THE FIRST BOOK OF MŌ-SES, CALLED GEN-E-SIS

CHAPTER 1

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

6¶ And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

9¶ And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

10 And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

14 ¶ And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.

17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the open

firmament of heaven.

21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.

22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

24 ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

26 ¶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

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

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the

fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

29 ¶ And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which *is* upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so.

31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

CHAPTER 2

THUS the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

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

5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man to till the ground.

6 But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

 $8\,\P$ And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in \bar{E} -den; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

10 And a river went out of \bar{E} -děn to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.

11 The name of the first is Pī'sŏn: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Hăv-î-läh, where there is gold;

12 And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone. 13 And the name of the second river is Gī-hŏn: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ē-thĭ-ō-pĭ-ă.

14 And the name of the third river is Hĭd-dĕ-kĕl: that is it which goeth toward the east of $\check{A}s$ -sỹr-ĩ-ā. And the fourth river is $\widehat{E}u$ -phrā-tēs.

15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of \bar{E} -den

to dress it and to keep it.

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

18 ¶ And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. 19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Ăd-ăm to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Ăd-ăm called every living creature, that was the name thereof. 20 And Ăd-ăm gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Ăd-ăm there was not found an help meet for him.

21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Ăd-ăm, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; 22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

23 And Åd-am said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

CHAPTER 3

Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

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

3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Ad-am and his wife hid themselves from the

presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

9 And the LORD God called unto Åd-am, and said unto him, Where art thou?

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

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

17 And unto Ăd-am he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return.

20 And Ăd-ăm called his wife's name Ēve; because she was the mother of all living.

21 Unto Ăd-ăm also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

22 ¶ And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of \bar{E} -děn, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of \bar{E} -den Cher- \bar{u} -bims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

CHAPTER 4

And she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

2 And she again bare his brother Ā-bĕl. And Ā-bĕl was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

4 And Ā-běl, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Ā-běl and to his offering:

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

8 And Cain talked with Ā-běl his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Ā-běl his brother, and slew him.

9¶ And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is \bar{A} -běl thy brother? And \bar{h} e said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?

10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.

11 And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear.

14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me.

15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

16 ¶ And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nŏd, on the east of Ē-dĕn. 17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Ē-nŏch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Ē-nŏch.

18 And unto Ē'nŏch was born Ī'răd: and Ī'răd begat Mĕ-hū'jā-ĕl: and Mĕ-hū'jā-ĕl begat Mĕ-thū'sā-ĕl: and Mĕ-thū'sā-ĕl begat Lā'mĕch.

19 ¶ And Lā'měch took unto him two wives: the name of the one was Ā'dăh, and the name of the other Zĭl'lăh.

20 And Ā'dăh bare Jā'băl: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and of such as have cattle.

21 And his brother's name was Jû-băl: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ.

22 And Zĭl'lăh, she also bare Tū'băl-cain, an instructer of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tū'băl-cain was Nā'ā-măh.

23 And La-mech said unto his wives, Ā-dāh and Zǐl-lāh, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lā-mech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt.

24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lā-mech seventy and sevenfold.

25 \P And $\check{A}d'\check{a}m$ knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed me another seed instead of \bar{A}' bel, whom Cain slew.

26 And to Sĕth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Ē-nŏs: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

CHAPTER 5

This is the book of the generations of Ăd-ăm. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;

2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Ăd-ăm, in the day when they were created.

3 ¶ And Ăd-am lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:

4 And the days of Ăd-ăm after he had

begotten Sĕth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters:

5 And all the days that Åd-am lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

6 And Sĕth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Ē'nŏs:

7 And Sĕth lived after he begat \bar{E} -nŏs eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters:

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

9 ¶ And Ē-nŏs lived ninety years, and begat Cā-ī-năn:

10 And Ē-nos lived after he begat Cā-ī-nan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters: 11 And all the days of Ē-nos were nine hundred and five years: and he died.

12 ¶ And Cā-ī-năn lived seventy years, and begat Mă-hăl-ă-leel:

13 And Cā-ī-năn lived after he begat Mă-hăl-ă-leel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters:

14 And all the days of Cā-ī-năn were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

15 ¶ And Mă-hăl-ă-leel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jâr-ĕd:

16 And Mă-hăl-ă-leel lived after he begat Jâr-ĕd eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters:

17 And all the days of Mă-hăl-ă-leel were eight hundred ninety and five

years: and he died.

18 ¶ And Jâr-ĕd lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Ē-nŏch:

19 And Jâr'ĕd lived after he begat Ē'nŏch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

20 And all the days of Jâr-ed were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.

21 ¶ And Ē-'nŏch lived sixty and five years, and begat Mĕ-thū-'sĕ-lăh:

22 And Ē-'nŏch walked with God after he begat Mĕ-thū-'sĕ-lăh three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

23 And all the days of \bar{E} 'nŏch were three hundred sixty and five years:

24 And Ē-nŏch walked with God: and he was not: for God took him.

25 And Mĕ-thū-´sĕ-lăh lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lā-ʿmĕch:

26 And Mĕ-thū-sĕ-lăh lived after he begat Lā-mĕch seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters:

27 And all the days of Mě-thū'sě-lăh were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

28 ¶ And Lā-mech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son:

29 And he called his name Nō-ăh, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

30 And Lā-mĕch lived after he begat

Nō'āh five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters: 31 And all the days of Lā'mĕch were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.

32 And Nō-ʿāh was five hundred years old: and Nō-ʿāh begat Shĕm, Hām, and Jā-ʿphĕth.

CHAPTER 6

And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,

2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.

3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare *children* to them, the same *became* mighty men which *were* of old, men of renown.

5 ¶ And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

8 But Nō-ăh found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

9¶ These *are* the generations of Nō-ah: Nō-ah was a just man *and* perfect in his generations, *and* Nō-ah walked with God.

10 And Nō-ăh begat three sons, Shěm, Hăm, and Jā-phěth.

11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

13 And God said unto Nō-ʿăh, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

14 ¶ Make thee an ark of gō'phĕr wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

15 And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.

17 And, behold, I, even I, do bring a

flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life, from under heaven; *and* every thing that *is* in the earth shall die.

18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.
19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep *them* alive with thee; they shall be male and female.

20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto thee, to keep *them* alive.

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

22 Thus did Nō-ăh; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

CHAPTER 7

AND the LORD said unto No-ah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female.

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.

5 And Nō-ah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him.

6 And Nō-ăh was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

7 ¶ And Nō-ʿāh went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

8 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth.

9 There went in two and two unto Nō'ăh into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Nō'ăh.

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

11 ¶ In the six hundredth year of Nō'āh's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

13 In the selfsame day entered Nō-ah, and Shem, and Ham, and Jā-pheth, the sons of Nō-ah, and Nō-ah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with

them, into the ark;

14 They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort.

15 And they went in unto Nō'āh into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life.

16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.

17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.

18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.

19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered.

20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.

23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face

of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Nō-ʿāh only remained *alive*, and they that were with him in the ark.

24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

CHAPTER 8

AND God remembered Nō-āh, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged; 2 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;

3 And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated.

4 And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ăr-ă-răt.

5 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.

6 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Nō'āh opened the window of the ark which he had made:

7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth. 8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

9 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 earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

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

11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf pluckt off: so Nō'āh knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

13 ¶ 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 earth: and Nō-ah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

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

15 ¶ And God spake unto Nō-ăh, saying,

16 Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.

17 Bring forth with thee every living

thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. 18 And Nō-ah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.

20 ¶ And Nō-ăh builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

CHAPTER 9

AND God blessed Nō-ah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea;

into your hand are they delivered.

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

4 But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. 6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

7 And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.

8 ¶ And God spake unto Nō-ah, and to his sons with him, saying,

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

10 And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth.

11 And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.

12 And God said, This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations:

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

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

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

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

17 And God said unto Nō-ăh, This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

18 ¶ And the sons of Nō-ah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Jā-pheth: and Ham is the father of Cā-na-an.

19 These *are* the three sons of Nō-ah: and of them was the whole earth overspread.

20 And Nō-ah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

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

22 And Hăm, the father of Cā-nă-ăn, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.

23 And Shem and Jā-pheth 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.

24 And Nō-ăh awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

25 And he said, Cursed *be* Cā-nă-ăn; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.

26 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shĕm; and Cā'nă-ăn shall be his servant.

27 God shall enlarge Jā-phēth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shēm; and Cā-nă-ăn shall be his servant.

28 ¶ And Nō'ăh lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

29 And all the days of Nō-ah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

CHAPTER 10

Now these *are* the generations of the sons of Nō-ah, Shem, Ham, and Jā-pheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.

2 The sons of Jā'phĕth; Gō'mĕr, and Mā'gŏg, and Mā'dai, and Jā'văn, and Tū'băl, and Mē'shĕch, and Tī'răs.

3 And the sons of Gō-mer; Åsh-ke-naz, and Rī-phath, and Tō-gar-mah.

4 And the sons of Jā-văn; Ē-lī-shăh, and Tär-shĭsh, Kĭt-tĭm, and Dō-dă-nĭm.

5 By these were the isles of the Ġĕn'tīles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after

their families, in their nations.

6 ¶ And the sons of Hăm; Cŭsh, and Mĭz-rā-ĭm, and Phŭt, and Cā-nă-ăn.

7 And the sons of Cŭsh; Sē-bă, and Hăv-î-läh, and Săb-tāh, and Rā-a-mäh, and Săb-tē-chä: and the sons of Rā-a-mäh; Shē-bă, and Dē-dān.

8 And Cŭsh begat Nĭm-rŏd: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nĭm-rod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

10 And the beginning of his kingdom was Bā-bĕl, and Ĕr-ĕch, and Ăc-căd, and Căl-nēh, in the land of Shī-när.

11 Out of that land went forth Ässh-ur, and builded Nĭn-ĕ-vēh, and the city Rĕ-hŏ-bōth, and Cā-läh,

12 And Rē-sĕn between Nĭn-ĕ-vēh and Cā-läh: the same is a great city.
13 And Mĭz-rā-ĭm begat Lū-dĭm, and Ăn-ă-mĭm, and Lĕ-hā-bĭm, and Năph-tû-hĭm,

14 And Păth-rû-sĭm, and Căs-lû-hĭm, (out of whom came Phĭl-ĭs-tĭm,) and Căph-tō-rĭm.

15 ¶ And Cā'nă-ăn begat Śī'dŏn his firstborn, and Hĕth,

16 And the Jĕbʻū-sīte, and the Ămʻō-rīte, and the Gĭrʻgă-sīte,

17 And the Hī-vīte, and the Är-kīte, and the Sī-nīte,

18 And the Är-vā-dīte, and the Zēm-arīte, and the Hā-math-īte: and afterward were the families of the Cā-nā-arītes spread abroad.

19 And the border of the

Cā-nă-ăn-ītes was from Śī-dŏn, as thou comest to Gē-rär, unto Gā-ză; as thou goest, unto Sŏd-om, and Gō-mŏr-răh, and Ăd-mäh, and Zē-bō-ĭm, even unto Lā-shă.

20 These *are* the sons of Hăm, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, *and* in their nations. 21 \P Unto Shĕm also, the father of all the children of \bar{E} -bĕr, the brother of $J\bar{a}$ -phĕth the elder, even to him were *children* born.

22 The children of Shěm; Ē-lăm, and Åssh-ur, and Är-phax-ad, and Lud, and Âr-am.

23 And the children of Âr-Ăm; Ŭz, and Hŭl, and Gē-thĕr, and Măsh.

24 And Är-phăx-ad begat Sā-läh; and Sā-läh begat Ē-ber.

25 And unto Ē-bĕr were born two sons: the name of one was Pē-lĕg; for in his days was the earth divided; and his brother's name was Jŏk-tăn.

26 And Jŏk-tăn begat Ăl-mō-dăd, and Shē-lĕph, and Hā-zär-mā-vĕth, and Jē-räh,

27 And Hă-dôr-am, and Ū-zăl, and Dik-läh,

28 And Ō-băl, and Ă-bĭm-a-ĕl, and Shē-bă,

29 And Ōʻphĭr, and Hăvʻī-läh, and Jōʻbăb: all these were the sons of Jŏkʻtăn.

30 And their dwelling was from Mē'shă, as thou goest unto Sē'phär a mount of the east.

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

32 These *are* the families of the sons of Nō-ah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

CHAPTER 11

A ND the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shī-när; and they dwelt there.

3 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 morter. 4 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 earth.

5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

6 And the LORD 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.

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

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

9 Therefore is the name of it called

Bā-bĕl; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

10 ¶ These *are* the generations of Shĕm: Shĕm *was* an hundred years old, and begat Är-phăx-́ăd two years after the flood:

11 And Shem lived after he begat Är-phax-ad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

12 And Är-phăx-ad lived five and thirty years, and begat Sa-läh:

13 And Är-phăx-ad lived after he begat Sā-läh four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters. 14 And Sā-läh lived thirty years, and begat Ē-ber:

15 And Sā'läh lived after he begat Ē'bĕr four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

16 And Ē-bĕr lived four and thirty years, and begat Pē-lĕg:

17 And Ē-ber lived after he begat Pē-leg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

18 And Pē'lĕg lived thirty years, and begat Rē'ū:

19 And Pē'lĕg lived after he begat Rē'ū two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters.

20 And Rē-'ū lived two and thirty years, and begat Sē-'rŭg:

21 And Rē'ū lived after he begat Sē'rŭg two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters.

22 And Sē-rug lived thirty years, and begat Nā-hôr:

23 And Sē'rŭg lived after he begat Nā'hôr two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

24 And Nā-hôr lived nine and twenty years, and begat Tē-räh:

25 And Nā-hôr lived after he begat Tē-räh an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters. 26 And Tē-räh lived seventy years, and begat Ā-brăm, Nā-hôr, and Hâ-răn.

27 \P Now these *are* the generations of Tē-räh: Tē-räh begat Ā-brăm, Nā-hôr, and Hâ-răn; and Hâ-răn begat Lŏt.

28 And Hâ-răn died before his father Tē-räh in the land of his nativity, in Ür of the Chăl-dees.

29 And Ā-brăm and Nā-hôr took them wives: the name of Ā-brăm's wife was Sâr-ā-ī; and the name of Nā-hôr's wife, Mĭl-cäh, the daughter of Hâ-răn, the father of Mĭl-cäh, and the father of Ĭs-cäh.

30 But Sâr-ʿā-ī was barren; she had no child.

31 And $T\bar{e}$ -räh took \bar{A} -brăm his son, and Lŏt the son of Hâ-răn his son's son, and Sâr-ā- \bar{a} - \bar{i} his daughter in law, his son \bar{A} -brăm's wife; and they went forth with them from $\dot{U}r$ of the Chăl-dees, to go into the land of $\bar{C}\bar{a}$ -nă-ăn; and they came unto Hâ-răn, and dwelt there.

