THE
COMPANION BIBLE
BEING
THE AUTHORIZED VERSION OF 1611
WITH
THE STRUCTURES
AND
NOTES, CRITICAL, EXPLANATORY
AND SUGGESTIVE
AND
WITH 198 APPENDIXES

"When thou goest, it shall lead thee;
When thou sleepest, it shall keep thee;
And when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee."
(Prov. 6. 22)
PREFACE.

THE COMPANION BIBLE is a new Edition of the English Bible. Published originally in six Parts, it is now presented in one Volume, and the description which follows shows that the Work is a self-explanatory Bible designed for the general use of all English readers throughout the world.

It has an amount of information (much of it hitherto inaccessible to the ordinary English reader) in its wide margins not to be found in any edition of the A. V. extant. Its position, in these respects, is unique.

In size and weight, and type and paper, as well as price, it will compare favourably with all existing editions.

It is called THE COMPANION BIBLE because its wide margin is intended to be a Companion to the Text; and the whole is designed as the Companion of all readers of the Bible.

The human element is excluded, as far as possible, so that the reader may realize that the pervading object of the book is not merely to enable him to interpret the Bible, but to make the Bible the interpreter of God's Word, and Will, to him.

To the same end this Edition is not associated with the name of any man; so that its usefulness may neither be influenced nor limited by any such consideration; but that it may commend itself, on its own merits, to the whole English-speaking race.

It is not a NEW Translation.
It is not an AMENDED Translation.
It is not a COMMENTARY.

THE TEXT.

The Text is that of the Authorized Version of 1611 as published by the Revisers in their “Parallel Bible” in 1886.

There are no ALTERATIONS in the Text beyond what can be effected by a variation in the character of the TYPE. Hence, there is nothing that affects the ear when reading it aloud; but only that which meets the eye in order to call attention to important facts and truths.

All ancient readings and new and amended renderings are confined to the margin; which, for this purpose, extends to one-half the width of the page.

There are no minute English or Greek “superior” letters to confuse the Text; or to perplex the reader when searching for the corresponding number or letter in the margin.
PREFACE.

THE TYPES EMPLOYED IN THE TEXT.

1. These distinguish all the Divine Names and Titles. (See Ap. 4.)
2. All pronouns used for the above have their initials indicated by capital letters.
3. The pronouns, &c., emphasized in the Original are in special type.
4. Attention is given to the capital and small letters in other cases where they affect interpretation.
5. The words spoken or cited are placed within quotation marks.
6. Where the Hebrew Text is written in separate lines, these lines are preserved by being presented in the same way in the present Edition.
7. In the Book of Psalms, the Titles will be printed so as to present the super-scriptions and sub-scriptions as brought to light and demonstrated by Dr. J. W. Thirtle.
8. In the New Testament, all quotations from the Old Testament will also be specially indicated.
9. Proper Names with their pronunciation, &c., are included in a special Appendix, No. 52.

The chapters and verses of the Authorized Version are retained; but spaces are introduced to mark them off into paragraphs; so that the advantages of both Verses and Paragraphs are retained. These paragraphs are not divided according to the usual Paragraph Bibles, but according to the Structures (see page viii), which are given in the right-hand margin; while the corresponding Index-letters are repeated in the left-hand margin, by the side of the Text with the number of the page where they may be found; so that the subjects of the various Paragraphs (or Members) may be seen at a glance, and be intelligently followed.

The other figures in the left-hand margin are the B.C. dates.

THE MARGIN.

A small circle (') against a word or words in the Text calls attention to the same word or words which are repeated in the right-hand margin, with the number of the verse to which they belong.

In order to save repetition, and economize valuable space in the margin, words in the Text on which a note has already been given in a preceding verse in the same chapter, and to which the same note applies, are marked with the number of the verse in which such note is given.

When these words are referred to there will be found no "views" expressed, but only facts which are incontrovertible, and information which is indispensable.

Where references are given, these are not merely to parallel passages, or to the same English words, which are often as unnecessary as they are misleading; but only to those passages which explain the words in the Original, and which throw light upon their truth and teaching.

If an amended rendering is suggested in the margin, and several references follow, then the reader knows that he has before him all the occurrences of such words in the Original. Where there is "&c." at the end of such references, then he will know that the Hebrew or Greek word in question occurs too many times for all the passages to be given; but that a sufficient number is selected as evidence in favour of such amended rendering. Thus the reader will be able to judge for himself as to the accuracy of what is suggested: and the Bible becomes its own interpreter.
THE MARGINAL NOTES.

1. In the Old Testament all the important readings will be given according to Dr. C. D. Ginsburg's Massoretico-Critical Text of the Hebrew Bible.

2. In the New Testament all the important readings will be given according to the evidence of the great textual critics, Griesbach, Lachmann, Tischendorf, Tregelles, Alford, Westcott and Hort, and the Revisers' Greek Text.

3. There are no words in Hebrew or Greek characters to burden or hinder the English reader. But a complete system of Transliteration, generally approved by Oriental Scholars (see p. x), will enable him readily to put back all such words into the Original characters with ease and accuracy. The Hebrew words are given not in the Inflection found in the Text, but in the root-form in which they will be looked for in Lexicons.

4. All important emendations are given—
   (a) Whether required by the above readings,
   (b) Or demanded for the sake of uniformity in translation,
   (c) Or, where the current renderings are inadequate and open to amendment: not otherwise, or merely for the sake of giving an alternative.

5. The facts and phenomena treasured up in the Massorah are for the first time presented in connection with the A. V. (see Ap. 30).

6. All Figures of Speech are noted, and their bearing on interpretation. These are the Holy Spirit's own markings, calling attention to what is emphatic, and worthy of our deepest attention (see Ap. 6).

7. The spiritual significance of Numbers is pointed out (see Ap. 10).

8. The principal synonymous words in the Original are distinguished, especially those bearing on sin, atonement, and psychology.

9. The first occurrences of important words and expressions are duly noted.

10. The most recent Archaeological discoveries in Assyria, Egypt, &c., are included.

11. Eastern manners and customs are explained, as they throw light on the Scriptures.

12. The meanings of Proper Names of persons or places are given where these are suggestive.

13. Money and Coins, Weights and Measures, are referred in every case to Appendix 51.

14. Chronology is dealt with on Biblical lines, which proceed on durations rather than dates. These are adhered to as given in the Bible itself, and are not adapted or made to conform to any system. This transforms a dry study into a subject of deepest interest. The various Charts and Tables are given in Appendix 50.

15. The Structures of the Books are given, and all their parts: which are the surest guide to their interpretation, and the strongest proof of their inspiration. (See p. viii.)

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1 This is the first time that these have been presented in connection with the Authorized Version.
2 These were inaccessible to the past generation of Commentators and Translators.
3 By copying out the A.V., and substituting these amended renderings, the student may make his own new Revised Version.
PREFACE.

The marginal notes do not record every possible Reading or Emendation, as these would only load the pages with a mass of needless matter. Only those new readings and renderings are given which will remove difficulties from the Text, enlighten the eyes, inform the mind, affect the conscience, instruct the head, and influence the life.

Several of the above points are, for the first time, placed within the reach of the ordinary English reader.

THE STRUCTURES referred to on p. vii make The Companion Bible an unique edition, and require a special notice.

They give, not a mere Analysis evolved from the Text by human ingenuity, but a Symmetrical Exhibition of the Word itself, which may be discerned by the humblest reader of the Sacred Text, and seen to be one of the most important evidences of the Divine Inspiration of its words.

For these Structures constitute a remarkable phenomenon peculiar to Divine Revelation; and are not found outside it in any other form of known literature.

This distinguishing feature is caused by the repetition of subjects which reappear, either in alternation or introversion, or a combination of both in many divers manners.

This repetition is called “Correspondence”, which may be by way of similarity or contrast; synthetic or antithetic.

The subjects of the various Members are indicated by letters, which are quite arbitrary and are used only for convenience. The subject of one Member is marked by a letter in Roman type, while the repetition of it is marked by the same letter in Italic type. These are always in line (vertically), one with the other.

When the alphabet is exhausted, it is repeated, as often as may be necessary.

The Structure of the whole book is given at the commencement of each book; and all the succeeding Structures are the expansion of this.

Each Structure is referred back to the page containing the larger Member, of which it is an expansion or development.

The large Members forming a telescopic view of the whole book are thus expanded, divided, and subdivided, until chapters and paragraphs, and even verses and sentences, are seen to form part of a wondrous whole, giving a microscopic view of its manifold details, and showing forth the fact, that while the works of the LORD are great and perfect, the WORD of the LORD is the greatest of His works, and is “perfect” also (Psalm 19. 7).

THE APPENDIXES contain a large amount of information bearing on the various questions raised by the phenomena of the Sacred Text.

Those issued with each of the six volumes pertain principally to such volumes. But in this complete Edition they are all placed together at the end.

The order of the Appendixes is determined for the most part by the order in which the subjects are raised in the Text of the Bible.

1 It is this repetition which has made possible the system of Bible-marking known by some as “Railways”. 

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EXPLANATIONS.

REFERENCES. Where there is no name of a book in the margin, the reference is always to the same book, and all the References in the margin are to The Companion Bible, not to any Edition of the A. V., or R. V.

SUPERIOR FIGURES, in the Text, always refer to the verse, so numbered, in the same chapter.

The repetition of the same subject in a note is sometimes indicated by its initial (capital) letter.

The figures in the left-hand margin relate to two separate matters. Those in brackets, with a "p", refer to the number of the page on which the corresponding letter and member will be found. The number of the page so indicated holds good until another page number is given.

The other figures refer to the B. C. dates.

THE TRANSLITERATION OF HEBREW WORDS.

With the aid of the following Table, any English reader who knows the Hebrew alphabet can put back the English letters into the Hebrew characters, by noting the exact equivalents:

### CONSONANTS.

- **b** = ב (Beth).
- **d** = ד (Daleth).
- **g** = ג (Gimel).
- **h** = ה (He).
- **k** = כ (Kaph).
- **l** = ל (Lamed).
- **m** = מ (Mem).
- **n** = נ (Nun).
- **p** = פ (Peh).
- **ph** = פ (Peh).
- **r** = ר (Resh).
- **s** = ס (Samech).
- **sh** =ش (Shin).
- **t** = ת (Tau).
- **th** = ת (Tah.
- **v** = ו (Vau or Vav).
- **w** = ו (Waw).
- **y** = י (Yod or 'Jot').
- **z** = ז (Zayin).

The six consonants marked with an asterisk (*) have a dot (Dagesh) within them, when placed at the beginning of a word; but not when they are situated in any other

### VOWELS.

- ' = א (Aleph).
- ' = י (Ayin).
- a = a (Pathah). 'a = א; 'a = י.
- å = å (Hepheh pathah). 'å = א; 'å = י.
- å = å (Kamez). 'å = א; 'å = י.
- å = å (Zere). 'å = א; 'å = י.
- å = å (Shvah).
- i = i (Hirek). 'i = א; 'i = י.
- i = i (Hirek) long. 'i = א; 'i = י.
- o = o (Holem). 'o = א; 'o = י.
- ö = ö (Hepheh kamez). 'ö = א; 'ö = י.
- ö = ö (Holem) long.
- u = u (Kibbus). 'u = א; 'u = י.
- ü = ü (Shurek).

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TRANSLITERATION OF HEBREW WORDS (cont.).

part of the word (except when the letter in question is to be doubled, in which case it is doubled in the English).

As an example of the application of the above principles, the following is the first verse in the Hebrew Bible, the Hebrew being read from right to left:

\[
\text{Bere'shith bă'ā 'ēlohim êth hashshāmīyim vēth ĥā'ārez.}
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All Hebrew words are given, not in the Inflection which occurs in the Text, but in the root-form which will be looked for in the Lexicon.

ABBREVIATIONS.

Abim. = Abimelech.
abt. = about.
Acc. = Accusative Case.
acc. = according to, or accordingly.
Acct. = Account.
A. D. = Anno Domini.
Adj. = Adjective.
aff. = affirmation.
agst. = against.
A. M. = Anno Mundi.
Ant. = Antiquities.
App. = Apposition.
Appl. = Application.
Arab. = Arabic Version of portions of the Hebrew Old Testament about 900 A. D.
Aram. = Aramaean, or ancient Chaldee translation about 200 A. D.
Art. = the Definite Article "the", when emphatic.
A. S. = Anglo-Saxon.
A. V. = Authorized Version.
Bab. = Babylonian.
B. c. = Before Christ.
bec. = because.
beg. = beginning.
Ch. = Chapter.
Chald. = Chaldee language.
cld. = could.
Cod. = Codex, Codices=MSS.
coll. = collective.
com. = commandment.
comp. = compare.
conj. = Conjunction.
cov. = covenant.
cp. = compare.
diff. = different.
Div. = Divine.

E. = East.
Ed. or Edn. = Edition.
Eng. = English.
Esp. = Especially.
fem. = feminine.
Fig. = Figure of Speech.
follg. = following.
freq. = frequently.
fulf. = fulfilled, or fulfilment.

Gb. = Ginsburg.
Gen. = Genitive.
genl. = general.
Gr. = Greek.
Heb. = Hebrew.

Imp. = Imperative Mood.
Imperf. = Imperfect Tense.
Ind. = Indicative Mood.
Int. = Introduction.

Jer. = Jerome.
Jon. = The Targum of Jonathan ben Uzziel; a Chaldee or Aramaean paraphrase on certain Old Testament books: not so ancient or valuable as that of Onkelos. About 30 B. C.

Lat. = Latin.
Lit. = Literal, literally.
Marg. = Margin.
Masc. = Masculine.
MS. = Manuscript, or Codex.
MSS. = Manuscripts, or Codices.
ABBREVIATIONS (cont.)

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THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK AS A WHOLE.

(Division).

A1 | 1.1 — 2.3. THE INTRODUCTION.

A3 | 2.4 — 50.26. THE ELEVEN "GENERATIONS" *.

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Gen. 1.1 — 2.3. (A1 above) THE INTRODUCTION.

(Alternation.)

A1 | A1.1. "THE WORLD THAT THEN WAS" (2 Pet. 3.6). ITS CREATION IN ETERNITY PAST

B | B1.2-. ITS END. RUIN.

A | A1.2-31. "THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH WHICH ARE NOW" (2 Pet. 3.7) THEIR

B | B2.1-3. THEIR END. BLESSING.

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Gen. 2.4 — 50.26. (A2 above) THE ELEVEN "GENERATIONS" *.

(Extended Alternation with Introversions.)

A2 | C1. 5.1 — 6.8.

E | ADAM (5.1 — 6.8)

G | NOAH (6.9 — 9.25)

H | THE SONS OF NOAH (10.1 — 11.18)

I | SHEM (11.10 — 11.26)

D | TERAH (11.27 — 25.11).

C | E1. 25.12 — 18.

