*for she died*) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him Benjamin.

And Rachael died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which *is* Bethlehem.

And Jacob set *a* pillar upon her tomb: that *is* the pillar of Rachael's tomb unto this day.

And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Edar.

And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard *it*. Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:

The sons of Rachael; Joseph, and Benjamin:

And the sons of Bilhah, Rachael's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:

And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid; Gad, and Asher: these *are* the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Padanaram.

And Jacob came unto Isaac his father unto Mamre, unto the city of Arbah, which *is* Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.

And the days of Isaac were *a* hundred and fourscore years.

And Isaac gave up the spirit, and died, and was gathered unto his people, *being* old and full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

CHAPTER 36

NOW these *are* the descendants of Esau, who *is* Edom.

Esau took his wives of the daughters of Kanaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;

And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.

And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel;

And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these *are* the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Kanaan.

And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the persons of his house, and his flocks, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had got in the land of Kanaan; and went into the land from the face of his brother Jacob.

For their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their flocks.

Thus dwelt Esau in the mountain of Seir: Esau *is* Edom.

And these *are* the descendants of Esau the father of the Edomites in the mountain of Seir: These *are* the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of Esau.

And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.

And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these *were* the sons of Adah Esau's wife.

And these *are* the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

These *were* dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn *son* of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,

Duke Korah, duke Gatam, *and* duke Amalek: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these *were* the sons of Adah.

And these *are* the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Reuel in the land of Edom; these *are* the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

And these *are* the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these *were* the dukes *that came* of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.

These *are* the sons of Esau, who *is* Edom, and these *are* their dukes.

These *are* the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,

And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these *are* the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam; and Lotan's sister *was* Timna.

And the children of Shobal *were* these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and Onam.

And these *are* the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this *was that* Anah that found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father.

And the children of Anah *were* these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.

And these *are* the children of Dishon; Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

The children of Ezer *are* these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan.

The children of Dishan *are* these; Uz, and Aran.

These *are* the dukes *that came* of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah,

Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

And these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel.

And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.

And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.

And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.

And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth *by* the river reigned in his stead.

And Saul died, and Baalhanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

And Baalhanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Pau; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

And these *are* the names of the dukes *that came* of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth,

Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these *be* the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he *is* Esau the father of the Edomites.

CHAPTER 37

AND Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his father was *a* stranger, in the land of Kanaan.

These *are* the descendants of Jacob. Joseph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report.

Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* the son of his old age: and he made him *a* coat of *many* colors.

And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.

And Joseph dreamed *a* dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.

And he said to them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:

For, behold, we *were* binding sheaves in the field, and, behold, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.

And his brethren said to him, Shall you indeed reign over us? or shall you indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.

And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed *a* dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said to him, What *is* this dream that you have dreamed? Indeed shall I and your mother and your brethren come to you to bow down ourselves to the land?

And his brethren envied him; but his father observed the saying.

And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.

And Israel said to Joseph, Do not your brethren feed *the flock* in Shechem? come, and I will send you unto them. And he said to him, Here *am I*.

And he said to him, Go, I pray you, see whether it be well with your brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.

And *a* certain man found him, and, behold, *he was* wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What do you seek?

And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray you, where they feed *their flocks*.

And the man said, They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan.

And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired against

him to slay him.

And they said one to another, Behold, this man of dreams comes.

Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some evil beast has devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams.

And Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill his person.

And Reuben said to them, Shed no blood, *but* cast him into this pit that *is* in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.

And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, *his* coat of *many* colors that *was* on him;

And they took him, and cast him into *a* pit: and the pit *was* empty, *there was* no water in it.

And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, *a* company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry *it* down to Egypt.

And Judah said to his brethren, What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and conceal his blood?

Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he *is* our brother *and* our flesh. And his brethren were content.

Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for twenty *pieces* of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph *was* not in the pit; and he rent his clothes.

And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The young man *is* not; and I, where shall I go?