32 And the days of Tē-rāh were two hundred and five years: and Tē-rāh died in Hâ-rān.

CHAPTER 12

 N^{OW} the LORD had said unto $\bar{\text{A}}$ -brăm, Get thee out of thy

country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

4 So Ā'brăm departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lŏt went with him: and Ā'brăm was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Hâ'răn.

5 And Ā-ʿbram took Sâr-ʿā-ī his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Hâ-ran; and they went forth to go into the land of Cā-ʿna-an; and into the land of Cā-ʿna-an they came.

6 ¶ And Ā'brăm passed through the land unto the place of Sī'chĕm, unto the plain of Mō'rēh. And the Cā'nă-ăn-īte was then in the land.

7 And the LORD appeared unto Ā-brăm, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.

8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Běth-él, and pitched his tent, having Běth-él on the west, and Hā-ī on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of

the LORD.

9 And Ā-brăm journeyed, going on still toward the south.

10 \P And there was a famine in the land: and \bar{A} -brăm went down into \bar{E} -ģypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into \bar{E} -gypt, that he said unto \hat{Sar} - \bar{a} - $\bar{1}$ his wife, Behold now, I know that thou *art* a fair woman to look upon:

12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the \bar{E} -gyp-tīans shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will saye thee alive.

13 Say, I pray thee, thou *art* my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

14 \P And it came to pass, that, when \bar{A} -brăm was come into \bar{E} -ġỳpt, the \bar{E} -ġỳp-tīāns beheld the woman that she was very fair.

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

16 And he entreated Ā-brăm well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.

17 And the LORD plagued Phâr-aoh and his house with great plagues because of Sâr-a-ī Ā-bram's wife.

18 And Phâr-aoh called Ā-brăm, and said, What is this that thou hast done

unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?

19 Why saidst thou, She *is* my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take *her*, and go thy way.

20 And Phâr-aoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

CHAPTER 13

 \mathbf{A}^{ND} $\bar{\mathbf{A}}^{\prime}$ brăm went up out of $\bar{\mathbf{E}}^{\prime}$ ėğypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lŏt with him, into the south.

2 And Ā'brăm was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to Běth-él, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Běth-él and Hā-ī:

4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Ā-brām called on the name of the LORD.

5 ¶ And Lŏt also, which went with \bar{A} -brăm, had flocks, and herds, and tents.

6 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.

7 And there was a strife between the herdmen of Ā'brăm's cattle and the herdmen of Lŏt's cattle: and the Cā'nă-ăn-īte and the Pĕ-rĭz'-zīte dwelled then in the land.

8 And Ā-ʿbrăm said unto Lŏt, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren. 9 Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left.

10 And Löt lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jôr-dăn, that it was well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sŏd-om and Gō-mŏr-răh, even as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Ē-ġypt, as thou comest unto Zō-är.

11 Then Löt chose him all the plain of Jôr-dăn; and Löt journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

12 Ā'brăm dwelled in the land of Cā'nă-ăn, and Lŏt dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched *his* tent toward Sŏd'om.

13 But the men of Sŏd-om were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Ā-brăm, after that Lŏt was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

15 For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.

16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can

number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

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

18 Then Ā-brăm removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Măm-rē, which is in Hē-brŏn, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

CHAPTER 14

 \mathbf{A} ND it came to pass in the days of $\mathsf{\check{A}}$ m-rǎ-phěl king of Shī-när, $\mathsf{\check{A}}$ r- $\mathsf{\check{i}}$ -och king of $\mathsf{\check{E}}$ l-lā-sär, $\mathsf{\check{C}}$ -hěd- $\mathsf{\check{o}}$ r-lā-omer king of $\mathsf{\bar{E}}$ -lǎm, and $\mathsf{\mathsf{T}}$ -dǎl king of nations;

2 That these made war with Bē'rā king of Sŏd'om, and with Bĭr'shā king of Gō-mŏr'rāh, Shī'nāb king of Ăd'mäh, and Shĕm-ē'bĕr king of Zĕ-boi'im, and the king of Bē'lā, which is Zō'är. 3 All these were joined together in the vale of Sĭd'dĭm, which is the salt sea.

4 Twelve years they served Chĕd-ôr-lā'ōmer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.

5 And in the fourteenth year came Chěd-ôr-lā-omer, and the kings that were with him, and smote the Rěph-a-ims in Åsh-tě-rōth Kär-nā-im, and the Zū-zims in Hăm, and the Ē-mims in Shā-vēh Kir-i-a-thā-im,

6 And the Hôr-Tes in their mount Sē-Tr, unto El-pâr-Ten, which is by the wilderness.

7 And they returned, and came to Ĕn-mĭsh-păt, which is Kā-dĕsh, and smote all the country of the Ä-măl-ĕk-ītes, and also the Ăm-ō-rītes, that dwelt in Hāz-ĕ-zontā-mär.

8 And there went out the king of Sŏd-om, and the king of Gō-mŏr-răh, and the king of Ăd-mäh, and the king of Zĕ-boi-im, and the king of Bē-lă (the same is Zō-är;) and they joined battle with them in the vale of Sĭd-dim;

9 With Chĕd-ôr-lā'ōmer the king of Ē'lăm, and with Tī'dăl king of nations, and Ăm-ră'phĕl king of Shī'när, and Ăr'ī-ŏch king of Ĕl-lā'sär; four kings with five.

10 And the vale of Sĭd′dĭm was full of slimepits; and the kings of Sŏd′om and Gō-mŏr′răh fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.

11 And they took all the goods of Sŏd-om and Gō-mŏr-răh, and all their victuals, and went their way.

12 And they took Lŏt, Āʻbrằm's brother's son, who dwelt in Sŏdʻom, and his goods, and departed.

13 ¶ And there came one that had escaped, and told Ā-brām the Hē-brēw; for he dwelt in the plain of Măm-rē the Ăm-ō-rīte, brother of Ĕsh-cŏl, and brother of Ā-nĕr: and these were confederate with Ā-brām. 14 And when Ā-brām 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 Dăn.

15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night,

and smote them, and pursued them unto Hō-bäh, which is on the left hand of Dă-măs-cŭs.

16 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lŏt, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

17 ¶ And the king of Sŏd-om went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chĕd-ôr-lā-omer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shā-vēh, which is the king's dale.

18 And Měl-chĭz-éd-ěk king of Sā-lěm brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed *be* Ā-brăm of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: 20 And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

21 And the king of Sŏd'om said unto \bar{A}' br \bar{a} m, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself.

22 And Ā-ʿbrăm said to the king of Sŏd-ʻom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth,

23 That I will not *take* from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that *is* thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Ā-brăm rich:

24 Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Ā-nĕr,

Esh-col, and Măm-re; let them take their portion.

CHAPTER 15

A FTER these things the word of the LORD came unto \bar{A} -brăm in a vision, saying, Fear not, \bar{A} -brăm: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.

2 And Ā-brām said, Lord God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Ĕl-ĭ-ē-zĕr of Dă-măs-cus?

3 And Ā-brăm said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.

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

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

6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.

7 And he said unto him, I am the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chăl'dees, to give thee this land to inherit it.

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

9 And he said unto him, Take me an 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.

10 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.

11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Ā'brăm drove them away.

12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon \bar{A} -brăm; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

13 And he said unto Ā-brăm, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

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

15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Ăm-ō-rītes is not yet full.

17 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.

18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Ā'brăm, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Ē'ġÿpt unto the great river, the river Ēu-phrā'tēs:

19 The Kē-nītes, and the Kĕ-nĭz-zītes, and the Kăd-mō-nītes,

20 And the Hĭt-tītes, and the

Pĕ-rĭz-zītes, and the Rĕph-a-ims, 21 And the Ăm-o-rītes, and the Ca-na-an-ītes, and the Gĭr-ga-shītes, and the Jĕb-ū-sītes.

CHAPTER 16

Now Sâr-'ā-ī Ā-'brăm's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Ē-ġyp-tīăn, whose name was Hāg-'är.

2 And Sâr-ʿa-ī said unto Ā-ʿbram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Ā-ʿbram hearkened to the voice of Sâr-ʿa-ī.

3 And Sâr-ʿā-ī Ā-ʿbrăm's wife took Hāg-ʿär her maid the Ē-ġyp-ʿtīǎn, after Ā-ʿbrăm had dwelt ten years in the land of Cā-ʿnă-ăn, and gave her to her husband Ā-ʿbrām to be his wife.

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

5 And Sâr'ā-ī said unto Ā'brăm, My wrong be upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee.

6 But Ā'brăm said unto Sâr'ā-ī, Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her as it pleaseth thee. And when Sâr'ā-ī dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.

7 ¶ And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the

way to Shur.

8 And he said, Hāg-ar, Sâr-ā-i's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sâr-ā-ī. 9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands.

10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.

11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ĭsh'mā-ĕl; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

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

13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me? 14 Wherefore the well was called Beer-lā'hai-roi; behold, it is between Kā'desh and Bē'rĕd.

15 ¶ And Hāgʻar bare Āʻbrăm a son: and Āʻbrăm called his son's name, which Hāgʻar bare, Ĭshʻmā-ĕl.

16 And Ā-ʻbrăm was fourscore and six years old, when Hāg-ʿär bare Ĭsh-ʿmā-ĕl to Ā-ʿbrăm.

CHAPTER 17

AND when Ā'brăm was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Ā'brăm, and said unto

him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

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

3 And Ā-brăm fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Ā-brām, but thy name shall be Ā-brā-hām; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

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

7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. 8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Cā-nă-ăn, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

9 ¶ And God said unto Ā'bră-hăm, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

10 This *is* my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

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

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

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

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

15 ¶ And God said unto Ā'bră-hăm, As for Sâr-a-ī thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sâr-a-ī, but Sâr-ăh shall her name be.

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

17 Then Ā'bră-hăm fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall *a child* be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sâr-ʿāh, that is ninety years old, bear? 18 And Ā'bră-hăm said unto God, O that Ĭsh-ʿmā-ĕl might live before thee!

19 And God said, Sâr-ʿăh thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Ī-ʿsāac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

20 And as for Ish-mā-el, I have heard thee: 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.

21 But my covenant will I establish with \bar{I} -'saac, which Sâr-'ăh shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.

22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Ā-bră-hăm.

23 ¶ And Ā'bră-hăm took Ĭsh'mā-ĕl his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Ā'bră-hăm's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him.

24 And $\bar{\text{A}}$ -bra-ham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

25 And Ĭsh-mā-ĕl his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

26 In the selfsame day was Ā'bră-hăm circumcised, and Ĭsh'mā-ĕl his son.

27 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 the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Măm'rē: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;

2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, 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,

3 And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: 4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

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

6 And Ā'bră-hăm hastened into the tent unto Sâr'āh, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead *it*, and make cakes upon the hearth.

7 And Ā-bră-hăm ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

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

9 ¶ And they said unto him, Where is Sâr-'ăh thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

10 And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sâr'ah thy wife shall have a son. And Sâr'ah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him.

11 Now Ā-bră-hăm and Sâr-ăh were

old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sâr'āh after the manner of women.

12 Therefore Sâr-´ăh laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?

13 And the LORD said unto Ā'bră-hăm, Wherefore did Sâr'ăh laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?

14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sâr-ah shall have a son.

15 Then Sâr-ăh denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

16 ¶ And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sŏd'om: and Ā'bră-hăm went with them to bring them on the way.

17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Ā'bră-hăm that thing which I do:

18 Seeing that Ā'bră-hăm shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Ā'bră-hăm that which he hath spoken of him.

20 And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sŏd-om and Gō-mŏr-rah is

great, and because their sin is very grievous;

21 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. 22 And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sŏd-om: but Ā-bră-hăm stood yet before the LORD.

23 ¶ And Ā'bră-hăm drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

24 Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein?

25 That be far from thee 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 thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

26 And the LORD said, If I find in Sŏd-om fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.

27 And Ā'bră-hăm answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes:

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

29 And he spake 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.

30 And he said *unto 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.

31 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. 32 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.

33 And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Ā-bră-hăm: and Ā-bră-hām returned unto his place.

CHAPTER 19

A ND there came two angels to Sŏd'om at even; and Lŏt sat in the gate of Sŏd'om: and Lŏt seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;

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

3 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. 4 ¶ But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sŏd-om, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

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

6 And Lŏt went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, 7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

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

9 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 thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lŏt, and came near to break the door.

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

11 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.

12 ¶ And the men said unto Lŏt, Hast thou here any besides? son in law,

and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place:

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

14 And Löt went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law. 15 ¶ And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Löt, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.

16 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; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

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

18 And Lŏt said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:

19 Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

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

21 And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken. 22 Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zō-ar.

23 \P The sun was risen upon the earth when Lŏt entered into Zō-ʿär.

24 Then the LORD rained upon Sŏd'om and upon Gō-mŏr'răh brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

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

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

27 ¶ And Ā'bră-hăm gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD:

28 And he looked toward Sŏd'om and Gō-mŏr'răh, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

29 ¶ And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Ā-bră-hăm, and

sent Lŏt out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lŏt dwelt.

30 \P And Lŏt went up out of Zō-ʻar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zō-ʻar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.

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

32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.
33 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.

34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. 35 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.

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

37 And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name $M\bar{o}$ -ab: the same is the father of the $M\bar{o}$ -ab-ites unto this day.

38 And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Bĕn-ăm-mī: the same is the father of the children of Ăm-mon unto this day.

CHAPTER 20

AND Ā-bră-hăm journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between Kā-děsh and Shùr, and sojourned in Gē-rär.

2 And Ā-ˈbră-ham said of Sâr-ʿah his wife, She *is* my sister: and Ă-bim-ʿĕ-lĕch king of Gē̄-rär sent, and took Sâr-ʿah.

3 But God came to Ă-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou *art but* a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she *is* a man's wife.

4 But Å-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch had not come near her: and he said, Lord, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation?

5 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.

6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.

7 Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine.

8 Therefore Ă-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

9 Then Ă-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch called Ā-bră-hăm, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.

10 And \Breve{A} -b \Breve{b} m- \Breve{e} -l \Breve{e} ch said unto \Breve{A} -b \Breve{e} -brands thou, that thou hast done this thing?

11 And Ā'bră-hăm said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God *is* not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake.

12 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.

13 And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He is my brother.

14 And Ă-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave *them* unto Ā'bră-hăm, and restored him Sâr'āh his wife.

15 And Å-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch said, Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee.

