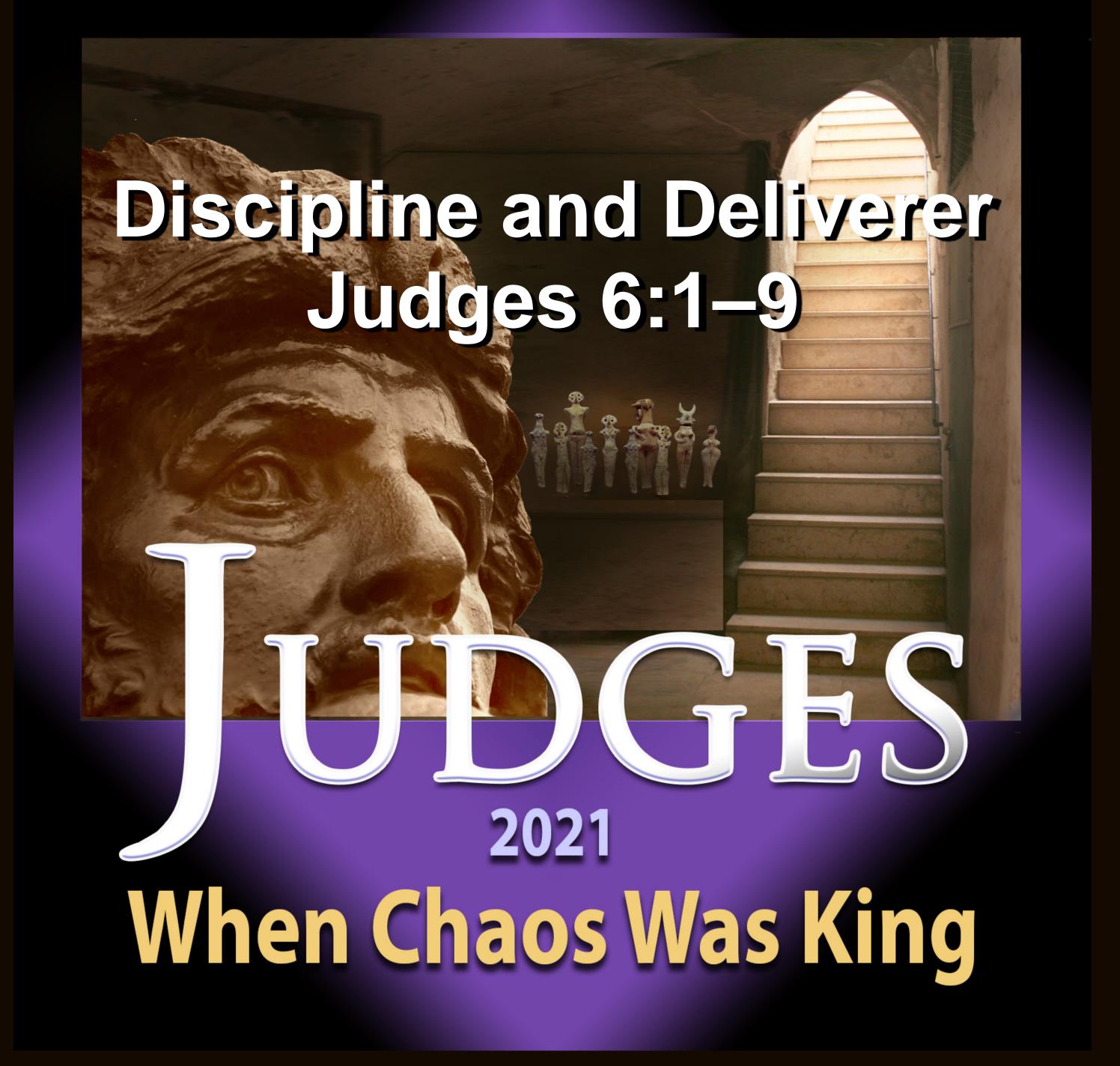
Judges Series
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Outline of "Judges" (Chieftains, Tribal Rulers, Leaders)