And they took Joseph's coat, and killed *a* kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;

And they sent the coat of *many* colors, and they brought *it* to their father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it *be* your son's coat or not.

And he knew it, and said, *It is* my son's coat; *an* evil beast has devoured him; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.

And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, For I will go down into the grave unto my son mourning. Thus his father wept for him.

And the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, *an* officer of Pharaoh's, *and* captain of the guard.

CHAPTER 38

AND it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to *a* certain Adullamite, whose name *was* Hirah.

And Judah saw there *a* daughter of *a* certain Kanaanite, whose name *was* Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

And she conceived, and bare *a* son; and he called his name Er.

And she conceived again, and bare *a* son; and she called his name Onan.

And she yet again conceived, and bare *a* son; and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

And Judah took *a* wife for Er his firstborn, whose name *was* Tamar.

And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of YAHWAH; and YAHWAH slew him.

And Judah said to Onan, Go in unto your brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to your brother.

And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his

brother's wife, that he spilled *it* on the land, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

And the thing which he did displeased YAHWAH: wherefore he slew him also.

Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain *a* widow at your father's house, till Shelah my son be grown: for he said, Lest peradventure he die also, as his brethren. And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's house.

And in process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold your father in law goes up to Timnath to shear his sheep.

And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with *a* veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in *an* open place, which *is* by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

When Judah saw her, he thought her *to be a* whore; because she had covered her face.

And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray you, let me come in unto you; (*for he knew not that she was his daughter in law*). And she said, What will you give me, that you may come in unto me?

And he said, I will send *you a* kid from the flock. And she said, Will you give *me a* pledge, till you send *it*?

And he said, What pledge shall I give you? And she said, Your signet, and your bracelets, and your staff that *is* in your hand. And he gave *it* her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

And she arose, and went away, and laid by her veil from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.

And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive *his* pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.

Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where *is* the prostitute, that *was* openly by the way side? And they said, There was no prostitute in this *place*.

And he returned to Judah, and said, I cannot find her; and also the men of the place said, *that* there was no prostitute in this *place*.

And Judah said, Let her take *it* to her, lest we be shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and you have not found her.

And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar your daughter in law has played the whore; and also, behold, she *is* with child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.

When she *was* brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose these *are*, *am* I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray you, whose *are* these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff.

And Judah acknowledged *them*, and said, She has been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he knew her again no more.

And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins *were* in her womb.

And it came to pass, when she travailed, that *the one* put out *his* hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand *a* scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.

And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, How have you broken forth? *this* breach *be* upon you: therefore his name was called Pharez.

And afterwards came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zarah.

CHAPTER 39

AND Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, *an* officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, *an* Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down there.

And YAHWAH was with Joseph, and he was *a* prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

And his master saw that YAHWAH *was* with him, and that YAHWAH made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all *that* he had he put into his hand.

And it came to pass from the time *that* he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that YAHWAH blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of YAHWAH was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.

And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, nor the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was goodly, and well favoured.

And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.

But he refused, and said to his master's wife, Behold, my master knows not what *is* with me in the house, and he has committed all that he has to my hand;

There is none greater in this house than I; neither has he kept back anything from me but you, because you *are* his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against the ELOHEEM?

And it came to pass, as she spoke to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her.

And it came to pass about this time, that *Joseph* went into the house to do his business; and *there was* none of the men of the house there inside.

And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth, That she called unto the men of her house, and spoke unto them, saying, See, he has brought in *a* Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with *a* loud voice: And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled, and got him out.

And she laid up his garment by her, until his Lord came home.

And she spoke unto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, which you have brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me:

And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spoke unto him, saying, After this manner did your servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.

And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, *a* place where the king's prisoners *were* bound: and he was there in the prison.

But YAHWAH was with Joseph, and showed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that *were* in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer *of it*.

The keeper of the prison looked not to anything *that was* under his hand; because YAHWAH

was with him, and *that* which he did, YAHWAH made *it* to prosper.