16 And unto Sâr-ăh he said, Behold, I

have given thy brother a thousand *pieces* of silver: behold, he *is* to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with thee, and with all *other*: thus she was reproved.

17 \P So \bar{A} -ʻbră-hăm prayed unto God: and God healed \bar{A} -bĭm-ʻ \bar{e} -l \bar{e} ch, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare *children*.

18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch, because of Sâr-ʿăh Ā-bră-hăm's wife.

CHAPTER 21

And the LORD visited Sâr-ah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sâr-ah as he had spoken.

2 For Sâr-áh conceived, and bare Ā-bră-hăm a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

3 And \bar{A} -bră-hăm called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sâr-ăh bare to him, \bar{I} -ś $\bar{a}a\bar{c}$.

4 And Ā-bră-hăm circumcised his son Ī-śaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.

5 And Ā-bră-hăm was an hundred years old, when his son Ī-saac was born unto him.

6 ¶ And Sâr-ah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me.

7 And she said, Who would have said unto Ā'bră-hăm, that Sâr-ăh should have given children suck? for I have born him a son in his old age.

8 And the child grew, and was weaned: and Ā-bră-hăm made a great

feast the *same* day that Ī-saac was weaned.

9 \P And Sâr-ʿah saw the son of Hāg-ʿar the Ē-ġyp-ʿtīan, which she had born unto Ā-ʿbra-ham, mocking.

10 Wherefore she said unto \bar{A} -ʻbră-hăm, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with \bar{I} -ʻsaāc.

11 And the thing was very grievous in Ā-ʿbrǎ-hǎm's sight because of his son.
12 ¶ And God said unto Ā-ʿbrǎ-hǎm,
Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sâr-ʿah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Ī-ʿsāac shall thy seed be called.

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

14 And Ā-ʿbrā-hām rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave *it* unto Hāg-ʿar, putting *it* on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-shē-ʿbă.

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

16 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.

17 And God heard the voice of the

lad; and the angel of God called to Hāg-ʻär out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hāg-ʻär? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is.

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

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

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

21 And he dwelt in the wilderness of Pâr-ăn: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Ē-ģypt.

22 \P And it came to pass at that time, that \check{A} -b \check{m} - \check{e} -l \check{e} ch and $Ph\bar{i}$ -ch \check{o} l the chief captain of his host spake unto \bar{A} -b \check{r} a-h \check{a} m, saying, God is with thee in all that thou doest:

23 Now therefore swear unto me here by God that thou wilt 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 thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.

24 And Ā-ʿbrā-hām said, I will swear. 25 And Ā-ʿbrā-hām reproved Ă-bĭm-ʿĕ-lĕch because of a well of water, which Ă-bĭm-ʿĕ-lĕch's servants had violently taken away.

26 And Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch said, I wot not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell me, neither yet heard

I of it, but to day.

27 And Ā'bră-hăm took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Ă-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch; and both of them made a covenant.

28 And Ā-bră-hăm set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

29 And Ă-bĭm'ĕ-lĕch said unto Ā'bră-hăm, What mean these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves?

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

31 Wherefore he called that place Beer-shē'bă; because there they sware both of them.

32 Thus they made a covenant at Beer-shē-bă: then Ă-bĭm-'ĕ-lĕch rose up, and Phī-chŏl the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Phĭl-ĩs-tīnes.

33 \P And \bar{A} -br \bar{a} -ham planted a grove in Beer-shē-ba, and called there on the name of the LORD, the everlasting God.

34 And Ā'bră-hăm sojourned in the Phĭl-ĭs-tīnes' land many days.

CHAPTER 22

 \mathbf{A} ND it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ -bra-ham, and said unto him, $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ -bra-ham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Ī'saac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Mōr'ī-ăh; and offer him there for a

burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

3 ¶ And \bar{A} -bră-hăm rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and \bar{I} - \dot{s} aac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

4 Then on the third day Ā-bră-hăm lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

5 And Ā'bră-hăm said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

6 And Ā-ʿbrā-hām took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid *it* upon Ī-ʿsāac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.

7 And Ī-saac spake unto Ā-brā-hām 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?

8 And Ā-bră-hăm said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and \bar{A} -bră-hăm built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound \bar{I} -sāac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

10 And $\bar{\text{A}}$ -bră-hăm stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his

son.

11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, \bar{A} -bra-ham, \bar{A} -bra-ham: and he said, Here am I.

12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

13 And Ā-ʻbrā-hăm lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Ā-ʻbrā-hām went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

14 And Ā-brā-hām called the name of that place Jĕ-hō-văh-jī-rēh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

15 \P And the angel of the LORD called unto \bar{A} -bra-ham out of heaven the second time,

16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

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

18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

19 So Ā'bră-hăm returned unto his young men, and they rose up and

went together to Beer-shē'bă; and Ā'bră-hăm dwelt at Beer-shē'bă.

20 \P And it came to pass after these things, that it was told \bar{A} -br \bar{a} -h \bar{a} m, saying, Behold, M \bar{a} l-c \bar{a} h, she hath also born children unto thy brother N \bar{a} -h \bar{o} r;

21 Hŭz his firstborn, and Bŭz his brother, and Kĕ-mū-el the father of Âr-ăm,

22 And Ches-éd, and Hā-zō, and Pĭl-dăsh, and Jĭd-lăph, and Be-thū-el. 23 And Be-thū-el begat Re-bek-ah: these eight Mĭl-cäh did bear to Nā-hôr, Ā-bră-hām's brother.

24 And his concubine, whose name was Reu-mäh, she bare also Tē-bäh, and Gā-hăm, and Thā-hăsh, and Mā-ă-chäh.

CHAPTER 23

AND Sâr-'ăh was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: these were the years of the life of Sâr-'ăh.

2 And Sâr-áh died in Kĭr-jăth-är-bă; the same is Hē-brŏn in the land of Cā-nă-ăn: and Ā-bră-hăm came to mourn for Sâr-ăh, and to weep for her.

3 ¶ And Ā'bră-hăm stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Hěth, saying,

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

5 And the children of Hĕth answered Ā-bră-hām, saying unto him,

6 Hear us, my lord: thou art a mighty

prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.

7 And Ā'bră-hăm stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, *even* to the children of Hĕth.

8 And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ē-phrŏn the son of Zō-här,

9 That he may give me the cave of Măch-pē-läh, which he hath, 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 buryingplace amongst you.

10 And Ē-phrŏn dwelt among the children of Hĕth: and Ē-phrŏn the Hĭt-tīte answered Ā-bră-hăm in the audience of the children of Hĕth, even of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying,

11 Nay, my lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that is therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.

12 And Ā-bră-hăm bowed down himself before the people of the land.

13 And he spake unto Ē'phrŏn in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if thou wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take it of me, and I will bury my dead there.

14 And Ē-'phrŏn answered

Ā'bră-hăm, saying unto him,

15 My lord, hearken unto me: the land is worth four hundred shē-kěls of silver; what is that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.

16 And Ā-ʿbrā-hām hearkened unto Ē-ʻphrŏn; and Ā-ʿbrā-hām weighed to Ē-ʻphrŏn the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Hĕth, four hundred shē-ʿkĕls of silver, current *money* with the merchant.

17 ¶ And the field of Ē-phrŏn, which was in Măch-pē-läh, which was before Măm-rē, 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

18 Unto Ā'bră-hăm for a possession in the presence of the children of Hěth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.

19 And after this, \bar{A} -bră-hăm buried Sâr-ăh his wife in the cave of the field of Măch-pē-läh before Măm-rē: the same \bar{is} Hē-brŏn in the land of Cā-nă-ăn.

20 And the field, and the cave that is therein, were made sure unto Ā'bră-hăm for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Hěth.

CHAPTER 24

AND Ā-brā-hām was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Ā-brā-hām in all things. 2 And Ā-bră-hām said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:

3 And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Cā-nă-ăn-ītes, among whom I dwell:

4 But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son $\bar{I}'\dot{s}\overline{aa}c$.

5 And the servant said unto him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest?

6 And Ā'bră-hăm said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.

7 ¶ The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.

8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son thither again.

9 And the servant put his hand under the thigh of \bar{A} -bra-ham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.

10 ¶ 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 Měs-ŏ-pŏ-tā-mĭ-ă,

unto the city of Nā-hôr.

11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, *even* the time that women go out to draw *water*.

12 And he said, O LORD God of my master Ā-bră-hăm, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Ā-bră-hăm. 13 Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water: 14 And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant I-saac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.

15 ¶ And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rĕ-bĕk-ʿāh came out, who was born to Bĕ-thū-ʿĕl, son of Mĭl-ʿcäh, the wife of Nā-ʿhôr, Ā-ʿbră-hām's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

16 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.

17 And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.

18 And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

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

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

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

22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden earring of half a shē-kĕl weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shē-kĕls weight of gold;

23 And said, Whose daughter *art* thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room *in* thy father's house for us to lodge in?

24 And she said unto him, I *am* the daughter of Bĕ-thū-ĕl the son of Mĭl-cäh, which she bare unto Nā-hôr. 25 She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.

26 And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.

27 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of my master Ā-bră-hăm, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I *being* in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.

28 And the damsel ran, and told *them* of her mother's house these things. 29 ¶ And Rĕ-bĕk-ah had a brother, and his name was Lā-băn: and Lā-băn ran out unto the man, unto the well. 30 And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rĕ-bĕk-ăh his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

31 And he said, Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels.

32 ¶ 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.

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

34 And he said, I am \bar{A} -br \bar{a} -h \bar{a} m's servant.

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

36 And Sâr-ăh my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.

37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the

Cā-nă-ăn-ītes, in whose land I dwell: 38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.

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

40 And he said unto me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

41 Then shalt thou be clear from *this* my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee *one*, thou shalt be clear from my oath. 42 And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Ā-bră-hăm, if now thou do prosper my way which I go:

43 Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;

44 And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: *let* the same *be* the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.

45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rĕ-bĕk-ăh came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew *water*: and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.
46 And she made haste, and let down

her pitcher from her *shoulder*, and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter art thou? And she said, The daughter of Bĕ-thū-ʻĕl, Nā-hôr's son, whom Mĭl-cäh bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

48 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Ā-bră-hăm, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.

49 And now if ye 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.

50 Then Lā-băn and Bĕ-thū-ĕl answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. 51 Behold, Rĕ-bĕk-ʿāh is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.

52 And it came to pass, that, when Ā-bră-hăm's servant heard their words, he worshipped the LORD, bowing himself to the earth.

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

54 And they did eat and drink, he and

the men that were with him, and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.

55 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.

56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.

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

58 And they called Rě-běk-áh, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.

59 And they sent away Rĕ-bĕk-ʿāh their sister, and her nurse, and Ā-brā-hām's servant, and his men.

60 And they blessed Rĕ-bĕk-ʿāh, and said unto her, Thou art our sister, be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.

61 ¶ And Rĕ-bĕk-áh arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rĕ-bĕk-áh, and went his way.

62 And \overline{I} -'s \overline{aa} c came from the way of the well \overline{La} -'hai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.

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

64 And Rĕ-bĕk-́ăh lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Ī-́sāac, she lighted

off the camel.

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

66 And the servant told \bar{I} - $\dot{s}aac$ all things that he had done.

67 And Ī-saac brought her into his mother Sâr-ah's tent, and took Rĕ-bĕk-ah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Ī-saac was comforted after his mother's death.

CHAPTER 25

THEN again Ā'bră-hăm took a wife, and her name was Kě-tū-răh.

2 And she bare him Zĭm-răn, and Jŏk-shăn, and Mē-dăn, and Mĭd-ĭ-ăn, and Ĭsh-băk, and Shû-äh.

3 And Jŏk-shăn begat Shē-bă, and Dē-dăn. And the sons of Dē-dăn were Assh-û-rĭm, and Lĕ-tû-shĭm, and Lĕ-tm-mĭm.

4 And the sons of Mĭd-̃ī-ăn; Ē-́phäh, and Ē-́phĕr, and Hā-́nŏ-ch, and Ă-bī-́dă, and Ĕl-dā-ʿäh. All these were the children of Kĕ-tū-́răh.

5 ¶ And Ā-ʿbră-hăm gave all that he had unto Ī-ʿsāāc.

6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which \bar{A} -bră-hăm had, \bar{A} -bră-hăm gave gifts, and sent them away from \bar{I} - $\dot{s}\bar{a}\bar{a}c$ his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

7 And these *are* the days of the years of Ā'bră-hăm's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen

years.

8 Then Ā-brā-hăm gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full *of years*; and was gathered to his people.

9 And his sons Î-saac and Ish-ma-ël buried him in the cave of Mach-pē-läh, in the field of Ē-phrŏn the son of Zō-här the Hĭt-tīte, which is before Măm-rē;

10 The field which Ā-bră-hăm purchased of the sons of Hěth: there was Ā-bră-hăm buried, and Sâr-ăh his wife.

11 ¶ And it came to pass after the death of \bar{A} -bră-hăm, that God blessed his son \bar{I} -ś \bar{a} ac; and \bar{I} -ś \bar{a} ac dwelt by the well \bar{L} a-hai-roi.

12 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Ĭsh-mā-ĕl, Ā-bră-hăm's son, whom Hāg-ar the Ē-ġyp-tīān, Sâr-āh's handmaid, bare unto Ā-brā-hām:

13 And these *are* the names of the sons of Ĭsh-mā-el, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ĭsh-mā-el, Ne-bā-jōth; and Kē-där, and Ăd-beel, and Mǐb-săm,

14 And Mĭsh-mă, and Du-mäh, and Măs-să,

15 Hā'där, and Tē'mă, Jē'tür, Nā'phĭsh, and Kē'dĕ-mäh:

16 These *are* the sons of Ish-mā-el, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their castles; twelve princes according to their nations.

17 And these *are* the years of the life of Ĭsh-mā-ĕl, an hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the

ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people.

18 And they dwelt from Hăv- \tilde{i} -läh unto Shùr, that *is* before \tilde{E} - \acute{g} \check{y} pt, as thou goest toward \check{A} s- \check{s} \check{y} - \check{i} - \check{a} : *and* he died in the presence of all his brethren.

19 ¶ And these *are* the generations of \bar{I} ' $\bar{s}aac$, \bar{A} -'bra-ham's son: \bar{A} -'bra-ham begat \bar{I} -' $\bar{s}aac$:

20 And Ī-saāc was forty years old when he took Rĕ-bĕk-ah to wife, the daughter of Bĕ-thū-el the Sỹr-ĩ-an of Pā-dăn-âr-am, the sister to Lā-băn the Sỹr-ĩ-an.

