

Genesis 12–50

Israel's Birth & Preservation



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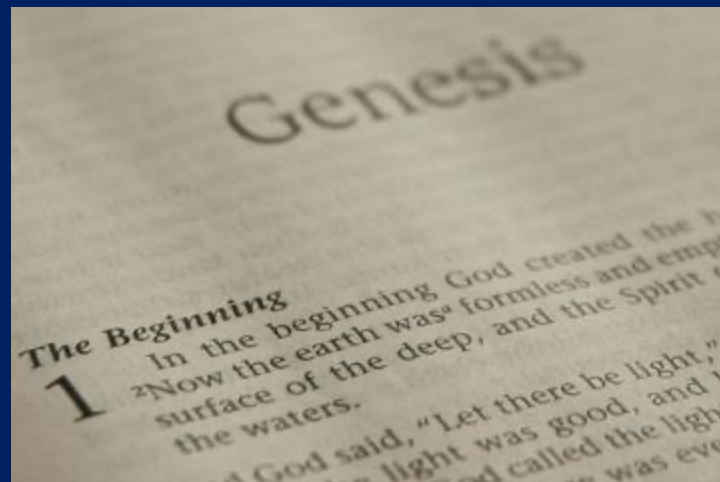
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GENESIS STRUCTURE

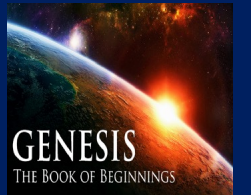


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- I. Genesis 1-11 (four events)
 - A. Creation (1-2)
 - B. Fall (3-5)
 - C. Flood (6-9)
 - D. National dispersion (10-11)

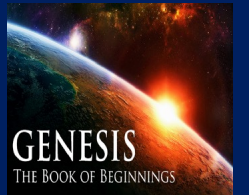


Genesis 3:15

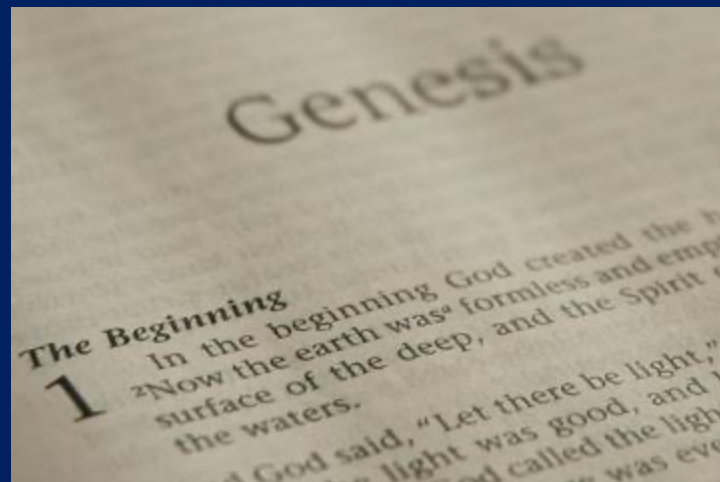
“And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the heel.”



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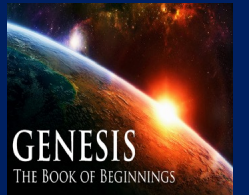


Isaiah 43:1

“But now, thus says the Lord, your Creator, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel, 'Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine!'”



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 26

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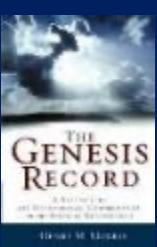
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“In verse 12 occurs the first mention of seed-sowing in the Bible, along with the information that the Lord blessed it with a hundredfold increase. Seed-sowing is frequently used in the New Testament as symbolic of witnessing; and it is noteworthy that the first mention is in the familiar parable of the sower, in which the good seed likewise brought forth a hundredfold (Matthew 13:23).”

