

Genesis 12–50

Israel's Birth & Preservation



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GENESIS STRUCTURE



II. Genesis 12-50 (four people)

A. Abraham (12:1–25:11)

B. Isaac (25:12–26:35)

C. Jacob (27–36)

D. Joseph (37–50)





Genesis 31:1-21

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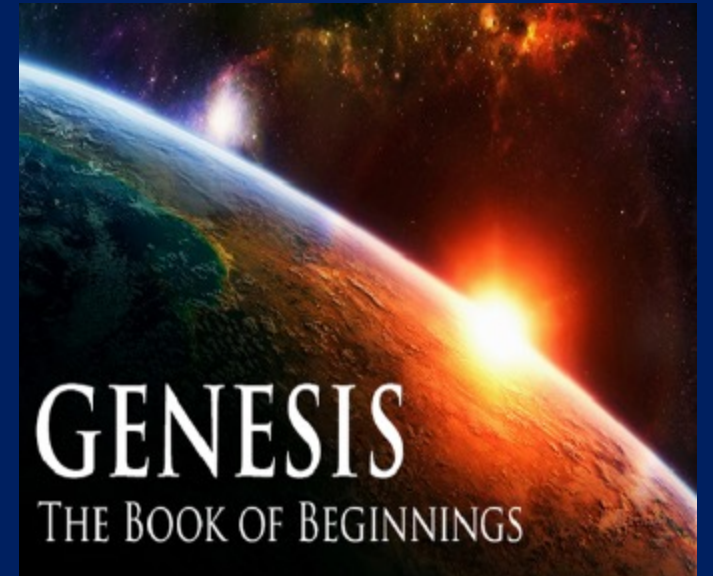


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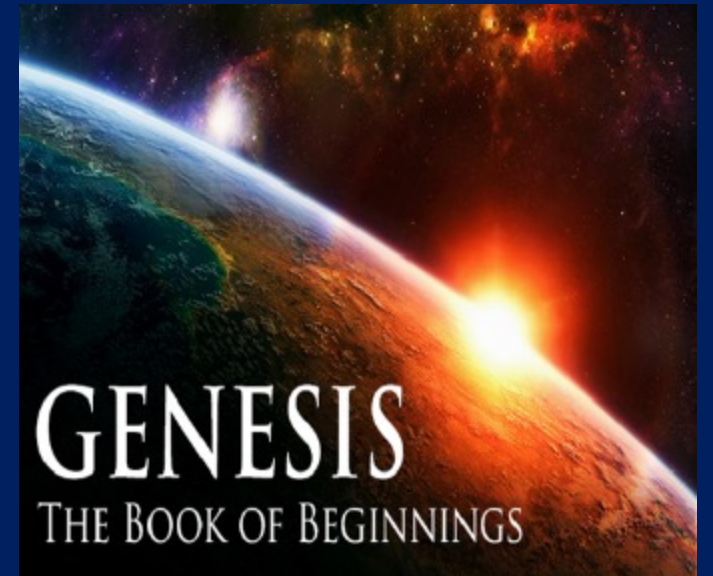
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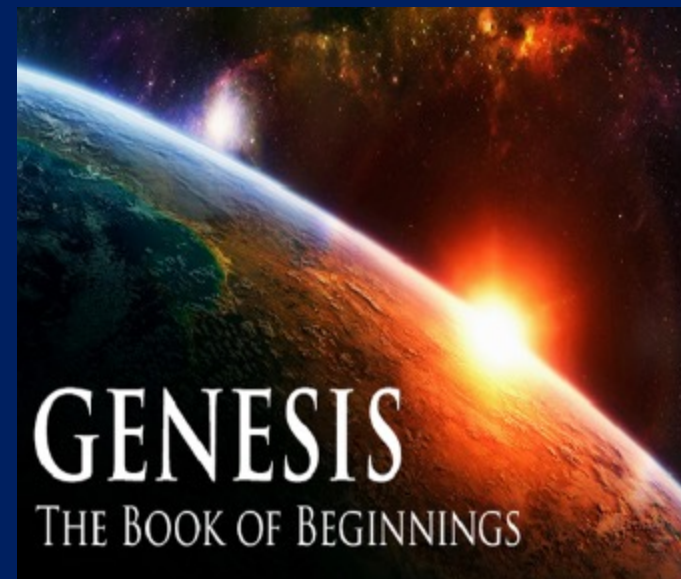
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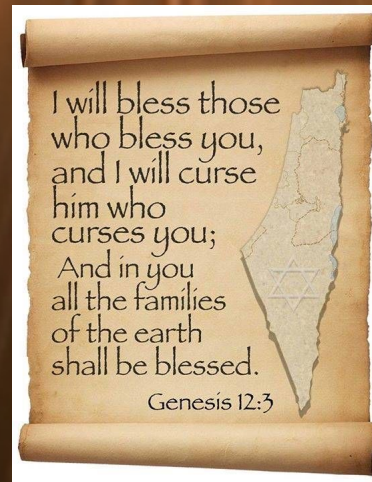
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- A. Land (Gen. 12:1b)
- B. Great nation (Gen. 12:2a)
- C. Personal blessing (Gen. 12:2b)
- D. Great name (Gen. 12:2c)
- E. Blessing to others (Gen. 12:2d)
- F. Blessing to blessers (Gen. 12:3a)
- G. Cursing to cursers (Gen. 12:3b)
- H. **Blessing to the world (Gen. 12:3c)**