21 And Ī-'saac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rě-běk-'ah his wife conceived.

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

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

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

25 And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name \bar{E} -sa \bar{u} .

26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Ē-sau's heel; and his name was called

Jā-cob: and Ī-saac was threescore years old when she bare them.

27 And the boys grew: and Ē-sau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jā-cob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.

28 And Ī-śaac loved Ē-śau, because he did eat of *his* venison: but Rĕ-bĕk-́ăh loved Jā-́cob.

29 \P And Jā-cob sod pottage: and \bar{E} -sau came from the field, and he was faint:

30 And Ē-sau said to Jā-cob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Ē-dom.

31 And Jā'cob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.

32 And Ē-sau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?

33 And Jā-cob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jā-cob.

34 Then Jā-cob gave Ē-sau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Ē-sau despised *his* birthright.

CHAPTER 26

AND there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Ā-bră-hăm. And Ī-śāac went unto Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch king of the Phĭl-ĭs-tīnes unto Gē-rär.

2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into \bar{E}' gypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:

3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Ā-bră-hăm thy father;

4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; 5 Because that Ā'bră-hăm obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

6 ¶ And Ī-ˈsaac dwelt in Gē-rär:

7 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 Rě-běk-áh; because she was fair to look upon.

8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch king of the Phĭl-ĭs-tīnes looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Ī-śaāc was sporting with Rĕ-bĕk-ăh his wife.

9 And \check{A} -b \check{m} - \check{e} -l \check{e} ch called \check{I} - \check{s} a \check{a} c, and said, Behold, of \check{a} surety she *is* thy wife: and how saidst thou, She *is* my sister? And \check{I} - \check{s} a \check{a} c said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.

10 And Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch said, What is this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.

11 And Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch charged all his

people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.

12 Then I-'saac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.

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

14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Phǐl-ĩs-tīnes envied him.

15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of \bar{A} -bră-hăm his father, the Phǐl-îs-tīnes had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

16 And Ă-bĭm-´ĕ-lĕch said unto Ī-ʿsaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.

17 ¶ And Ī-'saac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gē-'rär, and dwelt there.

18 And Ī-śaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Ā-ʿbră-hăm his father; for the Phǐl-ʿīs-tīnes had stopped them after the death of Ā-ʿbră-haˇm: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them. 19 And Ī-ʿsaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of springing water.

20 And the herdmen of Gē-rär did strive with Ī-sā-c's herdmen, saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Ē-sĕk; because they

strove with him.

21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it Sĭt-näh.

22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rě-hŏ-bōth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.

23 And he went up from thence to Beer-shē-bă.

24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, I *am* the God of Ā-ʿbră-hām thy father: fear not, for I *am* with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Ā-ʿbră-hām's sake.

25 And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there \bar{l} -' $\bar{s}\bar{a}\bar{a}$ c's servants digged a well.

26 ¶ Then Ă-bĭm-ĕ-lĕch went to him from Gē-rär, and Ă-hūz-zăth one of his friends, and Phī-chŏl the chief captain of his army.

27 And I'saac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you?

28 And they said, We saw certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, *even* betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee:

29 That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we

have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou *art* now the blessed of the LORD.

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

31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and $\bar{1}$ -'saac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.

32 And it came to pass the same day, that Ī-'saac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water.

33 And he called it Shē-bäh: therefore the name of the city is Beer-shē-bă unto this day.

34 ¶ And Ē'sau was forty years old when he took to wife Jû'dĭth the daughter of Beer'ī the Hĭt'tīte, and Băsh'ĕ-măth the daughter of Ē'lŏn the Hĭt'tīte:

35 Which were a grief of mind unto \bar{l} 'sāac and to Rĕ-bĕk-ăh.

CHAPTER 27

 Λ ND it came to pass, that when \bar{I} 's $\bar{a}ac$ was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called \bar{E} 's $\bar{a}u$ his eldest son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, here am I.

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

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

4 And make me savoury meat, such as

I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.

5 And Rě-běk-ah heard when Ī-saac spake to Ē-sau his son. And Ē-sau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it.

6¶ And Rĕ-bĕk-ʿāh spake unto Jā-ʿcob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Ē-ʿsau thy brother, saying,

7 Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before my death.

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

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

10 And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before his death.

11 And Jā-cob said to Rĕ-bĕk-ăh his mother, Behold, Ē-sau my brother is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man:

12 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.

13 And his mother said unto him, Upon me be thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me them. 14 And he went, and fetched, and brought them to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as

his father loved.

15 And Rě-běk-ah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Ē-sau, which were with her in the house, and put them upon Jā-cob her younger son:

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

17 And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jā'cob.

18 ¶ And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I; who art thou, my son?

19 And Jā-cob said unto his father, I am Ē-sau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me.

20 And Ī-ˈsaac said unto his son, How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD thy God brought it to me.

21 And Ī-śaac said unto Jā-cob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou *be* my very son Ē-sau or not.

22 And Jā-cob went near unto Ī-saac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice is Jā-cob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Ē-sau.

23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother \bar{E} -'sau's hands: so he blessed him.

24 And he said, Art thou my very son \vec{E} -sau? And he said, I am.

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

26 And his father $\bar{I}'\dot{s}aac$ said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

27 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 the LORD hath blessed:

28 Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine: 29 Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed *be* every one that curseth thee, and blessed *be* he that blesseth thee.

30 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as $\bar{1}$'s $\bar{a}ac$ had made an end of blessing $J\bar{a}$ 'cob, and $J\bar{a}$ 'cob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of $\bar{1}$'s $\bar{a}ac$ his father, that \bar{E} 's $\bar{a}u$ his brother came in from his hunting.

31 And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me. 32 And Ī-saac his father said unto him, Who art thou? And he said, I am thy son, thy firstborn Ē-sau.

33 And Ī-saac trembled very

exceedingly, and said, Who? where is he that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, and he shall be blessed.

34 And when Ē-sau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.

35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing.

36 And he said, Is not he rightly named Jā-cob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?

37 And \bar{I} 's $\bar{a}ac$ answered and said unto \bar{E} 's $\bar{a}u$, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?

38 And Ē-sau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, even me also, O my father. And Ē-sau lifted up his voice, and wept.

39 And Ī-saac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;

40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it

shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.

41 ¶ And Ē-sau hated Jā-cob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Ē-sau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jā-cob.

42 And these words of Ē-sau her elder son were told to Rĕ-bĕk-ăh: and she sent and called Jā-cob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Ē-sau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.

43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Lā-băn my brother to Hâ-răn;

44 And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away; 45 Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence: why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?

46 And Rĕ-bĕk-ʿāh said to Ī-ʿsāac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Hĕth: if Jā-ʿcob take a wife of the daughters of Hĕth, such as these which are of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?

CHAPTER 28

AND Ī-saac called Ja-cob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of

Cā-nă-ăn.

2 Arise, go to Pā'dăn-âr'ām, to the house of Bĕ-thū'ĕl thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Lā'băn thy mother's brother.

3 And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;

4 And give thee the blessing of \bar{A} -bră-hăm, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto \bar{A} -bră-hăm.

5 And Ī-śaac sent away Jā-cob: and he went to Pā-dăn-âr-am unto Lā-băn, son of Bĕ-thū-ĕl the Sỹr-ĩ-ăn, the brother of Rĕ-bĕk-ah, Jā-cob's and Ē-sau's mother.

6 ¶ When Ē-sau saw that Ī-sau had blessed Jā-cob, and sent him away to Pā-dăn-âr-ăm, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Cā-nă-ăn;

7 And that Jā-cob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Pā-dăn-âr-ăm;

8 And Ē-sau seeing that the daughters of Cā-nă-ăn pleased not Ī-saac his father;

9 Then went Ē-sau unto Ĭsh-mā-ĕl, and took unto the wives which he had Mā-hā-lāth the daughter of Ĭsh-mā-ĕl Ā-brā-hām's son, the sister of Nĕ-bā-jōth, to be his wife.

10 ¶ And Jā-cob went out from Beer-

shē-bă, and went toward Hâ-răn.

11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried 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.

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

13 And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I am the LORD God of Ā-bră-hăm thy father, and the God of <u>Ī-'saac</u>: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; 14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. 15 And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land: for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

16 ¶ And Jā-cob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not.

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

18 And Jā'cob 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.

19 And he called the name of that place Běth'ěl: but the name of that city was called Lŭz at the first.

20 And Jā-cob vowed a vow, saying, If God 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,

21 So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God:

22 And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

CHAPTER 29

THEN Jā-cob went on his journey, and came into the land of the people of the east.

2 And he looked, and behold a well in the field, and, lo, 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.

3 And thither 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.

4 And Jā-cob said unto them, My brethren, whence be ye? And they said, Of Hâ-răn are we.

5 And he said unto them, Know ye Lā-băn the son of Nā-hôr? And they said, We know him.

6 And he said unto them, Is he well?

And they said, *He is* well: and, behold, Rā-chĕl his daughter cometh with the sheep.

7 And he said, Lo, it is yet high day, neither is it time that the cattle should be gathered together: water ye the sheep, and go and feed them.

8 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.

9 ¶ And while he yet spake with them, Rāchel came with her father's sheep: for she kept them.

10 And it came to pass, when Jā-cob saw Rā-chĕl the daughter of Lā-bǎn his mother's brother, and the sheep of Lā-bǎn his mother's brother, that Jā-cob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Lā-bǎn his mother's brother.

11 And Jā-cob kissed Rā-chel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.

12 And Jā-cob told Rā-chĕl that he was her father's brother, and that he was Rĕ-bĕk-ăh's son: and she ran and told her father.

13 And it came to pass, when Lā-băn heard the tidings of Jā-cob 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 Lā-băn all these things.

14 And Lā-băn said to him, Surely thou *art* my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him the space of a month.

15 ¶ And Lā-băn said unto Jā-cob,

Because thou *art* my brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what *shall* thy wages *be*?

16 And Lā'băn had two daughters: the name of the elder was Lē'āh, and the name of the younger was Rā'chĕl. 17 Lē'āh was tender eyed; but Rā'chĕl was beautiful and well favoured.

18 And Jā-cob loved Rā-chĕl; and said, I will serve thee seven years for Rā-chĕl thy younger daughter.

19 And Lā-băn said, It is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me.

20 And Jā-cob served seven years for Rā-chĕl; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to her.

21 \P And Jā-cob said unto Lā-băn, Give *me* my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her.

22 And Lā-băn gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.

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

24 And Lā-băn gave unto his daughter Lē-ăh Zĭl-păh his maid for an handmaid.

25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Lē-ăh: and he said to Lā-băn, What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rā-chěl? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?

26 And Lā-băn said, It must not be so done in our country, to give the younger before the firstborn.

27 Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years.

28 And Jā-cob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rā-chĕl his daughter to wife also.

29 And Lā-băn gave to Rā-chĕl his daughter Bĭl-häh his handmaid to be her maid.

30 And he went in also unto Rā-chel, and he loved also Rā-chel more than Lē-ăh, and served with him yet seven other years.

31 ¶ And when the LORD saw that Lē'āh was hated, he opened her womb: but Rā'chĕl was barren.

32 And Lē-ah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name Reu-ben: for she said, Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.

33 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the LORD hath heard that I was hated, he hath therefore given me this son also: and she called his name Sĭm'ĕ-on.

34 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 Lē'vī.

35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, Now will I praise the LORD: therefore she called his

name Jûd-ăh; and left bearing.

CHAPTER 30

And when Rā-chel saw that she bare Jā-cob no children, Rā-chel envied her sister; and said unto Jā-cob, Give me children, or else I die.

2 And Jā-cob's anger was kindled against Rā-chĕl: and he said, Am I in God's stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?

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

4 And she gave him Bĭl-häh her handmaid to wife: and Jā-cob went in unto her.

5 And Bĭl-häh conceived, and bare Jā-cob a son.

6 And Rā-chĕl said, God hath judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me a son: therefore called she his name Dăn.

7 And Bĭl-häh Rā-chĕl's maid conceived again, and bare Jā-cob a second son.

8 And Rā-chĕl said, With great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have prevailed: and she called his name Năph-tă-lī.

9 When Lē'āh saw that she had left bearing, she took Zĭl'păh her maid, and gave her Jā'cob to wife.

10 And Zĭl-́păh Lē-́ăh's maid bare Jā-́cob a son.

11 And Lē-ah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name Gad.

12 And Zĭl-́păh Lē-́ăh's maid bare

Jā-cob a second son.

13 And Lē-ah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she called his name Ash-er.

14 ¶ And Reu-běn went in the days of wheat harvest, and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Lē-āh. Then Rā-chēl said to Lē-āh, Give me, I pray thee, of thy son's mandrakes.

15 And she said unto her, *Is it* a small matter that thou hast taken my husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's mandrakes also? And Rā'chĕl said, Therefore he shall lie with thee to night for thy son's mandrakes.

16 And Jā-cob came out of the field in the evening, and Lē-ăh went out to meet him, and said, Thou must come in unto me; for surely I have hired thee with my son's mandrakes. And he lay with her that night.

17 And God hearkened unto Lē-ah, and she conceived, and bare Jā-cob the fifth son.

18 And Lē-ah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name Is-sa-char.

19 And Lē-ah conceived again, and bare Jā-cob the sixth son.

20 And Lē'āh said, God hath 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 Zĕ-bū'lŭn.

21 And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name

Dī-năh.

22 ¶ And God remembered Rā-chĕl, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.

23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach:

24 And she called his name Jō-sĕph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son.

25 ¶ And it came to pass, when Rā-chěl had born Jō-sèph, that Jā-cob said unto Lā-băn, Send me away, that I may go unto mine own place, and to my country.

26 Give *me* my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest my service which I have done thee.

27 And Lā-băn said unto him, I pray thee, if I have found favour in thine eyes, tarry: for I have learned by experience that the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake.

28 And he said, Appoint me thy wages, and I will give it.

29 And he said unto him, Thou knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was with me.

30 For *it was* little which thou hadst before I *came*, and it is *now* increased unto a multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee since my coming: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also?

31 And he said, What shall I give thee? And Jā-cob said, Thou shalt not give me any thing: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed and

keep thy flock:

32 I will pass through all thy flock to day, removing from thence all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and *of such* shall be my hire.

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

34 And Lā-băn said, Behold, I would it might be according to thy word.

35 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. 36 And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jā-cob: and Jā-cob fed the rest of Lā-băn's flocks. 37 ¶ And Jā-cob 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.

38 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.

39 And the flocks conceived before

the rods, and brought forth cattle ringstraked, speckled, and spotted. 40 And Jā'cob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Lā'băn; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto Lā'băn's cattle.

41 And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger cattle did conceive, that Jā'cob laid the rods before the eyes of the cattle in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.