1:1-3:6 Introduction

How Israel went from spiritual victory to being worse than the Canaanites

Incomplete obedience

Compromise

Failure

Cycles of discipline

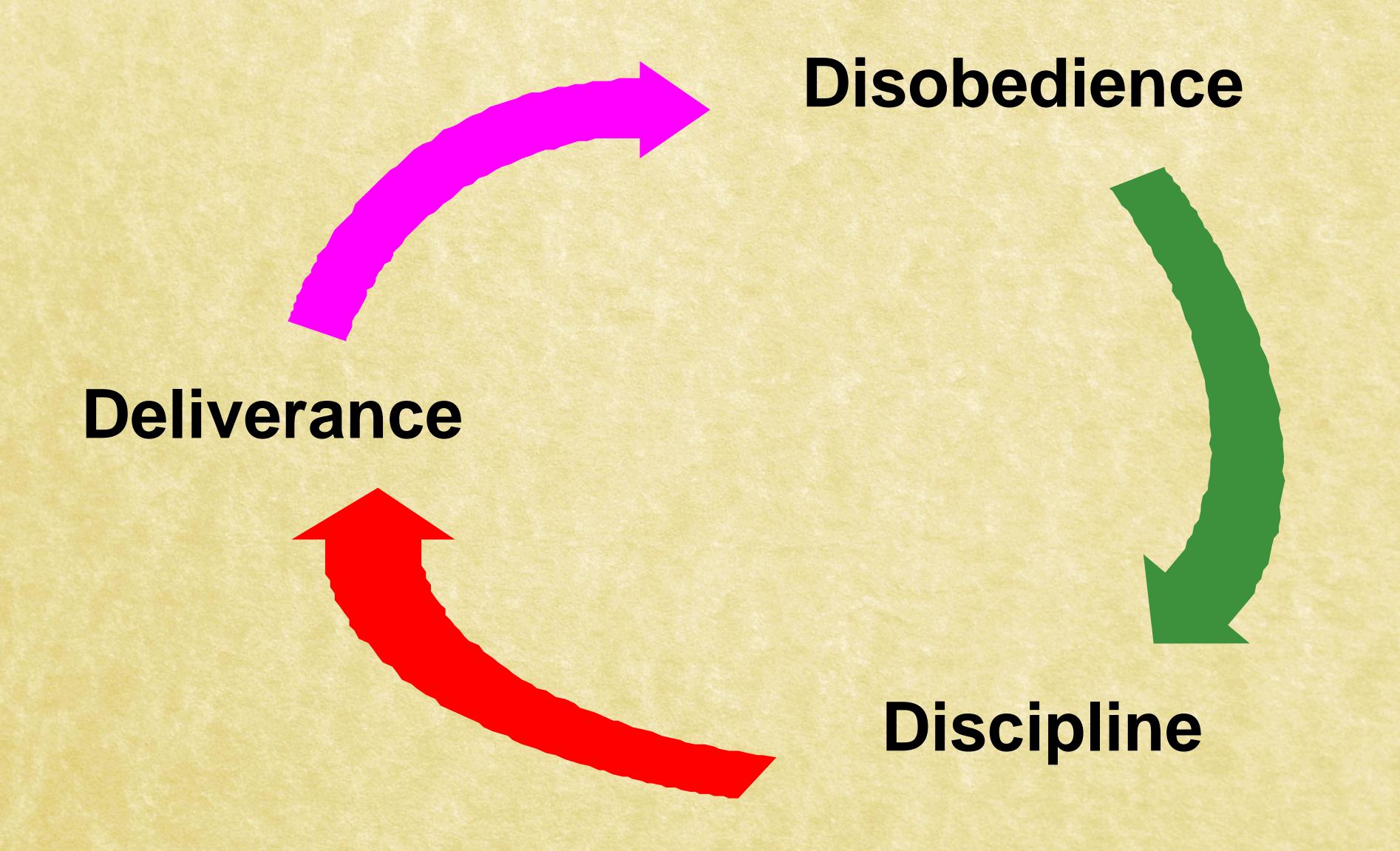
3:7-16:31
Paganization
of the
Leadership

Othniel (the best)
Ehud
Shamgar
Deborah
Gideon
Tola, Jair
Jephthah
Ibzan, Elon, Abdon
Samson (the worst)