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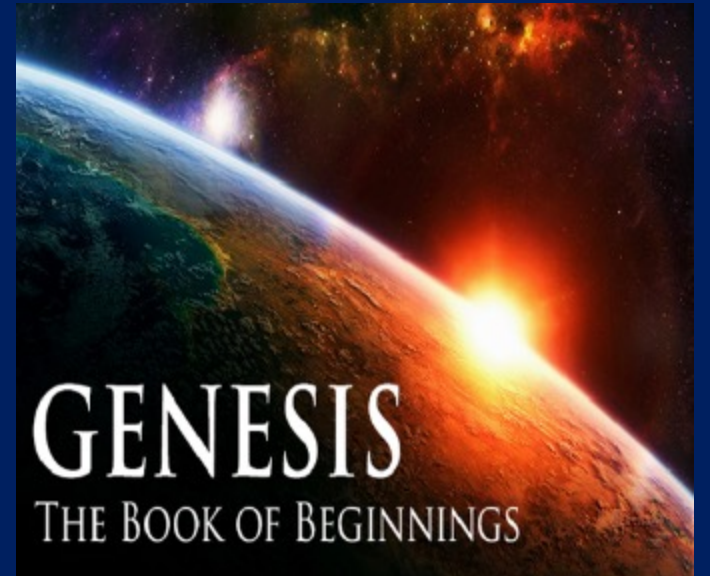
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Evidence of Abrahamic Covenant's Unconditional Nature

- ANE covenant ratification ceremony (Gen 15)
- Lack of stated conditions for Israel's obedience (Gen 15)
- Covenant's eternality (Gen 17:7, 13, 19; Ps. 90:2)
- Covenant's immutability (Heb 6:13-18; Mal. 3:6)
- Trans-generational reaffirmation despite perpetual national disobedience (Jer 31:35-37)

2 Timothy 2:11-13

“It is a trustworthy statement: For if we died with Him, we will also live with Him; ¹² If we endure, we will also reign with Him; If we deny Him, He also will deny us; ¹³ If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.”



III. Genesis 26:12-22

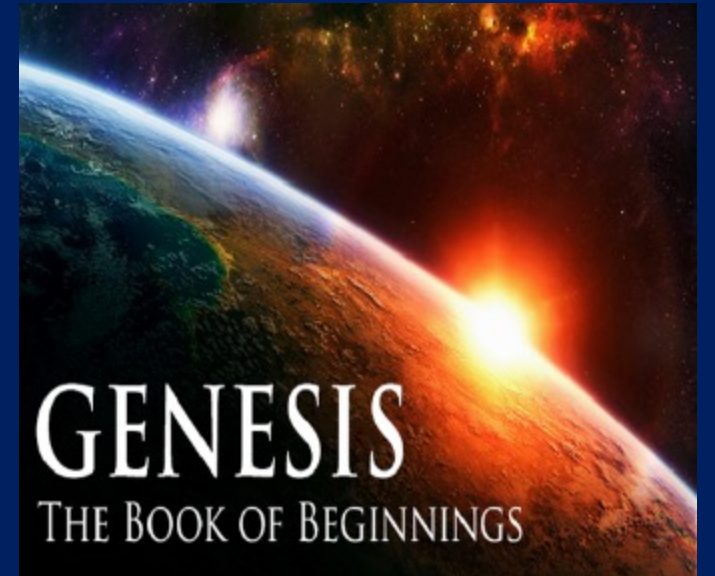
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B. Genesis 26:14b-15
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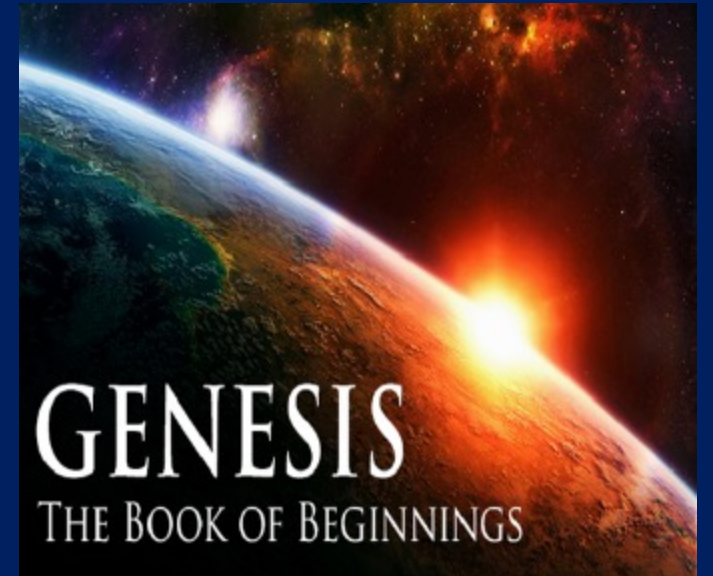
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From Peter to Paul