CHAPTER 40

AND it came to pass after these things, *that* the butler of the king of Egypt and *his* baker had offended their Lord the king of Egypt.

And Pharaoh was wroth against two *of* his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.

And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph *was* bound.

And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they continued *a* season in ward.

And they dreamed *a* dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which *were* bound in the prison.

And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, behold, they *were* sad.

And he asked Pharaoh's officers that *were* with him in the ward of his Lord's house, saying, Wherefore look you all *so* sadly today?

And they said to him, We have dreamed *a* dream, and *there is* no interpreter of it. And Joseph said to them, *Do* not interpretations *belong* to the ELOHEEM? tell me *them*, I pray you.

And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, *a* vine *was* before me;

And in the vine *were* three branches: and it *was* as though it budded, *and* her blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes:

And Pharaoh's cup *was* in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.

And Joseph said to him, This *is* the interpretation of it: The three branches *are* three days:

Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up your head, and restore you unto your place: and you shall deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when you were his butler.

But think on me when it shall be well with you, and show kindness, I pray you, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:

For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.

When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said to Joseph, I also *was* in my dream, and, behold, *I had* three white baskets on my head:

And in the uppermost basket *there was* of all manner of bakemeats for Pharaoh; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head.

And Joseph answered and said, This *is* the interpretation thereof: The three baskets *are* three days:

Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up your head from off you, and shall hang you on *a* tree; and the birds shall eat your flesh from off you.

And it came to pass the third day, *which was* Pharaoh's birthday, that he made *a* feast unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.

And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand:

But he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.

Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgot him.

CHAPTER 41

AND it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river.

And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed; and they fed in *a* meadow.

And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and leanfleshed; and stood by the *other* kine upon the brink of the river.

And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears of grain came up upon one stalk, rank and good.

And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted with the east wind sprung up after them.

And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears. And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, *it was a dream*.

And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but *there was* none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.

Then spoke the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day:

Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, *both* me and the chief baker:

And we dreamed *a* dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream.

And *there was* there with us *a* young man, *a* Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret.

And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto my office, and him he hanged.

Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved *himself*, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, I have dreamed *a* dream, and *there is* none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of you, *that* you can understand *a* dream to interpret it.

And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, *It is* not in me: the ELOHEEM shall give Pharaoh *an* answer of peace.

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river:

And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in *a* meadow:

And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness:

And the lean and the ill favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine:

And when they had eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they *were* still ill favoured, as at the beginning. So I awoke.

And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:

And, behold, seven ears, withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them:

And the thin ears devoured the seven good ears: and I told *this* unto the magicians; but *there was* none that could declare *it* to me.

And Joseph said to Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh *is* one: the ELOHEEM has showed Pharaoh what he *is* about to do.

The seven good kine *are* seven years; and the seven good ears *are* seven years: the dream *is* one. And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them *are* seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind shall be seven years of famine.

This *is* the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What the ELOHEEM *is* about to do he shows unto Pharaoh.

Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt: And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land; And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it *shall be* very grievous.

And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; *it is* because the thing *is* established by the ELOHEEM, and the ELOHEEM will shortly bring it to pass.

Now therefore let Pharaoh look out *a* man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt. Let Pharaoh do *this*, and let him appoint officers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years.

And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up grain under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land perish not through the famine.

And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.

And Pharaoh said to his servants, Can we find *such a one* as this *is*, *a* man in whom the Spirit of ELOHEEM *is*?

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, Forasmuch as the ELOHEEM has showed you all this, *there is* none so discreet and wise as you *are*:

You shall be over my house, and according unto your word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than you.

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt.

And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in apparel of fine linen, and put *a* gold chain about his neck;

And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he made him *ruler* over all the land of Egypt.

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, I *am* Pharaoh, and without you shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.

And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphnathpaaneah; and he gave him to wife Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On. And Joseph went out over *all* the land of Egypt.

And Joseph *was* thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.