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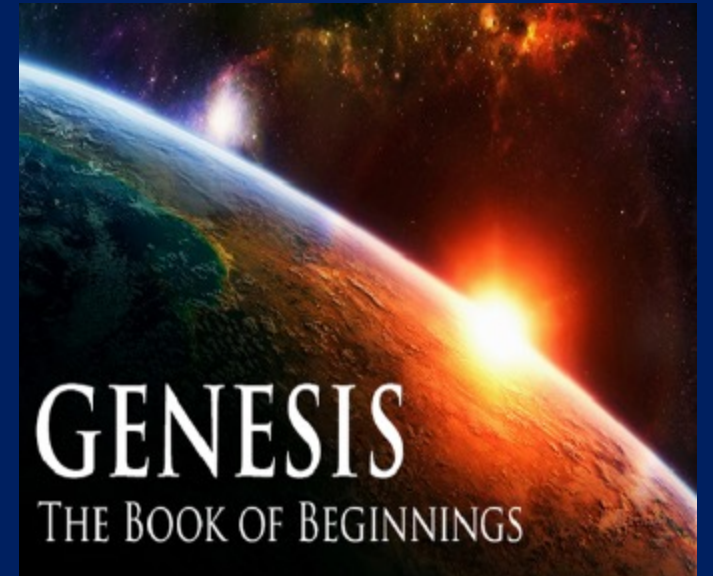


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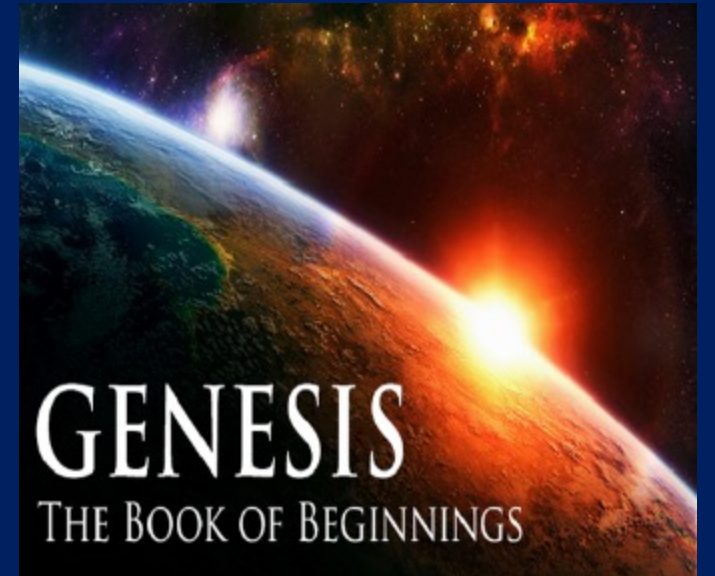
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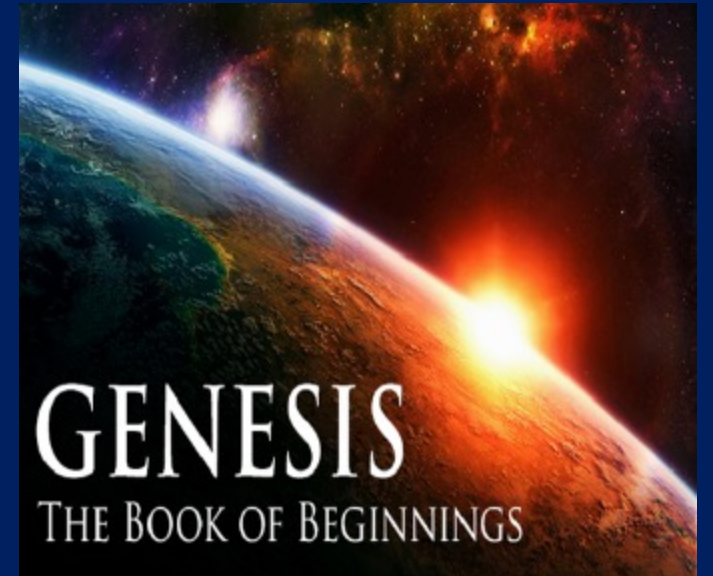