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Heals a man lame from birth (3:1-11)

Heals by shadow (3:15-16)

Success is a cause of jealousy (5:17)

Confronts a sorcerer (8:9-24)

Raises Dorcas (9:36-41)

Jailed and miraculously freed (12:3-19)

Paul

Heals a man lame from birth (14:8-18)

Heals by handkerchief (19:11-12)

Success is a cause of jealousy (13:45)

Confronts a sorcerer (13:6-11)

Raises Eutychus (20:9-12)

Jailed and miraculously freed (16:25-34)

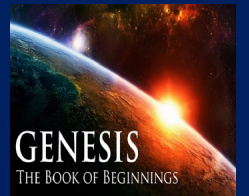
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Genesis 12–25

Abraham's Early Journeys



- I. Unconditional promises (Gen. 12:1-3)
- II. From Haran to Canaan (Gen. 12:4-5)
- III. In Canaan (Gen. 12:6-9)
- IV. In Egypt (Gen. 12:10-20)
- V. Abram and Lot Separate (Gen. 13:1-13)
- VI. Reaffirmation of Abram's promises (Gen. 13:14-18)
- VII. Abram Rescues Lot (14:1-24)
- VIII. Abrahamic Covenant (15:1-21)
- IX. Hagar & Ishmael (16:1-16)
- X. Circumcision (Gen. 17:1-27)
- XI. Sodom & Gomorrah (Gen. 18–19)
- XII. Abraham & Abimelech (Gen. 20)
- XIII. Isaac's birth (Gen. 21:1-7)
- XIV. Ishmael's expulsion (21:8-21)
- XV. Abraham & Abimelech's covenant (21:22-34)**
- XVI. Abraham sacrifices Isaac (22)
- XVII. Sarah's death (23)
- XVIII. Isaac's marriage (24)
- XIX. Abraham & Keturah (25:1-6)
- XX. Abraham's death (25:7-11)

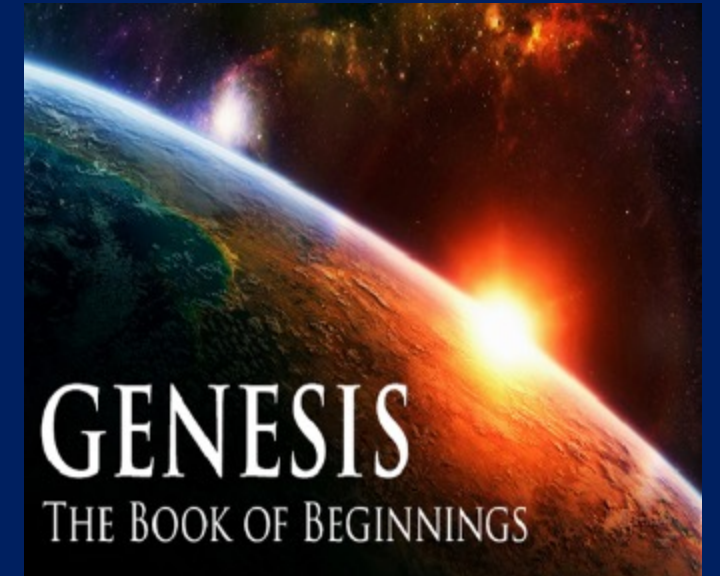


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The Book of Genesis, 412



“The envy of the Philistines was so great that they were willing to cut off vital water supply in the context of a famine.”



