

OLD TESTAMENT BIBLICAL LITERACY

THE FALL AND THE NEED FOR REDEMPTION

Genesis and the Preparation
for God's Kingdom in its Old
Testament form.

Lessons 6 & 7

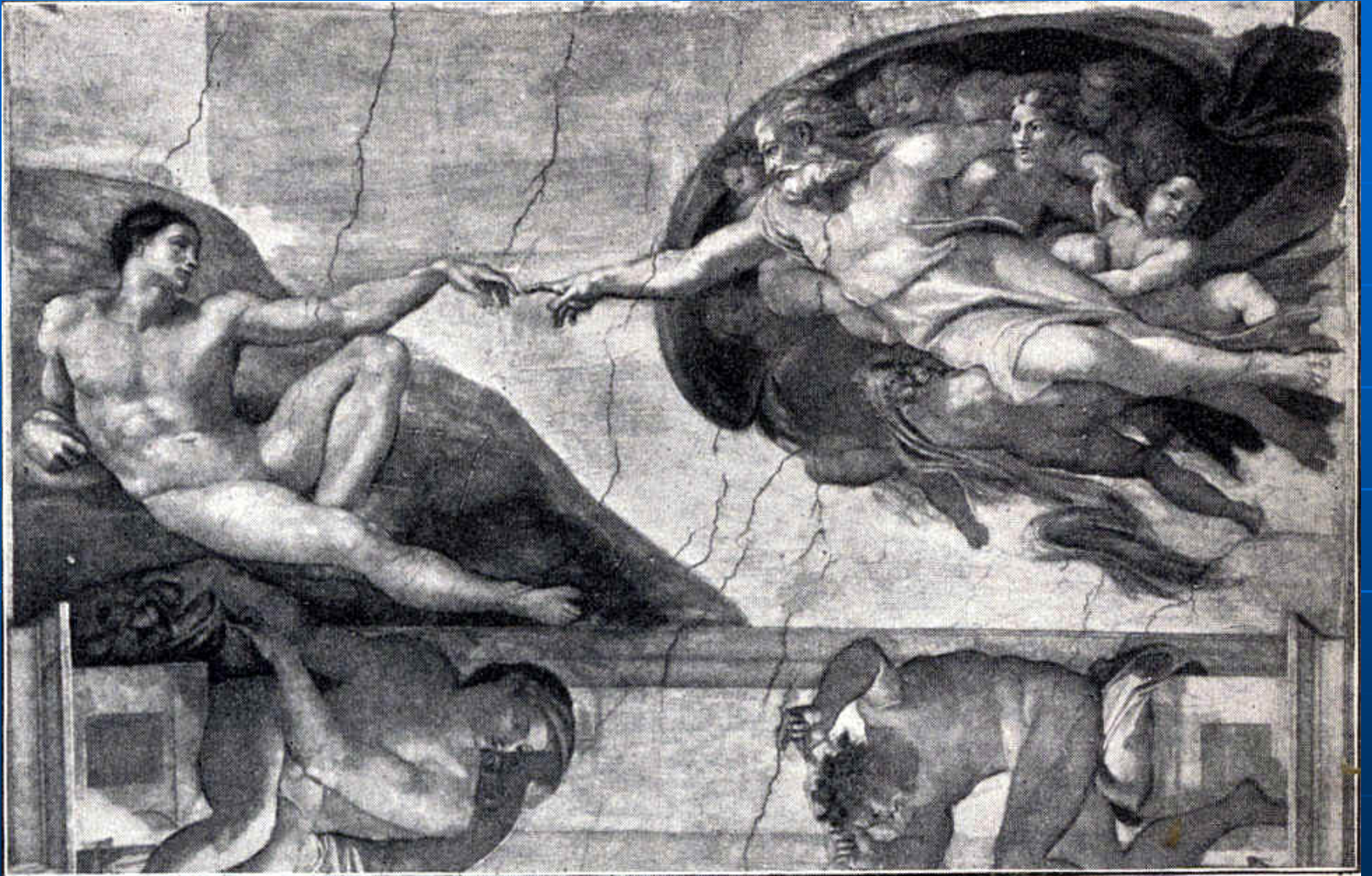
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Adam to Abraham

Genesis 1-11

CREATION OF ADAM

Gen. 2:7



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THE FLOOD

- Wickedness breeds.
- Wickedness is destined for God's destruction.
- God's next destruction of wickedness will not be a mere flood.

THE FLOOD

- 2 Peter 3:5-7

[L]ong ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

THE TOWER OF BABEL

Gen 11



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LessonS FROM BABEL

- A united mankind can accomplish a lot.
- Mankind will never build or find his way to God.
- Mankind's division (in heritage and language) will be fully overcome only when God brings man together.

