

A cosmic background featuring a bright blue starburst at the bottom center, surrounded by numerous stars, galaxies, and planets. A large blue planet is visible in the upper right, and a smaller blue planet is in the lower left. The overall color palette is dominated by blues and purples.

GENESIS

Book of Beginnings

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**FOUR EVENTS, PRIMEVAL HISTORY OF
MANKIND**

CREATION

FALL

FLOOD

BABEL

**FOUR PEOPLE, PATRIARCHAL HISTORY
OF ISRAEL**

ABRAHAM

ISAAC

JACOB

JOSEPH

Eleven “toledots” “these are the generations of . . .”

1:1–2:3	Prologue
2:4–4:16	Heavens and the earth
5:1–6:8	Adam
6:9–9:29	Noah
10:1–11:9	Noah’s Sons
11:10–26	Shem
11:27–25:11	Terah
25:12–18	Ishmael (wrapping up loose ends)
25:19–35:29	Isaac
36:1 & 37:9	Esau (used 2×, 1st Esau, then his sons)
37:2–50:26	Jacob

Acts 7:2, “And he said, ‘Brethren and fathers, listen: The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Haran

Acts 7:3, “and said to him, “LEAVE YOUR COUNTRY AND YOUR RELATIVES, AND COME INTO THE LAND THAT I WILL SHOW YOU””.

Acts 7:4, “Then he came out of the land of the Chaldeans and dwelt in Haran. And from there, when his father was dead, He moved him to this land in which you now dwell.

Acts 7:5, “And God gave him no inheritance in it, not even enough to set his foot on. But even when Abraham had no child, He promised to give it to him for a possession, and to his descendants after him.”

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Hebrews 11:9, “By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise;

Hebrews 11:10, “for he was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.”

Central Doctrines from Abraham

- 1. Abrahamic Covenant (positional truth)**
- 2. Justification at phase one (Rom. 4)**
- 3. Justification at spiritual maturity (James 2)**

Central Doctrines from Abraham

4. **Spiritual advance by the faith rest drill
(Heb 11)**
5. **Election (Rom. 9–11)**
6. **Missions (“all nations will be blessed”)**

The Abrahamic Covenant



**The
Abrahamic
Covenant**

Land

Seed

Blessing

**Land
Deut. 30**

**Davidic
Covenant
“Seed”
2 Sam 7:14ff**

**New
Covenant
“Blessing”
Jer 31**

Review of the Abrahamic Covenant

1. Gen. 12:1–3, promises a **land**, **descendants**, and a **blessing**.
2. Gen. 12:7, reiterates the **land** promise
Gen. 13:5, all the **land** which you can see
Gen. 15:18, from the river of Egypt to the river Euphrates
Gen. 17:8, defines it as the whole land of Canaan.

3. The **descendants** will be a great nation in

12:2

13:16

As numerous as the dust of the earth.

15:5

Descendants like the stars in the sky.

Gen. 16

Descendants will be innumerable.

Gen. 17

A multitude of nations, kings shall be descended from you.

4. Divine protection in Gen 12:2

“God will curse those who treat Abram lightly.”

Ch. 15 warned of future slavery and deliverance.

17:7 there is an eternal covenant promise.

Justification by Faith Alone (Phase One)

Genesis 15:6, “And he **believed in the LORD, and He **accounted** it to him for righteousness.”**

NAmDa, *aman*;

Hipheh Pf, 3 ms; to be firm,
trustworthy, safe.

“to believe” indicating to think in
terms of trust or reliance upon
something that is firm and
dependable.

Genesis 15:6, “And he had already believed in the LORD, and He had accounted it to him for righteousness.”

