

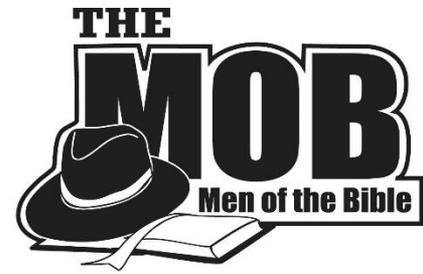
All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

**WELCOME TO THE MOB!**



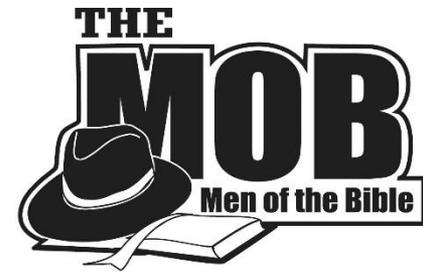
# Announcements



- Welcome to the MOB!
- [C.S. Lewis Institute](#) conference [Keeping the Faith: Equipping Families for Effective Home Discipleship](#), at IBC, February 22 – 23, 2019, [Register Online](#)
- Website: [www.ibcmob.net](http://www.ibcmob.net)
- Please rise for a hymn of praise & invocation



# Memory Verse



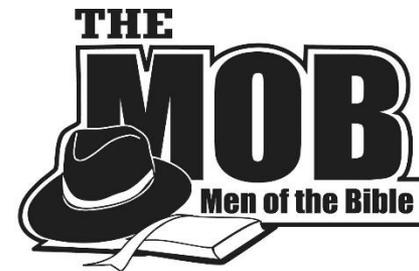
## Psalm 116:15 (ESV)

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of His godly ones.

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# Genesis Overview

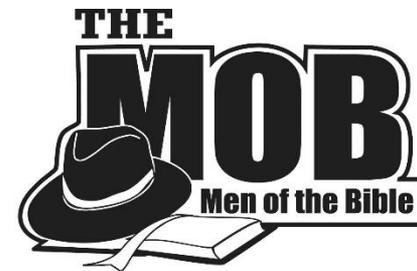


Focus	Four Events				Four People			
Reference	1:1 – 2:25	3:1 – 5:32	6:1 – 9:29	10:1 – 11:9	11:10 – 25:18	25:19 – 26:35	27:1 – 36:43	37:1 – 50:26
Division	Creation	Fall	Flood	Nations	Abraham	Isaac	Jacob	Joseph
Topic	The Human Race				The Chosen Race (Hebrews)			
	Primeval History / Historical				Patriarchal History / Biographical			
Location	Fertile Crescent ( Eden – Haran )				Canaan ( Haran – Canaan )			
Time	cir. 2,000 years ( cir. 4004 – 2090 B.C. )				193 years ( 2090 – 1897 B.C. )			





# Genesis Divisions



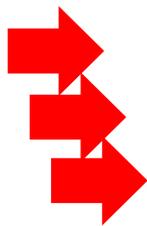
בְּרֵאשִׁית (*bereshith*) = **Beginnings** (of many things)

Greek = Genesis = Origin, Source, Generation, Beginning

תּוֹלְדוֹת (*toledoth*) = “These are the generations of...” or “This is the history of...” or “account of...” **10 sections:**

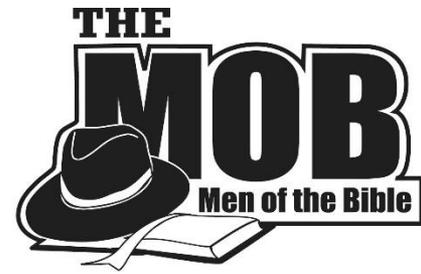
Prologue ([Genesis 1:1 – 2:3](#))

1. The generations of **heaven and earth** ([Genesis 2:4 – 4:26](#))
2. The generations of **Adam** ([Genesis 5:1 – 6:8](#))
3. The generations of **Noah** ([Genesis 6:9 – 9:29](#))
4. The generations of the **sons of Noah** ([Genesis 10:1 – 11:9](#))
5. The generations of **Shem** ([Genesis 11:10 – 26](#))
6. The generations of **Terah** ([Genesis 11:27 – 25:11](#))
7. The generations of **Ishmael** ([Genesis 25:12 – 18](#))
8. The generations of **Isaac** ([Genesis 25:19 – 35:29](#))
9. The generations of **Esau** ([Genesis 36:1 – 37:1](#))
10. The generations of **Jacob** ([Genesis 37:2 – 50:26](#))