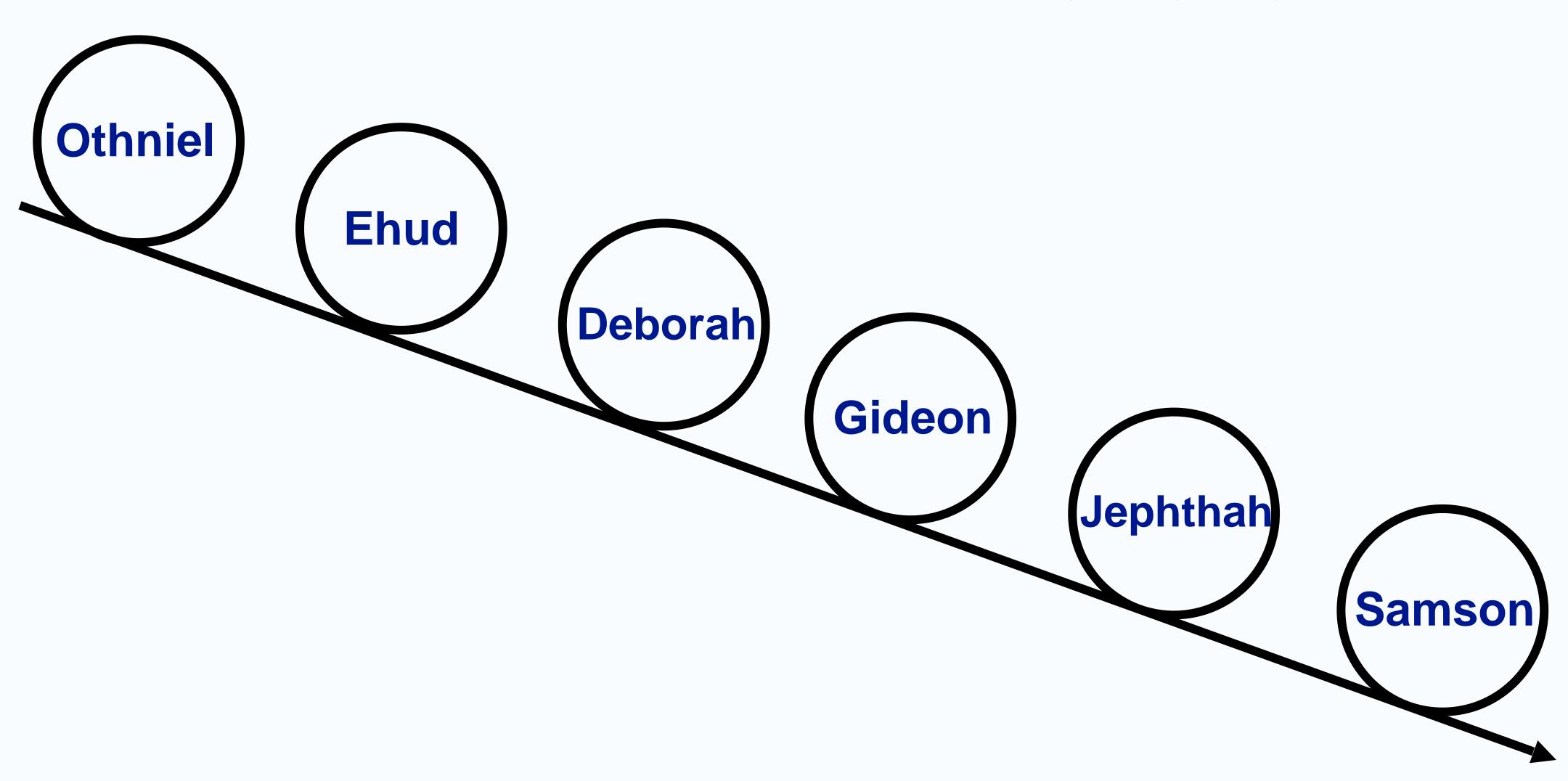
17:1-21:25
Paganization
of the
Priests
Chap. 17-18

and the People Chap. 19–21

The Cycles of the Judges



SLIDING into Paganism in the time of the JUDGES



The Gideon Cycle:

Part 1: The deliverance from the Midianite oppression.