And in the seven plenteous years the land brought forth by handfuls.

And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the food of the field, which *was* round about every city, laid he up in the same.

And Joseph gathered grain as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for *it was* without number.

And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On bare unto him.

And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For the ELOHEEM, *said he*, has made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.

And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For the ELOHEEM has caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of Egypt, were ended.

And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he said to you, do.

And the famine was over all the face of the land: And Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.

And all lands came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy *grain*; because that the famine was *so* sore in all lands.

CHAPTER 42

NOW when Jacob saw that there was grain in Egypt, Jacob said to his sons, Why do you all look one upon another?

And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is grain in Egypt: get you down there, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die.

And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy grain in Egypt.

But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, Lest peradventure mischief befall him.

And the sons of Israel came to buy *grain* among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Kanaan.

And Joseph *was* the governor over the land, *and* he *it was* that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves before him *with* their faces to the land.

And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spoke roughly unto them; and he said to them, Where come you all? And they said, From the land of Kanaan to buy food.

And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said to them, You all *are* spies; to see the nakedness of the land you all are come.

And they said to him, Nay, my Lord, but to buy food are your servants come.

We *are* all one man's sons; we *are* true *men*, your servants are no spies.

And he said to them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land you all are come.

And they said, Your servants *are* twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Kanaan; and, behold, the youngest *is* this day with our father, and one *is* not.

And Joseph said to them, That *is it* that I spoke unto you, saying, You all *are* spies:

Hereby you all shall be proved: By the Life of Pharaoh you all shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come here.

Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and you all shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether *there be any* truth in you: or else by the Life of Pharaoh surely you all *are* spies.

And he put them all together into ward three days.

And Joseph said to them the third day, This do, and live; *for* I fear the ELOHEEM:

If you all *be* true *men*, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go you all, carry grain for the famine of your houses:

But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and you all shall not die. And they did so.

And they said one to another, *We are* truly guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his person, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us.

And Reuben answered them, saying, Spoke I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and you all would not hear? therefore, behold, also his blood is required.

And they knew not that Joseph understood *them*; for he spoke unto them by *an* interpreter.

And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with grain, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and thus did he unto them.

And they laded their asses with the grain, and departed thence.

And as one of them opened his sack to give his ass provender in the inn, he espied his money; for, behold, it *was* in his sack's mouth.

And he said to his brethren, My money is restored; and, behold, *it is* even in my sack: and their heart failed *them*, and they were afraid, saying one to another, What *is* this *that* the ELOHEEM has done unto us?

And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Kanaan, and told him all that befell unto them; saying,

The man, *who is* the Lord of the land, spoke roughly to us, and took us for spies of the land.

And we said to him, *We are* true *men*; we are no spies:

We be twelve brethren, sons of our father; one *is* not, and the youngest *is* this day with our father in the land of Kanaan.

And the man, the Lord of the land, said to us, Hereby shall I know that you all *are* true *men*; leave one of your brethren *here* with me, and take *food for* the famine of your households, and be gone:

And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that you all *are* no spies, but *that* you all *are* true *men*: *so* will I deliver you your brother, and you all shall traffick in the land.

And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold, every man's bundle of money *was* in his sack: and when *both* they and their father saw the bundles of money, they were afraid.

And Jacob their father said to them, Me have you all bereaved *of my children*: Joseph *is* not, and Simeon *is* not, and you all will take Benjamin *away*: all these things are against me.

And Reuben spoke unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to you: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to you again.

And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he is left alone: if mischief befall him by the way in which you all go, then shall you all bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

CHAPTER 43

AND the famine *was* sore in the land.

And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the grain which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said to them, Go again, buy us *a* little food.

And Judah spoke unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying, You all shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.

If you will send our brother with us, we will go down and buy you food:

But if you will not send *him*, we will not go down: for the man said to us, You all shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.

And Israel said, Wherefore dealt you all *so* ill with me, *as* to tell the man whether you all had yet

a brother?