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Struggle for the Wells

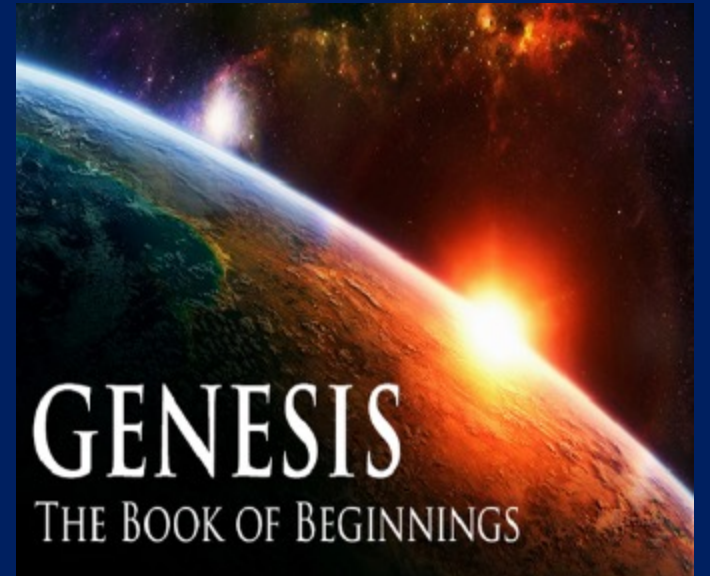
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Succoth

Penuel

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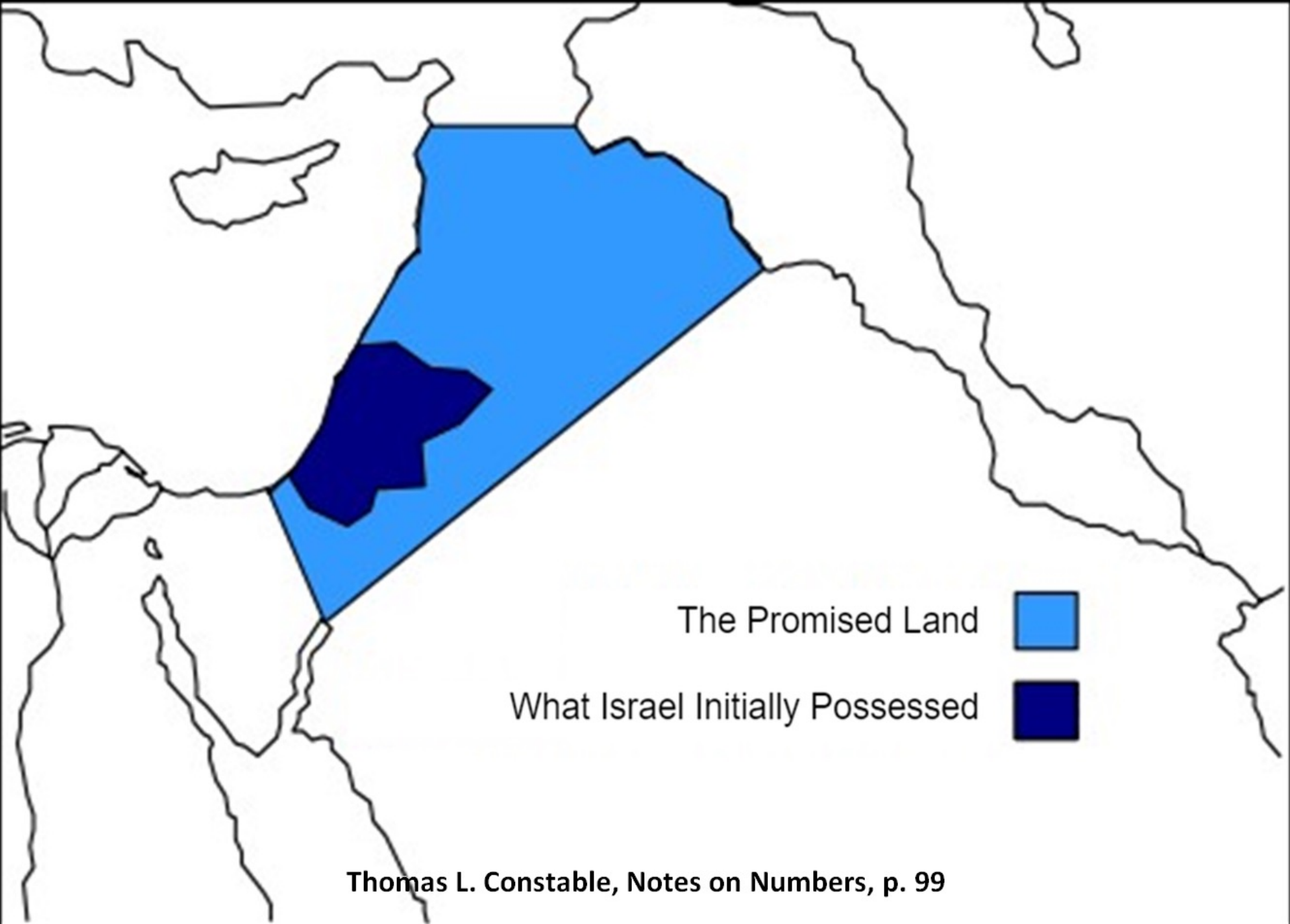
Jerusalem