ABRAHAM TO EGYPT

- ABRAHAM, the first "Patriarch."
- Theological term du jour: "Patriarch"
 - The fathers of the Hebrew nation: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Their historical time is frequently called "The Patriarchal Age."
- Gen. 15:6
 - "Abram believed the Lord and he credited it to him as righteousness."

MAP – THEN AND NOW



ABRAHAM
ENTERTAINS
THE THREE
ANGELS

Gen. 18:8



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ABRAHAM
SENDS
HAGAR AND
ISHMAEL
AWAY
Gen. 21:14



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ABRAHAM
AND ISAAC
GEN. 22: 7-8



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PROPHECY - SACRIFICE

- Gen. 22:8 – “God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.”

THE ANGEL
PREVENTS THE
SACRIFICE OF
ISAAC
Gen. 22:10-12



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ISAAC

- Marries Rebecca.
- Fathers twins – Esau and Jacob

ELIEZER AND REBECCA – Gen. 24:15



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ELIEZER AND REBECCA AT THE SPRING
Gen. 24:17-19



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GENESIS

THE NARRATIVE

FOCUS ON GENESIS

THE COMING KINGDOM OF GOD IN
ITS OLD TESTAMENT FORM

THE PROMISE:

THROUGH THE OFFSPRING OF WOMAN
GOD WILL BRING FORTH A
REDEMPTION, A KINGDOM WHERE
GOD AND MAN AGAIN DWELL
TOGETHER IN FELLOWSHIP AND
HARMONY

THE PROMISE

GENESIS WILL GIVE US BOTH THE
LOCATION OF THE KINGDOM AND
THE LINEAGE OF THE PROMISE

MAPPING THE LOCATION OF THE PROMISED KINGDOM



THE LINE OF PROMISE

ADAM AND EVE



ABRAHAM



ISAAC



JACOB

THE LINE OF PROMISE



Esau and Jacob

- Great drama over deceit, manipulation and the promise of God.
- Gen. 25:23 "The Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger."

ESAU

- Comes out red and hairy
- Earns the name Esau (Harry?) and Edom (red)

JACOB

- Born grasping Esau's heel
- Named Jacob (he grasps/supplants/deceives)

ESAU AND JACOB

- Esau's birthright sold for red bean stew (Gen. 25).
- Jacob and Rebecca deceive into Isaac's blessing

ISAAC BLESSING JACOB
Gen. 27:27-29



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ISAAC BLESSING JACOB – Gen. 27:27-29



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THE BLESSING

- Gen. 27:28-29 May God give you of heaven's dew and of earth's richness— an abundance of grain and new wine. May nations serve you and peoples bow down to you. Be lord over your brothers, and may the sons of your mother bow down to you. May those who curse you be cursed and those who bless you be blessed.

JACOB'S DREAM
Gen. 28:10-14



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1660s

THE PROMISE

- Gen. 28:13-15 There above it stood the Lord, and he said: "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth.... All people on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring."
- Consider the calling of Nathaniel in John 1

- LEAH: Reuben ("see, a son")
Simeon (~"one who hears")
Levi (~"attached")
Judah (~"praise")
- RACHEL: "Give me children or I'll die." Gen. 30:1
- BILHAH: Dan ("vindicated")
Naphtali ("my struggle")

RACHEL AND LEAH - Gen. 29



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LEAH/RACHEL AND THE TRIBES

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TRIBES CONTINUED

- ZILPAH: Gad ("good fortune")
Asher ("happy")
- LEAH: Issachar ("reward")
Zebulun ("honor")
- RACHEL: Joseph ("may he add")

THE TRIBES FINISH

- RACHEL: Benoni ("son of my trouble") NAME CHANGE: Benjamin ("son of my right hand"). Rachel dies.
- Reunion with Isaac
- Isaac dies

JACOB BECOMES ISRAEL

- Genesis 32:28

“your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel. because you have struggled with God and with men and have overcome.”

JACOB WRESTLES WITH THE ANGEL



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GENESIS COMPLETED

(REALLY!)

GENESIS CONTEXT

- Genesis unfolds the great introduction to the drama of human redemption.
- We have God and man in perfect harmony, the sin and fall of man, and the promise/prophecy of God's redemption.
- The redemption prophecy is set forth through the offspring of woman and then successive individuals (Noah, Abraham/Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob).