F | ISHMAEL (25.12 — 18)

G | ISAAC (25.19 — 35.29)

H | ESAU (36.1 — 8)

I | JACOB (37.1 — 50.26)

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* There are 14 altogether in the Bible:

- The above in Genesis 11
- The Generations of Aaron and Moses (Num. 3.1) 1
- The Generations of Pharez (Ruth 4.18-22) 1
- The Generations of Jesus Christ (Matt. 1.1) 14

† This latter needed to complete the number of spiritual perfection (2 x 7 = 14). See Ap. 10.
THE FIRST BOOK OF MOSES, CALLED

GENESIS.

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.

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.


God. Heb. Elohim, pl. First occurrence connects it with creation, and denotes, by usage, the Creator in relation to His creatures. See Ap. 4. The Heb. accent Athnach places the emphasis, and gives pause, on “God” as being Himself the great worker, separating the Worker from His work.

created (sing.). Occurs 6 times in this Introduction. Other acts 46 times. See Ap. 5. Perfection implied. Deut. 32. 4. 2 Sam. 22. 31. Job 38. 7. Ps. 111; 147. 3-5. Prov. 3. 19. Ecc. 3. 11-14. [Even the Greek Cosmòs = ornament. Ex. 33. 4-6. Is. 40. 18. Jer. 4. 30. Ezek. 7. 20. Pet. 3. 3.]

the heaven and the earth. With Heb. Particle ‘eth before each, emphasising the Article “the”, and thus distinguishing both from 2. 1. “Heaven” in Heb. always in pl. See note on Deut. 4. 26.

234 Acts which, in the 34 verses of this Introduction, each the important word “God” in v. 1 is carried like a lamp through the whole of this Introduction (1. 1—2. 3).

the earth. Fig. Anádiplasis. See Ap. 6. was = became. See Gen. 2. 7; 4. 3; 9. 15; 19. 26. Ex. 32. 1. Deut. 27. 9. 2 Sam. 7. 24, &c. Also rendered came to pass, Gen. 4. 14; 22. 1; 23. 1; 27. 1. Jos. 4. 1; 5. 5. 1 Kings 15. 22. Is. 14. 24, &c. Also rendered be (in the sense of become), v. 2, &c., and where the verb “to be” is not in ital. Hence, Ex. 3. 1, kept = become keeper, quit = become men, &c. See Ap. 7.

Paronomasia. Ap. 6. Not created tohû ( Isa. 45. 18), but became tohû (Gen. 1. 2. 2 Pet. 3. 6). "An enemy hath done this" (Matt. 13. 25. 29. 39. 1 Cor. 14. 33). See Ap. 8. was = This is in italic type, because no verb "to be" in Heb. (see Ap. 7). In like manner become a ruin (Gen. 3. Ps. 14. 1. 3; 51. 5; 53. 1-3. Ecc. 7. 26. Rom. 7. 16). face. Fig. Pleomism. Ap. 6.


- The spirit of God moved (see Ap. 9) = The beginning of “the heavens and earth which are now” (2 Pet. 3. 7). It is even so in the New Creation. The spirit moves (John 3. 3-8. Rom. 5. 9. 14. Gal. 4. 9. 2 Cor. 5. 17. 18). God said (occurs 10 times in Introduction). This begins each day: 3rd day twice; 6th day four times. The second act is also of God (1 Pet. 1. 22-23). Ap. 5. be light = become light (as in v. 2), not the verb "to be". Light not located till 4th day. was = became, as in v. 2. It is even so in the New Creation: His Word enters and gives light (Ps. 119. 103. 2 Cor. 4. 6). saw. Occurs 7 times in Introduction. Ap. 5. good = beautiful (Ecc. 3. 11). divided. Occurs twice. Ap. 5. Each day's work called "good", except the 2nd, because nothing created on that day: only division made.

3 called. Occurs 6 times. Ap. 5. evening = morning. Fig. Synedroche (of the Part). Ap. 6. Put for a full day. The beginning and end of anything is put for the whole of it. Cp. Ecc. 3. 11; 10. 13; 11. 6. Ps. 92. 2. Is. 41. 4; 44. 6. 45. 12. Rev. 1. 8. 11. 17; 2. 8; 21. 6. 22. 13. first. For spiritual significance see Ap. 10. first day = day one. The word "day" may refer to a prolonged period when used without any qualifying words. But when qualified with a numeral (cardinal or ordinal) it is defined and limited by it to a day of 24 hours. It is further limited here by its boundaries "evening and morning", as well as by the 7th day. Cp. Ex. 20. 9, 11. See Ap. 11. 6 firmament= expande. Something spread out.

And 1 God said, "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear:" and it was so.

And 1 God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called He Seas: and 1 God saw that it was good.

And 1 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.

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 1 God saw that it was good.

And the evening and the morning were the third day.

And 1 God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth," and it was so.

And 1 God made two great lights; the greater to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made the stars also.

And 1 God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and 1 God saw that it was good.

And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

And 1 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."  

And 1 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 1 God saw that it was good.

And 1 God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the sea, and let fowl multiply in the earth."  

And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

And 1 God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind:" and it was so.

And 1 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 1 God saw that it was good.

And 1 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."  

So 1 God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He them; male and female created He them.

And 1 God blessed them, saying, "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."
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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.

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.

A 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:

8 And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; 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 Eden to water the garden; which received and fed them.

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an from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.

The name of the first is \( \text{Epon} \); that is it which "compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;" and the name of the second river is "Gihon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia."

And the name of the third river is "Hiddekel" that is it which goeth to the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is "Euphrates.

15 And the \( \text{LORD} \) God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

16 And the \( \text{LORD} \) 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 \( \text{LORD} \) God said, "It is not good that \( \text{the} \) man should be alone; I will make him an help 'meet for him.'"

19 And out of the ground the \( \text{LORD} \) God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air, and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof.

20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field;

but for Adam there was not found an helper 'meet for him.'

21 And the \( \text{LORD} \) God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

22 And the rib, which the \( \text{LORD} \) God had taken from \( \text{the} \) man, made \( \text{He} \) a woman, and brought her unto the \( \text{man}.

23 And Adam 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 \( \text{a woman} \) leave her father and her mother, and shall cleave unto her \( \text{husband}, \) and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both \( \text{naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.}

3 Now the \( \text{serpent was more } \text{subtil than any } \text{beast of the field which } \text{the } \text{LORD God had made.} \)

\( \text{And he said unto the woman,} \)

1 1 Pison—the river \( \text{W.} \) of the Euphrates, called \( \text{Pululat} \) in reign of Nabonidos, last king of Babylonia, or the Pallakopas Canal.

compasseth. The Pululat or Pison encircled the \( \text{N.} \) borders of the great sandy desert which stretched westward to the mountain chains of Midian and Sinai. \( \text{Havilah} \) the region of Sand. Indicated in 25. 15. 7. "Shur would be the E. end of Havilah, the W. of this region. Connected with Ophir in 10. 26.

12 \text{onyx.} \) Heb. shokham, identified with Assyr. sammu, from that region.

13 \text{Gihon}—the river E. of the Tigris. The modern Kerckah, and ancient Khooses, rising in the mountains of the Kass. Kas has been confused with the Heb. Cush. It is not the African Cush or Ethiopia, but the Asscadian Kas.

14 Hiddekel—Assyrian for the Tigris, which was Idiqa, or Isdiluat the encircling.

Assyria. Heb. Hashshur (Asahur). This is not Assyria, but the city of Assur, the primitive capital of Assyria (which lay E. and W. of the Tigris.

Euphrates. Heb. = phrath. The Greek Euphrates comes from the old Persian Ubrat (which was Purat or Pura-tu) the river. Sometimes Puramenu the great river.

15 the man. Heb. 'eth-hi'ddilham is this same man Adam. See Ap. 14. 1.

keep = keep safe, preserve. Same Heb. as 3. 24; 17. 5, 10; 18. 19, &c.


freely. Heb. "Eating thou mayest eat," Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6) for emphasis (see note on 26. 28). Here rightly marked by "freely." Toned down by Eve in ch. 3. 2.

17 tree. Note the three trees: "Knowledge" (2. 9), man's Ruin; "the Cross" (Acts 10. 39; 5. 39. 1 Pet. 2. 24), man's Redemption; "the Tree of Life" (2. 9, Rev. 2. 7; 22. 2), man's Regeneration.

good and evil. See on "knowledge," v. 9. Obedience proving what was "good" (Deut. 6. 24), disobedience revealing what was "evil" (Rom. 3. 20).

in the day = when. See Ap. 18. Cp. 2. 4. 1 Kings 2. 37. Ezek. 36. 33, &c.

thou shalt surely die. Heb. "dying thou shalt die." Fig. Polyptoton, for emph. (Ap. 6). Cp. 20. 7;

26. 11. Ex. 19. 12; 21. 12, 15, 16, 17; 31. 14, 15. Lev. 20. 2, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17; 24. 16, 17; 27. 29. Num. 15. 32; 35. 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23, 24. 1 Sam. 14. 39, 44; 22. 16. 3 Sam. 12. 14. 1 Kings 2. 37, 42. 2 Kings 1. 4, 6, 15; 8. 10. Jer. 26. 8, 19; 38. 16. Ezek. 3. 18; 18. 13; 33. 8, 14. See note on ch. 26. 28 for the emphasis of this Figure exhibited in other ways; and cp. esp. note on Num. 29. 65. Here marked by the word "surely," in v. 16 by the word "freely." This certainty changed by Eve in 3. 3 into a contingency.

18 meet = as his counterpart.

19 ground = giving the details of 1. 24.


24 Therefore, &c., quoted Matt. 19. 5, &c. 1 Cor. 6. 16.

25 naked. Heb. 'arum, a Homonym. The same spelling as word rendered "subtil" in 3. 1.
"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 thereof, and gave unto the man, who ate of it also.

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 Adam 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 Adam, 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; he shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

16 Unto the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply sorrow with childbearing; and thou shalt desire thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

17 And God said, "Cursed is the ground for thy sake; in toil shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life.

18 It shall yield up its increase to thee, thou shalt eat of the dust of the earth all the days of thy life.

19 And in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be for thy husband, and he shall rule over thee."

children. Heb. = sons; but daughters included by context.
to = subject to.
18 Thorns. The sign of the curse. What else was
brought forth is not stated; but the word may include
all kinds of noxious insects, &c., as well as poisonous
weeds.
field. Not the fruit of Paradise.
19 face = whole body. Fig. Synecdoche (of Part).
bread = all kinds of food. Fig. Synecdoche (of Species).
dust. This is literal. See Gen. 2, 7. Ps. 103. 14. Ecc.
12. 7. 1 Cor. 15. 47. Note the emph. by Introversion—

3 in process of time. Heb. at [the] end of days.

ground. The product of the curse. Cp. 3. 17.
bas but his own "way" (Jude 11); but not first-fruits as Abel's. Heb. minchah. See Ap. 43. 11. iii.

3 Lord = Jehovah. Note, the sacrifices loth brought to Jehovah as the covenant God; not to Elohim, the
Creator. See Ap. 4.
4 brought: = by faith. Heb. 11. 4, which came by hearing the word of God
(Rom. 10. 17).

5 firstlings . . . and the fat, &c. respect. by accepting it by fire


6 Why . . . ? Fig. Eriothia for emph. (Ap. 6).

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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 Abel his brother; and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and "slew him. 9 And "the LORD said unto Cain, "Where is Abel thy brother?" And he 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 o 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 his 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 o 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 0 every one that findeth me shall slay me." 15 And "the LORD said unto him, "Therefore whatsoever slogetheth 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 0 presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. 17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Enoch. 18 And unto Enoch was born 0 Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat 0 Lamech. 19 And Lamech took unto him 0 two wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other Zillah. 20 And Adah bare 0 Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and of such as have cattle. 21 And his brother's name was 0 Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ. 22 And Zillah, she also bare 0 Tubal-cain, an instructor of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain was 0 Naamah. 23 And Lamech said unto his wives, "Adah and Zillah, "Hear my voice; Ye wives of Lamech, "hearken unto my speech: For 0 I have slain a man to my wounding, And a young man to my hurt. 24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, Truly "Lamech seventy and sevenfold." 25 And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: "For 0 God," said she, "hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew." 26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name 0 Enos: then

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5 This is THE BOOK OF THE GENERATIONS OF ADAM. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made He them; 2 Male and female created He them, and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.

3 And Adam 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 Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters: 5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos: 7 And Seth lived after he begat Enos 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 Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan: 10 And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters: 11 And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and he died.

12 And Cainan lived seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel: 13 And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters: 14 And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

15 And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared: 16 And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters: 17 And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.

18 And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch: 19 And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: 20 And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.

21 And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: 22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: 23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: 24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him: 25 And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lamech: 26 And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters:

27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

28 And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son: 29 And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil at our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

30 And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters: 31 And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.
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32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

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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 unto 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 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 Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

9 THESE are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

10 And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

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 Noah, "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 gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

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

habitually.

10 three sons. See 9:18; 10:1; 11:10. Noah's family, the only exception. The Fig. Symeolache (of the Part), Ap. 6. 13 ark. Heb. tēbāh - a floating [building] (not 'ērom, a chest). So in rooms - nests. pitch it - cost it. Heb. kīphar, to cover; the only word for "atonement" in O.T. So that it is only atonement that can keep the waters of judgment from us.

with pitch = Heb. ko'ēr - resin (not "pitch" or bitumen, which is zephēth, Ex. 2. 2, Isa. 34. 9, 9). Fig. Paramoniasis (Ap. 6). 15 cubit. The latest approximation gives 17-5 inches. But this is the "profane" cubit. The sacred cubit was probably about 25 inches.
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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 that creepeth upon the earth, and of every beast of the earth shall be for food for thee, and for them.

21 And there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, of every male, as it was commanded him; of clean and of unclean.

22 Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

7 And the Lord said unto Noah, "Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for I have seen that thou art righteous before Me in this generation.

2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee sevens, the male and his female; and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and the 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 I will destroy from off the face of the earth.

5 And Noah did according unto all that the Lord commanded him.

6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

7 And Noah 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 Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.

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 Noah'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 Noah, and his sons, and his wife, and the three sons with their sons with them, into the ark;

14 Thereby, 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 Noah 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.
And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered. Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

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: All in whose nostrils was the breath of life of all that was in the dry land, died. And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.

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

And God remembered Noah, 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; The flood also of the deep was restrained, and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;

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

And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.

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.

And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:

And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.

Also he sent forth a dove, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; 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.

And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more. 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 Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

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

9 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, “Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

b 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.

c 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 of the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

5 And surely your blood of your lives shall I require; at the hand of every man’s brother will I require his life, as I have said.

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 Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,

9 “And lo, 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 Noah, “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 Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham is the father of Canaan.
19 These are the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread.
20 And Noah 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 Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father; and told his two brethren without.

23 And Shem and Japheth 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 Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.
25 And he said, “Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.”
26 And he said, “Blessed be the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.
27 God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.”

28 And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.
29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.
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Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.
11 Out of that land went forth Asshur, and built Nineveh (and the city Rehoboth) and Calah,
12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same is a great city.
13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtухim,
14 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim), and Caphtorim.
15 And Canaan begat Sidon his firstborn, and Heth,
16 And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite,
17 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,
18 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites spread abroad.
19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.
20 These are the sons of Ham, after their families, in their lands, and in their nations.