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**Declared
Righteous**

Blessing

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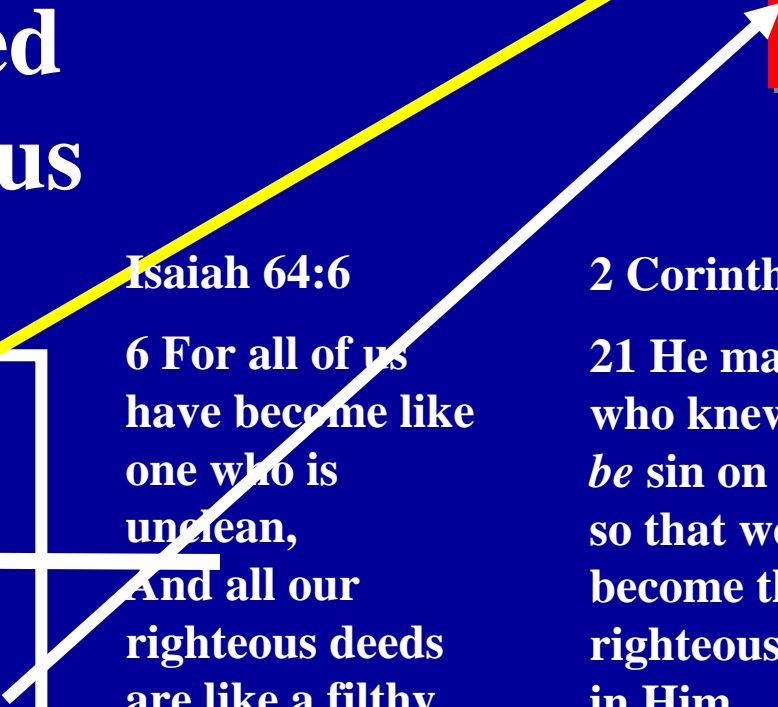
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Isaiah 64:6

**6 For all of us
have become like
one who is
unclean,
And all our
righteous deeds
are like a filthy
garment;**

2 Corinthians 5:21

**21 He made Him
who knew no sin *to*
be sin on our behalf,
so that we might
become the
righteousness of God
in Him.**



Justification: Vindication of Faith

James 2:21, “Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered Isaac his son on the altar?”

James 2:22, “Do you see that faith was working together with his works, and by works faith was made perfect?”

James 2:23, “And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, ‘Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.’ And he was called the friend of God.

James 2:24, “You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith **only.”**

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Adverbs modify verbs, not nouns

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“justify” is the ellipsized verb in the second clause:

“and not *ONLY justified* by faith

Walking by Faith: Heb 11:8–12

Hebrews 11:17, “By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten *son*,

Hebrews 11:18, “of whom it was said, ‘In Isaac your seed shall be called,’

Hebrews 11:19, “concluding that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.”

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Hebrews 11:10, “for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.

Hebrews 11:11, “By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.

Hebrews 11:12, “Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born *as many* as the stars of the sky in multitude – innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore.”

1. The test to go to a new land and to leave the family behind. Gen. 12:1–9
(Land; FRD)

Gen. 12:1, “Now the LORD said to Abram, ‘Go forth from your country, and from your relatives and from your father’s house, to the **land which I will show you;**

Gen. 12:2, ““And I will make you a great **nation**, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a **blessing**;

Gen. 12:3, ““And I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth shall be **blessed**’.”

**2. The test to trust God by staying in the land during the famine. Gen. 12:10–20
(Land: FRD/G/O)**

Gen. 12:7, “And the LORD appeared to Abram and said, ‘To your descendants I will give this **land.’ So he built an altar there to the LORD who had appeared to him.”**