Bethlehem

Hebron

Gerar

Beersheba



Thomas L. Constable, Notes on Numbers, p. 99

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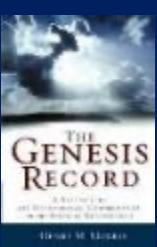
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“Here there were other wells which Abraham had constructed, but these had already been plugged up when Abraham died. Evidently the Philistine settlers were not yet numerous or prosperous enough themselves to need them, but wanted to discourage others from settling there in the meantime, as they were trying to maintain a claim to the land themselves. Isaac embarked on a program of reopening these wells; no one else was using this part of the land, so he thought the Philistines would not object. To emphasize his right to the wells by way of inheritance, he used the same names Abraham had given them.”

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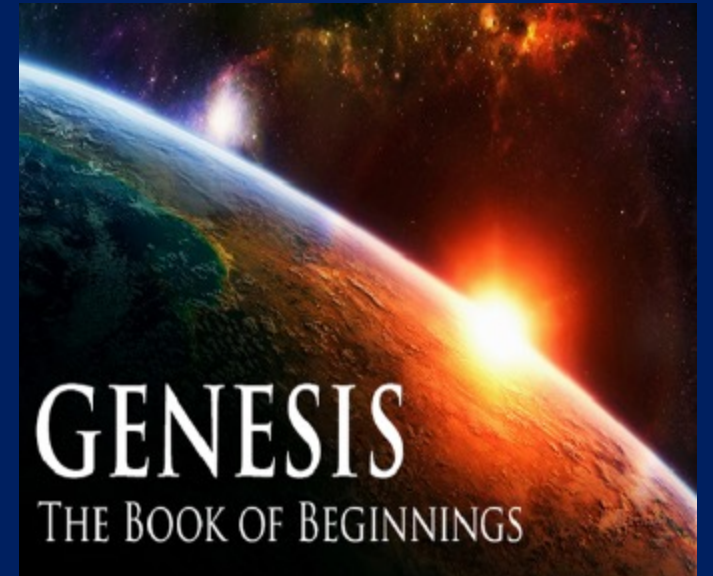


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First Well

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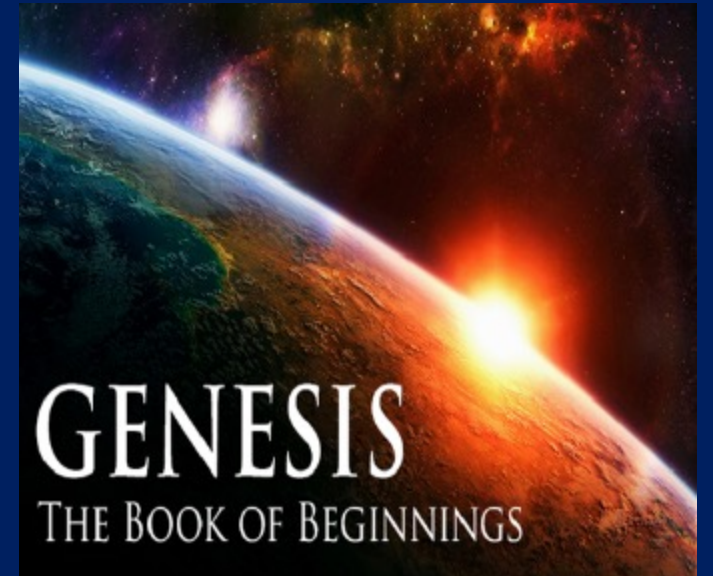