And they said, The man asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, *Is your father yet alive? have you all another brother?* and we told him according to the tenor of these words: could we certainly know that he would say, Bring your brother down?

And Judah said to Israel his father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and you, *and* also our little ones.

I will be surety for him; of my hand shall you require him: if I bring him not unto you, and set him before you, then let me bear the blame daily:

For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time.

And their father Israel said to them, If *it must be* so now, do this; take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, a little balm, and a little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:

And take double money in your hand; and the money that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry *it* again in your hand; peradventure it *was an* oversight:

Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man:

And God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved *of my children*, I am bereaved.

And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph.

And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of his house, Bring *these* men home, and slay, and make ready; for *these* men shall dine with me at noon.

And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into Joseph's house.

And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses.

And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house,

And said, O sir, we came indeed down at the first time to buy food:

And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, *every* man's money *was* in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.

And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

And he said, Peace *be* to you, fear not: the ELOHEEM, the ELOHEEM of your father, has given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them.

And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave *them* water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.

And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which *was* in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the land.

And he asked them of *their* welfare, and said, *Is your father well, the old man of whom you all spoke? Is he yet alive?*

And they answered, Your servant our father *is* in good health, he *is* yet alive. And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, *Is this your younger brother, of whom you all spoke unto me?* And he said, the ELOHEEM be gracious unto

you, my son.

And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought *where* to weep; and he entered into *his* chamber, and wept there.

And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, Set on bread.

And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that *is an* abomination unto the Egyptians.

And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marvelled one at another.

And he took *and sent* messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him.

CHAPTER 44

AND he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks *with* food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.

And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his grain money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.

And when they were gone out of the city, *and* not *yet* far off, Joseph said to his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when you do overtake them, say to them, Wherefore have you all rewarded evil for good?

Is not this *it* in which my Lord drinks, and whereby indeed he divins? you all have done evil in so doing.

And he overtook them, and he spoke unto them these same words.

And they said to him, Wherefore said my Lord these words? *God* forbid that your servants should do according to this thing:

Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto you out of the land of Kanaan: how then should we steal out of your Lord's house silver or gold?

With whomsoever of your servants it be found, both let him die, and we also will be my Lord's bondmen.

And he said, Now also *let it be* according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my servant; and you all shall be blameless.

Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the land, and opened every man his sack.

And he searched, *and* began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he *was* yet there: and they fell before him on the land.

And Joseph said to them, What deed *is* this that you all have done? wot you all not that such a man as I can certainly divine?

And Judah said, What shall we say to my Lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? the ELOHEEM has found out the iniquity of your servants: behold, we *are* my Lord's servants, both we, and *he* also with whom the cup is found.

And he said, *God* forbid that I should do so: *but* the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace unto your father.

Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh my Lord, let your servant, I pray you, speak a word in my Lord's ears, and let not your anger burn against your servant: for you *are* even as

Pharaoh.

My Lord asked his servants, saying, Have you all *a* father, or *a* brother?

And we said to my Lord, We have *a* father, *an* old man, and *a* child of his old age, *a* little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loves him.

And you saidst unto your servants, Bring him down unto me, that I may set my eyes upon him.

And we said to my Lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for *if* he should leave his father, *his father* would die.

And you said unto your servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you, you all shall see my face no more.

And it came to pass when we came up unto your servant my father, we told him the words of my Lord.

And our father said, Go again, *and* buy us *a* little food.

And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother *be* with us.

And your servant my father said to us, You all know that my wife bare me two *sons*:

And the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since:

And if you all take this also from me, and mischief befall him, you all shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

Now therefore when I come to your servant my father, and the lad *be* not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the lad's life;

It shall come to pass, when he sees that the lad *is* not *with us*, that he will die: and your servants shall bring down the gray hairs of your servant our father with sorrow to the grave.

For your servant became surety for the lad unto my father, saying, If I bring him not unto you, then I shall bear the blame to my father daily.