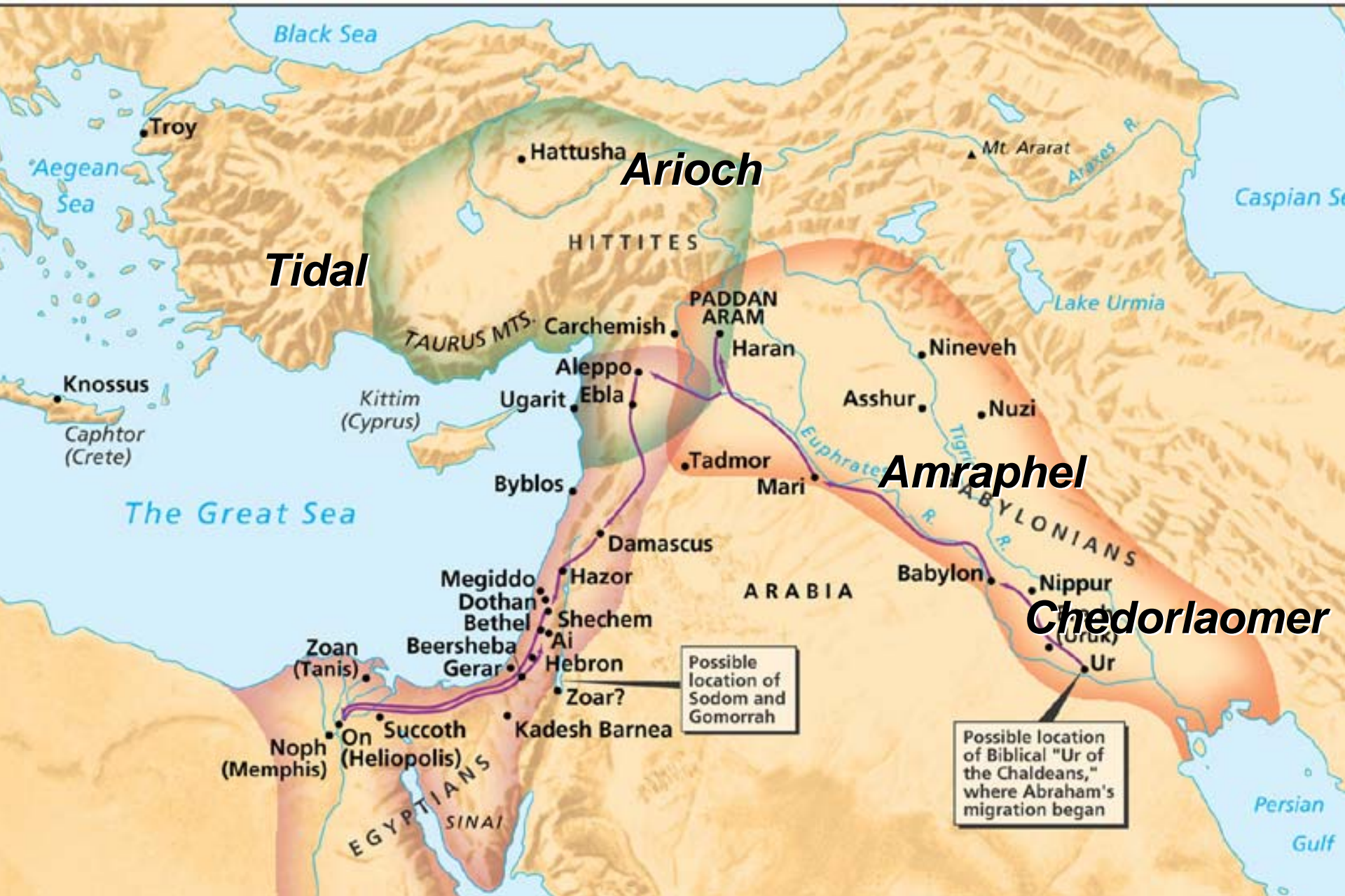
3. The test to treat Lot with grace and generosity. Gen. 13:1–17 (Land; G/O)

Gen. 13:14, “And the LORD said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, ‘Now lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward;

Gen. 13:15, “for all the land which you see, I will give it to you and to your descendants forever.

Gen. 13:16, “‘And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if anyone can number the dust of the earth, then your descendants can also be numbered’.”

4. The test to protect and defend his neighbors. Gen. 14:1–17 (**Blessing; G/O**)



Tidal

Arioeh

Amraphel

Chedorlaomer

Possible location of Sodom and Gomorrah

Possible location of Biblical "Ur of the Chaldeans," where Abraham's migration began



TAURUS MTS.

PADDAN ARAM

Carchemish

Haran

Nineveh

Aleppo

Asshur

Kittim (Cyprus)

Ugarit

Ebla

N

Byblos

Tadmor

Euphrates

Tigris

Mari

Babylon

Damascus

ARABIA

Megiddo

Hazor

Dothan

Bethel

Shechem

Beersheba

Ai

Gerar

Hebron

Zoar?

Possible location of Sodom and Gomorrah

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5. The test to express his gratitude to God. Gen. 14:18–24 (**Blessing; G/O**)