42 But when the cattle were feeble, he put *them* not in: so the feebler were Lā'băn's, and the stronger Jā'cob's.

43 And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.

CHAPTER 31

And he heard the words of Lā-băn's sons, saying, Jā-cob hath taken away all that was our father's; and of that which was our father's hath he gotten all this glory. 2 And Jā-cob beheld the countenance of Lā-băn, and, behold, it was not toward him as before.

3 And the LORD said unto Jā-cob, Return unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and I will be with thee.

4 And Jā-cob sent and called Rā-chěl and Lē-ah to the field unto his flock, 5 And said unto them, I see your father's countenance, that it is not toward me as before; but the God of

my father hath been with me.

6 And ye know that with all my power I have served your father.

7 And your father hath deceived me, and changed my wages ten times; but God suffered him not to hurt me.

8 If he said thus, The speckled shall be thy wages; then all the cattle bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ringstraked shall be thy hire; then bare all the cattle ringstraked.

9 Thus God hath taken away the cattle of your father, and given them to me.

10 And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream, and, behold, the rams which leaped upon the cattle were ringstraked, speckled, and grisled.

11 And the angel of God spake unto me in a dream, saying, Jā-cob: And I said. Here am I.

12 And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the cattle are ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for I have seen all that Lā-băn doeth unto thee.

13 I am the God of Běth-ěl, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred. 14 And Rā-chĕl and Lē-ăh answered and said unto him, Is there yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house?

15 Are we not counted of him strangers? for he hath sold us, and

hath quite devoured also our money. 16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that is ours, and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do. 17 ¶ Then Jā-cob rose up, and set his

sons and his wives upon camels;

18 And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he had gotten, the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in Pā-dănâr-ăm, for to go to Ī-saac his father in the land of Cā-nă-ăn.

19 And Lā-băn went to shear his sheep: and Rā-chĕl had stolen the images that were her father's.

20 And Jā-cob stole away unawares to Lā-băn the Sỹr-ĩ-ăn, in that he told him not that he fled.

21 So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set his face toward the mount Gĭl-ĕ-ăd

22 And it was told Lā-băn on the third day that Jā-cob was fled.

23 And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the mount Gĭl-ĕ-ăd.

24 And God came to Lā-băn the Sỹr-ĩ-ăn in a dream by night, and said unto him, Take heed that thou speak not to Jā-cob either good or bad.

25 ¶ Then Lā-băn overtook Jā-cob. Now Jā-cob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Lā-băn with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gĭl-ĕ-ăd.

26 And Lā-băn said to Jā-cob, What

hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives *taken* with the sword?

27 Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and steal away from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp? 28 And hast not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? thou hast now done foolishly in so doing. 29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake unto me yesternight, saying, Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jā-cob either good or bad.

30 And now, though thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy father's house, yet wherefore hast thou stolen my gods? 31 And Jā-cob answered and said to Lā-băn, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me. 32 With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, let him not live: before our brethren discern thou what is thine with me, and take it to thee. For Jā-cob knew not that Rā-chěl had stolen them.

33 And Lā-băn went into Jā-cob's tent, and into Lē-ăh's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Lē-ăh's tent, and entered into Rā-chěl's tent.

34 Now Rā-chěl had taken the images, and put them in the camel's

furniture, and sat upon them. And Lā-băn searched all the tent, but found them not.

35 And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I cannot rise up before thee; for the custom of women is upon me. And he searched, but found not the images.

36 ¶ And Jā-cob was wroth, and chode with Lā-băn: and Jā-cob answered and said to Lā-băn, What is my trespass? what is my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me? 37 Whereas thou hast searched all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set it here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us both.

38 This twenty years have I been with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.

39 That which was torn of beasts I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it, whether stolen by day, or stolen by night.

40 *Thus* I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.

41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou hast changed my wages ten times.

42 Except the God of my father, the God of Ā-bră-hăm, and the fear of

Ī'śāac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* yesternight.

43 ¶ And Lā-băn answered and said unto Jā-cob, *These* daughters *are* my daughters, and *these* children *are* my children, and *these* cattle *are* my cattle, and all that thou seest *is* mine: and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?

44 Now therefore come thou, let us make a covenant, I and thou; and let it be for a witness between me and thee.

45 And Jā-cob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar.

46 And Jā-cob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

47 And Lā'băn called it Jē'gär-sā-hă-dū'thă: but Jā'cob called it Gā'leed.

48 And Lā-băn said, This heap is a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Gā-leed:

49 And Mĭz-păh; for he said, The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.

50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take *other* wives beside my daughters, no man *is* with us; see, God *is* witness betwixt me and thee.

51 And Lā'băn said to Jā'cob, Behold this heap, and behold this pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee;

52 This heap *be* witness, and *this* pillar *be* witness, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

53 The God of Ā-ʿbrǎ-hǎm, and the God of Nā-ʿhôr, the God of their father, judge betwixt us. And Jā-ʿcoð sware by the fear of his father Ī-ʿsāāc. 54 Then Jā-ʿcoð offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.

55 And early in the morning Lā-băn rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them: and Lā-băn departed, and returned unto his place.

CHAPTER 32

AND Jā-cob went on his way, and the angels of God met him.

2 And when Jā-cob saw them, he said, This is God's host: and he called the name of that place Mā-hă-nā-im.

3 And Jā-cob sent messengers before him to \bar{E} -sau his brother unto the land of Sē-ĭr, the country of \bar{E} -dom.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye speak unto my lord Ē-sau; Thy servant Jā-cob saith thus, I have sojourned with Lā-băn, and stayed there until now:

5 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 thy sight.

 $6\P$ And the messengers returned to Jā-cob, saying, We came to thy brother Ē-sau, and also he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him.

7 Then Jā-cob 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:

8 And said, If \bar{E} -sau come to the one company, and smite it, then the other company which is left shall escape.

9¶ And Jā-cob said, O God of my father Ā-bră-hăm, and God of my father Ī-śāac, the LORD which saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee:

10 I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jôr-dăn; and now I am become two bands.

11 Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of \bar{E} -sau: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, *and* the mother with the children.

12 And thou saidst, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

13 ¶ And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came to

his hand a present for E-sau his brother:

14 Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams,

15 Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and ten foals.

16 And he delivered *them* into the hand of his servants, every drove by themselves; and said unto his servants, Pass over before me, and put a space betwixt drove and drove. 17 And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Ē-sau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, Whose *art* thou? and whither goest thou? and whose *are* these before thee?

18 Then thou shalt say, *They be* thy servant Jā-cob's; it *is* a present sent unto my lord Ē-sau: and, behold, also he *is* behind us.

19 And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, On this manner shall ye speak unto \bar{E} -sau, when ye find him.

20 And say ye moreover, Behold, thy servant Jā-cob is behind us. For he said, I will appease him with the present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face; peradventure he will accept of me.

21 So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the company.

22 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two

womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jab-bok.

23 And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

24 ¶ And Jā-cob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.

25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jā-cob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.

26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

27 And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jā-cob.

28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jā-cob, but Ĭs-rā-ĕl: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

29 And Jā'cob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.

30 And Jā-cob called the name of the place Pĕn-ĭ-ĕl: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved. 31 And as he passed over Pĕn-ū-ĕl the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.

32 Therefore the children of Ĭś-rā-ĕl eat not of the sinew which shrank, which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jā-cob's thigh

in the sinew that shrank.

CHAPTER 33

AND Jā-cob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Ē-sau came, and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Lē-ah, and unto Rā-chel, and unto the two handmaids.

2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Lē'āh and her children after, and Rā'chĕl and Jō'sĕph hindermost.

3 And he passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

4 And Ē'sau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.

5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who *are* those with thee? And he said, The children which God hath graciously given thy servant.

6 Then the handmaidens came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves.

7 And Lē'āh also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Jō'sĕph near and Rā'chĕl, and they bowed themselves. 8 And he said, What *meanest* thou by all this drove which I met? And he said, *These are* to find grace in the sight of my lord.

9 And Ē-sau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself.

10 And Jā-cob said, Nay, I pray thee, if

now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me.

11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and he took *it*.

12 And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee.

13 And he said unto him, My lord knoweth 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.

14 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on softly, according as the cattle that goeth before me and the children be able to endure, until I come unto my lord unto Sē´ĭr.

15 And \bar{E} -sau said, Let me now leave with thee *some* of the folk that *are* with me. And he said, What needeth it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord.

16 ¶ So Ē-sau returned that day on his way unto Sē-ĩr.

17 And Jā-cob journeyed to Sŭc-cōth, and built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Sŭc-cōth. 18 ¶ And Jā-cob came to Shā-lĕm, a city of Shē-chĕm, which is in the land of Cā-nă-an, when he came from

Pā-dăn-âr-ăm; and pitched his tent before the city.

19 And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hā-môr, Shē-chem's father, for an hundred pieces of money.

20 And he erected there an altar, and called it Ĕl-ĕl-ō-hë-Ĭs-rā-ĕl.

CHAPTER 34

 \mathbf{A}^{ND} Dī'năh the daughter of $\mathrm{L\bar{e}}$ 'ăh, which she bare unto $\mathrm{J\bar{a}}$ 'cob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when Shē-chĕm the son of Hā-môr the Hī-vīte, prince of the country, saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and defiled her.

3 And his soul clave unto Dī-năh the daughter of Jā-cob, and he loved the damsel, and spake kindly unto the damsel.

4 And Shē'chĕm spake unto his father Hā'môr, saying, Get me this damsel to wife.

5 And Jā-cob heard that he had defiled Dī-năh his daughter: now his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jā-cob held his peace until they were come.

6¶ And Hā-môr the father of Shē-chem went out unto Jā-cob to commune with him.

7 And the sons of Jā-cob came out of the field when they heard *it*: and the men were grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had wrought folly in Ĭś-rā-ĕl in lying with Jā-cob's daughter; which thing ought not to

be done.

8 And Hā'môr communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shē'chĕm longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.

9 And make ye marriages with us, and give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you.

10 And ye shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade ye therein, and get you possessions therein.

11 And Shē'chĕm said unto her father and unto her brethren, Let me find grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.

12 Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I will give according as ye shall say unto me: but give me the damsel to wife.

13 And the sons of Jā-cob answered Shē-chem and Hā-môr his father deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dī-năh their sister:

14 And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that were a reproach unto us:

15 But in this will we consent unto you: If ye will be as we *be*, that every male of you be circumcised;

16 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.

17 But if ye will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter, and we will be gone.

18 And their words pleased Hā'môr, and Shē'chěm Hā'môr's son.

19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jā-cob's daughter: and he was more honourable than all the house of his father.

20 ¶ And Hā'môr and Shē'chĕm his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying,

21 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.

22 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.

23 Shall not their cattle and their substance and every beast of theirs be ours? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.

24 And unto Hā-môr and unto Shē-chem 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.

25 ¶ And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jā-cob, Sĭm-ĕ-on and Lē-vī, Dī-năh's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

26 And they slew Hā'-môr and

Shē'chem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dī'nāh out of Shē'chem's house, and went out.

27 The sons of Jā-cob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that which was in the city, and that which was in the field,

29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and spoiled even all that was in the house.

30 And Jā-cob said to Sǐm-ĕ-on and Lē-vī, Ye have troubled me to make me to stink among the inhabitants of the land, among the Cā-nā-ān-ītes and the Pĕ-rīz-zītes: 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.

31 And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?

CHAPTER 35

And God said unto Jā'cob, Arise, go up to Běth'ěl, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Ē'sau thy brother.

2 Then Jā-cob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments:

3 And let us arise, and go up to Bĕth´el; 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.

4 And they gave unto Jā-cob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and all their earrings which were in their ears; and Jā-cob hid them under the oak which was by Shē-chěm.

5 And they journeyed: and the terror of God was upon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jā-cob.

6 ¶ So Jā-cob came to Luz, which is in the land of Cā-nă-an, that is, Beth-el, he and all the people that were with him.

7 And he built there an altar, and called the place El-beth-el: because there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

8 But Deb-o-rah Re-bek-ah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath

died, and she was buried beneath Běth-él under an oak: and the name of it was called Ăl-lŏn-bā-chûth.

9¶ And God appeared unto Jā-cob again, when he came out of Pā-dăn-âr-am, and blessed him.

10 And God said unto him, Thy name is Jā-cob: thy name shall not be called any more Jā-cob, but Ĭs-rā-ĕl shall be thy name: and he called his name Ĭs-rā-ĕl.

11 And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins;

12 And the land which I gave

 \bar{A} -bră-hăm and \bar{I} -sāac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.

13 And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

14 And Jā-cob 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.

15 And Jā-cob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Běth-ěl.

16 ¶ And they journeyed from Běthél; and there was but a little way to come to Ē-phrāth: and Rā-chěl travailed, and she had hard labour.

17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; thou shalt have this son also.

18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Běn-ō-nī: but his father called him Běn-jă-mĭn.

19 And Rā-chēl died, and was buried in the way to Ē-phrāth, which is Běth-lě-hěm.

20 And Jā-cob set a pillar upon her grave: that is the pillar of Rā-chĕl's grave unto this day.

21 \P And $I\dot{s}$ - $\dot{r}a$ - $\dot{e}l$ journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of \bar{e} - $\dot{d}a$ r.

22 And it came to pass, when Ĭśʻrā-ĕl dwelt in that land, that Reuʻbĕn went and lay with Bĭlʻhäh his father's concubine: and Ĭśʻrā-ĕl heard it. Now the sons of Jā-́cob were

twelve:

23 The sons of Lē-ah; Reu-ben, Jā-cob's firstborn, and Sim-e-on, and Lē-vī, and Jûd-ah, and Is-sa-char, and Zē-bū-lun:

24 The sons of Rā-chěl; Jō-sěph, and Běn-jă-mĭn:

25 And the sons of Bĭl-häh, Rā-chĕl's handmaid; Dăn, and Năph-tă-lī:

26 And the sons of Zĭl-́păh, Lē-́āh's handmaid; Găd, and Ăsh-́ĕr: these *are* the sons of Jā-́cob, which were born to him in Pā-́dăn-âr-́ām.

27 ¶ And Jā-cob came unto Ī-saac his father unto Măm-rē, unto the city of Är-băh, which is Hē-bron, where \bar{A} -bra-hām and \bar{I} -saac sojourned.

28 And the days of Ī-saac were an hundred and fourscore years.

29 And Ī-ˈsaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his people, being old and full of days: and his sons Ē-sau and Jā-cob buried him.

CHAPTER 36

 N^{ow} these are the generations of \bar{E} -sau, who is \bar{E} -dom.