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11 Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the eldest, even to him were children born.
22 The children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.
23 And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.
24 And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat Eber.
25 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one was Peleg; for in his days was the earth divided; and his brother's name was Joktan.
26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,
27 And Hadarom, and Uzal, and Diklah,
28 And Obal, and Abimelech, and Sheba,
29 And Ilah, and Ahai, and Abrimas, and Eresh, and Ana.
30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Seper a mount of the east.
31 These are the sons of Shem, after their families, in their lands, after their nations.
32 These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

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2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.
3 And they said one to another, "Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly."

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Fig. Polyptoton. Ap. 6, emphasizing their determination. Burning in fire, not waiting for sun. See note on "brick-kiln", 2 Sam. 12. 3.
And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.

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 built.

6 And the LORD said, "Behold, the people is one, and they have 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. This is always in judgment (cp. 18. 21. Ex. 3. 8). Here in contrast with v. 4, to man's "Go to, let us go up". Fig. Anthropophathia (Ap. 6).

8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face 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 Shem: Shem was an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood:

11 And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

12 And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat Salah:

13 And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

14 And Salah lived three and forty years, and begat Eber:

15 And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

16 And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg:

17 And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu:

19 And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters.

20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat Serug:

21 And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters.

22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor:

23 And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

24 And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah:

25 And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters.
31 And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

12 Now the Lord had said unto Abram, 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 Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram said unto Lot, Let us part.

5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.

6 And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Shechem, unto the plain of Moreh. (And the Canaanite was then in the land.)

7 And the Lord appeared unto Abram, and called upon the name of the Lord.

8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his tent, having Beth-el on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the Lord, who appeared unto him.

9 And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

11 So Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram said unto Lot, Let us part.

12 The Canaanite was then in the land. It is evident that from Terah's and Abraham's call, Satan knew the line by which "the seed of the woman" (Gen. 3:15) was coming into the world. In ch. 6 he aimed at the whole human race. Now he aims at Abraham and his land. Here is the second explanation of the words "father of" that in 6. 4. He pre-occupies the territory ready to dispute the advance. The Canaanite "was then" = "being already" there (cp. 13. 7). The progeny of the latter attempt to corrupt the race had to be destroyed by the sword of Israel, as those "in the days of Noah" had been by the Flood. See Ap. 29. and 30. was = being.

11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, "Behold now, I know that thou art of a fair woman to look upon:

12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, 'This is his wife;' and they will slay me, but they will save thee alive.

13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister, that it may be well with me for thy sake; and I will shew thee kindness of the Lord, because of thee.

14 And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.

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

16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheeps, and oxen, and ass, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.

17 And the Lord plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.

18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, "Wherefore hast thou not told me that she was thy wife? saidst thou of her, she is my sister, so that I might have taken her to me wife? and now behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way,"

19 And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

13 And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.

2 And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to Beth-el, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Hai;

4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the Lord.

5 And Lot also, which went with Abram, 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 strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: (and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelt then in the land).

8 And Abram said unto Lot, "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 Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere, before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah even as the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar.

11 Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom.
And to the Lord said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, "Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

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

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.

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

Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the Lord.

And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations;

That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, and Hogar king of Adham, and Shinab king of Admah, and Dumuzi king of Zzoar, and Abr immunity.

All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.

Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.

And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer and the kings that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim.

And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto El-paran, which is by the wilderness.

And they returned, and came to En-mishpat, which is Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezon-tamar.

And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar); and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim; which was the Salt Sea.

And there they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way.

And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew, for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

A parenthetical statement to show the nature of Lot's choice. Fig. Parenthesis. See Ap. 6.

Lift up. God chose for Abraham; strictly topographical. See note u. 11.

The Tablet says "he assembled the armies", or the barbarian tribes of the Kurdish mountains, and that he "did evil" to the land of Bel. The Assyrian tablets show that Elam had conquered and overrun Babylonia. Amraphel reigned in N. (Shinar); Eri-Aku (Arioch), an Elamite prince, in the S. at Larsa (Ellasar). All the names here are found on one tablet.

Amraphel - Khamurubiti of the Tablets. Amonrapa is Amraphel transliterated.

Arioch - Eri-akhi of the Tablets, in which it is found that his mother was sister to Chedorlaomer.

Chedorlaomer = the Raddur-Laghumal of the Tablets. Tidal - the Tiddhulpa of the Tablets.

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Zuzims in Ham, same as Zimmummin in Cuneiform writing. Cp. Deut. 2. 20.


Horites. Deut. 2. 12.

En-mishpat - the spring of judgment. Not yet Kadesh - the Sanctuary, all the country. Heb. "the whole field", put by Synecdoche (of the Part), Ap. 6, for country.

Takes up the present war with Sodom.


Vale. Afterward, the Salt (or Dead Sea), when Moses wrote.

Siddim = the Salt Sea.

Twelve. The No. of Government. See Ap. 10. served - had served.

v. 4 goes back to the events leading up to the present war with Sodom.

The first occ. Hence the No. of Rebellion. See Ap. 11.

Rephaim - a branch of the Nephilim. See Ap. 25.


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Four kings with five. See the No. 9, the number of Judgment. See Ap. 10.

Slimepits = pits of bitumen, still a feature of the shores of the Dead Sea.


In contrast with Lot. these: emph. these also having a covenant with Abram. See 13. 17.
14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his 1trained servants, born in his own house, 2three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto 3Dan.
15 And he divided himself against them, 4he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which 5is on the left hand of Damascus.
16 And he brought back all the goods, 6and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.
17 And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which 7is the king's dale.
18 And 8Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and 9wine: 10and he was the priest of the 11most High God.
19 And he blessed him, and said, "Blessed be Abram of the 12most High God, 13possession of heaven and earth:
20 And be blessed be the 14most High God, Whom hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand." 15And he gave him 16tithes of all.
21 And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, "Give me the 17persons, and take the goods to thyself.
22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have 18lifted mine hand unto the LORD, the 19most High God, the possessor of heaven and earth,
23 That 20I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that 21is thine, lest thou shouldst say, 'I have made Abram rich:'
24 Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; 25let them take their portion.'"

15 20After these things 21the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, "Fear not, Abram: 22I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward."

2 And Abram said, 23"LORD God, what wilt Thou give me, seeing 24I go childless, and the steward of my house 25is he Eliezer of Damascus?"

3 26And Abram said, "Behold, to me Thou hast given no seed: and, 27lo, one born in my house is mine heir."

4 And, 28behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, "This shall not be thine heir; but 29he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir."

5 And He brought him forth abroad, and said, 30"Look now toward heaven, and tell the 31stars, if thou be able to number them: and He said unto him, 'So shall thy seed be.'"

6 And he 32believed in 33the LORD; and He 34counted it to him for 35righteousness.

14 trained = initiated or instructed, prob. in the worship of Jehovah. Cp. 12:5; 15:5; 19:1; 24:22; and Prov. 22:6 (same word).
318 = a multiple of 6, the No. of "man". See Ap. 10.
Dan. Not the Dan of Judges 18:29, but a city in N. Palestine long before the Danites changed the name of Laish.
15 he and his servants. Note the emphasis on "he".
16 and. Note the Fig. Polysyphonon. See Ap. 6.
17 king's dale = the king of Salem mentioned in next verse. The name still retained in 2 Sam. 18:18.
18 Note the parenthetical clause (18-20), which interrupts in order to interpret.
Melchizedek = King of righteousness, or by Fig. Enallage (Ap. 6), righteous king. In History, Gen. 14. In Prophecy, Ps. 110. In Fulfilment, Heb. 7. This might be Shem in type, Christ in antitype.
Salem. Called, on the bricks of the ruins of an ancient city in S. of Palestine, Ur-Salim = the city of Salem. The Tablets show that Palestine was at this time in possession of Egypt, and the Tablets are letters to the Pharaohs Amenophis III and IV. One is from Ebed-Tob, the successor of Melchizedek. Three times he says "not my father, not my mother installed me in this place but the Mighty King" (cp. Heb. 7:1-4), i.e. he did not inherit by succession, but by the gift and "the arm of the Mighty King" (the deity), wine. Same as 9:26-27. See Ap. 27. 1. priest. Yet no sacrifices. Hence a type of Him to Whom all shall bow (Ps. 110:4), and pay their tithes and bring their gifts (Ps. 72). See note on 9:27.
20 he. Fig. Ellipsis = Abram (see Ap. 6). him = Melchizedek.
23 I will not take. The blessing of Melchizedek, and the bread and wine, prepared him for this great renunciation.

15. 1-21 (G e1, p. 18). THE COVENANT MADE.

[For Structure see next page]

1 the word of the LORD. First occ. of this expression is with the prep. 'et, unto, implying action of a person; or, at least, articulate speech.

a vision = the vision. Occurs only 4 times (here, Num. 24:4,13; Ezra 13:1).


6 now = steadfastly. stars. See on 13:16 = the heavenly calling in Israel (Heb. 3:1; 11:9-10). Fig. Paremmia. Ap. 6. number them. Hence Job's objection in 2 Sam. 21:3.

6 believed = i.e. believed. counted = reckoned or imputed.

100 righteous. This was positive imputed righteousness (because he believed in concerning Christ). It was more than forensic righteousness, which was negative or non-imputation of sin (Ps. 32:1,2). This was the consequence of the Gospel preached to Abram. (Cp. Gal. 3:8, and read Rom. 4 and Gal. 3).
15. 7. GENESIS.

7 And He said unto him, "I am the LORD That brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, 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, Abram drove them away.

12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

13 And He said unto Abram, "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 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 Amorites is not yet full.

17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, 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 Abram, saying, "Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:

19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims,

21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites."

16. 1-21 (Gen. 13, 14, 15.) The Covenant Made. The Seed and The Land.

(Repeated Alternation)

1. The Covenant Maker. (The Word of Jehovah.)

2. Enquiry. "What wilt Thou give?"

3. The Covenant. Announced. (The Seed.)

4. Belief. "I am the LORD." "Know of a surety."

5. Prepare. "Take me a heifer of three years old, and a young goat of three years old, and three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon." "Tell me, I pray thee, all the great things that befall thee."

6. Answer. "Tell me, I pray thee, all the great things that befall thee."

7. The Covenant Maker. (Jehovah.)

8. A surety. "Put me in the midst, and I shall give thee judgment." "Put me in the midst, and I shall give thee judgment."


11. Covenant. solemnized. "Put me in the midst, and I shall give thee judgment."


13. Take me — take for me: i.e., an offering for me, a heifer. See Ap. 15.

14. These. Five, the No. of Grace, because Covenant was unconditional. See Ap. 10.

15. Divided. So Covenants were made (Jer. 34. 18-20).

16. Abram. Put to sleep so that he should have no part in it, and that the Covenant should be unconditional, in which "God was the one" and only contracting party (Gal. 3. 20). Cp. v. 17. Contrast "both", ch. 21. 27.

17. Fig. Asterismos. See Ap. 6.

18. Know of a surety. Heb. knowing thou shalt know. Fig. Polyptoton. See Ap. 6, and note on 26. 28.

19. Thy seed, i.e., Isaac. See note on 21. 13. The 400 years date from Isaac's birth (Acts 7. 4). The 450 from the "promise" or Covenant here made (cp. Gal. 3. 17), and include the whole "sojourning" (Ex. 12. 40), and shall serve, &c. Fig. Epitrochon. See Ap. 6.

20. In and b we have the whole sojourning and duration.


22. Go to thy fathers = die and be buried. Abram's fathers were idolaters. Josh. 24. 2. Fig. Euphemism (Ap. 6).


24. Incr. Heb. 'awon. See Ap. 44. iii.

25. Not yet. Another mark of the corruption of the Canaanite nations through the Nephilim and Rephaim.

26. Behold. Fig. Asterismos. See Ap. 6.


28. The LORD. Not Abram (Gal. 3. 17). See note on v. 12.

29. Have. Before this it was "I will". From now it is "I have".

30. This land. Never yet possessed with these boundaries.


2. Hagar. See Ap. 3.

3. Ten. These 10 years to be taken into account in any calculations.

4. Wife. This was strictly in accordance with the enactment of Khammurabi (§ 146) which Abram had brought from Ur. See Ap. 15.

6 dealt hardly. The Codex Khammurabi (§ 119) forbade her being sold. Sarah could only lay tasks on her. See Ap. 15.

7 angel of the LORD. First occ. = messenger = 2nd Person, as being sent. Elohim = as being commissioned by oath. the LORD. Heb. Jehovah. Ap. 4.

7 Shur = wall. The nearest way to her native land. Shur was the name of the great fortified wall shutting Egypt off from Palestine, with its Migdol or Fort.

8 face = presence. Fig. Ptonam. See Ap. 6.

12 against. True to-day and for over 5,000 years. Cp. 21. 30. Isa. 21. 13. Jer. 3. 3. Ezra 8. 31. Ps. 10, v. 4. presence = face, i. e. on the face of the same country, brethren. Esp. with the Midianites (37. 29), Midian being his half-brother, by Keturah (cp. Judg. 8. 22, 24). Cp. the fulfilment in 25. 15.

13 GOD. Heb. 'el. See Ap. 4.


15 Hagar bare. Through infirmity of Sarah's faith. So the Law (parenthetically) " because of transgression " (Gal. 3. 19). Levitical Law given, as Ishmael was, until Christ the antitype of Isaac should be born (Gal. 4. 1-6, 10, 31).

17. 4-27 (17. 1-14 and 17. 15-27) (w. 9 and f4, p. 18).

THE COVENANT REPEATED AND SARAH'S BLESSING (Alternation and Intversion).

17 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, "the LORD appeared to Abram, 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 the "seed exceedingly.

3 And Abram fell on his face:

k2 and "God talked with him, saying,

4 "As for thee, behold, My covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of "many nations.

5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be "Abraham; for a father of "many nations have I made thee.

6 And I will make thee exceedingly 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 "eternal 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 Canaan, for an "eternal possession; and I will be their "God."

9 And God said unto Abraham, "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 6. GENESIS.
And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant between Me and you.

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.

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.

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.

God said unto Abraham, "As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be.

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."

Then Abraham 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 Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?"

And Abraham said unto God, "O that Ishmael might live before Thee!"

And God said, "Sarai thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

And as for Ishmael, 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.

But My covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this "set time in the next year."

And by left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.

And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him.

And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day:

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.

And said, "My LORD, if now I have found favour in Thy sight, pass not away, I pray Thee, from Thy servant:

Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on:

And they said, "So do, as thou hast said."