Now therefore, I pray you, let your servant abide instead of the lad *a* bondman to my Lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad *be* not with me? lest peradventure I see the evil that shall come on my father.

CHAPTER 45

THEN Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren.

And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

And Joseph said to his brethren, I *am* Joseph; does my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

And Joseph said to his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I *am* Joseph your brother, whom you all sold into Egypt.

Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that you all sold me here: for the ELOHEEM did send me before you to preserve life.

For these two years *has* the famine *been* in the land: and yet *there are* five years, in which *there shall* neither *be* earing nor harvest.

And the ELOHEEM sent me before you to preserve you *a* posterity in the land, living by *a* great deliverance.

So now *it was* not you *that* sent me here, but the ELOHEEM: and he has made me *a* father to Pharaoh, and Lord of all his house, and *a* ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

Haste you all, and go up to my father, and say to him, Thus said your son Joseph, the

ELOHEEM has made me Lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, wait not:

And you shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near unto me, you, and your children, and your children's children, and your flocks, and your herds, and all that you have:

And there will I nourish you; for yet *there are* five years of famine; lest you, and your household, and all that you have, come to poverty.

And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that *it is* my mouth that speaks unto you.

And you all shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you all have seen; and you all shall haste and bring down my father here.

And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck.

Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

And Pharaoh said to Joseph, Say to your brethren, This do you all; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Kanaan;

And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and you all shall eat the fat of the land.

Now you are commanded, this do you all; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt *is* yours.

And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred *pieces* of silver, and five changes of raiment.

And to his father he sent after this *manner*; ten asses laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with grain and bread and meat for his father by the way.

So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said to them, See that you all fall not out by the way.

And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Kanaan unto Jacob their father,

And told him, saying, Joseph *is* yet alive, and he *is* governor over all the land of Egypt. And Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.

And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said to them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived:

And Israel said, *It is* enough; Joseph my son *is* yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

CHAPTER 46

AND Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beersheba, and offered sacrifices unto the ELOHEEM of his father Isaac.

And the ELOHEEM spoke unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here *am* I.

And he said, I *am* God, the ELOHEEM of your father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of you *a* great nation:

I will go down with you into Egypt; and I will also surely bring you up *again*: and Joseph shall put his hand upon your eyes.

And Jacob rose up from Beersheba: and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

And they took their flocks, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Kanaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him:

His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.

And these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Karmi.

And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of *a* Kanaanitish woman.

And the sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zarah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Kanaan. And the sons of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.

And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and Phuvah, and Job, and Shimron.

And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.

These *be* the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padanaram, with his daughter Dinah: all the persons of his sons and his daughters *were* thirty and three.

And the sons of Gad; Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, and Arodi, and Areli.

And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.

These *are* the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, *even* sixteen persons.

The sons of Rachael Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.

And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On bare unto him.

And the sons of Benjamin *were* Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard.

These *are* the sons of Rachael, which were born to Jacob: all the persons *were* fourteen.

And the sons of Dan; Hushim.

And the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.

These *are* the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachael his daughter, and she bare these unto Jacob: all the persons *were* seven.

All the persons that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the persons *were* sixty-six;

And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, *were* two persons: all the persons of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, *were* seventy-five.

And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.

And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck *a* good while.

And Israel said to Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen your face, because you *are* yet alive. And Joseph said to his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and show Pharaoh, and say to him, My brethren, and my father's house, which *were* in the land of Kanaan, are come unto me;

And the men *are* shepherds, for their trade has been to feed sheep; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.

And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, What *is* your occupation?

That you all shall say, Your servants' trade has been about sheep from our youth even until now,

both we, *and* also our fathers: that you all may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd *is an* abomination unto the Egyptians.

CHAPTER 47

THEN Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Kanaan; and, behold, they *are* in the land of Goshen.

And he took some of his brethren, *even* five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

And Pharaoh said to his brethren, What *is* your occupation? And they said to Pharaoh, Your servants *are* shepherds, both we, *and* also our fathers.