- 1. Apostasy Judges 6:1——ONE verse
- 2. Discipline Judges 6:1b–6——FIVE verses
- 3. Deliverance Judges 6:7–8:35—NINETY-FOUR verses

Total: 100 verses

Part 2: The story of the first king of Israel, Judges 9

The Disobedience, 6:1a,

Judges 6:1a, "Then the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the Lord."

The Discipline, Judges 6:1b-6,

"So the Lord delivered them into the hand of Midian for seven years, Judges 6:2, "and the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel. Because of the Midianites, the children of Israel made for themselves the dens, the caves, and the strongholds which are in the mountains.

Judges 6:3, "So it was, whenever Israel had sown, Midianites would come up; also Amalekites and the people of the East would come up against them.

Judges 6:4, "Then they would encamp against them and destroy the produce of the earth as far as Gaza, and leave no sustenance for Israel, neither sheep nor ox nor donkey.

Judges 6:5, "For they would come up with their livestock and their tents, coming in as numerous as locusts; both they and their camels were without number; and they would enter the land to destroy it.

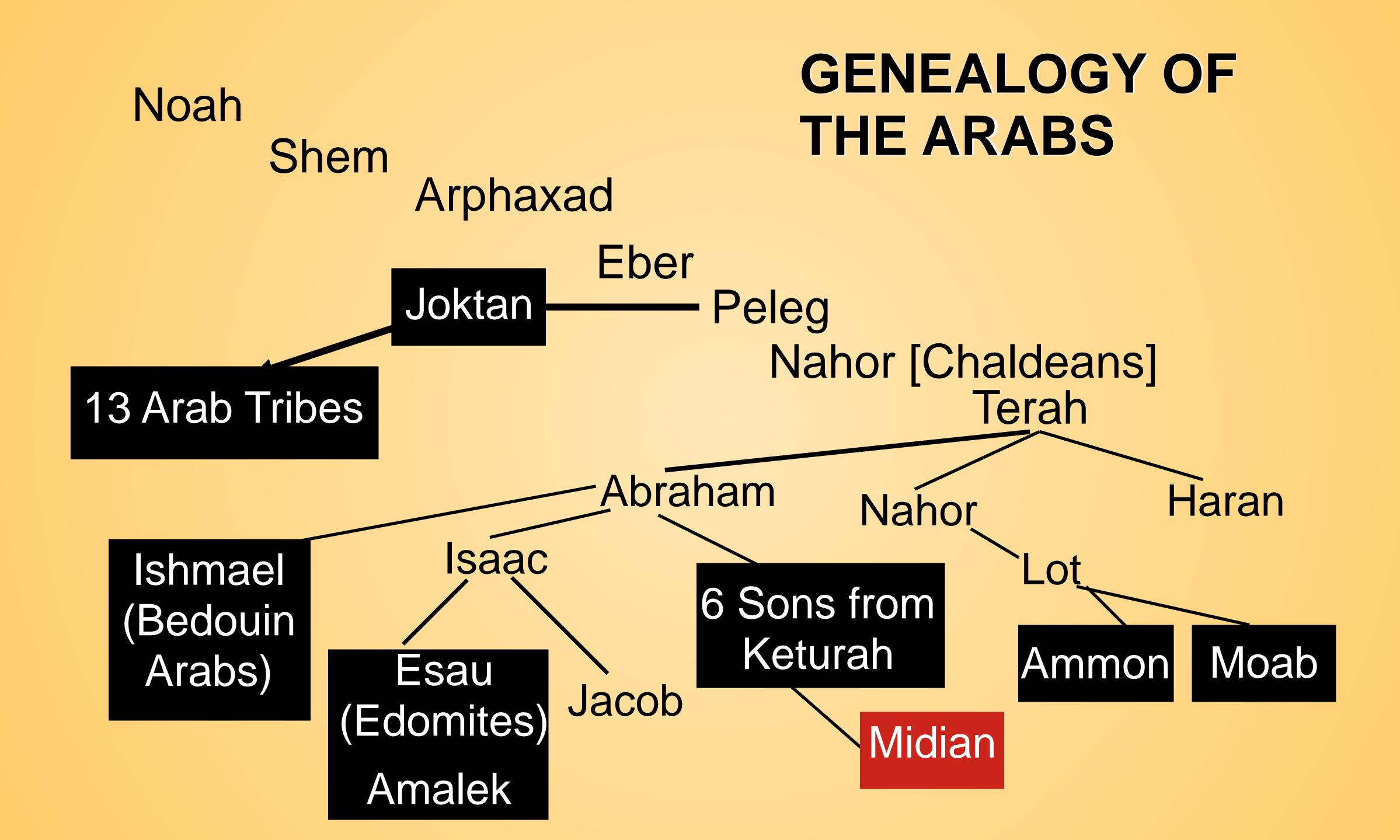
Judges 6:6, "So Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites, and the children of Israel cried out to the Lord."