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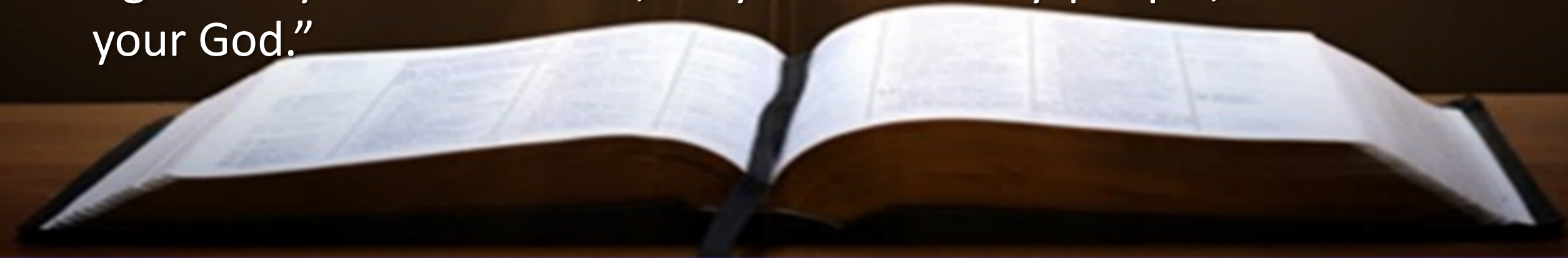
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Ezekiel 36:24-28

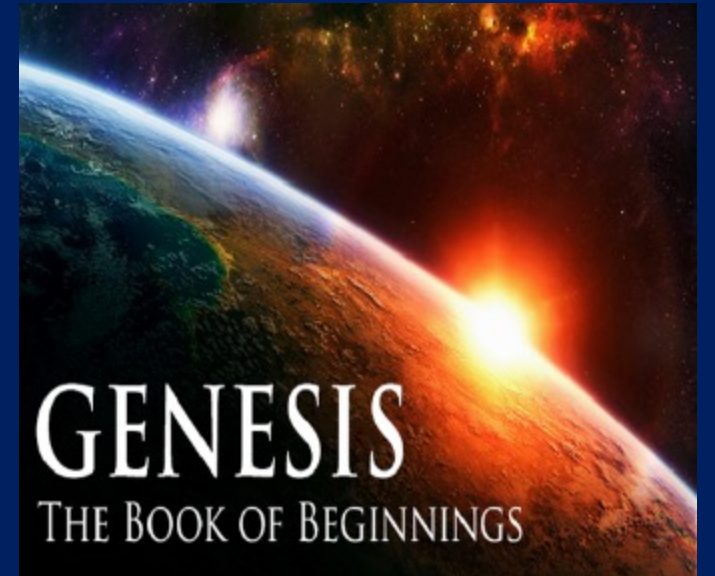
“For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. ²⁶ Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances. ²⁸ You will live in the land that I gave to your forefathers; so you will be My people, and I will be your God.”



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John 14:16-17

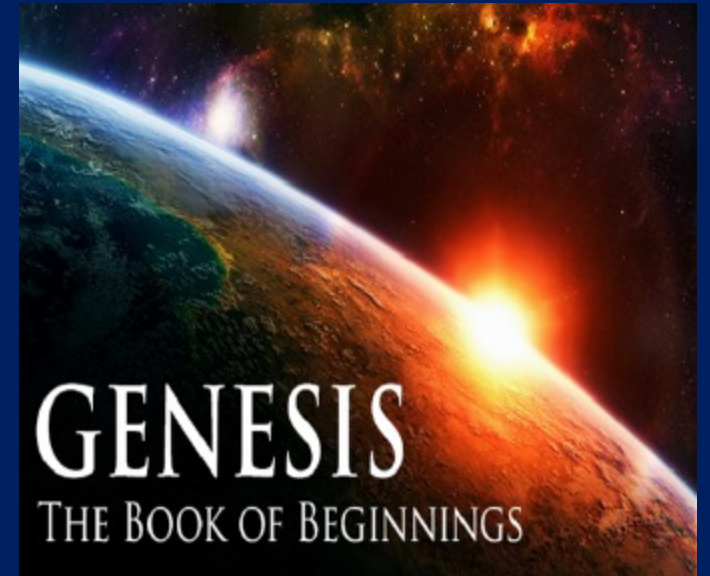
¹⁶ I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; ¹⁷ *that is* the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, *but* you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.



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Jacob's Discussion with Wives