2 Ē-sau took his wives of the daughters of Cā-nă-ăn; Ā-dăh the daughter of Ē-lŏn the Hĭt-tīte, and Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh the daughter of Ā-näh the daughter of Zĭb-ĕ-on the Hī-vīte:

3 And Băsh'ĕ-măth Ĭsh'mā-ĕl's daughter, sister of Nĕ-bā-jōth.

4 And Ā'dăh bare to Ē'sau Ĕ-lī'phăz; and Băsh'ĕ-măth bare Reu'ĕl;

5 And Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh bare Jē-ush, and Jā-a-lăm, and Kôr-ah: these are the sons of Ē-sau, which were born unto him in the land of Cā-nă-ăn. 6 And Ē-sau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the persons of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had got in the land of Cā-nă-ăn; and went into the country from the face of his brother Iā-cob.

7 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 cattle.

8 Thus dwelt Ē-sau in mount Sē-ĭr: Ē-sau is Ē-dom.

9 ¶ And these *are* the generations of \bar{E} -sau the father of the \bar{E} -dom- \bar{I} tes in mount Sē- \bar{I} r:

10 These *are* the names of Ē-sau's sons; Ĕ-lī-phặz the son of Ā-dăh the wife of Ē-sau, Reu-ĕl the son of Băsh-ĕ-măth the wife of Ē-sau.

11 And the sons of E-lī-phaz were Tē-man, Ō-mar, Zē-phō, and Gā-tam, and Kē-naz.

12 And Tǐm-nă was concubine to E-li-phaz E-sau's son; and she bare to E-li-phaz Am-a-lek: these were the sons of A-dah E-sau's wife.

13 And these *are* the sons of Reu-ĕl; Nā-hăth, and Zē-räh, Shăm-măh, and Mĭz-zäh: these were the sons of Băsh-ĕ-măth Ē-sau's wife.

14 ¶ And these were the sons of Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh, the daughter of Ā-nāh the daughter of Zĭb-ĕ-on, Ē-sau's wife: and she bare to Ē-sau Jē-ŭsh, and Jā-ã-lăm, and Kôr-ăh.

15 ¶ These were dukes of the sons of Ē-sau: the sons of Ĕ-lī-phaz the firstborn son of Ē-sau; duke Tē-man, duke Ō-mär, duke Zē-phō, duke Kē-năz, 16 Duke Kôr-ăh, duke Gā-tăm, and duke Ăm-ă-lĕk: these are the dukes that came of E-lī-phaz in the land of Ē-dom; these *were* the sons of Ā-dăh. 17 ¶ And these are the sons of Reu-ĕl Ē-sau's son: duke Nā-hăth, duke duke Shăm-măh. Zē-räh. Mĭz-zäh: these are the dukes that came of Reu-el in the land of E-dom; these are the sons of Băsh-ĕ-măth

18 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh Ē-sau's wife; duke Jē-ŭsh, duke Jā-á-lăm, duke Kôr-áh: these *were* the dukes *that came* of Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh the daughter of Ā-näh, Ē-sau's wife.

Ē-sau's wife.

19 These *are* the sons of Ē-sau, who *is* Ē-dom, and these *are* their dukes.

20 ¶ These *are* the sons of Sē-ĭr the Hôr-ʿīte, who inhabited the land; Lō-ʿtăn, and Shō-ʿbăl, and Zĭb-ʿe-on, and Ā-näh,

21 And Dī-shŏn, and \bar{E} -zĕr, and Dī-shŏn: these *are* the dukes of the Hôr- \bar{I} tes, the children of Sē- \bar{I} r in the land of \bar{E} -dom.

22 And the children of Lō-tăn were Hôr-i and Hē-măm; and Lō-tăn's sister was Tim-nă.

23 And the children of Shō-băl were these; Ăl-vān, and Măn-ă-hăth, and Ē-băl, Shē-phō, and Ō-năm.

24 And these *are* the children of Zĭb´ĕ-o̯n; both Ā´jäh, and Ā´näh: this

was that Ā'näh that found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zĭb'ĕ-on his father.

25 And the children of Ā-näh were these; Dī-shŏn, and Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh the daughter of Ā-näh.

26 And these *are* the children of Dī-shŏn; Hĕm-dăn, and Esh-băn, and Ĭth-răn, and Chē-răn.

27 The children of Ē-zer are these; Bĭl-han, and Zā-a-van, and Ā-kan.

28 The children of Dī-shăn *are* these; Ŭz, and Âr-ăn.

29 These *are* the dukes *that came* of the Hôr-Tites; duke Lō-tăn, duke Shō-băl, duke Zīb-ĕ-on, duke Ā-näh, 30 Duke Dī-shăn; these *are* the dukes *that came* of Hôr-Ti, among their dukes in the land of Sē-Tir.

31 \P And these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of \bar{E} -dom, before there reigned any king over the children of \bar{I} s- \bar{r} a- \bar{e} l.

32 And Bē-lă the son of Bē-ôr reigned in Ē-dom: and the name of his city was Dĭn-hă-bäh.

33 And Bē-lă died, and Jō-băb the son of Zē-räh of Bŏz-răh reigned in his stead.

34 And Jō-băb died, and Hū-shăm of the land of Tē-măn-ī reigned in his stead.

35 And Hū-shām died, and Hā-dād the son of Bē-dād, who smote Mĭd-ĭ-ăn in the field of Mō-ăb, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Ā-vĭth.

36 And Hā-dăd died, and Săm-lăh of

Măs-rē-kăh reigned in his stead.

37 And Săm'lăh died, and Saul of Rĕ'hŏ-bōth by the river reigned in his stead.

38 And Saul died, and Bā-ʿal-hā-'năn the son of Ăch-'bôr reigned in his stead.

39 And Bā-ál-hā-năn the son of Ăch-bôr died, and Hā-där reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pā-ū; and his wife's name was Mĕ-hĕt-ã-bĕl, the daughter of Mā-trĕd, the daughter of Mē-ză-hăb. 40 And these are the names of the dukes that came of Ē-sau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Tīm-năh, duke Ăl-văh, duke Jē-thĕth,

41 Duke Ă-hŏl-ĭ-bä-măh, duke Ē-lăh, duke Pī-nŏn.

42 Duke Kē-năz, duke Tē-măn, duke Mĭb-zär.

43 Duke Măgʻdĭ-ĕl, duke Īʻrăm: these be the dukes of Ēʻdom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he is Ēʻsau the father of the Ēʻdom-ītes.

CHAPTER 37

AND Jā-cob dwelt in the land wherein his father was a stranger, in the land of Cā-nă-ăn.

2 These *are* the generations of Jā́-cob. Jṓ-śĕph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad was with the sons of Bĭĺ-häh, and with the sons of Zĭĺ-păh, his father's wives: and Jṓ-śĕph brought unto his father their evil report.

3 Now Ĭś-rā-el loved Jō-śeph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colours.

4 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. 5 ¶ And Jō-ʻsĕph dreamed a dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.

6 And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:

7 For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.

8 And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.

9 ¶ 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.

10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?

11 And his brethren envied him; but

his father observed the saying.
12 ¶ And his brethren went to feed

12 ¶ And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shē-chěm.

13 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl said unto Jō-śĕph, Do not thy brethren feed *the flock* in Shē-chĕm? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, Here *am I*.

14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hē-brŏn, and he came to Shē-chĕm.

15 ¶ And a certain man found him, and, behold, *he was* wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?

16 And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed their flocks.

17 And the man said, They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dō'thăn. And Jō'sĕph went after his brethren, and found them in Dō'thăn.

18 And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired against him to slay him.

19 And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer cometh.

20 Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams.

21 And Reu-ben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands; and

said, Let us not kill him.

22 And Reu-ben said unto 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.

23 ¶ And it came to pass, when Jō-sĕph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Jō-sĕph out of his coat, his coat of many colours that was on him;

24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, there was no water in it.

25 And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a company of Ĭsh-mee-lītes came from Gĭl-ĕ-ăd with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry it down to Ē-ģypt.

26 And Jûd-ăh said unto his brethren, What profit is it if we slay our brother, and conceal his blood?

27 Come, and let us sell him to the Ĭsh-mee-lītes, and let not our hand be upon him; for he *is* our brother *and* our flesh. And his brethren were content.

28 Then there passed by Mĭd-ĭ-ă-nītes merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Jō-śĕph out of the pit, and sold Jō-śĕph to the Ĭsh-mee-lītes for twenty *pieces* of silver: and they brought Jō-śĕph into Ē-ġÿpt.

29 ¶ And Reu-ben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Jō-seph was not in

the pit; and he rent his clothes.

30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child is not; and I, whither shall I go?

31 And they took Jō-sĕph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;

32 And they sent the coat of *many* colours, and they brought *it* to their father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it *be* thy son's coat or no.

33 And he knew it, and said, *It is* my son's coat; an evil beast hath devoured him; Jō-sĕph is without doubt rent in pieces.

34 And Jā-cob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

35 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.

36 And the Mǐd-ĩ-ă-nītes sold him into \bar{E} -ʻgypt unto Pŏt-ĩ-phär, an officer of Phâr-ʻaoh's, and captain of the guard.

CHAPTER 38

And it came to pass at that time, that Jûd'āh went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Ă-dŭl'lăm-īte, whose name was Hī'rāh.

2 And Jûd-ăh saw there a daughter of a certain Cā-nă-ăn-īte, whose name was Shû-âh; and he took her, and went in unto her.

3 And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er.

4 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Ō-năn. 5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shē-läh: and he was at Chē-zĭb, when she bare him.

6 And Jûd-ăh took a wife for Ĕr his firstborn, whose name was Tā-mär.

7 And Er, Jûd-ah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.

8 And Jûd-ah said unto Ō-nan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother. 9 And Ō-nan 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 ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

10 And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.

11 Then said Jûd-ah to Tā-mar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shē-lah my son be grown: for he said, Lest peradventure he die also, as his brethren did. And Tā-mar went and dwelt in her father's house.

12 ¶ And in process of time the daughter of Shû-'äh Jûd-'ăh's wife died; and Jûd-'ăh was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Tĭm-'năth, he and his friend Hī-'răh the Ă-dŭl-'lăm-īte.

13 And it was told Tā-mar, saying,

Behold thy father in law goeth up to Tim-nath to shear his sheep.

14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place, which is by the way to Tǐm-năth; for she saw that Shē-läh was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

15 When Jûd-ăh saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; because she had covered her face.

16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she was his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?

17 And he said, I will send thee a kid from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send it?

18 And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand. And he gave it her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

19 And she arose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.

20 And Jûd'āh sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Ă-dŭl'lăm-īte, to receive his pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not. 21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where is the harlot, that was openly by the way side? And

they said, There was no harlot in this place.

22 And he returned to Jûd-ăh, and said, I cannot find her; and also the men of the place said, that there was no harlot in this place.

23 And Jûd-ăh said, Let her take *it* to her, lest we be shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her. 24 ¶ And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Jûd-ăh, saying, Tā-mär thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold, she *is* with child by whoredom. And Jûd-ăh said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.

25 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 thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff.

26 And Jûd'ăh acknowledged them, and said, She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shē'läh my son. And he knew her again no more.

27 ¶ And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins were in her womb.

28 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.

29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, How hast thou broken forth? *this* breach be upon thee: therefore his name was called Phâr-ez.

30 And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zâr-´ăh.

CHAPTER 39

AND Jō-sĕph was brought down to Ē-ģypt; and Pŏt-ĭ-phär, an officer of Phâr-aōh, captain of the guard, an Ē-ġyp-tīăn, bought him of the hands of the Ĭsh-mee-lītes, which had brought him down thither.

2 And the LORD was with Jō-seph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the \bar{E} -gyp-tīān.

3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

4 And Jō-seph 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.

5 And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Ē-ġyp-tīan's house for Jō-śeph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.

6 And he left all that he had in Jō-seph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Jō-seph was a goodly

person, and well favoured.

7 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Jō-śĕph; and she said, Lie with me.

8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

9 *There is* none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou *art* his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?

10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Jō-sĕph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

11 And it came to pass about this time, that $J\bar{o}$ -'sĕph went into the house to do his business; and there was none of the men of the house there within.

12 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.

13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth,

14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hē-brew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice:

15 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.

16 And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home.

17 And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, The Hē-brew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me:

18 And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.

20 And Jō-'sĕph'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.

21 ¶ But the LORD was with Jō-sĕph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Jō'sĕph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it.

23 The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under his hand; because the LORD was with him, and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper.

CHAPTER 40

And it came to pass after these things, that the butler of the king of $\bar{E}'\dot{g}\check{y}pt$ and his baker had offended their lord the king of $\bar{E}'\dot{g}\check{y}pt$.

2 And Phâr-aoh was wroth against two of his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.

3 And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Jō-seph was bound.

4 And the captain of the guard charged Jō-'sĕph with them, and he served them: and they continued a season in ward.

 $5\,\P$ 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 E'gypt, which were bound in the prison.

6 And Jō-seph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, behold, they were sad.

7 And he asked Phâr-aoh's officers that were with him in the ward of his lord's house, saying, Wherefore look ye so sadly to day?

8 And they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and there is no interpreter of it. And Jō-seph said unto them, Do not interpretations belong to God? tell me them, I pray you.

9 And the chief butler told his dream

to Jō-ʻsĕph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, a vine was before me; 10 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:

11 And Phâr-aoh's cup was in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Phâr-aoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Phâr-aoh's hand.

12 And Jō-sĕph said unto him, This is the interpretation of it: The three branches are three days:

13 Yet within three days shall Phâr-aoh lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place: and thou shalt deliver Phâr-aoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler.

14 But think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Phâr-aoh, and bring me out of this house:

15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hē-brews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.

16 When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Jōʻsĕph, I also was in my dream, and, behold, *I had* three white baskets on my head:

17 And in the uppermost basket *there* was of all manner of bakemeats for Phâr'aoh; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head.

18 And Jō'sĕph answered and said, This is the interpretation thereof: The three baskets are three days:

19 Yet within three days shall Phâr-aoh lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree; and the birds shall eat thy flesh from off thee.

20 ¶ And it came to pass the third day, which was Phâr-aoh'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.

21 And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Phâr-Taoh's hand: 22 But he hanged the chief baker: as Jō-Seph had interpreted to them.

23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Jō-seph, but forgat him.

CHAPTER 41

And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Phâr-aoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river.

2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed; and they fed in a meadow.

3 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.

4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine. So Phâr-aoh awoke.

5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears of corn came up upon one stalk, rank and good.

6 And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted with the east wind sprung up after them.

7 And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears. And Phâr-aoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream.

8 And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of \bar{E} -gypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Phâr- \bar{ao} h told them his dream; but *there was* none that could interpret them unto Phâr- \bar{ao} h.