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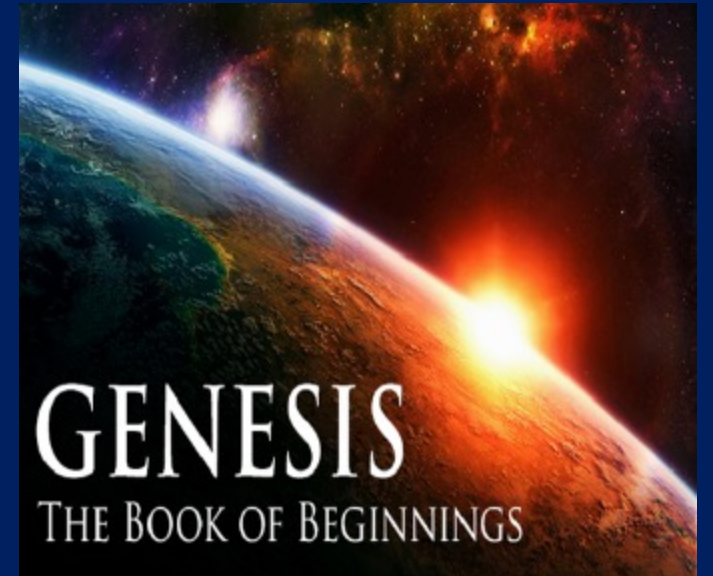


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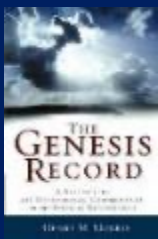




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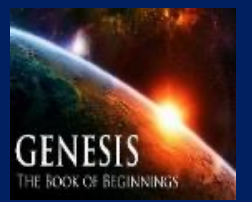
The Ryrie Study Bible, page 34

Genesis 26:20 (RSB:NASB1995U): “26:20. *Esek* means ‘contention.’ Disputes over water rights were common in desert areas.”



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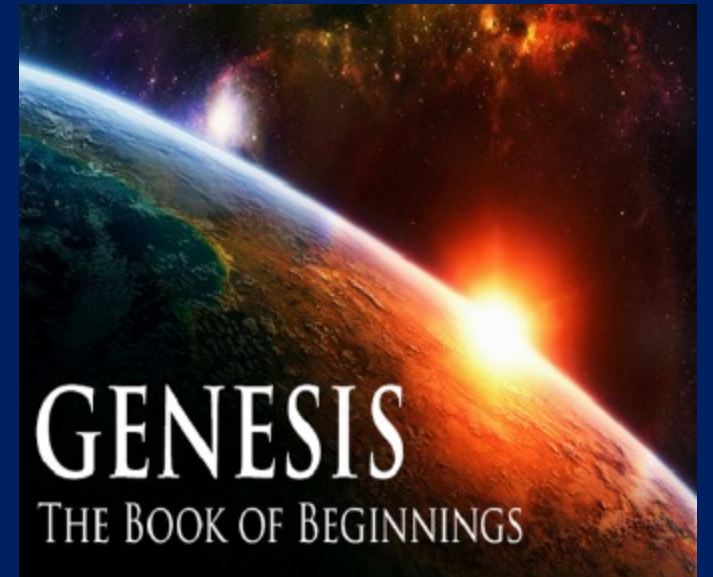
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“The Philistine herdsmen, however, claimed this water should belong to them, evidently on the ground that Isaac no longer had the right to dig new wells in their country. Rather than argue the point, Isaac instructed his own herdsmen to let them have the well and to dig another farther up the valley.”