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- B. Presentation of the case (5-13)
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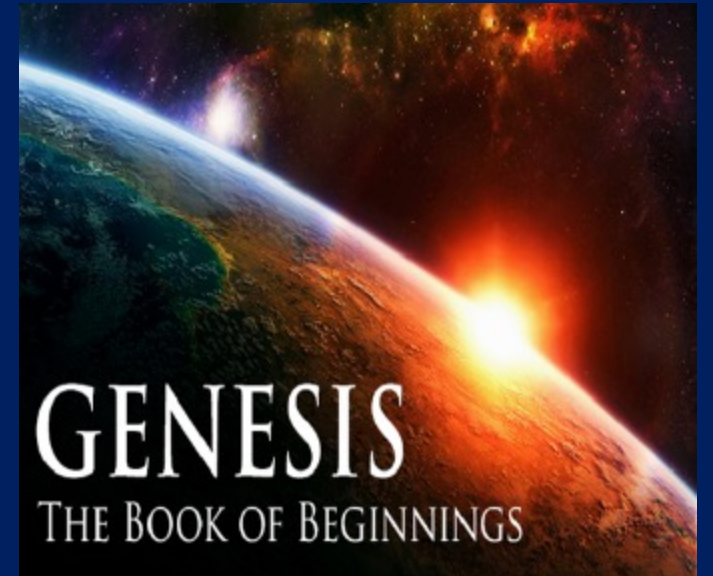
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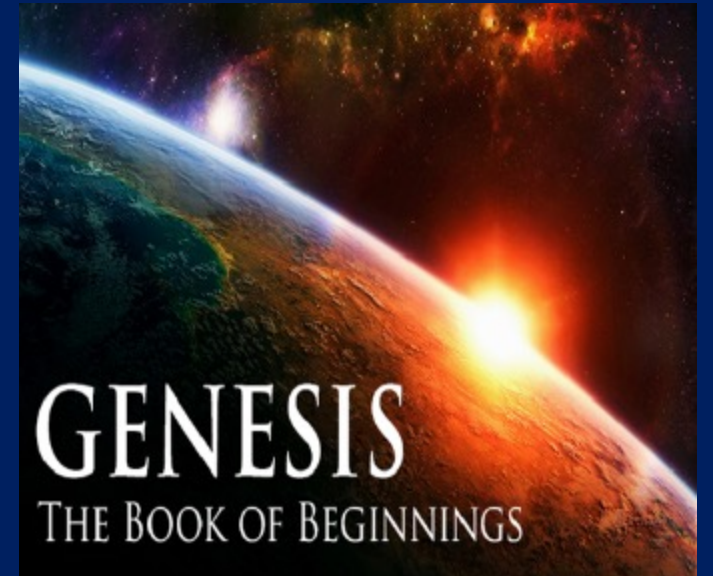
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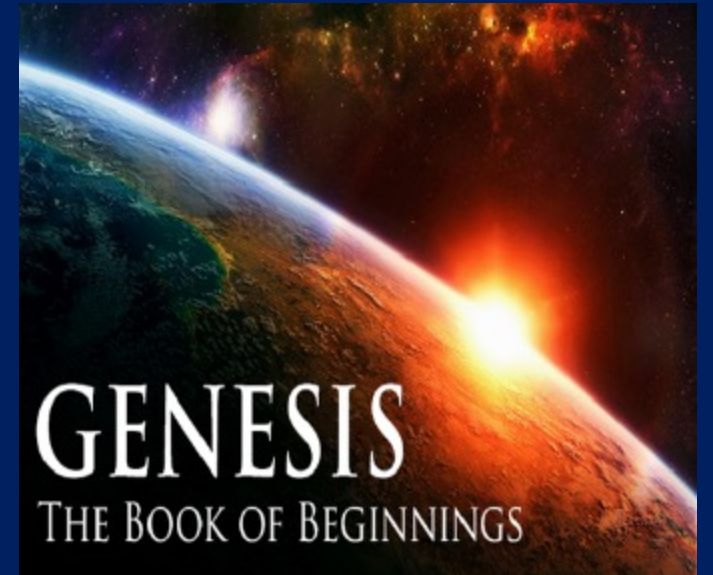
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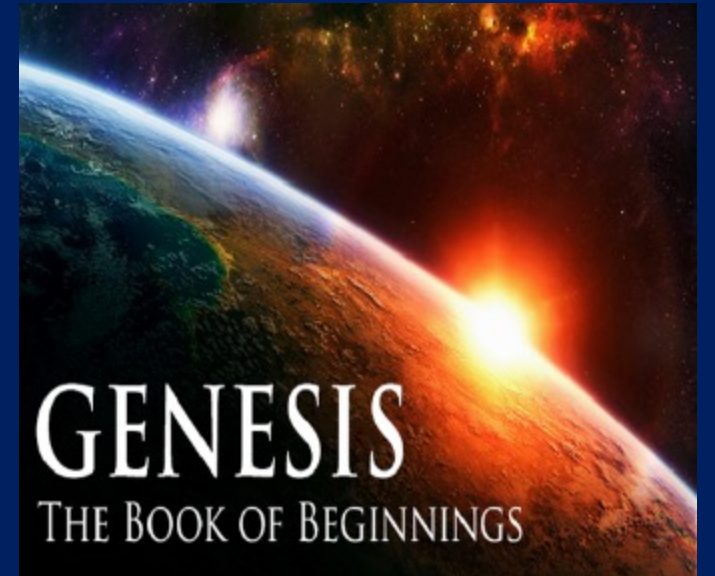
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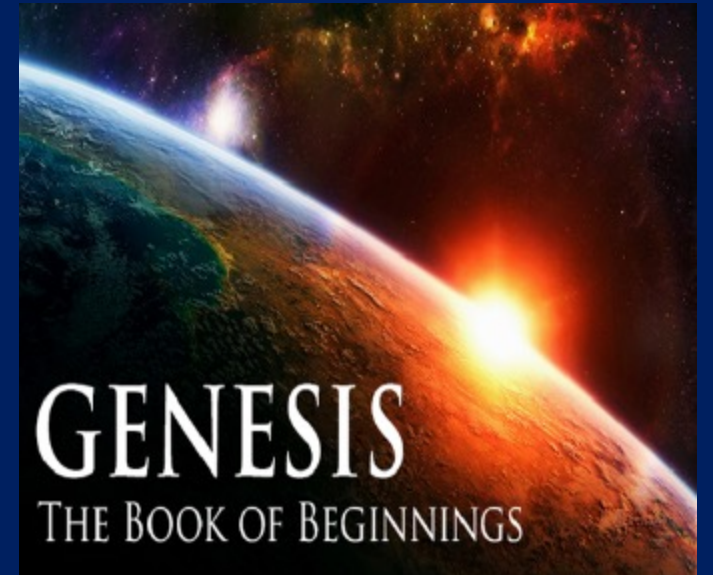
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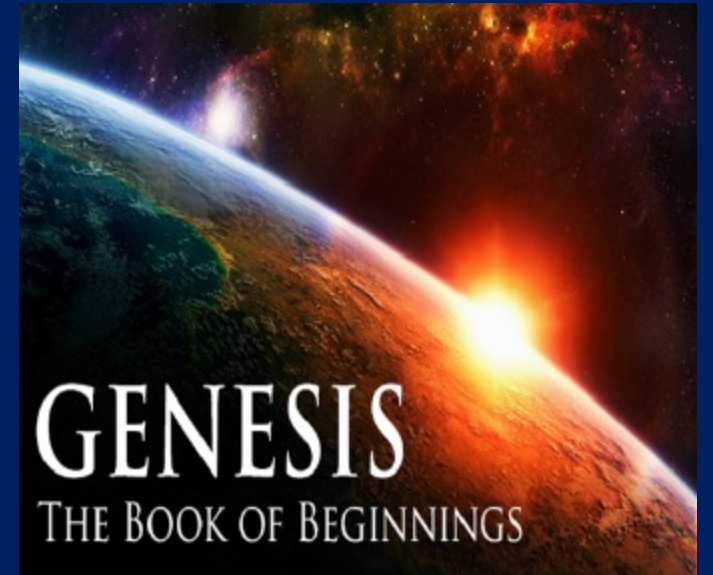
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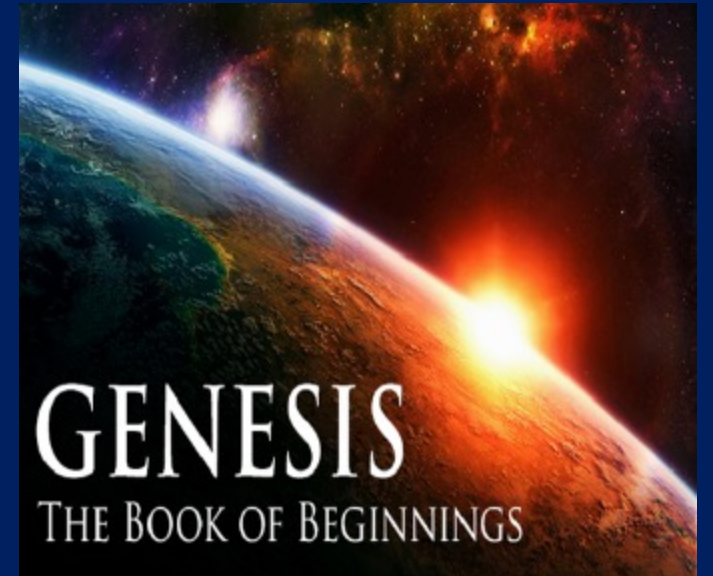
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Interpretation