9 ¶ Then spake the chief butler unto Phâr-aoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day:

10 Phâr-aoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, both me and the chief baker:

11 And we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream.

12 And there was there with us a young man, an Hē-brew, 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.

13 And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto mine office, and him he hanged.

14 ¶ Then Phâr-aoh sent and called Jō-sĕph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved himself, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Phâr-aoh. 15 And Phâr-aoh said unto Jō-sĕph, I have dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, that thou canst understand a dream to interpret it. 16 And Jō-sĕph answered Phâr-aoh, saying, It is not in me: God shall give Phâr-aoh an answer of peace.

17 And Phâr-aoh said unto Jō-sĕph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river:

18 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in a meadow:

19 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 \bar{E} -gypt for badness:

20 And the lean and the ill favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine:

21 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.

22 And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:

23 And, behold, seven ears, withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them:

24 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.

25 ¶ And Jō-śĕph said unto Phâr-aoh, The dream of Phâr-aoh is one: God hath shewed Phâr-aoh what he is about to do.

26 The seven good kine are seven years; and the seven good ears are seven years: the dream is one.

27 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.

28 This *is* the thing which I have spoken unto Phâr-aoh: What God *is* about to do he sheweth unto Phâr-aoh.

29 Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of \bar{E} -gypt:

30 And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of \bar{E} -ʻgypt; and the famine shall consume the land;

31 And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it *shall be* very grievous.

32 And for that the dream was doubled unto Phâr-Taoh twice; it is because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.

33 Now therefore let Phâr'aoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set

him over the land of Ē-'ġy̆pt.

34 Let Phâr'aoh do *this*, and let him appoint officers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Ē'ġypt in the seven plenteous years. 35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Phâr'aoh, and let them keep food in the cities. 36 And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Ē'ġypt; that the land perish not through the famine.

37 \P And the thing was good in the eyes of Phâr- $\frac{1}{100}$ h, and in the eyes of all his servants.

38 And Phâr-aoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is?

39 And Phâr-aoh said unto Jō-sĕph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, *there is* none so discreet and wise as thou *art*:

40 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.

41 And Phâr- $\frac{1}{ao}$ h said unto Jō- $\frac{1}{ao}$ h see, I have set thee over all the land of $\frac{1}{ao}$ - $\frac{1}{ao}$

42 And Phâr-aoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Jō-sĕph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck;

43 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 $\bar{E}'\dot{g}ypt$.

44 And Phâr- \overline{aoh} said unto Jō- \overline{seph} , I am Phâr- \overline{aoh} , and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of \overline{E} - \overline{gypt} .

45 And Phâr-aoh called Jō-śĕph's name Zăph-năth-pā-a-nē-ah; and he gave him to wife Ăs-ĕ-năth the daughter of Pŏt-ĭ-phĕr-ah priest of Ŏn. And Jō-śĕph went out over all the land of Ē-ġypt.

46 ¶ And Jō-ʻsĕph was thirty years old when he stood before Phâr-ʿaōh king of Ē-ʿġÿpt. And Jō-ʿsĕph went out from the presence of Phâr-ʿaōh, and went throughout all the land of Ē-ʿġÿpt.

47 And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls. 48 And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, which were in the land of \bar{E} -'gypt, 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.

49 And Jō'sĕph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for *it was* without number.

50 And unto Jō-ʻsĕph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Ăs-ʻĕ-năth the daughter of Pŏt-ĭ-ʻphĕr-ăh priest of Ŏn bare unto him.

51 And Jō-'sĕph called the name of the firstborn Mă-năs-'sēh: For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house. 52 And the name of the second called he \bar{E} -phră-ĭm: For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

53 \P And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of \bar{E} -ʻgʻypt, were ended.

54 And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Jō-seph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Ē-ģypt there was bread.

55 And when all the land of Ē-ʻġÿpt was famished, the people cried to Phâr-ʿaoh for bread: and Phâr-ʿaoh said unto all the Ē-ġÿp-ʿtīans, Go unto Jō-ʻsĕph; what he saith to you, do.

56 And the famine was over all the face of the earth: And Jō'śĕph opened all the storehouses, and sold unto the Ē-ġÿp'tīāns; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Ē-ġÿpt.

57 And all countries came into \bar{E} -gypt to $J\bar{o}$ -śĕph for to buy *corn*; because that the famine was *so* sore in all lands.

CHAPTER 42

Now when Jā'cob saw that there was corn in Ē'ġypt, Jā'cob said unto his sons, Why do ye look one upon another?

2 And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Ē-ģypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die. 3 ¶ And Jō-śĕph's ten brethren went down to buy corn in Ē-ģypt.

4 But Běn-jă-mĭn, Jō-seph's brother, Jā-cob sent not with his brethren; for

he said, Lest peradventure mischief befall him.

5 And the sons of Ĭś-rā-ĕl came to buy corn among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Cā-nă-ăn.
6 And Jō-śĕph was the governor over the land, and he it was that sold to all the people of the land: and Jō-śĕph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves before him with their

faces to the earth.

7 And Jō-seph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spake roughly unto them; and he said unto them, Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Cā-nă-ăn to buy food.

8 And Jō-sĕph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

9 And Jō-'sĕph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye *are* spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.

10 And they said unto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy servants come.

11 We are all one man's sons; we are true men, thy servants are no spies.

12 And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.

13 And they said, Thy servants *are* twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Cā-nă-ăn; and, behold, the youngest *is* this day with our father, and one *is* not.

14 And Jō-sĕph said unto them, That

is it that I spake unto you, saying, Ye are spies:

15 Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of Phâr-aoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither.

16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether *there be any* truth in you: or else by the life of Phâr-aoh surely ye *are* spies.

17 And he put them all together into ward three days.

18 And Jō-'sĕph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; *for* I fear God:

19 If ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of your houses:

20 But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.

21 ¶ And they said one to another, We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us.

22 And Reu-ben answered them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and ye would not hear? therefore, behold, also his blood is required.

23 And they knew not that Jō-seph understood *them*; for he spake unto them by an interpreter.

24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them, and took from them Sĭm'ĕ-on, and bound him before their eyes.

25 ¶ Then Jō'sĕph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and thus did he unto them.

26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed thence.

27 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.

28 And he said unto his brethren, My money is restored; and, lo, *it is* even in my sack: and their heart failed *them*, and they were afraid, saying one to another, What *is* this *that* God hath done unto us?

29 \P And they came unto Jā-cob their father unto the land of Cā-nă-ăn, and told him all that befell unto them; saying,

30 The man, who is the lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and took us for spies of the country.

31 And we said unto him, We are true men; we are no spies:

32 We *be* twelve brethren, sons of our father; one *is* not, and the youngest *is* this day with our father in the land of Ca-na-an.

33 And the man, the lord of the country, said unto us, Hereby shall I know that ye are true men; leave one of your brethren here with me, and

take *food for* the famine of your households, and be gone:

34 And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye *are* no spies, but *that* ye *are* true *men: so* will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.

35 ¶ 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.

36 And Jā-cob their father said unto them, Me have ye bereaved of my children: Jō-sĕph is not, and Sǐm-ĕ-on is not, and ye will take Bĕn-jā-mĭn away: all these things are against me. 37 And Reu-bĕn spake unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to thee: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee again.

38 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 the which ye go, then shall ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

CHAPTER 43

 A^{ND} the famine was sore in the land.

2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out of $\bar{E}'\dot{g}\bar{y}pt$, their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a little food.

3 And Jûd-ăh spake unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you.

4 If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:

5 But if thou wilt not send *him*, we will not go down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.

6 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl said, Wherefore dealt ye so ill with me, as to tell the man whether ye had yet a brother?

7 And they said, The man asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, *Is* your father yet alive? have ye 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?

8 And Jûd-ah said unto Is-rā-el his father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, and also our little ones.

9 I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame for ever:

10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time.

11 And their father Ĭś-rā-ĕl said unto 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:

12 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:

13 Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man:

14 And God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Běn-jā-mĭn. If I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.

15 \P And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Bĕn-jă-mĭn; and rose up, and went down to \bar{E} -ģypt, and stood before Jō-śšph.

16 And when Jō-seph saw Bĕn-jā-mĭn 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.

17 And the man did as Jō-seph bade; and the man brought the men into Jō-seph's house.

18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Jō-sĕph'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.

19 And they came near to the steward of Jō-ʻsĕph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house,

20 And said, O sir, we came indeed

down at the first time to buy food:

21 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.

22 And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

23 And he said, Peace *be* to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Sĭm´ĕ-oʻn out unto them.

24 And the man brought the men into Jō-sĕph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

25 And they made ready the present against Jō-sĕph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.

26 ¶ And when Jō-ʻsĕph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the earth.

27 And he asked them of *their* welfare, and said, *Is* your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? *Is* he yet alive?

28 And they answered, Thy servant our father *is* in good health, he *is* yet alive. And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

29 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Bĕn´jā-mĭn, his mother's

son, and said, *Is* this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto thee, my son.

30 And Jō-sĕph 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.

31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, Set on bread.

32 And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the \bar{E} -ġyp-tīāns, which did eat with him, by themselves: because the \bar{E} -ġyp-tīāns might not eat bread with the Hē-brews; for that is an abomination unto the \bar{E} -ġyp-tīāns.

33 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.

34 And he took *and sent* messes unto them from before him: but Běn-jă-mĭn's mess was five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him.

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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.

2 And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his corn money. And he did according to the word that Jō-seph had spoken.

3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.

4 And when they were gone out of the city, and not yet far off, Jō-ʻsĕph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?

5 *Is* not this *it* in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he divineth? ye have done evil in so doing.

6 ¶ And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

7 And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God forbid that thy servants should do according to this thing:

8 Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto thee out of the land of Cā-nă-ăn: how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold? 9 With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, both let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen.

10 And he said, Now also *let* it *be* according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.

11 Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every man his sack.

12 And he searched, and began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Běn-jā-mǐn's

sack.

13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

14 ¶ And Jûd'āh and his brethren came to Jō'sĕph's house; for he was yet there: and they fell before him on the ground.

15 And Jō-sĕph said unto them, What deed is this that ye have done? wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly divine?

16 And Jûd-ăh said, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? God hath found out the iniquity of thy servants: behold, we are my lord's servants, both we, and he also with whom the cup is found.

17 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.

18 ¶ Then Jûd-ah came near unto him, and said, Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou *art* even as Phâr-aoh.

19 My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a brother?

20 And we said unto 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 loveth him.

21 And thou saidst unto thy servants,

Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him.

22 And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for *if* he should leave his father, *his father* would die.

23 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you, ye shall see my face no more.

24 And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord.

25 And our father said, Go again, and buy us a little food.

26 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.

27 And thy servant my father said unto us, Ye know that my wife bare me two sons:

28 And the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since:

29 And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad *be* not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the lad's life;

31 It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad is not with us, that he will die: and thy servants shall bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to the

grave.

32 For thy servant became surety for the lad unto my father, saying, If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father for ever. 33 Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

34 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 Jō-śĕph 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 Jō-śĕph made himself known unto his brethren.

2 And he wept aloud: and the Ē-ġyp-tīāns and the house of Phâr-áaoh heard.

3 And Jō-sĕph said unto his brethren, I am Jō-sĕph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

4 And Jō-sĕph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Jō-sĕph your brother, whom ye sold into \bar{E} -gੱypt.

5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.

6 For these two years hath the famine

been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest.

7 And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

8 So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Phâr- \overline{ao} h, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of \overline{E} -gypt.

9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Jō'sĕph, God hath made me lord of all Ē'ġÿpt: come down unto me, tarry not:

10 And thou shalt dwell in the land of Gō'shĕn, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast: 11 And there will I nourish thee; for yet *there are* five years of famine; lest thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.

12 And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Bĕn'-jă-mĭn, that *it is* my mouth that speaketh unto you.

13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in \bar{E} -ʻgʻypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither.

14 And he fell upon his brother Bĕn-jă-mĭn's neck, and wept; and Bĕn-jă-mĭn wept upon his neck.

15 Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and

after that his brethren talked with him.

16 ¶ And the fame thereof was heard in Phâr-aoh's house, saying, Jō-sĕph's brethren are come: and it pleased Phâr-aoh well, and his servants.

17 And Phâr-aoh said unto Jō-sĕph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Cā-nă-an;

18 And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Ē-ġypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land.

19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of E'ġÿpt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20 Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Ē-ʻġy̆pt is yours. 21 And the children of Ĭś-ʻrā-ĕl did so: and Jō-ʻsĕph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Phâr-ʿaōh, and gave them provision for the way.

22 To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Běn-'jă-mĭn he gave three hundred *pieces* of silver, and five changes of raiment.

23 And to his father he sent after this manner; ten asses laden with the good things of $\bar{E}'\dot{g}\bar{y}pt$, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

24 So he sent his brethren away, and

they departed: and he said unto them, See that ye fall not out by the way.

25 ¶ And they went up out of \bar{E} -ʻgypt, and came into the land of $C\bar{a}$ -ʻnă-ăn unto Jā-ʻcob their father,

26 And told him, saying, Jō'sĕph *is* yet alive, and he *is* governor over all the land of Ē'ġÿpt. And Jā'cob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.

27 And they told him all the words of Jō-seph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Jō-seph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jā-cob their father revived:

28 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl said, *It is* enough; Jō-sĕph my son *is* yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.

CHAPTER 46

And Ĭś-rā-ĕl took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-shē-bă, and offered sacrifices unto the God of his father Ī-śaāc.

2 And God spake unto Ĭś-rā-ĕl in the visions of the night, and said, Jā-cob, Jā-cob. And he said, Here am I.

3 And he said, I am God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into E'-gypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation:

4 I will go down with thee into Ē-ʻġÿpt; and I will also surely bring thee up *again*: and Jō-ʻsĕph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.

5 And Jā-cob rose up from Beer-shē-bă: and the sons of Ĭs-rā-ĕl carried Jā-cob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the

wagons which Phâr-aoh had sent to carry him.

6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Cā'nă-ăn, and came into Ē'ġypt, Jā'cob, and all his seed with him:

7 His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into \bar{E} -'gypt.

8 ¶ And these *are* the names of the children of Ĭś-rā-ĕl, which came into Ē-ġÿpt, Jā-cob and his sons: Reu-bĕn, Jā-cob's firstborn.

9 And the sons of Reu-ben; Hā-nŏ-ch, and Phăl-lû, and Hez-rŏn, and Cär-mī.

10 ¶ And the sons of Sĭm-ĕ-on; Jĕ-mū-ĕl, and Jā-mĭn, and Ō-hăd, and Jā-chĭn, and Zō-här, and Shā-ŭl the son of a Cā-nă-ăn-ī-tĭsh woman.