And Abraham hastened into the tent unto...
Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly 3three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make 4cakes upon the hearth." 7 And Abraham 5ran unto the herd, and fetched 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 6it before them; and 7he stood by them under the 8tree, and they 9sat down. 9 And they said unto him, "Where is Sarah 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, 10th, Sarah thy wife shall have a son." And Sarah 11heard it in the tent door, which was behind him. 11 Now Abraham and Sarah were 12old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. 12 Therefore Sarah 13laughed within herself, saying, "After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?" 13 And 14the LORD said unto Abraham, "Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall 15I of a surety bear a child, which am old?" 14 Is any thing too hard for 16the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son." 15 Then Sarah denied, saying, "I laughed not;" for she was afraid. And He said, "Nay; but thou didst laugh." 16 And 17the men rose up from thence, and 18looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way. 17 And 19the LORD said, "Shall 20I hide from Abraham that thing which 21I do; 22for I know 23that 24Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the 25nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? 19 For I know him, 20that he will 21command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of 22the LORD, to do justice and judgment; 23that 24the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him." 20 And 25the LORD said, "Because the 26cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; 21 I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to 22the cry of it, which is come unto Me; and if not, 23I will know." 22 And 24the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but 25Abraham stood yet before 26the LORD. 23 And Abraham drew near, and said, "Wilt Thou 27also destroy the righteous with the wicked? 24Peradventure 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 27the LORD said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then will I spare all the place for their sakes." 27 And Abraham answered and said, "Be-
27 L ORD*. One of the 184 places where the Primitive Text was Jehovah, and the Sopherim changed it to Adonai. These are distinguished in the text by an asterisk, and printed Lord*. See list, Ap. 32.


dust. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause). Ap. 6.

(Repeated Alternation.)

1 two. Heb. the two. With art, viz. two of the three, 18. 16.

Sodom = flaming, burning.

Even. Note emph. on notes of time in the Structure.

Gate. The seat of judgment, showing that Lot was a real citizen, v. 9; 25. 10. 18; 34. 20. 24. Ruth 4. 1.

2 my lords. Pl. of Adon. See Ap. 4.

in the street. Fig. Periaptosis. Ap. 6.

3 eat. See 18. 8.


5 know. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause). Ap. 6.


8 known. Fig. Metonymy (of Cause). Ap. 6.


these. Archaic pron. showing antiquity of Pent. roof. Fig. Metalexis. Ap. 6. Roof put for house, and house put for protection.

9 judge. See v. 1. He sat in Sodom's gate, the seat of the judges. See note on 13. 7.

worse. Heb. ra'. Ap. 44. viii.

break = break open, shiver.

11 blindness. Produced byazzlings of light. Fig. Heterosis (of Noun). Ap. 6. Pl. put for sing; only here and 2 Kings 6. 18. 9 instances of people so smitten (see Ap. 10). See 19. 11; 27. 1; 45. 10. Judg. 16. 21. 1 Sam. 4. 15. 1 Kings 14. 4. 2 Kings 6. 18. 25. 7. Acts 13. 11.

12 and. Note the Fig. Polysemudaton. Ap. 6.

13 will destroy = are about to destroy.

face. Fig. Anthropopathia. Ap. 6.


Pulled Lot 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 Lot, "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 L ORD; and the L ORD hath sent us to destroy it."

14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, "Up, get you out of this place; for the L ORD

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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 Lot, 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 Lot said unto them, “Oh, not so, my LORD:

19 Behold now, Thy servant hath found grace in Thy sight, and Thou hast magnified Thy name in Thy sight, and Thou hast spoken.

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

21 And he spake unto his sons in law, who took him and brought him into the land of Canaan, and gave him Seir the daughter of Horæus for a wife.

22 And he sent the angel before them: and they kept the way, whereby they should go; and the angel went on before them.

23 And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.

24 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:

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

26 And the younger said unto his brother, “Shall I Consent that thou shouldst take my portion of inheritance from me? I am more righteous than thou.”

27 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with his father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

28 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.”

29 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.

30 And they were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.
20 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelt between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.

2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, "She is my sister;" and Abimelech king of Gerar, sent, and took Sarah.

3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, "Behold, thou hast act but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife." 4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and she herself said, 'She is my brother;' in the integrity of my heart and innocence of my hands have I done this.

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

6 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.

7 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told them all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

8 Abimelech called Abraham, 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."

9 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, "What has God caused me to do? I have inquired of him, and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought all this evil on me and on my kingdom?"

10 And Abraham said, "Because I feared to say, Surely the fear of God is not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake."

11 And Abimelech said, "Because I feared to say, Surely the fear of God is not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake."

12 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and servants, and maidservants, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

13 And Abimelech said, "Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee."

14 Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand pieces of silver: behold, 2 of thee to the covering of the eyes, unto all that are with thee, and with all other which thus she was reproved.
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17 So Abraham prayed unto Jehovah: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants: and they bare children.

18 For the Lord had closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.

21 And the Lord visited Sarah as He had said, and the Lord did unto Sarah as He had spoken.

2 For Sarah conceived, and bare a son in her old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

8 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.

6 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

6 And Sarah said, 20 God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me.

7 And she said, "Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children; for I have born him a son in his old age?"

9 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.

12 And God said unto Abraham, "Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac."

11 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.

14 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because it is thy seed."

14 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

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 down over against him a good way off, as it were a bow-shot: for she said, "Let me not see the death of the child." And she sat over against him, and lifted up her voice, and wept.

17 And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, "What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where it is.

21. 18. MANIFESTATION OF SEED.


21. 1-8 (E b d, p. 18). MANIFESTATION OF SEED.

(Alternation.)

d. x | 1-3. Isaac's birth and naming.

y. | 4, 5. Circumcision.

z. | 6, 7. Cause of Isaac's naming.

w. | 8. Weaning.


as = according as.

said. Emphasis on "said" for our faith.

spoken. Fig. Pneuma (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

21. set time = exact time.


4 eight. The Dominical No. See Ap. 10. Cp. Ishmael, 13th year. 8 hundred. See Ap. 10. 8 suck. A proof that "God," the Creator, had renewed her youth, showing why Abimelech should have taken her (20. 2). Sarah's Magnificat may be compared with Mary's. The scenes of both near to each other. Mary's words (Luke 1. 46, 47) connect her "mercy" with that shown to "Abraham and his seed".


21. 9-21 (E b c, p. 18). SEPARATION OF ISHMAEL.

(Extended Alternation.)

c. z | 9, 10. Hagar and Ishmael, in house.

a. | 11. Abraham's suffering.

b. | 12, 13. God's intervention.


z. | 15. Hagar and Ishmael, out of house.

a. | 16. Hagar's suffering.


9 mocking. Heb. "laughing" or "chaffing", or "mocking again" (as we say).

10 Cast out, &c. See the Divine interpretation.

Gal. 3. 6-9; 4. 22-31; 5. 1-12.

11 thing. Heb. word.

12 Isaac . . . thy seed. Here zer' a is in the sing. sense, because of the word "Isaac", and because of the sing. verb "it shall be called." Zer' a is a collective noun (like Eng. "sheep"), but the context must determine whether it is sing. or pl. It is to this verse Gal. 3. 16 refers; not to 12. 7, where it is indefinite; or 17. 7 where the verb and pronouns show it is plural. See note there, and on Gal. 3. 16; and cp. Rom. 9. 7. Heb. 11. 16.

"Thy seed" is therefore "Christ". The difference of the 90 years comes in here: 430 to the Exodus (12. 40) from Gen. 12. 4, when Abraham was 75: 25 thence to Isaac's birth: and now, 5 to his recognition as the seed = 30 years.

14 bottle. Cp. man's provision (a bottle) with God's (a well) (v. 19).

16 as it were, &c. Fig. Epitheton. Ap. 6.

not see, &c. Fig. Tapestrosis. Ap. 6.

lift up her voice = the boy lifted up his voice and wept. So Sept. (see v. 17).

17 heard. Fig. Anthropopathia. Ap. 6.

What, &c. Fig. Erotasis. Ap. 6.

heard. Fig. Anthropopathia. Ap. 6.

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

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 Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.

22 And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phichol the chief captain of his host spake unto Abraham, saying, "Thou hast dwelt so long in the land of the Philistines:

23 Now therefore swear unto me here by God: because there they sware both of them: 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 Abraham said, "I will swear.

25 And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away.

26 And Abimelech said, "I will not make thee to do this thing: neither dost thou say, 'I have neither heard of thee, but to day.'

27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and both of them made a covenant.

28 And Abimelech set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

29 And Abimelech spake unto Abraham, "What mean these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by the shepherds?"

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-sheba; because there they sware both of them.

32 Thus they made a covenant at Beer-sheba; then Abimelech rose up, and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.

33 And Abraham planted a grove in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of 'the LORD, the everlasting GOD.'

34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.

22. 1-19 (C, p. 18). ABRAM'S TRIAL. (Repeated Alternation)

C g' 1. 2. Jehovah. Command.

h 3-10. Abraham. Journey.

2. 3. 10. Jehovah. 1st call.


g' 15-18. Jehovah, 2nd call.


4 Behold, &c. = behold me.

5 lovet. Note the reference to the Antitype.

6 Moriah. Heb. = shown or provided by Jah. Cp. 1 Chron. 21; 22, 2 Chron. 3. 1. Christ crucified also on one of these mountains. Matt. 27. 33, offer. Heb. 'olah. See Ap. 43 I. vii.

7 burnt offering. Heb. 'olah. See Ap. 43 II. ii.

3 and. Note the Fig. Polytypoton (Ap. 6), emphasising the calmness of Abraham's deliberate faith. Each "and" is to be noted, and each act weighed.


5 I and the lad. This is polite Hebrew, while "the lad and I" would be polite English.

6 yonder. Hcb. as far as there (as though pointing), come again. This was proof of Abraham's faith. 1st pers. plural, "We will come again."


fire. Without doubt fire from Abraham's own altar (12. 1; 13. 4, 18; and see note on 21, 18), for God accepted a sacrifice only by fire from heaven. See on 4.

5 And Abraham 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 Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand,
and a knife; and they went both of them together.

7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham 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 Abraham said, "My son, God will provide the 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 Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

10 And Abraham 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, "Abraham, Abraham:" 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 Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and beheld behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went near, and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, "In the mount of Jehovah jireh it shall be seen."

15 And the angel of the Lord called unto Abraham 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 Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

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20 And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, "Behold, Milcah, shfr hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor;

21 Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram,

22 and Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel.*

23 And Bethuel begat Rebekah: * these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

24 And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, shfr bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and * Maachah.

both of them together. Cp. the Father and the Son in the antitype. Emph. by repetition in v. 8. John 10, 30; 14, 10, 11; 16, 33. The sinner is not seen in the type; his part is subsequent to this, viz. to believe what the Father and the Son have done for him in substitution. See also Rom. 5, 12; 2 Cor. 5, 18.

7 Here, &c. Heb. Behold me, my son.

8 provide. Heb. yirah. God will see or look out. Himself. For Himself.

a lamb. Heb. the lamb.

9 and. Each act is emph. by the Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6), and is to be dwelt upon and considered.

an altar. Heb. the altar.


13 lifted up his eyes. Fig. Pleonasm, for emph. (Ap. 6).

looked. See note on 13, 14. beheld. Fig. Asterisms. Ap. 6.

a ram. Some Cod. (with Sam., Jon., Sept., and Syr.) read "one ram," i.e. a solitary ram.

a thicket. Heb. the thicket.

in the stead. Here is the doctrine of substitution, clearly stated.

14 Jehovah-jireh. Heb. Jehovah will see, or provide, as in v. 8. See Ap. 4.

15 in the mount, &c. Fig. Paronomasia. Ap. 6.

it shall be seen: it will be provided, or "in the mount Jehovah will be seen." So it was in 2 Sam. 24, 25. 1 Chron. 21, 26. 2 Chron. 7, 1-3.

16 the second time. Heb. a second time; the first time was for substitution; the second was for revelation.

17 sworn. This oath is the foundation of Israel's blessings (24, 7; 26, 3; 50, 24. Ex. 13, 11; 83, 1). This oath is the foundation of Israel's blessings (24, 7; 26, 3; 50, 24. Ex. 13, 11; 83, 1).

18 bless. I will bless: I will surely bless; or, I will richly bless. Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6), for emphasis.

19 sand, &c. Fig. Paronomasia. Ap. 6. See note on 13, 16, the gate. Fig. Synedroche (of the Part). Ap. 6. "Gate" put for the cities.

20 all the nations. Proof that the "Mystery" does not mean blessing of Gentiles as such: but the secret concerning Christ and the church (Eph. 5, 32).

22. 20-24 (B1, p. 17). THE POSTERITY OF NAHOR.

Introduced here to lead up to Rebekah, the future wife of Isaac. Not proceeding further with Nahor's posterity. See (p. 17) how Abraham's history is broken up into three portions by two posterities, just as Isaac's and Jacob's histories are broken up. See p. 52, and Ap. 29.

23 these eight. Nahor had 12 in all, as Ishmael had (25, 13-16), and as Jacob had (35, 23-27).


23. 1-24, 67 (A3, p. 17). ABRAHAM'S HISTORY. (OLD AGE.)
[For Structure see next page.]

1 Sarah. The only woman whose age is mentioned in the Bible. In 22, 23 Rebekah is mentioned; one sun rising before the other sets.

2 Kirjath-arba. See notes on Num. 13, 12, and Ap. 25.

23 And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: these were the years of the life of Sarah.

2 And Sarah died in Kirjath-arba; the same
And Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Heth, saying, I am a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace amongst you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

And Abraham bowed himself before the children of Heth, saying, I am a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace amongst you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself before the children of Heth, saying, I am a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace amongst you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself before the children of Heth, saying, I am a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace amongst you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.

And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham, saying, I will give thee the field, and the cave that is therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people I give it thee: bury thy dead.

And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him, I will give thee the field, and the cave that is therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people I give it thee: bury thy dead.

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3 Canaanites. Mixed with the Nephilim. Ap. 23. 25. I. Empth. in contrast with the Canaanites. Hence Abraham's horror of mixing the holy seed with that of the Nephilim.

4 my kindred. Gentiles thus expressly excluded from this chapter, if regarded as a type. Cp. vs. 3, 6, 7, 37, 38. See also 26: 35; 27: 1-26; 28: 1, 8. The father's house and from Nahor. Cp. Heb. 11. 12. 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 Abraham, I pray Thee, send me good speed this day, and show kindness unto my master Abraham.

13 Behold, 3 stand here by the 4 well of water; and the daughters of the 5 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 saith, 'Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also;' let the same be she that Thou hast appointed for Thine servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that Thou hast shewed kindness unto my master."

15 And it came to pass, 6 before he had done speaking, that behold, Rebekah came out, who was 7 born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

16 And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a 8 virgin, neither had any 9 man known her: and she went down to the 4 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 hastened, 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 10 man 11 wondering at her held his wondering whether 12 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 13 golden earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold;
of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto Nahor." 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 Abraham, Who hath not left destitute my master of His mercy and His truth, though I ran not away from my master's presence; 28 and the damsel ran, and told them of her mother's house these things. 29 And Rebekah had a husband, and his name was Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the 13 well.