- i. Divine call (11)
- ii. Interpretation (12a)
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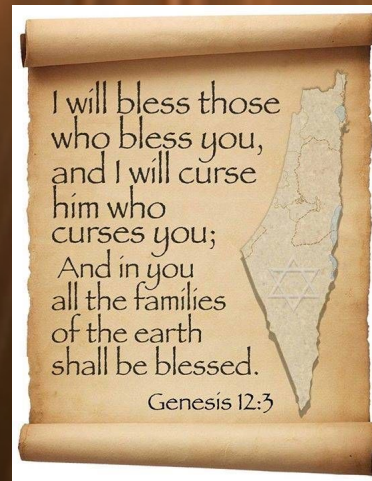
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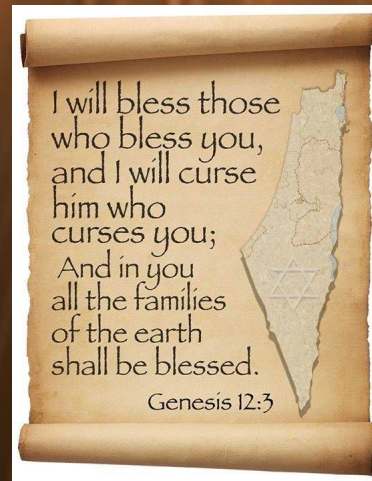
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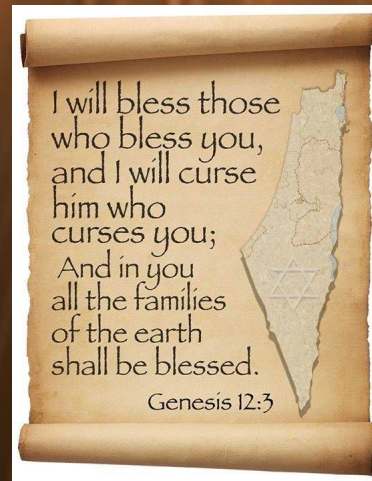
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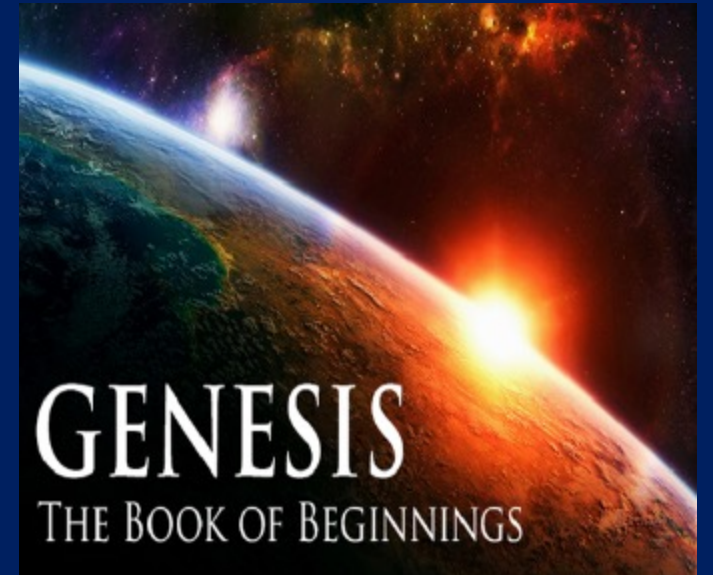
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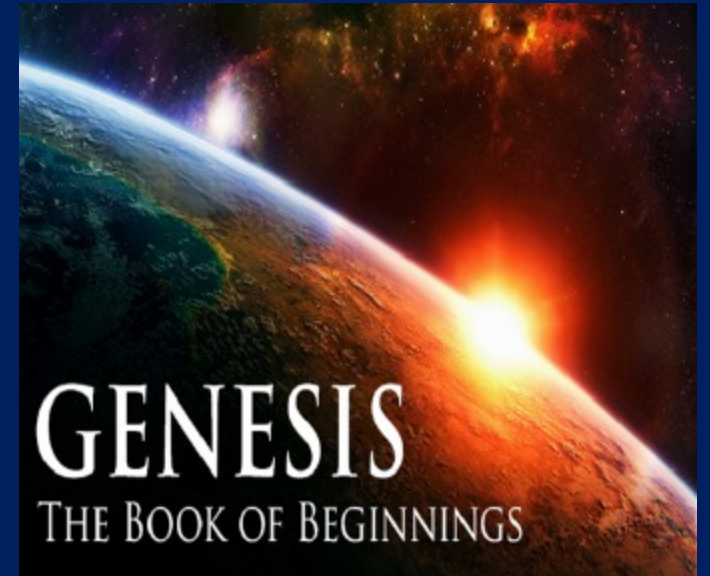
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- i. God's identification (13a)
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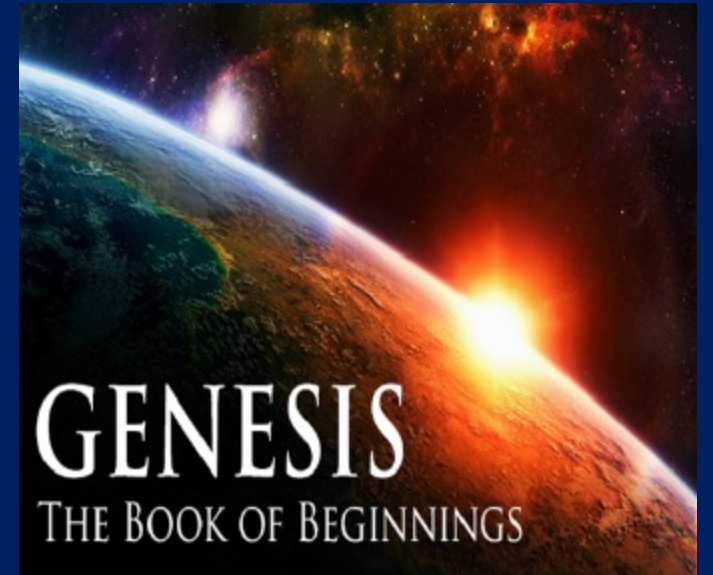
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Wives' Response