They said moreover unto Pharaoh, For to sojourn in the land are we come; for your servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine *is* sore in the land of Kanaan: now therefore, we pray you, let your servants dwell in the land of Goshen.

And Pharaoh spoke unto Joseph, saying, Your father and your brethren are come unto you:

The land of Egypt *is* before you; in the best of the land make your father and brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if you know *any* men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my sheep.

And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

And Pharaoh said to Jacob, How old *are* you?

And Jacob said to Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage *are a* hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the Life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them *a* possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to *their* families.

And *there was* no bread in all the land; for the famine *was* very sore, so that the land of Egypt and *all* the land of Kanaan fainted by reason of the famine.

And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Kanaan, for the grain which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Kanaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in your presence? for the money fails.

And Joseph said, Give your flocks; and I will give you for your flocks, if money fail.

And they brought their flocks unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flocks, and for the sheep of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all their flocks for that year.

When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said to him, We will not hide *it* from my Lord, how that our money is spent; my Lord also has our herds of sheep; there is not ought left in the sight of my Lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

Wherefore shall we die before your eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give *us* seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.

And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.

And as for the people, he removed them to cities from *one* end of the borders of Egypt even to

the *other* end thereof.

Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had *a* portion *assigned* them of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands. Then Joseph said to the people, Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: behold, *here is* seed for you, and you all shall sow the land.

And it shall come to pass in the increase, that you all shall give the fifth *part* unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones.

And they said, You have kept us living: let us find grace in the sight of my Lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants.

And Joseph made it *a* law over the land of Egypt unto this day, *that* Pharaoh should have the fifth *part*; except the land of the priests only, *which* became not Pharaoh's.

And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the land of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the whole age of Jacob was *a* hundred forty and seven years.

And the time drew near that Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, and said to him, If now I have found grace in your sight, put, I pray you, your hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray you, in Egypt:

But I will lie with my fathers, and you shall carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their tomb. And he said, I will do as you have said.

And he said, Swear unto me. And he swore unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

CHAPTER 48

AND it came to pass after these things, that *one* told Joseph, Behold, your father *is* sick: and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

And *one* told Jacob, and said, Behold, your son Joseph comes unto you: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

And Jacob said to Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Kanaan, and blessed me,

And said to me, Behold, I will make you fruitful, and multiply you, and I will make of you leaders of people; and will give this land to your seed after you *for an* everlasting possession.

And now your two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto you in the land of Egypt before I came unto you into Egypt, *are* mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

And your issue, which you beget after them, shall be yours, *and* shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.

And as for me, when I came from Padan, Rachael died by me in the land of Kanaan in the way, when yet *there was* but *a* little land to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way to Ephrath, which *is* Bethlehem.

And Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, Who *are* these?

And Joseph said to his father, They *are* my sons, whom the ELOHEEM has given me in this *place*. And he said, Bring them, I pray you, unto me, and I will bless them.

Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, *so that* he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them.

And Israel said to Joseph, I had not thought to see your face: and, behold, the ELOHEEM has showed me also your seed.

And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the land.

And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought *them* near unto him.

And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid *it* upon Ephraim's head, who *was* the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh *was* the firstborn.

And he blessed Joseph, and said, the ELOHEEM, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the ELOHEEM which fed me all my life long unto this day,

The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into *a* multitude in the midst of the land.

And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.

And Joseph said to his father, Not so, my father: for this *is* the firstborn; put your right hand upon his head.

And his father refused, and said, I know *it*, my son, I know *it*: he also shall become *a* people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become *a* multitude of nations.

And he blessed them that day, saying, In you shall Israel bless, saying, the ELOHEEM make you as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.

And Israel said to Joseph, Behold, I die: but the ELOHEEM shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.

Moreover I have given to you one portion above your brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

CHAPTER 49

AND Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you *that* which shall befall you in the last days.

Gather yourselves together, and hear, you all sons of Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your father.