30 And it came to pass, when he saw the camels of Laban the Syrian draw near unto the well, that the LORD had made Laban's sister and his sister's maid to meet Rebekah. 31 And she said, "Drink, O my lord, I pray thee, the camels' water: and let me give thy camels drink also; for we have come to a well of water, to water there 32 and for the camels." 33 And he said, "Come in, thou blessed of the LORD: remain not standing outside, for I have prepared the house, and room for thee." And he said, "Speak on." 34 And he said, "I am Abraham'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 Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him he gave all that he had. 37 And my master made me swear, saying, 'Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him, dwelleth; 38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and the LORD God of my master Abraham, if now Thou do prosper my way which 3 go:

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 13 well, and 4 said, "O Lord God of my master Abraham, if now I walk habitually. He b. verb in the way, the LORD led me to take my master's brother's daughter. 43 Behold, I am standing by the well of water; and, behold, the woman whom the LORD hath appointed for my master's brother is coming down. Let me know in whose hand she shall go, and who she is that cometh down. 44 And she said, "Both drink ye, and I will also draw for thy camels." 45 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, Which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son. 46 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. 47 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, 'The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. 48 Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.' 49 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he wor-
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shipped the LORD, bowing himself to the earth.

53 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and 5 raiment, and gave them to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.

54 And they did eat and drink, 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 10; 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 enquire at her mouth."

58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, "Wilt thou go with this 0 man?" And she said, "I will go."

59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, "Be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them."

61 And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

62 And Isaac came from the way of the 0 well Lahai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.

63 And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, "Behold, the camels are coming."

64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she 0 lighted off the camel.

65 For she had said unto the servant, "What 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 Isaac all things that he had done.

67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was 0 comforted after his mother's death.

83 raiment: or garments; i.e. changes of raiment.


24. 54-67 (n2, p. 33). ELIZABAH'S MISSION AND RETURN. (Introversion and Alternation).

w | -54-. The request returned.

x | y | -54. Request for departure made.

z | 56. Departure hindered.

y | z | 56. Request for departure renewed.

w | -57-. Departure expedited.

io | -61-. The request consummated.

55 ten. Seven days =a week, but ten or a decade (of a month) sometimes reckoned as a longer, but strictly defined period. Cp. Ex. 12. 3. Lev. 16. 29.


87 well =spring. Heb. 'er. See note on 21. 19.

Lahai-roi. Heb. the well of life and vision.

53 meditate. Refers back to the historical context, 20. 19, the death and burial of Sarah, his mother. What follows this digression (of which Isaac as yet knew nothing) in 24. 1-47 shows that Isaac went out, not to "meditate", or "to pray" (A.V. marg.), or "take a walk" (Syr.), or "muster the flocks" (Gesenius), but to mourn. This is the meaning of the Heb. sinch in Ps. 44. 25. Lam. 3. 20. behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

64 lighted off. Heb. fell, or alighted hastily.


67 comforted after, or consoled himself for.


1 This genealogy, and Abraham's death recorded here, because no more is to be said about Abraham. Abraham, however, lived till Jacob was 15. Shem died 1846.

2 Medan and Midian were half-brothers with Ishmael, and they were mixed up together in their dealings. See note on 37. 25, 28, and cp. 16. 12; 17. 20.

3 these =the tares, sown after Isaac, the good seed.

4 175 years. Therefore a sojourner 100 years. Cp. 12. 4.

5 full of. Heb. 0 satisfied with. Supply "days" (not "years"), with Sam., Onk., Jon., Sept., and Syr.

6 gathered to his people, an idiomatic Ephemerism (Ap. 6) for death and burial. Abraham's "people" were idolaters (Josh. 24. 2). See note on 2 Sam. 12. 23.

9 Machpelah. Cp. 23. 3.

10 purchased. Cp. 23. 16.


6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

7 And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and 0 full of years; and was 0 gathered to his people.

9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which is before Mamre;

10 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

11 And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the 0 well Lahai-roi.
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C 12 Now these are THE GENERATIONS OF ISHMAEL, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:  

13 And these are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,  

14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,  

15 Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah:  

16 These are the sons of Ishmael, 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 Ishmael, 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 Havilah unto Shur, that is before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: and he died in the presence of all his brethren.  

19 And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac:  

20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.  

21 And Isaac intreated the Lord for his wife, for she was barren: and the Lord was intimated of him, and Rebekah 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 enquire 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 a hairy garment; and they called his name Esau.  

26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was three-score years old when she bare them.  

1836 27 And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.  

28 And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.  

29 And Jacob sod potage: and Esau came from the field, and ix was faint:  

30 And Esau said to Jacob, "Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red potage; for 3 am faint:" therefore was his name called Edom.  

31 And Jacob said, "Sell me this day thy birthright."  

32 And Esau said, "Behold, 3 am at the point to die: and what profit shall this 31 birthright do to me?"  

25. 12-18 (C, p. 1)  

THE GENERATIONS OF ISHMAEL. 

(Aftermentioned.)  


B 18. His sons. Their dwelling.  

18 died = had inheritance. Heb. niphal, to fall, esp. as a lot, giving inheritance (Judg. 18. 1; 1 Chron. 21. 20; 26. 14; 2 Chron. 15. 9. Ps. 16. 6 (cp. Josh. 23. 4. Heb. caused the lot to fall). Hence, to dwell with, as in Prov. 1. 16. Cp. Judg. 7. 15, to encamp, lying along the ground. Ishmael was to dwell in the presence (Heb. "on the face") of his brethren, i.e. mixed up with them (16. 12). See 37. 22, 23, 36; 39. 1, and cp. Judg. 8. 21 (Midian, being his half-brother (15. 11, 12). Niphal never rendered "die" elsewhere.  

25. 19—35. 29 (F, p. 1)  

THE GENERATIONS OF ISAAC (Introduction and Aftermentioned).  


b 25. 22-28. Isaac's two sons.  

C 25. 29-34. Esau and Jacob.  


F 26. 2-5. Appearance of Jehovah.  

G c 26. 6-11. Isaac's wife.  


c 26. 34, 35. Esau's wives.  

C 27. 1—35. 13. Esau and Jacob.  

B 35. 16-20. Death of Rachel.  

A 35. 27-29. The death of Isaac.  

19 begat. The same form of the verb as in ch. 5, used of the godly seed.  


21 heel. Heb. yacob, whence the name Jacob (yakob) heel-catcher: hence, contender.  

27 cunning knowing or skilled in.  

man of the field. "The field is the world." plain - upright or pure. Job 1. 1, 8; 2. 3, &c.  

28 venison. Heb. hunting. Fig. Metonymy (of the Cause), Ap. 6, hunting put for what was caught. Eating was strong in Esau too (v. 34). It was "the will of the flesh" which Isaac's faith overcame in ch. 27, for he wished to bless Esau, and he loved his savoury meat. See note on 27. 14, 15. Cp. Heb. 11. 20.  

29 sod. Part. of O.Eng. verb seethe, to boil.  

pottage = anything cooked in a pot.  

30 red. Heb. red red. Fig. Epizeuxis (Ap. 6). (No superlative in Heb.) Fig. = that delicious red [food]. Lentiles. See v. 34.  

Edom = Heb. red, red. A reference also to v. 25.  

31 this day. Heb. "as on this very day." Fig. Simile. Ap. 6. Cp. Luke 23. 43. birthright. Included (1) the Father's blessing and supremacy (which went to Jacob, ch. 27, and Judah, 49. 1, 4. Chron. 5. 1, 2; (2) a double portion (which went to Joseph, ch. 48. 1 Chron. 5. 1, 2); and (3) the Domestic Priesthood (which after going to the first-born of each family was vested in Levi for the whole nation, Num. 3. 6, 12. Cp. Num. 16. 1-4).  

32 me. Fig. Ellipsis (Ap. 6) = Brachylogy. The words to be supplied are "I will sell it". A famine accounts for the sale. See 26. 1.
And Jacob said, "Swear to me here this day, and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.

33 And Jacob said, "Swear to me here this day, and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.

34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright.

26 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.

2 And the Lord appeared unto him, and said, "Go not down into Egypt; 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 I shall make of thee a great nation.

4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I swore unto Abraham thy father;

5 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;

6 Because that Abraham obeyed Me, and kept My charge, My statutes, and My laws."

9 And Esau said unto Jacob, "Thou hast much fairer wives and sons than I."

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13 And Esau said unto Jacob, "Thou hast much fairer wives and sons than I."

14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.

15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.

16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, "Go from us, for thou hast too much fairer than we."

17 And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called the names of the wells by which his father had called them.

19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of springing water.

20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, "The water is ours:"

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

22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it.
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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-sheba.

24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, "I am the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for My servant Abraham's sake."

25 And he builded an altar there, and called the name of it Beer-sheba: and there Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, "You art now the blessed of the LORD."

26 Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.

27 And Isaac 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: 'you 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 Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.

32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac'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 Shebah: therefore the name of the city is Beer-sheba unto this day.

34 And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beer the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:

35 Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

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26 And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, "My son:"

2 And he said, "Behold, 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 Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it.

6 And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, "Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

7 'Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, as such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.'"

8 And she said to Jacob her son, "Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

9 'Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, as such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.'"

10 And Rebekah said to Jacob her son, "Be not now afraid to go down and see thy father: for he heard me when I answered him; and all which he said shall come upon me."

11 "Behold, I have prepared mine ointment, and my victual, and my cattle: go I now unto thy father, and such as it shall please thee, be to me."

12 And Jacob went unto Isaac his father: and he spake unto him, saying, "My son:"

13 And he said, "Here am I, my son; what wilt thou give me? perish not my soul for the blessing of the LORD.""

14 And Jacob said unto his father Isaac, "I am Esau thy firstborn; I have done as thou wast commanded me: arise, I pray thee, set me before thee, that I may eat of the prey, and that my soul may bless thee before I die."

15 And Isaac said unto Jacob, "Come near, I pray thee, and kiss me, my son."

16 And Jacob came near to Isaac his father; and he smelled the savour of his good smalldish, and it did Please him greatly.

17 And he took of the flesh that he had cooked, and he did eat before him the firstlings of the buffalo, and the venison that was in his mouth. And he came near Isaac his father, and said, "My father."

18 And Isaac said, "Here am I, my son."

19 And Jacob said, "I am Esau thy firstborn; I have done as thou wast commanded me: arise, I pray thee, set me before thee, that I may eat of the prey, and that my soul may bless thee before I die."

20 And Isaac said, "My son." Jacob said, "Here am I, my father, and I will bless thee."

21 And he said, "Bring me some venison of thy hunting, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before I die."

22 And Jacob brought unto his father all manner of venison meat, and divers kinds of bread. And Isaac said, "Wherefore hast thou brought me all this kind of meat, my son?"

23 Jacob said, "I thought, surely the LORD would have taken away the blessing from me."

24 And he said, "My son."

25 Jacob said, "Here am I, my father."

26 And Isaac said, "Who art thou, my son?" Jacob said, "I am thy son, thy firstborn Jacob."

27 And Isaac embraced Jacob, and said, "My son, where wast thou? and why didst thou go out into the field, and bring me venison, and make me savoury meat before me? For I have cursed the ground for thy sake, and the fruit of the field shall not be thy food."

28 And Jacob said, "I was afraid, saying, 'If father had smelt my savoury meat, and it were displeasing unto him, he would have smote me."

29 And Isaac said, "Hast thou brought me venison of thy hunting, to make me savoury meat, and cause me to bless thee before the LORD? I have cursed the ground for thy sake, and the fruit of the field shall not be thy food."

30 And he said, "Against all the works of the field shall my bowels be enabled to fear, and my soul to tremble, and to be akin to the flesh, of which the earth brought forth."

31 And he said, "Hast thou brought me venison of thy hunting, to make me savoury meat, and cause me to bless thee before the LORD? I have cursed the ground for thy sake, and the fruit of the field shall not be thy food."

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meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before 7 the LORD before my death.'
8 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice ac-
cording to that which 3 command the.
9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make 16 savoury meat for thy father, 4 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 Jacob said to Rebekah his mother,
"Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy 7 man, and I am a smooth 8 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 them." 17
14 And he went, and fetched, and brought 7 them to his father: and his father made savoury meat, 4 such as his father loved.
15 And Rebekah took 28 goodly 8 pelts of the goats which she had prepared, and 27 put them upon Jacob 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 his eldest son Esau:
18 And he came unto Isaac his father; and he said, "My father: " and he said, "Here am I; who 4 art thou, my son?"
19 And Jacob said unto his father, 10 "I am 3 Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou hast commanded me: arise, I pray thee, and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me:"
20 And Isaac said unto his son, "How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son?" And he said, "Because 7 the LORD thy God brought it to me."
21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, "Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not."
22 And Isaac came near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, "The voice is 4 Jacob's voice, but the hands are 16 the hands of Esau."
23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother 17 Esau's hands: so he blessed him.
24 And he said, "Art thou my very son Esau?"
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 Isaac said unto him, "Come near 3 now, and kiss me, my son." 27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his 3 raiment, and blessed him, and said, "See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which 7 the LORD hath blessed:
28 Therefore 3 God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of 3 corn and 3 wine:"
29 Let 7 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 Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet 3 scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac, that Esau 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 venison, that 7 thy soul may bless me."
32 And Isaac his father said unto him, "Who art thou?" And he said, "I am 3 thy son, 3 thy firstborn Esau."
33 And Isaac" 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 Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, "Bless me, 5 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
And Esau said unto his father, "Hast thou but one blessing, my father? Bless me, even me also, O my father." And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

41 And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him; and Esau said in his heart, "The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob."

42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, "Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, and Arise, and serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thy brother's fury turn away from thee."

43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away; until he hath taken away his anger from thee, and forget that thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence.

44 And Rebekah said to Isaac, "I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, of the daughters of the people, wherein thou art a stranger, which means "from". R. V. marg. away from. Cp. Jsa. 22. 3. Jer. 45. 33. Lam. 4. 2. Should be "Far from the fatness of the earth shall be thy dwelling, and far from the dew of the heavens," &c. Jacob had already received the blessing "of" the fatness of the earth or the land (v. 28). Esau's was to be far from it, in the desert; and so it was.

45 And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, "Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

46 And Isaac said unto Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, "Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.

2 Arise, go to Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.

3 And GOD Almighty bless thee, and make thy name great; and let people be multiplied by thee, and let thy seed inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger.

4 And give thy the blessing of Abraham, to thy sons, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger.

5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.

6 When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, 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 Canaan;

7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;

8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father;

9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had. 'Mahalath the
daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.

10 And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.

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 Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: 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, 3 am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whithersoever 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 Jacob 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 Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took of 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 Beth-el: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first.

20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that 3 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.

Then Jacob 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 Jacob said unto them, "My brethren, whence be ye?" And they said, "Of Haran are we.

5 And he said unto them, "Know ye Laban the son of Nahor?" And they said, "We know him."

6 And he said unto them, "Is he well?" And they said, "He is well: and behold, Rachel his daughter cometh with the sheep."
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."

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."

And while he yet spake with them, Rachel came with "her father's sheep: for she kept them.

And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.

And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.

And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was Rebekah's son; and she ran and told her father.

And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob 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 Laban all these things.

And Laban said to him, "Surely thou art my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him the space of a month.

15 And Laban said unto Jacob, "Because thou art my brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what shall thy wages be?"

16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel.

17 Leah was tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.

18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, "I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter."

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

20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to her.

21 And Jacob said unto Laban, "Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her."

22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.

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

24 And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid for an handmaid.

25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Leah: and he said to Laban, "What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?"