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3. Divine providence (16a)
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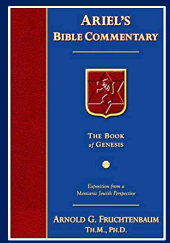
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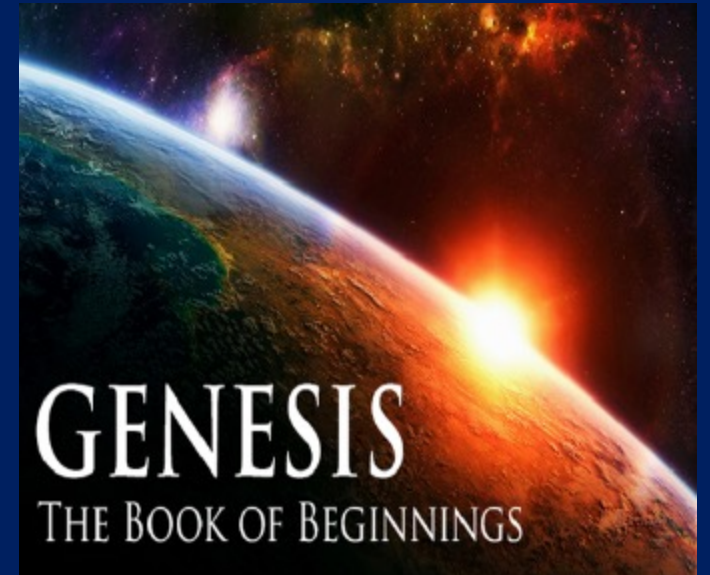