The focus moves to Joseph

THE JOSEPH SAGA



TWELVE SONS/TRIBES

LEAH:	Reuben
	Simeon
	Levi
	Judah
BILHAH:	Dan
	Naphtali
ZILPAH:	Gad
	Asher
LEAH:	Issachar
	Zebulun
RACHEL:	Joseph
	Benjamin

JOSEPH RECOUNTING HIS DREAMS
Gen. 37:10



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JOSEPH AND HIS BRETHREN Gen. 37:17-19



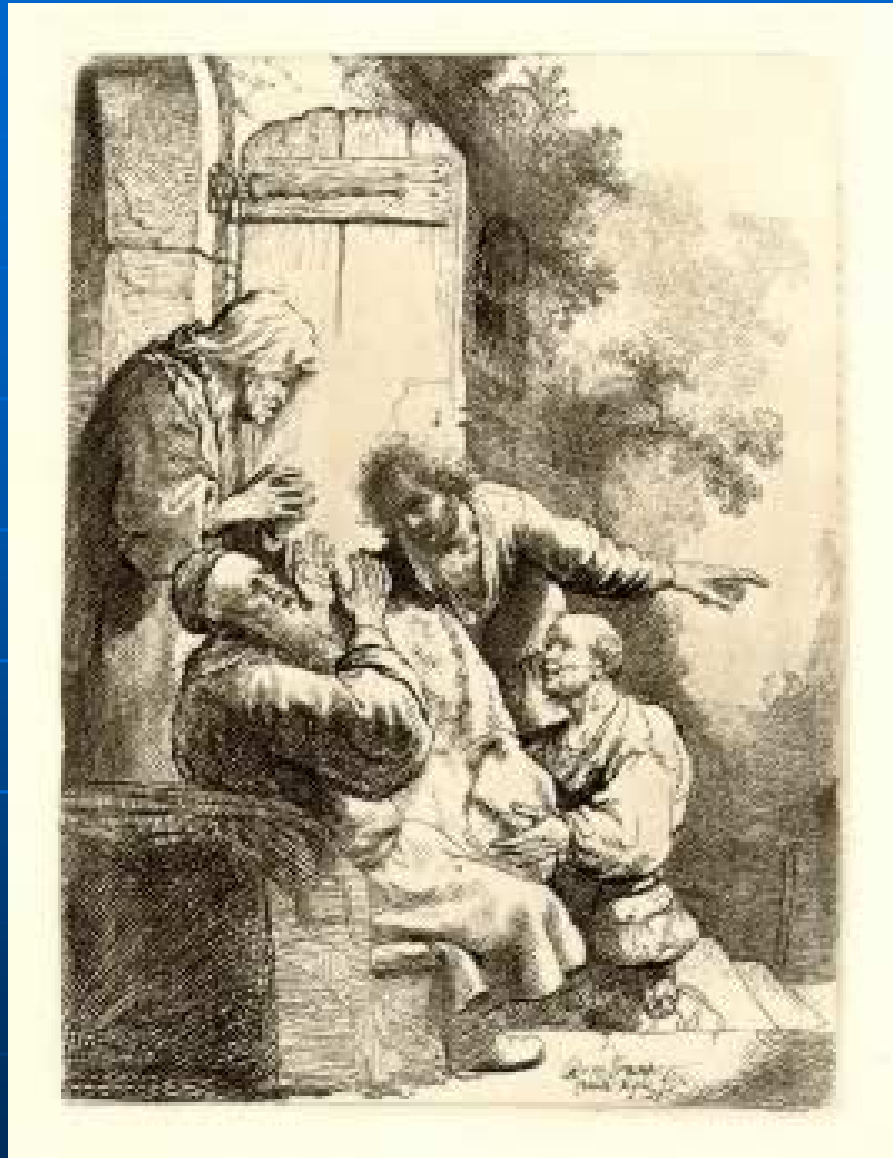
ANTONIO DEL CASTILLO - Mid-1600s

JOSEPH SOLD TO THE ISHMAELITES
Gen. 37:28



HIPPOLYTE FLANDRIN
Mid-1800s

JOSEPH'S COAT IS SHOWN TO JACOB – Gen. 37:31-33



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Genesis 39:3

A prayer pre-Jabez:

"THE LORD GAVE HIM SUCCESS IN
EVERYTHING HE DID."

JOSEPH AND POTIPHAR'S WIFE - Gen. 39:12



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JOSEPH RECOGNIZED BY HIS BROTHERS

Gen. 45:3



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THE PROPHECY CONTINUES

Gen. 49:8-10

Judah, your brothers will praise you; your hands will be on the neck of your enemies; your father's sons will bow down to you. You are a **lion's cub**, O Judah; you return from the prey, my son. **Like a lion** he crouches and lies down, like a lioness – who dares to rouse him? **The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until he comes to whom it belongs and the obedience of the nations is his.**

A VIEW LATER

Rev. 5:5

“Then one of the elders said to me “Do not weep! See, the lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David has triumphed. He is able to open the scrolls and the seven seals.”