26 And Laban 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 also for the service which shalt serve with me yet seven other years."

28 And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week; and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife also.

29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.

30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

31 And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, He opened her womb: but Rachel was barren.

32 And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name Reuben: 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 she called his name Simeon. For she said, "Because the LORD hath heard that I was hated, He hath therefore given me this son also:" and she called his name Simeon.

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 Levi.
35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, "Now will I praise the LORD;" therefore she called his name Judah; and left bearing.

30 And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister; and said unto Jacob, "Give me children, or else I die." 2 And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, "Am I in the place of God, which hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?"

3 And she said, "Behold my maid Bilhah, which she gave me Jacob as a maid. Go in unto her; and she shall bear unto me children, that it may be that I also have children by her." 4 And when Rachel saw that she bare children unto Jacob, she envied her sister, and said, "Give me children, or else I die." 5 And Bilhah conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.

6 And Rachel said, "God hath judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me Jacob a son:" therefore called she his name Dan.

7 And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.

8 And Rachel said, "With whose son am I? for I have prevailed unto the face of my sister:" and she called his name Naphtali.

9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Bilhah her maid, and gave her Jacob to wife. 10 And Bilhah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son.

11 And Leah said, "A troop cometh to me:" and she called his name Gad.

12 And Bilhah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.

13 And Leah said, "Happy am I, for I have borne my father's son:" and she called his name Asher.

14 And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, "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 away my husband? and wouldst thou take away my son's mandrakes also?" And Rachel said, "Therefore he shall lie with thee all night for thy son's mandrakes." 16 And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah 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 Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob the fifth son.

18 And Leah said, "God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maid to my husband:" and she called his name Issachar.

19 And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.

20 And Leah said, "God hath ended my sorrow, and hath given me sons:" now will my husband dwell with me, because I have borne him six sons:" and she called his name Zebulun.

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

22 And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.
29 And he said, "Appoint me thy wages, and I will give it.
30 And he said unto him, "I will knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was with me.
31 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?"
32 And he said, "What shall I give thee?"
And Jacob said, "Shall thou not give me any thing: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed and keep thy flock.
33 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.
34 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.)
35 And Jacob said, "Behold, I would it might be according to thy word."
36 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.
37 And Jacob 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 eyes of the cattle 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 Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by them­selves, and put them not unto Laban's cattle.
41 And it came to pass, whosoever the stronger cattle did conceive, that Jacob 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 Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.

43 And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.
44 And he heard the words of Laban's kindred, saying, 'Jacob hath taken away all that was our father's; and of that which was our father's hath he gotten all this glory.'
45 And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it was not toward him as before.
46 And the LORD said unto Jacob, "Return unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and I will be with thee."
47 And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah unto the field unto his flock,
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16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, it is ours, and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do.'

17 Then Jacob 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 Padan-aram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of Canaan.
19 And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachel had stolen the 19 images that were her father's.
20 And Jacob stole away unawares to Laban the Syrian, 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 20 the river, and set his face toward the mount Gilead.
22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.
23 And he took his 39 brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the mount Gilead.
24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said unto him, 'Take heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.'
25 Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban with his brethrenpitched in the mount of Gilead.
26 And Laban said to Jacob, "What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away 21 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 thou not suffered me to kiss my 84 sons and my daughters? thou hast now done foolishly in so doing.
29 It is in the power of my hand to do 20 you hurt: but the 39 God of my father Abraham spake unto me yesternight, saying, 'Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.'
31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, "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 Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them.
33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maid-servants' tents; but he found them not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into "Rachel's tent.
34 Now 39 Rachel had taken the 19 images, and put them in the camel's 30 furniture, and set upon them. And Laban 39 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 19 images.
36 And Jacob was wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, "What is my trespass? what is my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?"
37 Whereas thou hast 34 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 3 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; 3 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.

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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 Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, 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 Laban answered and said unto Jacob, "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 these yesternight." 44 Now therefore come, let us make a covenant, between me and thee: and let it be for a witness between me and thee. 45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar. 46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, "Gather stones!" and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night. 47 And Laban called it Gæled; but Jacob called it Beth-el. 48 And Laban said, "This heap is a witness between me and thee this day." Therefore was the name of it called Gæled; 49 And "Mizpah; 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 Laban said to Jacob, "Behold this heap, and behold this pillar, which I have cast between 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 Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge betwixt us." And Jacob sware by the fear of his father Isaac. 54 Then Jacob 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 Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned unto his place. 32 And Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him. 2 And when Jacob saw them, he said, "This is God's host: " and he called the name of that place Mahanaim. 3 And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the country of Edom. 4 And he commanded them, saying, "Thus shall ye speak unto my lord Esau; 'Thy servant Jacob saith thus, 'I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed there until now: 5 And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and menservants, and maidservants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find grace in thy sight.'" 6 And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to thy brother Esau, and also he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him." 7 Then Jacob 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;
And Jacob said, “O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, the Lord Who saidst unto me, ‘Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee.’

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 Jordan; and now I am become two bands.

Pass over before me, and afterward I will go over. And if evil be found me, I will put a space betwixt drove and drove.”

And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came to his hand a present for Esau his brother:

Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams, thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and ten foals.

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.”

And he commanded the foremost, saying, “When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, ‘Whose art thou? and whither goest thou? and whose are these before thee?’

Then thou shalt say, ‘They be thy servant Jacob’s; it is a present sent unto my lord Esau; and, “behold, also 1k is behind us.”’

And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, “On this manner shall ye speak unto Esau, when ye find him;”

And say ye moreover, “Behold, thy servant Jacob is behind us.”

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.”

So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the 2 company.

And he rose up that night, and took of that which came to his hand a present for Esau’s two wives, and his two womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jabbok.

And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a Man with him until the breaking of the day.

And when He saw that He prevailed not against him, He touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob’s thigh was out of joint, as He wrestled with him.

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, “Jacob.”

28 And He said, “Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.”

29 And Jacob 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 Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: “for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.”
33 And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold, Esau came, and with him four hundred men.

1 And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids.

2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph 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 Esau 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, the and their children, and they bowed themselves.

7 And also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

8 And he said, "What meanest thou by all this driven which I met?" And he said, "These are to find grace in the sight of my lord."

9 And Esau said, "I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself."

10 And Jacob said, "Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thine sight, receive my present at my hand: for therefore have I seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wert pleased with me.

11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is with me, and because I have enough."

12 And he urged him, and he took it.

13 And he said, "Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee."

14 And he said unto him, "My lord knoweth that the children are tender, and the flocks and herds with young are with me: and it if men should overdrive them one day, all the flock will die.

15 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and 7 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 Seir."

16 And Esau 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."

17 So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.

18 And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.

19 And Jacob said unto Rachel, and unto Leah, and to the handmaidens of his wives, "Ye shall say, Our lord is come unto us.

20 And they made ready a present for him, (a bottle of wine, and a kid of the goats, and two hind of young goats,) for the peace offerings.

21 And they said, "Thus saith thy servant Jacob: "I have made my peace with my brother Esau, and my soul hath peace like a vine in the land of Bashan, like a vine in the valley; and now I am come to see my lord.""

22 And Esau lifted up his eyes and saw them. And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and they wept.

23 And Esau said, "What seeest thou in my hand?"

24 And Jacob said, "King of kings, see: for my lord knoweth his servant, that a land of Carmel, and he is over the land of Carmel.

25 And it was so, when Esau saw his brethren, that the present which was sent to him were with them; and he said, "This is a good thing: now it is possible I will have peace with the children of my brother.""

26 And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold, Esau was coming, and his anger was kindled against him: and he feared to go before him.

27 And the angel of the LORD came to him in a dream, saying, "Fear not to go down to Egypt; for I will make thee a great nation there.

28 I will go down to Egypt, and I will surely bring up thy seed from thence; and there shall thy son Jacob serve me.

29 And I will turn and go back to my place, and my servant Jacob shall not see my face: for it shall come to pass, before he shall see my face, that he shall die.""

30 And the angel of the LORD put forth his hand, and took him, and brought him unto the east side of the river, and told him, "Return to thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal kindly with thee."

31 And Jacob said unto the angel, "Whose hand is this that took me by the hair, and drew me up the brook?"

32 And the angel answered and said, "Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? for I am the God of all the patriarchs: and therefore his name was called El-shaddai."

33 And Jacob said unto him, "Tell me not what is thy name: and say, I pray thee, "What is thy name?" and he said, "Thy name shall be called Jacob: and he said, "I have seen God face to face, and my name shall be called Jacob."

34 And Jacob offered a sacrifice there, and called the name of that place Bethel."

35 And Jacob left all that was his for his brother Esau.حمان
6 And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him.
7 And the sons of Jacob 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 Israel in lying with Jacob’s daughter; which thing ought not to be done.
8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, "The soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her to him to wife.
9 And make ye marriages with us, and give your daughters unto us, and take your 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 Shechem 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 Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah 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, that every male of you be circumcised;
16Then 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 your daughter, and we will be gone.”
18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem his son, and Hamor’s son that he cried to Jacob.
19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob’s daughter:
20 And Hamor and Shechem 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 Hamor and unto Shechem 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 Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah’s brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

Jacob. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28.

35.3 And °God said unto °Jacob, °Arise, go up to °Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto °GOD. That appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.
2 Then Jacob 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 Beth-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.’

8 soul. Heb. nephesh. Ap. 13. Fig. Syneddoche (of Part) and Pleonasm (Ap. 6), to emphasise the intensity of the longing.
13 deceitfully. Jacob’s character his own scourge. The first and only occ. in Gen.
27 The sons. Some MSS. read °And the sons’.
28 and. Note the Fig. Polyptoton, Ap. 6, to emphasise each item, in vv. 28, 29.
29 wealth. Heb. strength. Fig. Metonymy (of Adjunct). Ap. 6. Strength put for the wealth which it acquires.
1... I. Fig. Repetitio, Ap. 6, to emphasise Jacob’s perturbation.
31 Should he...? Fig. Erotesis. Ap. 6.

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4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and all their earrings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem.

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 Jacob.

6 And Jacob came to Luz, which is in the land of Canaan; that is, Beth-el, where his father called the name of it Beth-el: because there God spake with him.

7 And he built there an altar, and called the name of it Beth-el: because there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

8 But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak: and the name of it was called Allon-bachuth.

9 And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

10 And God said unto him, "Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but "Israel shall be thy name: " and He called his name Israel.

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; and a company of nations shall be of thee, and of kings shall come out of thy loins; and he called the name of the place where He talked with him, Beth-lehem.

12 Jacob 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.

13 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Beth-el.

14 They journeyed from Beth-el; and there was but a little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.

15 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." And it came to pass, when her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Ben-oni: but his father called him Benjamin.

16 And Jacob died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is Beth-lehem.

17 And Jacob journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Edar.

18 And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard it.

Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

19 The sons of Leah: Reuben, Jacob's first-born, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:

20 The sons of Rachel: Joseph, and Benjamin:

21 The sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid: Dan, and Naphtali:

22 The sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid: Gad, and Asher: these are the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Padan-aram.

23 And Jacob came to Shechem, to the plain of Moreh, where the children of Heth dwelt.

24 And Jacob communed with the children of Heth, saying, "I am a stranger among you, and will dwell among you. Only buy me a piece of ground for a burying place among you; that I may dwell among you."

25 And one of the children of Heth answered Jacob, saying, "Give me to thee a pledge of purchase in the land of you, of which thou speakest.

26 Let me have bullets and firewood, that I may give thee a pledge of purchase. And I will sell thee the field, and the possession thereof, in the presence of the children of men, having given thee burial."

27 Then Jacob gave unto Mizraim for a wife Zilpah the handmaid of Leah his wife. And she bare him Issachar and Zebulun.

28 And Jacob went up from Beth-el, and the terror of God was upon the city of Beth-el, that is Luz.

29 And Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, "Put away the strange gods that are among you, and purify yourselves, and change your garments. And let us serve the Lord your God; and be ye fruitful and multiply in the land which the Lord your God giveth you for an inheritance."

30 Now the name of the city was called Luz at the first: but the name of it was changed unto Beth-el by the servants of Jacob.

31 And Isaac was four hundred years old when he died:

32 And he gave charge to his sons, even to Esau and Jacob. And he spake unto Esau his firstborn, and said unto him, "Be thou ready to run the field to me, and bring me venison."
35. 29. GENESIS. 36. 24.

and full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

G A 36 Now these are the generations of Esau, who is Edom.

B a 2 Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite,
b and Abilamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;
c 3 And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.

B a 4 And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz;
c and Bashemath bare Reuel;
b 5 And Abilamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these are the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan.

A 6 And Esau 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 Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob.

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 Esau in mount Seir: this Esau is Edom.

H A 9 And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in Mount Seir:

B a 10 These are the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau,

b 11 And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zephon, and Gatam, and Kenaz.

12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son: and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these were the sons of Adah Esau's wife.

a 13 And these are the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

B a 14 And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

b 15 These were the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn son of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zephon, duke Kenaz.

16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, and duke Amalek: these were the sons that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these were the sons of Adah.

b 17 And these are the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these were the sons that came of Reuel in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

C 18 And these are the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these were the sons that came of


B a 2. Adah.
b 2. Abilamah.
c 3. Bashemath.
B a 4. Adah's son, Eliphaz.
b 4. Bashemath's son, Reuel.

A 5. Abilamah's sons, Jeush, and.

1 generations. Given here, as no more is to be said about him.

2 Adah. Her second name was Bashemath, 26, 34.

Abilamah. Her second name was Judith, 26, 34; and her father, Anah, got a second name also from his discovery of the hot springs (see note on “mules”, 36, 24).

In 26, 34, called Hittite, because Hittite included Hivite.

daughter. Sam., Sept., and Syr. read “son”.

3 Bashemath also had a second name, Mahalath, 29, 8.

6 and. Note the Fig. Polygenyton, Ap. 6, pointing with emphasis to each item.


Canaan. Esau's sons, born in the land went out of it.

Jacob. “Unto Seir” should be added, according to Ob. Heb. Text.

8 Esau is Edom. Should be “Esau, he is Edom”.

9 And these. See p. 45.


B a 10. Eliphaz, Adah's son.
 b 1. Reuel, the son of Bashemath.
 b 2. Teman, Omar, Zephon, and Gatam.
 a 2. Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son.
 a 3. Amalek.
 b 3. Reuel, the son of Reuel.

Abilamah's sons.

B a 15. Eliphaz the son of Esau.
 b 3. Eliphaz.
 a 3. Reuel, the son of Reuel.
 b 3. Eliphaz.
 C 17. Dukes of Eliphaz (Adah).
 b 3. Dukes of Reuel.

A 20-43. Dukes of Edom, &c.

11 Teman. Whence came Eliphaz the Temanite.

Job 2, 11; 13, 1.


sons. The “sons” of Adah are her sons and grandsons.

15 dukes. Heb. chiefs, or, chieftains.

20 who inhabited, &c. The Horites were a branch of the Nephtlan. See Ap. 23 and 25.

22 children = sons.


24 both. Some codices, with Sam., Sept., and Syr., omit "both".

Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.

19 These are the sons of Esau, who is Edom, and these are their dukes.

20 These are the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah.

21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these are the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

22 And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam: and Lotan's sister was Timna.

23 And the children of Shobal were these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and Onam.

24 And these are the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this was that Anah.
found. Heb. māṭez, to happen on, discover (not invent); to find (not find out) mules. Heb. hayyēmim, hot springs (with Vulg. and Syr.), hence Anah got the name of Beeri from Beer, a well, cp. 26. 34; and to distinguish him from the Anah of v. 10.

before there reigned. The ref. is to 17. 6 and 35. 11. Deut. 17. 14-20.

37 the river. i.e. the Euphrates.

37. The whole chapter, Fig. Hysterologia. Ap. 6.
The last of the eleven Toledoth.

37. 1—50. 28 (I, p. 1). THE GENERATIONS
OF JACOB (Repeated Alternation).

1. | 37. 1. Jacob in Canaan.
B1 | 37. 2—45. 28. Sons of Jacob. Posterity
(Joseph and brethren).
A2 | 46. 1—7. Jacob. Removal to Egypt.
B2 | 46. 8—27. Sons of Jacob. (Posterity.)
in Egypt. Removal to Canaan.
B3 | 50. 15—26. Sons of Jacob. Posterity (Joseph
and brethren).

37. 2—45. 28 (B1, above). THE SONS OF JACOB:
Joseph and his brethren (Alternation).

D | 38. 1, 30. His brother (Judah).
D | 42. 1—45. 28. His brethren.

37. 2—38 (C, above). JOSEPH IN CANAAN.
(Alternation.)

C a | 1—4. With his brethren.
b | 5—11. His dreams (communicated).
a | 12—17. Seeking his brethren.
b | 18—36. His dreams (counteracted).

1. Jacob. See notes on 32. 28; 43. 8; 45. 26, 28,
wherein = of his father's sojournings.

2. Bilhah. i.e. Dan and Naphtali; 30. 6—8.

3. Zilpah. i.e. Gad and Asher, 30. 10—13.
5. Coat: with long sleeves, worn only by the chief and
his heir. This the first cause of brothers' enmity. See
note on 27. 18 and 29. 31.
6. Colours. Not "pieces". Marking it as priestly or
royal. Ex. 28. 4, 39; 39. 1. 2 Sam. 13. 18, 19. Ps. 45. 14.
8. Dreamed a dream. Fig. Polystōn. Ap. 6. For
emphasis—had a significant dream.

b 5 And Joseph * dreamed a dream, and he
told it his brethren: and they hated him yet
the more.
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, 5-6 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:

a 12 And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem,

13 And Israel said unto Joseph, "Do not thy brethren feed the flock in Shechem? 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 with the flocks; and bring me word again." So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.

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 Dothan.'" And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan.

b 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 Reuben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, "Let us not kill him."

22 And Reuben 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 Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stripped Joseph 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 Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry down to Egypt.

26 And Judah 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 26 Ishmeelites, 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 Midianites merchants; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the

9 eleven stars - the eleven signs of the Zodiac, Joseph being the twelfth. See note on Num. 2. 2, made obeisance. Cp. 42. 6; 43. 26; 44. 14.

12 their father's flock. One of the fifteen expressions with the extraordinary points (see Ap. 31), indicating a doubtful reading, and suggesting that they had gone to feed themselves and make merry.

13 the flock. With the omission in v. 12 these words are unnecessary.


17 Dothan. On the high road to Egypt for caravans from the East.


19 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

20 and. Note the Fig. Polydyadeton (Ap. 6), emphasizing the deliberateness of their actions.


22 that he might rid him, &c. Fig. Parenthesis (Ap. 6), by way of explanation.

23 his coat. See on v. 3.

25 sat down. Showing their indifference. Cp. 42. 21 and Matt. 27. 36.

26 Behold. Fig. Asterismos. Ap. 6.

27 Midianites. See note on v. 25. 28 they, i.e. Joseph's brethren.

29 twenty. The number of disappointed expectancy. See Ap. 10.

30 whither. Fig. Erotiôsis. Ap. 6.


33 And. Note the Fig. Polydyadeton (Ap. 6); in vv. 33, 34, to emphasize the successive steps in Jacob's grief, without doubt. Fig. Polydyadoton (Ap. 6), "tasting he has been torn". Deceived by the blood of a kid, as he had deceived his father with the skin of a kid, 27. 16.

34 all his daughters. See on 30. 21, or it may mean Symeocoche (of the Part), Ap. 6, put for all his female relatives and granddaughters.

35 Ishmeelites for twenty pieces of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

29 And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph was not in the pit; and he rent his clothes.

30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, "The child is not; and 3 where shall we go?"

31 And they took Joseph's coat, and 3 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; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces"

34 And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

35 And all his sons 31 and 3 all his daughters
38. And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

2 And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name was Shuah; 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 Onan.

5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

6 And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar.

7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the Lord; and the Lord slew him.

8 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, "Remain a widow at thy father's house, until the husband of thy father's son be grown: lest it be thought evil against the Lord in the sight of the Lord; and thou be burnt of him.

9 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, "My lord, I have not been defiled: for the Lord hath given me a son." And he named him Perez: for he said, "I have given an inheritance unto my brother.

10 And Judah was exceeding populous; for he had much substance, both man and beast, much corn and wine and oil.

11 And he went down to Timnath, to take his wife from thence; but when he came to the hill of the daughters of Zeruah, he saw a daughter of the daughter of his brother Anan, and his heart went out toward her.

12 And he said, "Let me come in unto her." And she said, "What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?"

13 And he said, "I will send thee a young goat: if thou likest not my young goat, then I will give thee as much as thou seest good for thee." And she gave him, and he went in unto her; and she conceived by him.

14 And she said, "I have been defiled; for my husband is not this man." And he brought her out, and gave her to his uncle Mrakih, the father of his father's wife Bilkiah; and he gave her to Mrakih his uncle.

15 And when the father of Mrakih knew it, he would not receive his daughter in law in his house.

16 And he 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.

17 And the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, and captain of the guard.

18 And the thing which he did displeased the Lord: wherefore He slew him.

19 Then said the Lord, "I will raise seed unto him from his brethren, which shall recover both his land and his house; and I will give unto him the inheritance of his fathers." And his brother Judah said, "Let him die; why should his name be accounted as seed?" And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar.

20 And Judah said unto Onan, "Go in unto thy brother's wife, and take her to wife, and raise up seed to thy brother."And he went in unto her; but she could not conceive any years.

21 And she died, being barren. And he rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, "For I will not have a child to bear seed to my brother." And his brother's name was Er.

22 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the Lord; and the Lord slew him.

23 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, "Thou must not give thyself unto another to be burnt of him; for thou hast been defiled: go to thy father's house until thou be burnt of him." And she went and dwelt in her father's house.

24 And the thing which he did displeased the Lord: wherefore He slew him also.

25 Then said the Lord, "I will raise seed unto him from his brethren, who shall recover both his land and his house; and I will give unto him the inheritance of his fathers." And his brother's name was Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

26 And Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

27 He said, "I will go down into the vineyard after the fig trees are in bloom; peradventure I shall find fruit upon the vines, that I may have to eat: for I have no bread; and the year is sore against me, and the women will not give me flesh."

28 Then said his father to him, "My son, wherefore wilt thou go down into the vineyard?" And he said, "To see whether there be fruit upon the vines."

29 And he went down into the vineyard after the fig trees were in bloom, and found a fig tree blossoming with a single fruit. And he said, "I will now eat of the fruit of the fig tree, lest perhaps I die of hunger."

30 And when he looked about him, he saw a certain band of Ishmaelites coming from Haran with camels bearing spicery, and ointments, and glass, and Palm-dresses.

31 Then said he, "I will hide myself in the fruit of this tree, until they pass by my way."

32 And it came to pass, as he turned his face from thence, that he saw two women; and he said, "Sisters, let me pass through under your branches." And one of them answered, "Let thy right hand be under mine on our father's house, till Shelah my son be grown:" for he knew not that his father wept for him.

33 And the women said one to another, "Shall we leave our father when he is old and ready to die, and go in unto the men of our father's house, and bare children unto them, and their names be remembered throughout Canaan?"

34 Then went Tamar and dwelt in an open place, because she saw that Shelah his brother was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife: and she conceived by him.

35 And the thing which he did displeased the Lord: wherefore He slew him also.

36 And Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

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39. And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.

2 And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

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 Joseph found grace in his sight, and served him; and he made him overseer over all that he had in Joseph's house, and over all that he had in the house.

5 And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer over his house, and over all that he had, that the Lord blessed the house of his master upon him.

6 And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat.

And Joseph 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 Joseph; and she said, "Lie with me."

8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, "Behold, my master is wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand; if 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?"

9 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph 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 Joseph found grace in the sight of his master, and served him, and he was sent over all his house, over all that he had in his house.

12 And his master saw that the Lord was with him, and that the Lord made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

13 And he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

14 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth.

15 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, "See, he hath brought in an Hebrew 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
12 garment with me, and fled, and got him out.'
16 And she laid up his 12 garment by her, until
his lord came home.
17 And she spake unto him according to these
words, saying, "The Hebrew 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 12 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 Joseph's master took him, and put
him into the 9 prison, a place where the king's
prisoners were bound: and he was there in the
prison.

21 But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed
him 7 mercy, and gave him favour in the sight
of the keeper of the prison.
22 And the 12 keeper of the prison committed
Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were
in the prison; and whatsoever they did there,
he was the doer of it.
23 The 12 keeper of the prison looked not to
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.

And it came to pass after these things,
that the 9 butler of the king of Egypt and
his 9 baker had offended their lord the king of
Egypt.
2 And Pharaoh 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 Joseph was bound.
4 And the captain of the guard charged
Joseph with them, and he served them: and they
continued a 7 season in ward.
5 And they s dreamed a dream both of them,
each man his dream in one night; each man
according to the interpretation of his dream,
the 9 Butler and the 9 baker of the king of
Egypt, which were bound in the prison.
6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morn­
ing, and looked upon them, and, "Behold, they
were sad.
7 And he asked Pharaoh'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 7 dreamed
a dream, and there is no interpreter of it."  
And Joseph said unto them, "Do not interpreta­tions belong to God? tell me them, I pray you."
9 And the chief 9 butler told his dream to
Joseph, and said to him, "In my dream, s be­
hold, 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 Pharaoh's cup was in my hand: and
I took the grapes, and s pressed them into
Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into
Pharaoh's hand."
12 And Joseph said unto him, "This is the
interpretation of it: The three branches 9 are
three days:
13 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh s lift
up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place:
and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his
hand, after the former manner when thou wast
his butler.
14 But s think on me when it shall be well
with thee, and shew kindness. I pray thee,
unto me, and make mention of me unto Pha­
raoh, and bring me out of this house:
15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the
land of the Hebrews: and here also have I
done nothing that they should put me into the
dungeon."
16 When the chief 9 baker saw that the in­
terpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, "3
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 Pharaoh; and the
birds did eat them out of the basket upon my
head."
18 And Joseph answered and said, "This is
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40. 18.

the interpretation thereof: The three baskets are three days:
19 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh 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 Pharaoh'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 unto Pharaoh's hand:

22 But he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.

23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, o but forgot him.

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And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh 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 Pharaoh awoke.

5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears of corn came up upon one stalk, o rank and good.

6 And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted ears came up upon them. And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream.

7 Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, "Do remember my faults this day: 10 Pharaoh 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; o and he interpreted the interpretation of his dream.

12 And there was there with us a young man, an Hebrew, 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; as; he restored unto mine office, and he restored unto me.

14 Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved himself, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "I have dreamed a dream, and there is none that can interpret it; and I have heard say of thee, that"
fleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt 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 i behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:
23 And, i 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 Joseph said unto Pharaoh, "The dream of Pharaoh i is one. 16 God hath shewed Pharaoh what He is about to do.
26 The seven good kine i are seven years; and the seven good ears are seven years: the dream i 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 And, the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What 16 God is about to do He sheweth unto Pharaoh.
29 i Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:
30 And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; 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 i doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it is because the thing is established by 16 God, and 16 God will shortly bring it to pass.
33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt.
34 Let Pharaoh do this, and let him appoint officers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plentiful years.
35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, 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 Egypt; that the 20 land perish not through the famine.""

37 And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.
38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, "Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom is the spirit of 16 God?"
39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "Forasmuch as 16 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."

35 is. Heb. "it [is]".
36 are. Heb. "thou [are]".
30 seven years. This explains and confirms the hieroglyphic inscription discovered by Wilbour at Sekhel (first cataract). It is referred to in another inscription in the tomb of Baba, at El-Kah, translated by Brugsch (History of Egypt, i, 304). In July 1908, Brugsch Bey discovered inscriptions which tell how "for seven successive years the Nile did not overflow, and vegetation withered and failed; that the land was devoid of crops, and that during these years, famine and misery devastated the land of Egypt". The date is given as 1700 B.C., which cannot be earlier, therefore, than the last year of the famine. The last year of the seven years of plenty was in A.C. 1709, according to Ussher (Gen. 41, 53), with which the inscription agrees. See further, Ap. 37, the land.
44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "3 am Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt."
45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphnath-paaneah; and he gave him to wife
And Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold the people with famine, for bread; and Pharaoh said unto his servants, "What shall we do for Joseph?"

And Joseph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for it was without number.

And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.

And Joseph called the name of the first-born Manasseh: "For he hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house."

And the name of the second he called Ephraim: "For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction."

And the seven years of plenteousness, that was all in the land of Egypt, were ended.

And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto his servants, "Who is there among you that can supply corn in Egypt?"

And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and saw his brethren, and perceived them; but Joseph said to his brethren, "Do ye come among us as spies?"

And Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, "Lest peradventure mischief befall him."

And the sons of Israel came to buy corn among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

And Joseph "was the governor over the land, and it was that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and"

Asenath = an Egyptian name.

Poti-pherah. The Egyptian priest of On = "City of the Sun", called in Heb. "Avn and "Bethlehem" (Jer. 43:13), and in Greek "Heliopolis". It was the university of Old Egypt.

48 all the food. Fig. "Synedra" (of the Whole), food put for corn. (Ap. 6).

which were, Sam. and Sept. read "in which there was plenty".

49 sand, &c. Fig. "Parramia" (Ap. 6).

51 name. Fig. "Pleonasm" (Ap. 6).

Manasseh...forgot. Fig. "Paronomasia" (Ap. 6).

Heb. "Manash-shhe...nashshani." toil. Heb. "anat. Ap. 44. v. 52 Ephraim...to be fruitful. Fig. "Paronomasia" (Ap. 6).

53 was-came to pass. See note on 1. 2.

54 dearth. One of 18 famines. See note on 12. 16.

57 all countries. Fig. "Meteomy" (of Subject). Ap. 6.

i.e. people from all countries.

all lands. Fig. "Synedra" (of the Whole). Ap. 6.

i.e. all neighbouring lands.

42. 1 - 45. 28 (D, p. 52). JOSEPH'S BRETHREN. (Extended Alternation, with Introversion.)