“According to the *Nuzi Tablets*, the father of the bride was to give some of the bride price money from the groom to the bride. Jacob did not give money to Laban, but he gave him seven years of service for each wife. However, no part of the fruit of Jacob’s work was given to the daughters. None of the increase of the flocks was set aside for the daughters. This went contrary to even the custom of their own territory. Therefore, Laban would resort to local custom if it were to his benefit; he would go against it if it did not benefit him. Not Jacob but Laban was the cheat here.”

C. Genesis 31:14-16

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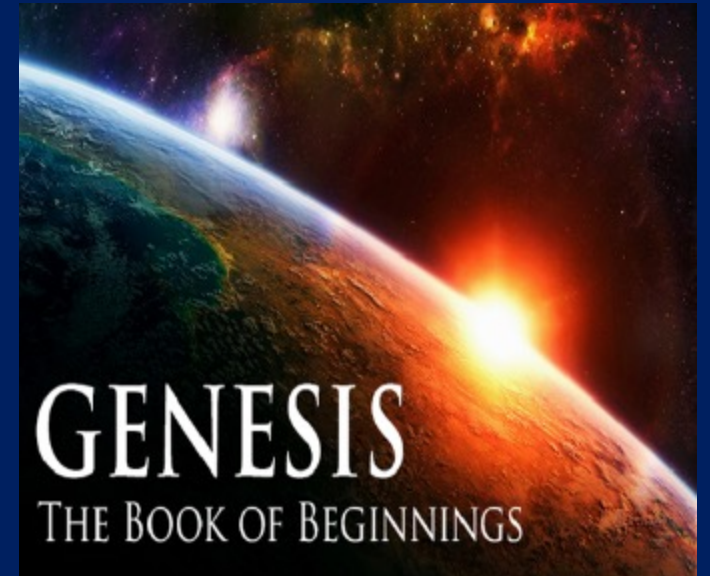
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Jacob's Preparation