The Fourth Stage of Divine Discipline on Israel (Lev. 26:24–26)

Lev. 26:24, "then I also will walk contrary to you, and I will punish you yet seven times for your sins.

Lev. 26:25, "And I will bring a sword against you that will execute the vengeance of the covenant; when you are gathered together within your cities I will send pestilence among you; and you shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy.

Lev. 26:26, "When I have cut off your supply of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall bring back your bread by weight, and you shall eat and not be satisfied."





Lev. 26:13, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that you should not be their slaves; I have broken the bands of your yoke and made you walk upright."

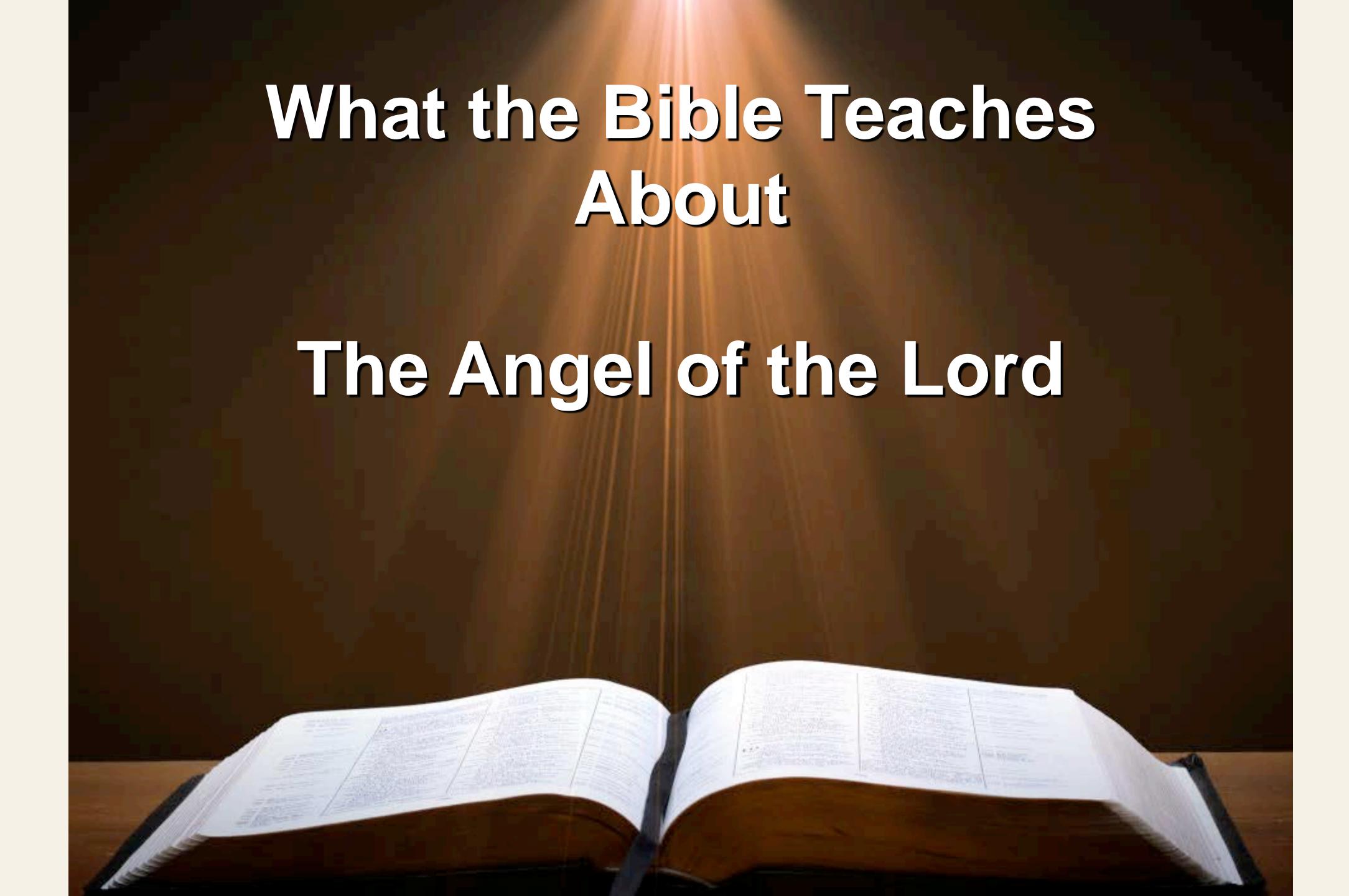
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Judges 6:8, "that the Lord sent a prophet to the children of Israel, who said to them, 'Thus says the Lord God of Israel: "I brought you up from Egypt and brought you out of the house of bondage;