Now when Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, "Why do ye look one upon another?"

"And he said, "Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die."

3 And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn in Egypt.

4 But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, "Lest peradventure mischief befall him."

5 And the sons of Israel came to buy corn among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

6 And Joseph "was the governor over the land, and it was that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves before him with their faces to the earth."
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 Canaan; and, behold, the youngest is this day with our father, and one is not.”
14 And Joseph 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 Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither.
16 And if ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of Pharaoh: and if ye be not true men, let your words be proved, whether there be any truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye are spies.”
17 And he put them all together into ward three days.
18 And Joseph 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 houses: so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die.” And they did so.
20 And they said one to another, “We be verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he beheld us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us.”
21 And Joseph said, “Peace be; be not afraid: only speak the truth.”
22 And Reuben answered them, saying, “Spake I not unto you, saying, ‘Do not sin against the child;’ and ye would not hear? therefore is the distress of his soul in the soul of his son.”
23 And they knew not that Joseph 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 said unto them, “Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.
25 Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to restore every man’s money into his sack, and to give them provision for the journey, and give them for their food.
26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed hence.
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 his heart failed them, and they were afraid.
29 And he said, “What is this that God hath done unto us?”
30 And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and told him all that befell unto them; saying,
31 “The man, who is the lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and took us for spies of the country.
32 And we said unto him, ‘Ye are true men; we are no spies:
33 Ye be twelve brethren, sons of our father; one is not, and the youngest is this day with our father in the land of Canaan.’
34 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:
35 And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye are not spies, but that ye be true men: so will I deliver up to you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.’
36 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.
37 And Jacob their father said unto them, “Ye have bereaved me of my children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away: all these things are against me.”
38 And Reuben 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.”
39 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 which ye go, ‘then shall ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.’
40 And the famine was sore in the land. And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out
of Egypt, their father said unto them, "Go again, buy us a little food.""

3 And Judah spake unto him, saying, "The man 2 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 ^Israel 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 2 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 Judah said unto ^Israel 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 3 will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee, thou shalt put me to blame 6 for ever:

10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time:"

11 And their father ^Israel 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 3 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 6 GOD ALMIGHTY give you 5 mercy before the 3 man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. If 3 be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.""

15 And the 5 men took that present, 5 and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt,

16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of his 5 house, "Bring these 15 men home, and "slay, and make ready; for these men shall dine with me at noon."

17 And the 3 man did "as Joseph bade; and the 15 men brought the 15 men into Joseph's house.

18 And the 3 men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph'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 Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house.

20 And said, "O sir, 5 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 5 God, and the 5 God of your father, hath given you 5 treasure in your sacks: I had your money." And he brought Simeon out unto them.

24 And the 15 man brought the 15 men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave them their ass provender.

25 And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.

26 And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and 5 bowed themselves to him unto the earth.

27 And he asked them of their welfare, and
27 your father ... the old man = your aged father.
28 bowed down, &c. Cp. ch. 37, 7-10.
30 wept. See note on 42, 24.
33 they sat. Egyptian pictures show that it was the custom to sit at meals.
34 took and sent, &c. Heb. "lifted liftings". Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6), for emphasis = sent choice portions.
5 times. The number of grace. See Ap. 10, and cp. 41, 34; 45, 22; 47, 2, 24.
34 were merry. Heb. drank abundantly. Cp. Hag. 1, 6.
John 2, 10.

44. 1-45. 20 (Fe, p. 59). THE DISMISSAL OF JOSEPH'S BRETHREN (Introversion).

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x b | 44. 1-15. Feigned Dismissal.
  c | 44. 14-34. Brethren's explanation to Joseph.
  g | 45. 1-16. Joseph's explanation to Brethren.

1-14 (b, above). FEIGNED DISMISSAL (Alteration).

b d | 1, 2. The Cup concealed.
  e | 3. The sending away.
  d | 4-12. The Cup found.
  e | 13, 14. The return.

15-34 (c, above). THE CUP SOUGHT (Alteration).

f | 15. Joseph.
  f | 17. Joseph.
  g | 18-34. Judah.
  2 cup. Heb. 'ōbba, out of which wine was poured: distinguishing from the smaller cups from which it was drunk. Jer. 35, 5.
  3 youngest. This was the fourth step to try them, and to prove whether they were the same brethren still, and would treat Benjamin as they had treated Joseph.
  4 Wherefore. Fig. Erotésis. Ap. 6. Sept. and Syr. insert "Wherefore then have ye the silver cup?"
  5 divineth. This was to confirm their belief that Joseph was an Egyptian. Emphasised by Fig. Polyptoton (Ap. 6). Heb. divining he divineth.
  7 God forbid. No word for "God" here. Heb. = Far be it from thy servants.
  8 Behold. Fig. Asterismos (Ap. 6).
  9 let him die. This was the penalty in the Code of Khammurabi, with which they were acquainted in Canaan (§ 6); death for stealing from a palace. Property more sacred than life.

and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

14 And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he was yet there: and they fell before him on the ground.

15 And Joseph said unto them, "What deed
16 And Judah 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 thy lord's servants, both he 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 Judah 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 so:

19 And he said unto 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, 'I 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 we see 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.'

35 Then Joseph 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 Joseph revealed himself to his brethren.

2 And he 'wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, "3 am Joseph; doth my father yet live?" And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, "Come near to me, I pray you." And they came near. And he said, "3 am Joseph your brother, of whom ye sold me into Egypt.

5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry, &c. Heb. "let not anger kindle in your eyes." Fig. Prosopopoeia. Ap. 6.
with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for
6 These two years hath the famine been
in the land: and yet there are five years, in
the which there shall neither be eating 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
Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler
throughout all the land of Egypt.

9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say
unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God
hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down
to me, tarry not:

10 And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen
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 Benjamin, that it is my mouth that
spakeh unto you.

13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory
in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye
shall haste and bring down my father hither:"

14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's
neck, and wept; and Benjamin 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 Pha-
raoh's house, saying, "Joseph's brethren are
come:" and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his
servants.

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, "Say unto
thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and
come into the land of Canaan;"

18 And take your father and your households,
and come unto me: and I will give you the
good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat
the fat of the land."

19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take
you your wagons out of the land of Egypt 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 Egypt is yours, ""

21 And the children of Israel did so: and
Joseph gave them wagons, according to the
commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them
provision for the way.

22 To all of them he gave each man changes of
raiment; but to Benjamin 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 Egypt,
and ten she asses laden with corn and bread
and meat for his father by the way,
2 And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, "I am the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation:

3 And He said, "I am the God of thy father, Jacob, Jacob."

4 And he said, "Here am I,"

5 And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the sons of Jacob which came into Egypt, were Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Joseph, who was a man of thirty years old, Simeon and Levi, the sons of Leah, Judah and Issachar and Zebulun, the sons of Rachel, and Gad and Asher, the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's maid, and Naphtali and Manasseh and Ephraim, the sons of Zilpah, Leah's maid.

6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, and came into Egypt. Jacob, 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 Egypt.

8 And these are the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt. Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, Simeon and Levi, the sons of Leah, Judah and Issachar and Zebulun, the sons of Rachel, and Gad and Asher, the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's maid, and Naphtali and Manasseh and Ephraim, the sons of Zilpah, Leah's maid.

9 But the sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.

10 And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, whom Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.

11 And the sons of Benjamin were Belah and Becher, and Ashbel, and Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard.

12 These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and these bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.

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20 These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and these bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.

21 And the sons of Dan; Hushim.

22 And the sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.

23 These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and these bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.

24 All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, (which came out of his loins), besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were three-score and six;
him in Egypt, were two 15 souls: all the 15 souls of the house of 2 Jacob, which came into Egypt, were 3 threescore and ten.

28 And he sent 4 Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto 5 Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.

29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet 6 Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

30 And 7 Israel said unto Joseph, "Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou art yet alive."

And he took some of 8 his brethren, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

46. 27. GENESIS.

47. 13. JACOB IN EGYPT.

31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, "I will go up, and shew Pharaoh, and say unto him, 'My brethren, and my father's house, which were in the land of Canaan, are come unto me; 32 And the men are 9 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 Pharaoh 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 10 we, and also our fathers:' that ye may dwell in the land of 11 Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination unto the Egyptians.'

Then Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and showed him his brethren, and set them before Pharaoh.

2 And he took some of his brethren, even five 12 men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

3 And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, "What is your occupation?" And they said unto Pharaoh, "Thy servants are shepherds, both 13 we, and also our fathers."

4 They said moreover unto Pharaoh, "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 Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of 14 Goshen."

5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, "Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee: 6 The land of Egypt is before thee; in the best of the land may thy father and brethren dwell; in the land of 15 Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any 16 men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle."

7 And Joseph brought in 17 Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

8 And Pharaoh said unto 18 Jacob, "How old art thou?"

9 And 19 Jacob said unto Pharaoh, "The days of the years of my 20 pilgrimage are an hun-

dred 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 21 Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

11 And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of 22 Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to their families.

13 And there was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very sore, so that the land...
of Egypt and all the land of Canaan "fainted by reason of the famine.  
14 And Joseph "gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which thence bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.  
15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, "all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, "Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence for the money faileth."  
16 And Joseph said, "Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail."  
17 And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph 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 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 we and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give us seed, that we may "live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.""  
20 And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every "man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.  
21 And as for the people, he "removed them to cities from one end of the borders of Egypt 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 Pharaoh, and did eat their "portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they "sold not their lands.  
23 Then Joseph said unto the people, "You behold, I have bought you and your land for Pharaoh: "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 Pharaoh, 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 Pharaoh's servants."  
26 And Joseph made it "a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth part; except the land of the priests only, which became not Pharaoh's.  
27 And "Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and "grew, and multiplied exceedingly.  
28 And "Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the whole age of "Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.  
29 And the time drew nigh that "Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, 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 Egypt:  
30 But I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in my buryingplace." And he said, "I will do as thou hast said."  
31 And he said, "Swear unto me." And he sware unto him. And "Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.
48 1. And it came to pass after these things, that one told Jacob, “Behold, thy father is sick;” and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

2 And one told Jacob, and said, “Behold, thy father Joseph cometh unto thee;” and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

3 And Jacob said unto Joseph, “O 1God Almighty, I pray thee, give this land to thy seed after thee.

4 And said unto me, 2“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, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the land of Canaan, and blessed them.

6 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.”

7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, 3Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan, and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; and I buried her in Beth-lehem.

8 And 4Israel beheld Joseph’s sons, and said, “Who are these?”

9 And Joseph said unto his father, “These 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 5Israel 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 6Israel said unto Joseph, “I have not thought to see thy face; and, 7Io, God hath shown me also thy seed.”

12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and 8he bowed himself with his face to the earth.

13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward 9Israel’s left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward 10Israel’s right hand, and brought them near unto him.

14 And 11Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim’s head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh’s head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the firstborn.

15 And he blessed Joseph, and said, “God, before Whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did 6walk, the 9God Which fed me all my life long unto this day,

16 6The Angel Which 9redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.”

17 And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father’s hand, to remove it from Ephraim’s head unto Manasseh’s head.

18 And Joseph said unto his father, “Not so, my father: for this is the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.”

19 And his father 11refused, and said, “I know it, my son, I know it: 10it is also become a people, and it 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 12Israel bless, saying, 11God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh:” and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.

21 And 13Jacob said unto Joseph, “Behold, 3Z die; but 6God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.
49 And Jacob 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 Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your father.

3 Reuben, 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 Simeon and Levi 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 Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.

8 Judah, 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 Judah, he 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 Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be.

11 Binding his foal unto his 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 Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zidon.

14 Issachar is a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

15 And he said that rest was good, and the land that it was pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute.


lawgiver. First occ. Num. 21. 18. from between his feet = from his posterity. Put by Fig. Buphemy (Ap. 6). Sept. and Onk. read "from his thighs", i.e. "his seed". Cp. Deut. 38. 57. until Shiloh come = until He, Shiloh, comes. So Ap. Sym. and Targ. Note the six Pentateuch titles: "Seed" (3. 15), "Shiloh" (49. 10), "Sceptre" (49. 10), "Shepherd" (49. 10), "Sword" (49. 24), "Star" (Num. 24. 17) gathering. Heb. yikhah = obedience, submission (not ikhaz, as in Jer. 31. 10).

Note the Structure of this verse (Alternation).

a | The Sceptre shall not depart from Judah,
b | Nor a Lawgiver from his seed,

11 vine. So plentiful in Judah, that people were without care in such matters. Wine. Heb. yayin

14, 15 Issachar. Original Orth. = he bringeth return (Ap. 6). But here = a hireling. The prophecy is:

"The hireling is the ass (or sadder-bearer) of strangers, when he saw rest that it was good, and the land that it was pleasant;" &c.
18 Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.
19 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse's heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.
20 I have waited for Thy salvation, O L ORD.

21 Naphtali is a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.

22 Joseph 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 Jacob; (from thence is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel;) 25 Even by the God of thy father, Who shall help thee; and by that 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 Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that is separate from his brethren.
27 Benjamin 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 Israel: and this is their blessing, every one according to his blessing.

29 And he charged them, and said unto them, 3 am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave which is before Mamre, the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace.
30 In the cave that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace.
31 There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah.
32 The purchase of the field and of the cave that is therein was from the children of Heth.

33 And when Jacob 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.

50 And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him.
2 And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.

3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed): and the Egyptians mourned for him three-score and ten days.

4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto the house of Pharaoh, saying, "If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying, 5 My father made me swear, saying, "" Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me..."
in the land of Canaan, there shall thou bury me. ’ Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again.’ ”

6 And Pharaoh said, “ Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear.”

7 5 And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,

8 7 and all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

9 And they said, “ Joseph will pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil: ”

10 And now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of thy servants, and of their fathers; for they did unto me evil. ”

11 And Thoth, they said, “ This is a grievous mourning to the Egyptians; ” wherefore the name of it was called “ Abel-mizraim, which is beyond Jordan.”

12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:

13 For his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham 5 bought with the field for a possession of buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14 And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father, seven days.

15 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, “ This is a grievous mourning to the Egyptians; ” wherefore the name of it was called “ Abel-mizraim, which is beyond Jordan.”

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18 And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father, seven days.

19 And when Joseph’s brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, “ Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly require us all the evil which we did unto him.”

20 And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, “ Thy father did command before he died, saying,

21 “Be kind to the children of Jacob, and to the children of Israel; ” and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of thy servants, and of their fathers; for they did unto me evil.”

22 And Joseph wept when they spake unto him.

23 And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, “ Behold, we be thy servants.”

24 And Joseph said unto them, “ Fear not: for I am in the place of God.

25 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.

26 Now therefore fear ye not; I will nourish you and your little ones.”

27 And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

B 22 And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father’s house: and Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

28 And Joseph saw Ephraim’s children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up upon Joseph’s knees.

C 24 And Joseph said unto his brethren, “ 3 die:

25 carry up my bones from hence.”

26 a coffin. Thus the book of Genesis begins with God, and ends with man. It begins with the creation of the heavens above, and ends with “ a coffin in Egypt.”

28 So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old:

29 and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.