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2. Property (18a)
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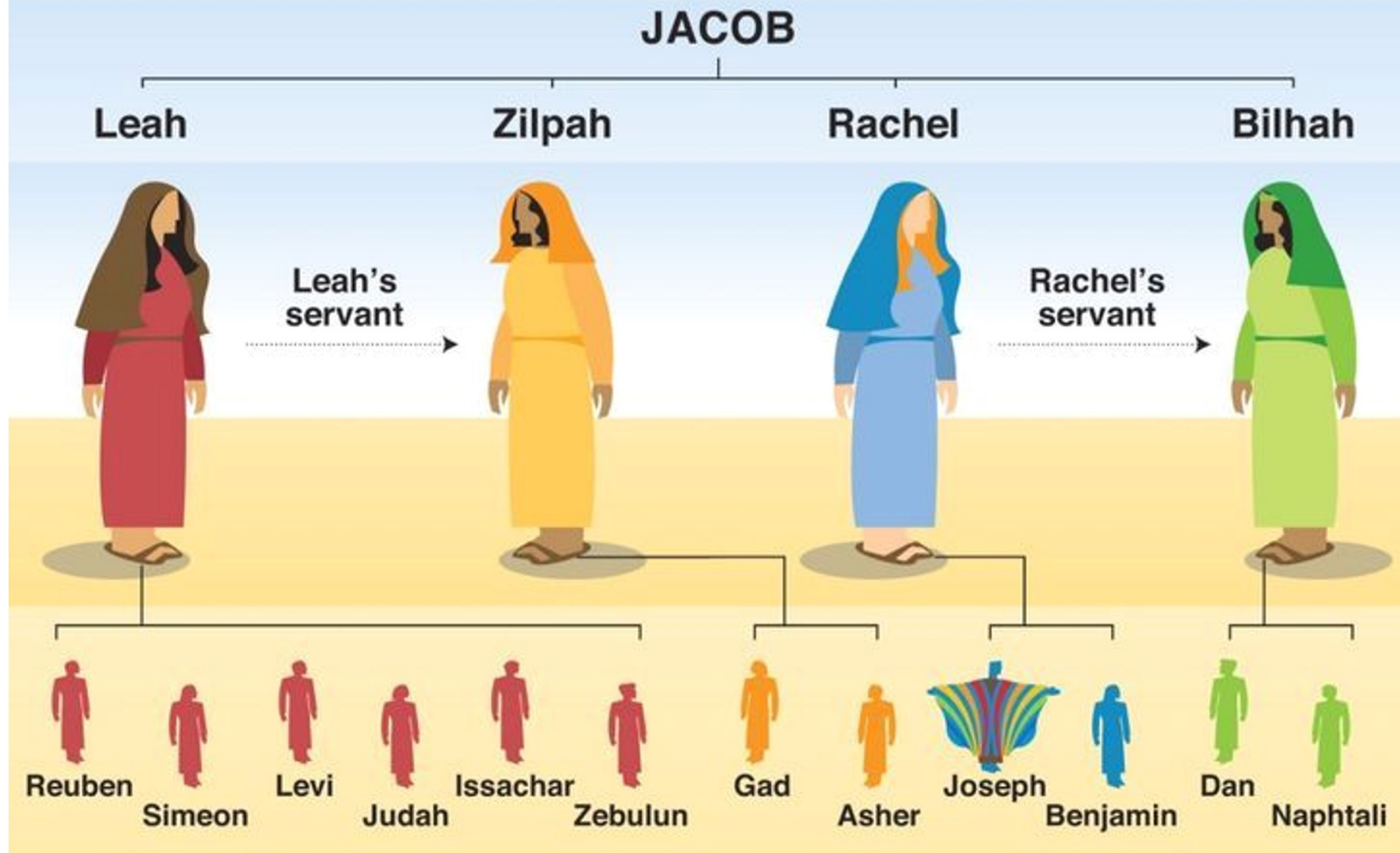
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B. Genesis 31:19

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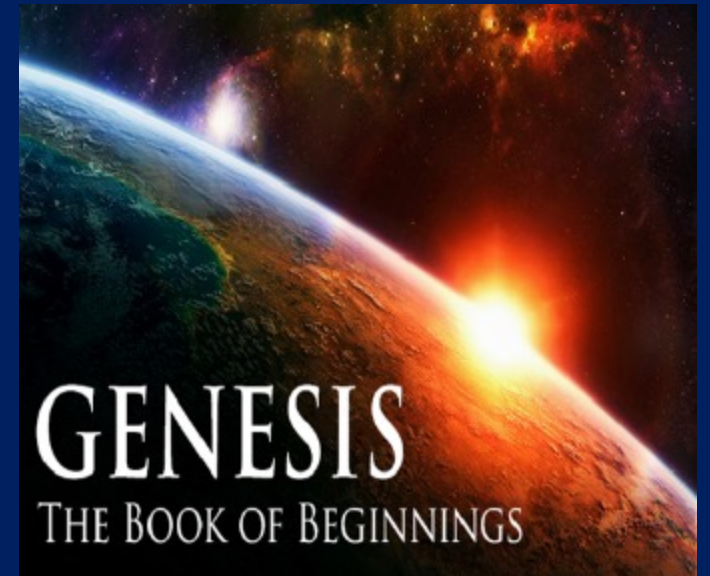
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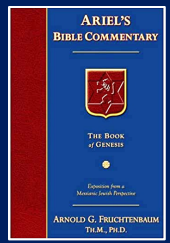
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“The *Code of Hammurabi* states that whoever has the household gods owns the property. The *Nuzi Tablets* record an incident of the person mentioned earlier and states: ‘If Nashwi has a son of his own, he shall divide the estate equally with Wullu, (adopted son), but the son of Nashwi shall take the gods of Nashwi. However, if Nashwi does not have a son of his own, the Wullu shall take the gods.’ So owning the household gods meant the owner could claim the property. Rachel was not worshipping idols, but rather it was her attempt to gain the property of Laban for her husband.”

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Numbers 6:24–26 (NASB95)