Judges 6:9, " "and I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians and out of the hand of all who oppressed you, and drove them out before you and gave you their land." " ~NKJV

<u>Judges 6:7</u>, "And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried out to the Lord because of the Midianites,"

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1. The title: מַלְאַך יִהנֶת male ak YHWH, "the messenger of YHWH"

Evidences of Being Fully God

2. The Angel and Hagar: Gen. 16:7-13; 21:17-18

Gen. 16:10, "Then the Angel of the LORD said to her, 'I will multiply your descendants exceedingly, so that they shall not be counted for multitude.'"

Gen. 16:13, "Then she called the name of the LORD who spoke to her, *You–Are–the–God–Who–Sees*; for she said, 'Have I also here seen Him who sees me?' "

3. The Angel of the Lord and Abraham: Gen. 22:11–18

Gen. 22:11, "But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' So he said, 'Here I am.'

Gen. 22:12, "And He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me.'

Gen. 22:13, "Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son."

- Gen. 22:14, "And Abraham called the name of the place, The–LORD–Will–Provide; as it is said to this day, 'In the Mount of the LORD it shall be provided.'
- Gen. 22:15, "Then the Angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time out of heaven,
- Gen. 22:16, "and said: 'By Myself I have sworn, says the LORD, because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son—
- Gen. 22:17, "'blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.
- Gen. 22:18, "In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

Gen. 22:1, "Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.'

Gen. 22:2, "Then He said, 'Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.'"

4. The Angel of the Lord and Jacob: Gen. 31:11–13

Gen. 31:11, "Then the Angel of God spoke to me in a dream, saying, 'Jacob.' And I said, 'Here I am.' Gen. 31:12, "And He said, 'Lift your eyes now and see, all the rams which leap on the flocks are streaked, speckled, and gray-spotted; for I have seen all that Laban is doing to you.

Gen. 31:13, "'I am the God of Bethel, where you anointed the pillar and where you made a vow to Me. Now arise, get out of this land, and return to the land of your family.'"

Gen. 28:13, "And behold, the LORD stood above it and said: 'I am the LORD God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants.

Gen. 28:14, "'Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

Gen. 28:15, "'Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.'"

Gen. 28:16, "Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it.'

Gen. 28:17, "And he was afraid and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!'

Gen. 28:18, "Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it.

Gen. 28:19, "And he called the name of that place Bethel; but the name of that city had been Luz previously."

Gen. 32:24, "Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day.

Gen. 32:25, "Now when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket of Jacob's hip was out of joint as He wrestled with him.

Gen. 32:26, "And He said, 'Let Me go, for the day breaks.' But he said, 'I will not let You go unless You bless me!' Gen. 32:27, "So He said to him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Jacob.'"

Gen. 32:28, "And He said, 'Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed.'

Gen. 32:29, "Then Jacob asked, saying, 'Tell me Your name, I pray.' And He said, 'Why is it that you ask about My name?' And He blessed him there.

Gen. 32:30, "So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: 'For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.' "

Hos. 12:4, "Yes, he struggled with the Angel and prevailed; He wept, and sought favor from Him. He found Him in Bethel, and there He spoke to us—

Hos. 12:5, "That is, the LORD God of hosts. The LORD is His memorable name."