Reuben, you *are* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

Unstable as water, you shall not excel; because you went up to your father's bed; then defiled you *it*: he went up to my couch.

Simeon and Levi *are* brethren; instruments of cruelty *are in* their habitations.

O my person, come not you into their secret; unto their leaders, my honor, be not you united: for in their anger they slew *a* man, and in their selfwill they digged down *a* wall.

Cursed *be* their anger, for *it was* fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.

Judah, you *are he* whom your brethren shall praise: your hand *shall be* in the neck of your enemies; your father's children shall bow down before you.

Judah *is a* lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, you are gone up: he stooped down, he couched as *a* lion, and as *an* old lion; who shall rouse him up?

The Rod shall not depart from Judah, nor *a* lawgiver from between his feet for Shiloh comes; and unto him the obedience of the people.

Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:

His eyes *shall be* red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.

Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he *shall be* for *a* haven of ships; and his border *shall be* unto Zidon.

Issachar *is a* strong ass couching down between two burdens:

And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became *a* servant unto tribute.

Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.

Dan shall be *a* serpent by the way, *an* adder in the path, that bites the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.

I have waited for your DELIVERANCE, O YAHWAH.

Gad, *a* troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

Out of Asher his bread *shall be* fat, and he shall yield royal dainties.

Naphtali *is a* hind let loose: he gives goodly words.

Joseph *is a* fruitful bough, *even a* fruitful bough by *a* well; *whose* branches run over the wall:

The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him:

But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty *God* of Jacob; (*from thence is the shepherd, the stone of Israel,*)

Even by the *God* of your father, who shall help you; and by the Almighty, who shall bless you with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lies under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

The blessings of your father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

Benjamin shall ravin *as a* wolf: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil.

All these *are* the twelve tribes of Israel: and this *is it* that their father spoke unto them, and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

And he charged them, and said to them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ephron the Hittite,

In the cave that *is* in the field of Machpelah, which *is* before Mamre, in the land of Kanaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for *a* possession of *a* tomb.

There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah.

The purchase of the field and of the cave that *is* therein *was* from the children of Heth.

And when Jacob had made *an* end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the spirit, and was gathered unto his people.

CHAPTER 50

AND Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him.

And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.

And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed: and the Egyptians mourned for him seventy days.

And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spoke unto the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,

My father made me swear, saying, Behold, I die: in my tomb which I have digged for me in the land of Kanaan, there shall you bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray you, and bury my

father, and I will come again.

And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury your father, according as he made you swear.

And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,

And all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen.

And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was *a* very great company.

And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which *is* beyond Jordan, and there they mourned with *a* great and very sore lamentation: and he made *a* mourning for his father seven days.

And when the inhabitants of the land, the Kanaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, This *is a* grievous mourning to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it was called Abelmizraim, which *is* beyond Jordan.

And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:

For his sons carried him into the land of Kanaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field for *a* possession of *a* tomb of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.

And they sent *a* messenger unto Joseph, saying, Your father did command before he died, saying,

So shall you all say to Joseph, Forgive, I pray you now, the trespass of your brethren, and their sin; for they did unto you evil: and now, we pray you, forgive the trespass of the servants of the ELOHEEM of your father. And Joseph wept when they spoke unto him.

And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we *be* your servants.

And Joseph said to them, Fear not: for *am* I in the place of the ELOHEEM?

But as for you, you all thought evil against me; *but* the ELOHEEM meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as *it is* this day, to keep much people alive.

Now therefore fear you all not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spoke kindly unto them.

And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived *a* hundred and ten years.

And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third *gene-race-aion*: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up upon Joseph's knees.

And Joseph said to his brethren, I die: and the ELOHEEM will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

And Joseph took *an* oath of the children of Israel, saying, the ELOHEEM will surely visit you, and you all shall carry up my bones from hence.

So Joseph died, *being a* hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in *an* ark in Egypt.

This concludes the book of Genesis.