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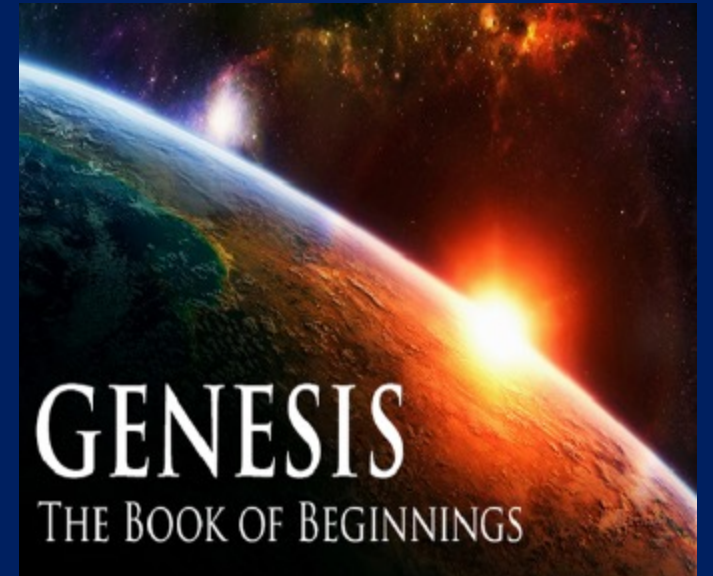
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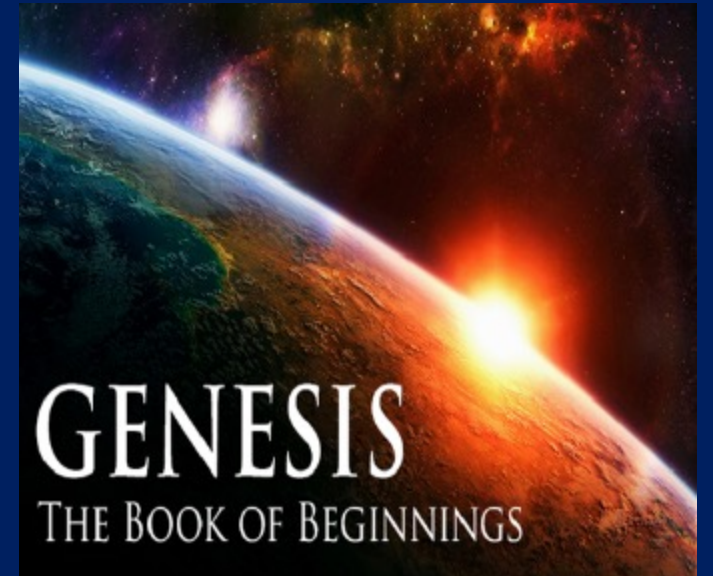
b) Contention (21b)



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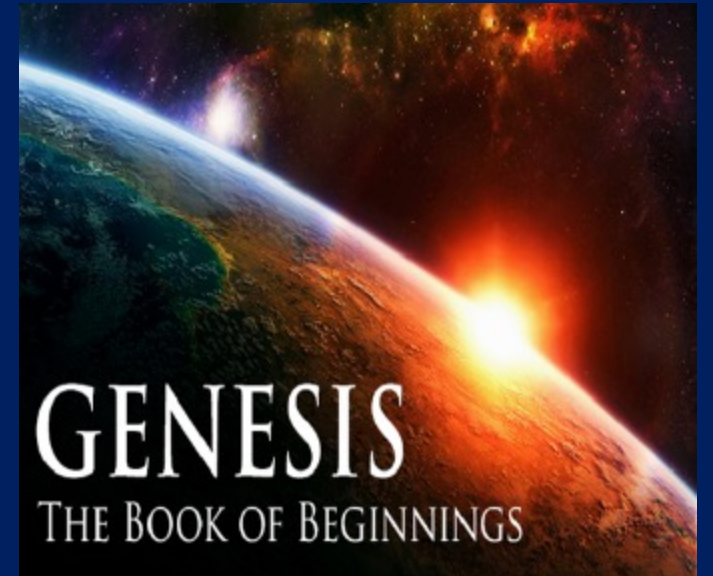
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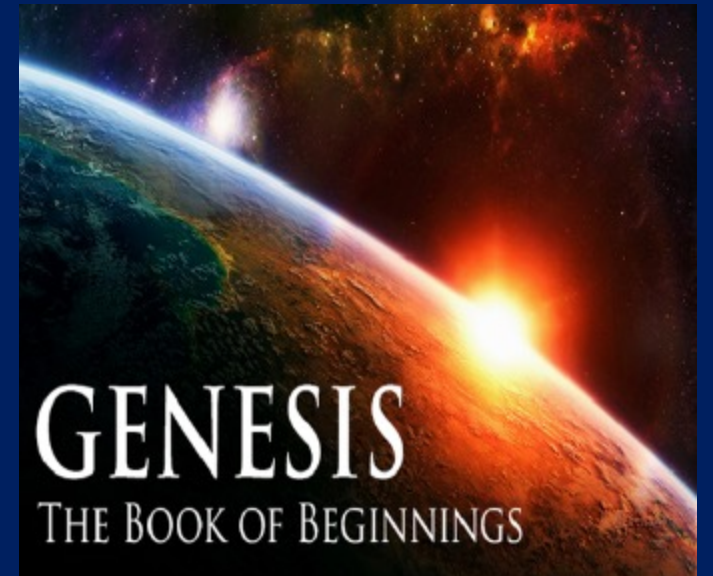
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4. Genesis 26:22