11 ¶ And the sons of Lḗ-vī; Gĕr-́shŏn, Kō-́hăth, and Mĕ-râr-́ī.

12 ¶ And the sons of Jûd-ah; Er, and Ō-nan, and Shē-läh, and Phâr-ez, and Zē-räh: but Er and Ō-nan died in the land of Cā-na-an. And the sons of Phâr-ez were Hez-ron and Ham-ul.

13 \P And the sons of Ĭs-´să-chär; Tō-ʿlă, and Phū-ʻväh, and Jōb, and Shĭm-ʻrŏn. 14 \P And the sons of Zĕ-bū-ʿlŭn; Sē-ʿrĕd, and Ē-ʿlŏn, and Jäh-ʿleel.

15 These be the sons of Lē-ah, which she bare unto Jā-cob in Pā-dan-ar-am, with his daughter Dī-nah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters were thirty and three.

16 ¶ And the sons of Găd; Zĭph-ĭ-on,

and Hăg-'gī, Shû-'nī, and Ĕz-'bŏn, Ē-'rī, and Ă-'rō-dī, and Ă-rē-'lī.

17 ¶ And the sons of Ăsh-ĕr; Jīm-năh, and Ĭsh-ū-ăh, and Ĭs-ū-ī, and Bĕ-rī-ăh, and Sē-rāh their sister: and the sons of Bĕ-rī-ăh; Hē-bĕr, and Măl-chĭ-ĕl.

18 These *are* the sons of Zĭl-păh, whom Lā-băn gave to Lē-ăh his daughter, and these she bare unto Jā-cob, *even* sixteen souls.

19 The sons of Rā-chĕl Jā-cob's wife; Jō-sĕph, and Bĕn-jă-mĭn.

20 ¶ And unto Jō-sĕph in the land of Ē-ġypt were born Mă-năs-sēh and Ē-phră-ĭm, which Ăs-ĕ-năth the daughter of Pŏt-ĭ-phĕr-ăh priest of Ŏn bare unto him.

21 ¶ And the sons of Bĕn-jă-mĭn were Bē-lăh, and Bē-chĕr, and Ăsh-bĕl, Gē-ră, and Nā-ă-măn, Ē-hī, and Rōsh, Mŭp-pĭm, and Hŭp-pĭm, and Ärd.

22 These *are* the sons of Rā-chĕl, which were born to Jā-cob: all the souls *were* fourteen.

23 \P And the sons of Dăn; Hū-shǐm.

24 ¶ And the sons of Năph'tă-lī; Jäh'zeel, and Gū'nī, and Jēz'ĕr, and Shĭl'lĕm.

25 These *are* the sons of Bǐl-häh, which Lā-băn gave unto Rā-chĕl his daughter, and she bare these unto Jā-cob: all the souls *were* seven.

26 All the souls that came with Jā-cob into Ē-ģypt, which came out of his loins, besides Jā-cob's sons' wives, all the souls were threescore and six;

27 And the sons of Jō-seph, which were born him in \bar{E} -gept, were two

souls: all the souls of the house of $J\bar{a}$ -cob, which came into \bar{E} -gypt, were threescore and ten.

28 ¶ And he sent Jûd-ăh before him unto Jō-sèph, to direct his face unto Gō-shěn; and they came into the land of Gō-shěn.

29 And Jō-ʻsĕph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Ĭṣ-ʿrā-ĕl his father, to Gō-ʻshĕn, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

30 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl said unto Jō-śĕph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou art yet alive.

31 And Jō-seph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and shew Phâr-aoh, and say unto him, My brethren, and my father's house, which were in the land of Cā-nă-an, are come unto me;

32 And the men *are* shepherds, for their trade hath been to feed cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.

33 And it shall come to pass, when Phâr-aoh shall call you, and shall say, What is your occupation?

34 That ye shall say, Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now, both we, and also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Gō-shĕn; for every shepherd is an abomination unto the Ē-ġÿp-tīāns.

CHAPTER 47

Then Jō-seph came and told Phâr-aoh, 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 Cā-nā-an; and, behold, they are in the land of Gō-shen.

2 And he took some of his brethren, even five men, and presented them unto Phâr-aoh.

3 And Phâr-aoh said unto his brethren, What is your occupation? And they said unto Phâr-aoh, Thy servants are shepherds, both we, and also our fathers.

4 They said moreover unto Phâr-aoh, For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine is sore in the land of Cā-nă-an: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Gō-shěn.

5 And Phâr'aoh spake unto Jo'sĕph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:

6 The land of Ē-ʻġÿpt is before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; in the land of Gō-ʻshĕn let them dwell: and if thou knowest any men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle.

7 And Jō-ʻsĕph brought in Jā-ʻcob his father, and set him before Phâr-ʿaoh: and Jā-ʻcob blessed Phâr-ʿaoh.

8 And Phâr-aoh said unto Jā-cob, How old *art* thou?

9 And Jā-cob said unto Phâr-aōh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are an 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.

10 And Jā-cob blessed Phâr-aoh, and went out from before Phâr-aoh.

11 ¶ And Jō-ʻsĕph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Ē-ʻġÿpt, in the best of the land, in the land of Răm-ʻe-sēs, as Phâr-ʻaōh had commanded.

12 And Jō-sĕph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to their families.

13 \P And there was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very sore, so that the land of \bar{E} -gypt and all the land of $C\bar{a}$ -nă-ăn fainted by reason of the famine.

14 And Jō-ʻsĕph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Ē-ʻġÿpt, and in the land of Cā-ʻnă-ăn, for the corn which they bought: and Jō-ʻsĕph brought the money into Phâr-ʿaōh's house.

15 And when money failed in the land of Ē-ʻgÿpt, and in the land of Cā-'na-ăn, all the Ē-ġÿp-ʻtīāns came unto Jō-ʻsĕph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

16 And Jō-sĕph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if

money fail.

17 And they brought their cattle unto Jō-seph: and Jō-seph gave them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year.

18 When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said unto him, We will not hide it from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

19 Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Phâr-aoh: and give us seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.

20 And Jō-ʻsĕph bought all the land of Ē-ʻgÿpt for Phâr-ʿaōh; for the Ē-ġÿp-ʿtīǎns sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Phâr-ʿaōh's. 21 And as for the people, he removed them to cities from *one* end of the borders of Ē-ʻgÿpt even to the *other* end thereof.

22 Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had a portion assigned them of Phâr-aoh, and did eat their portion which Phâr-aoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands.

23 Then Jō-sĕph said unto the people,

Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Phâr-aoh: lo, here is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

24 And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give the fifth part unto Phâr-aoh, 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.

25 And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Phâr-aoh's servants.

26 And Jō-sĕph made it a law over the land of Ē-ġğpt unto this day, that Phâr-aoh should have the fifth part; except the land of the priests only, which became not Phâr-aoh's.

27 \P And Ĭś-rā-ĕl dwelt in the land of Ē-ġypt, in the country of Gō-shĕn; and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

28 And Jā-cob lived in the land of \bar{E} -gypt seventeen years: so the whole age of Jā-cob was an hundred forty and seven years.

29 And the time drew nigh that Ĭś-rā-ĕl must die: and he called his son Jō-śĕph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Ē-ġÿpt:

30 But I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of \bar{E} -ʻgʻypt,

and bury me in their buryingplace. And he said, I will do as thou hast said.

31 And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And Ĭś-rā-ĕl bowed himself upon the bed's head.

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And it came to pass after these things, that one told Jō-sĕph, Behold, thy father is sick: and he took with him his two sons, Mă-năs-sēh and Ē-phră-ĭm.

2 And *one* told Jā-cob, and said, Behold, thy son Jō-seph cometh unto thee: and Is-ra-el strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

3 And Jā-cob said unto Jō-seph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Cā-nă-ăn, and blessed me, 4 And said unto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession.

5 ¶ And now thy two sons, Ē-ʻphră-ĭm and Mă-năs-ʻsēh, which were born unto thee in the land of Ē-ʻgypt before I came unto thee into Ē-ʻgypt, are mine; as Reu-ʻbĕn and Sĭm-ʻĕ-on, they shall be mine.

6 And thy issue, which thou begettest after them, shall be thine, *and* shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.

7 And as for me, when I came from Pā'dăn, Rā'chěl died by me in the land of Cā'nă-ăn in the way, when yet there was but a little way to come

unto \bar{E} -'phräth: and I buried her there in the way of \bar{E} -'phräth; the same *is* Běth-'lě-hěm.

8 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl beheld Jō-śĕph's sons, and said, Who are these?

9 And Jō-śĕph said unto his father, They are my sons, whom God hath given me in this place. And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I will bless them.

10 Now the eyes of Ĭs-rā-el were dim for age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them. 11 And Ĭs-rā-el said unto Jō-seph, I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed.

12 And Jō'sĕph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the earth.

13 And Jō-seph took them both, Ē-phrā-im in his right hand toward Ĭs-rā-el's left hand, and Mā-nās-seh in his left hand toward Ĭs-rā-el's right hand, and brought them near unto him.

14 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl stretched out his right hand, and laid *it* upon Ē-phră-ĭm's head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Mă-năs-śēh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Mă-năs-śēh was the firstborn.

15 \P And he blessed Jō-ʻsĕph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Ā-ʻbră-hăm and Ī-ʻsāac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long

unto this day,

16 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 Ā-bră-hăm and Ī-śaāc; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.

17 And when Jō-śĕph saw that his

father laid his right hand upon the head of Ē-ʻphră-ĭm, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ē-ʻphră-ĭm's head unto Mă-năs-ʻsēh's head.

18 And Jō-sĕph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this is the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.

19 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.

20 And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Ĭś-rā-ĕl bless, saying, God make thee as Ē-phră-ĭm and as Mă-năs-sēh: and he set Ē-phră-ĭm before Mă-năs-sēh.

21 And Ĭś-rā-ĕl said unto Jō-śĕph, Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.

22 Moreover I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Am-ō-rīte with my sword and with my bow.

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AND Jā'cob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the last days.

2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jā-cob; and hearken unto Iṣ-rā-ĕl your father.

3 ¶ Reu-ben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

4 Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou *it*: he went up to my couch.

5 ¶ Sĭm-ĕ-on and Lē-vī are brethren; instruments of cruelty are in their habitations.

6 O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a man, and in their selfwill they digged down a wall.

7 Cursed *be* their anger, for *it was* fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jā-cob, and scatter them in Jš-rā-ĕl.

8 ¶ Jûd-ăh, thou *art he* whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand *shall be* in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee.

9 Jûd-ăh is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse

him up?

10 The sceptre shall not depart from Jûd-ăh, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shī-lōh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

11 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:

12 His eyes *shall be* red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.

13 ¶ Zĕ-bū-lun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zī-don.

14¶Ĭs-să-chär is a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

15 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.

16 ¶ Dăn shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Ĭś-rā-ĕl.

17 Dăn shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.

18 I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.

19 ¶ Găd, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.

20 ¶ Out of Ăsh-ér his bread *shall be* fat, and he shall yield royal dainties. 21 ¶ Năph-tă-lī *is* a hind let loose: he

giveth goodly words.

 $22\,\mathrm{\P}\,\mathrm{J}\bar{\mathrm{o}}^\prime$ sĕph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well; whose

branches run over the wall:

23 The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him: 24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty *God* of Jā'cob; (from thence *is* the shepherd, the stone of Ĭš'rā-ĕl:)

25 Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Jō-ʻsĕph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

27 ¶ Běn-jă-mĭn shall ravin as a wolf: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil.

28 ¶ All these *are* the twelve tribes of Ĭś-rā-ĕl: and this *is it* that their father spake unto them, and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

29 And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ē'phrŏn the Hĭt'tīte,

30 In the cave that is in the field of Măch-pē'läh, which is before Măm'rē, in the land of Cā'nă-ăn, which Ā'bră-hăm bought with the

field of Ē-'phrŏn the Hĭt-'tīte for a possession of a buryingplace.

31 There they buried \bar{A} -bră-hăm and Sâr-ăh his wife; there they buried \bar{I} -sāac and Rě-běk-ăh his wife; and there I buried Lē-ăh.

32 The purchase of the field and of the cave that is therein was from the children of Hěth.

33 And when Jā-cob had made an end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.

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And Jō-sĕph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him.

2 And Jō'sĕph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Ĭś'rā-ĕl.

3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed: and the \bar{E} -gyp-tīans mourned for him threescore and ten days.

4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Jō-ʻsĕph spake unto the house of Phâr-ʿaōh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Phâr-ʿaōh, saying,

5 My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me in the land of Cā-nă-ăn, there shalt thou bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will

come again.

6 And Phâr-aoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear.

7 ¶ And Jō-ʻsĕph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Phâr-ʿaōh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of \bar{E} -ʻgypt,

8 And all the house of Jō-sĕph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Gō-shĕn.

9 And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great company.

10 And they came to the threshing-floor of Ā-tăd, which is beyond Jôr-dăn, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: and he made a mourning for his father seven days. 11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Cā-nă-ăn-ītes, saw the mourning in the floor of Ā-tād, they said, This is a grievous mourning to the Ē-ġyp-tīāns: wherefore the name of it was called Ā-bĕl-mĭz-rā-ĭm, which is beyond Jôr-dăn.

12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:
13 For his sons carried him into the land of Cā-nă-ăn, and buried him in the cave of the field of Măch-pē-läh, which Ā-bră-hăm bought with the field for a possession of a burying-place of Ē-phrŏn the Hĭt-tīte, before Măm-rē.

14 \P And Jō-seph returned into Ē-ģypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father. 15 \P And when Jō-seph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Jō-seph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.

16 And they sent a messenger unto Jō-seph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying, 17 So shall ye say unto Jō-seph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the

servants of the God of thy father. And Jō-seph wept when they spake unto him.

18 And his brethren also went and

18 And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we be thy servants.

19 And Jō-sĕph said unto them, Fear not: for *am* I in the place of God? 20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; *but* God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as *it is* this day, to save much people alive.

21 Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

22 ¶ And Jō-ʻsĕph dwelt in Ē-ʻgŏpt, he, and his father's house: and Jō-ʻsĕph lived an hundred and ten years.

23 And Jō-ʻsĕph saw Ē-ʻphrā-ĭm's children of the third *generation*: the children also of Mā-ʿchĭr the son of

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Mă-năs-sēh were brought up upon Jō-sĕph's knees.

24 And Jō-sĕph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Ā-bră-hăm, to Ī-śāāc, and to Jā-cob. 25 And Jō-śĕph took an oath of the

children of Ĭś-rā-ĕl, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

26 So Jō-'sĕph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Ē-'ġÿpt.