

Introduction to Abraham

(Genesis 11:27-25:8)

The First Patriarch of Israel (scriptural father of a people, tribe, nation or group)

Known for his **Faith** in God
Father (patriarch) of the Jews
Friend of God (James 2:23)

Abrahamic Covenant: Land, Nation, Blessing & Curse, Name All families of the earth blessed Genesis 12:1-3

First mentioned as Abram in Genesis 11:27 whose father was Terah

Terah was an idolater: moon deity in the city Ur located about 200 miles S.E. of Baghdad, Iraq

Born circa 2166 B.C.; lived for 175 years

Life of Abraham spans Genesis 11:27 through 25:8 (gives up the ghost)

Abraham is esteemed in 3 major global religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam (Quran)

Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Ishmael, Isaac, Lot, Melchizedek, Keturah, (wife after Sarah)

Abraham referenced in Exo, Lev, Num, Deu, Jos, 1 & 2 Kings, 1 & 2Ch, Psalms, Isa, Jer, Eze, Micah

Abraham in the New Testament

- Jesus is the son of Abraham (Matthew 1:1)
- Father Abraham (Matthew 3:9; Luke 1:55; John 8:39)
- God of Abraham (Matthew 22:32; Mark 12:26; Acts 3:13)
- Reference to Abrahamic Covenant (Luke 1:73)
- Daughter of Abraham (Luke 13:16; 1 Peter 3:6)
- Abraham is in the Kingdom of God (Luke 13:28)
- Abraham's bosom (Luke 16:23,24,25, 29, 30)
- Stephen's sermon (Acts 7)
- Abraham justified by faith (Romans 4:1-4)
- Father of the circumcised (Romans 4:12)
- Abraham believed God (Galatians 3:6)
- Abraham heard the gospel (Galatians 3:8)
- Abraham had two sons (Galatians 4:22)
- Melchizedek and Abraham (Hebrews 7:1-9)
- Abraham's faith (Hebrews 11)
- Abraham waited (looked) for a city built by God (Hebrews 11:10)
- Abraham proved his faith in God when he offered Isaac (Hebrews 11:17)
- Abraham justified by works (James 2:21)
- Friend of God (James 2:23 from 2 Chronicles 20:7 and Isaiah 41:8)