**6. The test to not be worried about the seed but to trust God. Gen. 15:1–21
(Seed; FRD)**

7. The test to use Hagar to have a descendant. Gen. 16:1–16 (**Seed; FRD**)

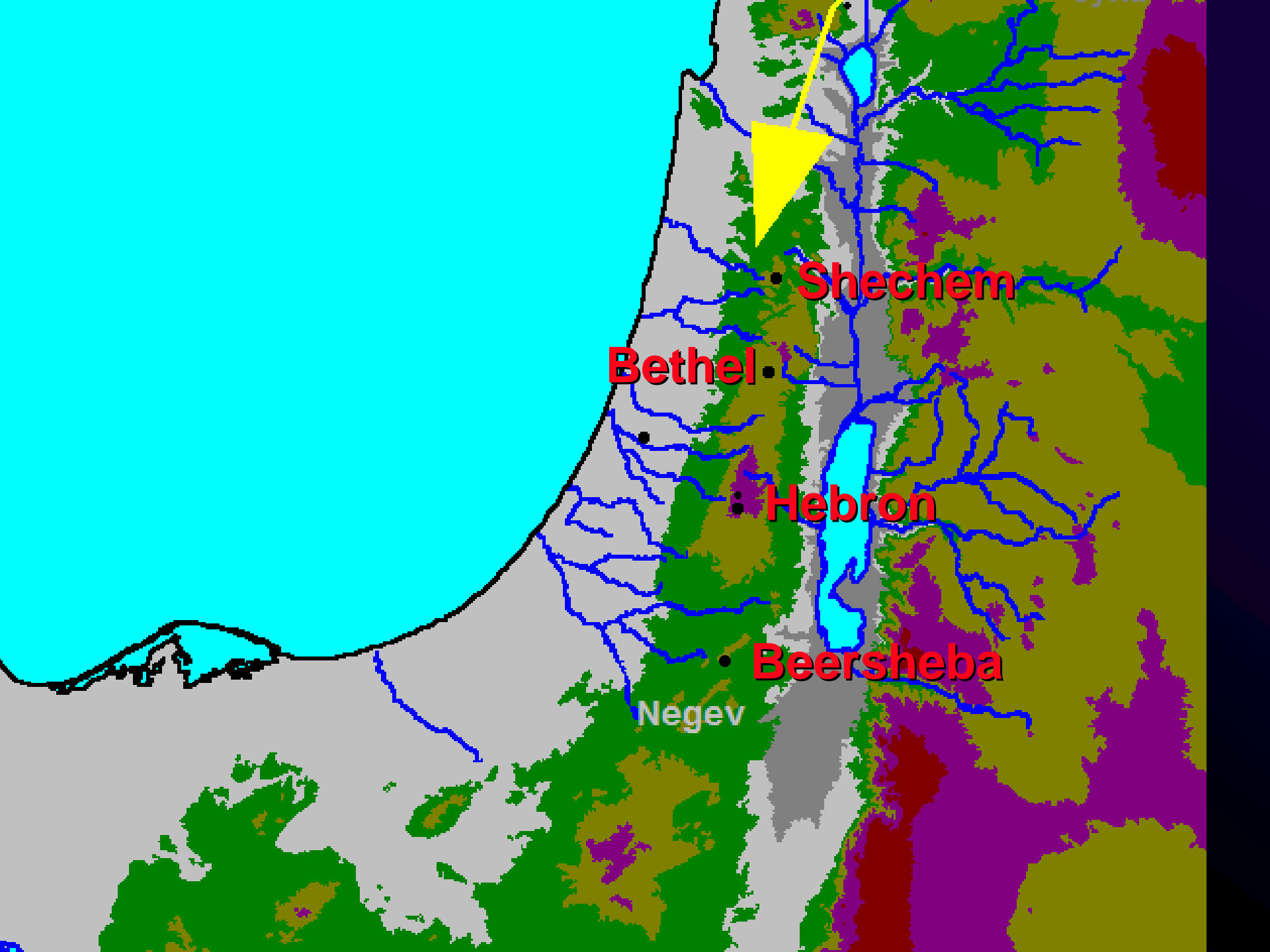
**8. The test to be circumcised.
Gen. 17:1–25 (Seed; FRD)**

9. The test of hospitality to his visitors.
Gen. 18:1–15 (**Blessing; G/O**)

10. The test of intercession to one who had abused his generosity.

Gen. 18:16–33 (Blessing; G/O)

Sodom Interlude



• **Shechem**

Bethel •

• **Hebron**

• **Beersheba**

Negev

11. The test to protect the seed during the visit to Gerar. Gen. 20:1–18 (**Seed; FRD**)

**12. The test to protect the heir from the jealousy of Ishmael. Gen. 21:1–21
(Seed; FRD)**

13. The test to sacrifice the promised seed. Gen. 22 (Seed; FRD; PLG)

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