Third Well

- a) Find (22a)
- b) No contention (22b)
- c) Isaac's conclusion (22c)



4. Genesis 26:22

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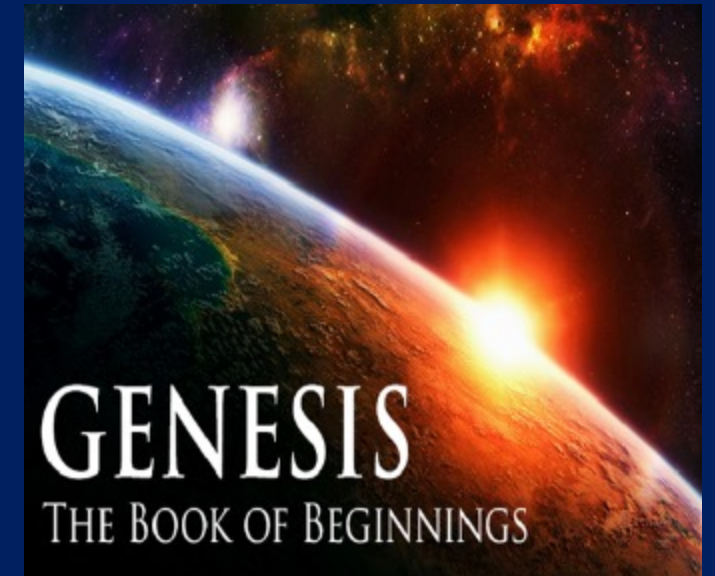


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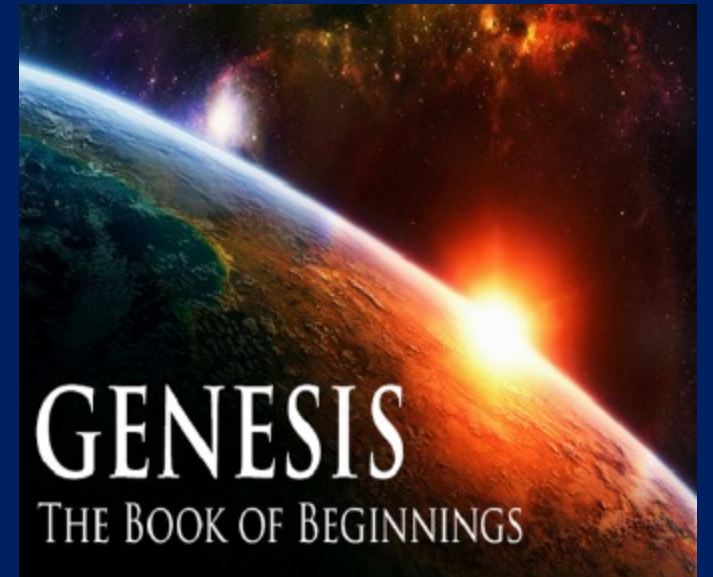
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²⁴ The LORD bless you, and keep you; ²⁵ The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; ²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.

Numbers 6:24–26 (NASB95)