# Our Study of Genesis



## Last Meeting:

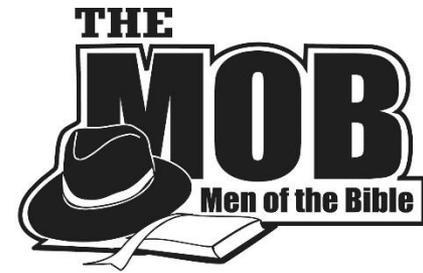
- [Genesis 23:1 – 24:67](#) Sarah Dies & Isaac Marries Rebekah  
(God Provides *Again*)
- *Encountering Genesis*, Chapter 8, pages 110 – 113

## This Meeting:

- [Genesis 25:1 – 28](#) Abraham Dies, the Generations of Ishmael & Isaac, and the Birth of Esau & Jacob
- *Encountering Genesis*, Chapters 8 – 9, pages 113 – 119

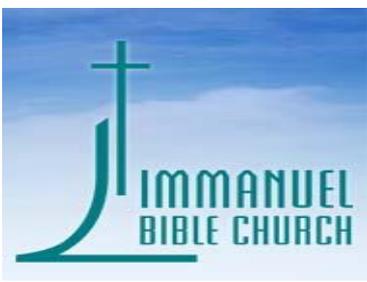


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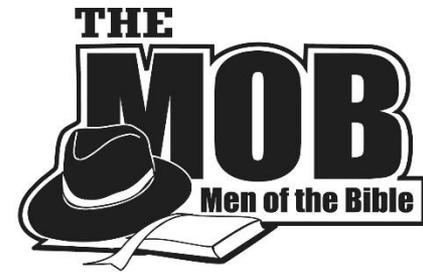


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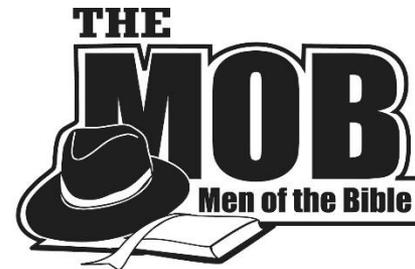
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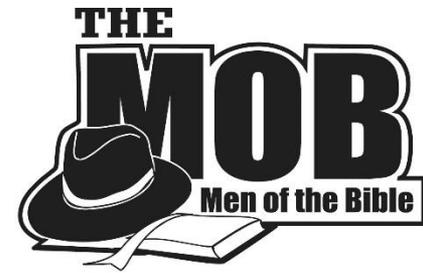


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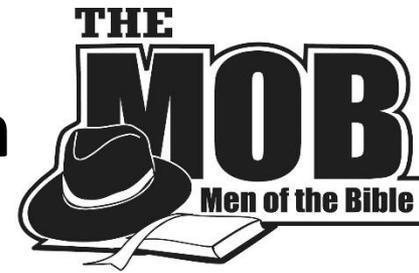


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## Observations & Interpretation:

- Only minimum information is given regarding Abraham's relationship with Keturah and her descendants.\*
- Like Hagar, she has the status of a concubine ([1 Chronicles 1:32](#)), though no indication is given as to when the relationship is established – possibly existed before the death of Sarah, but this remains uncertain – reflecting the culture of the Ancient Near East.\*
- Abraham provided for each of his sons; though he did send them away. This solidified Isaac's role as the heir.

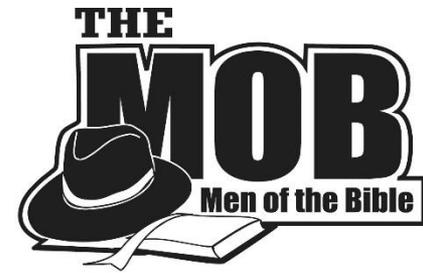
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# Genealogy of Jesus from Matthew 1

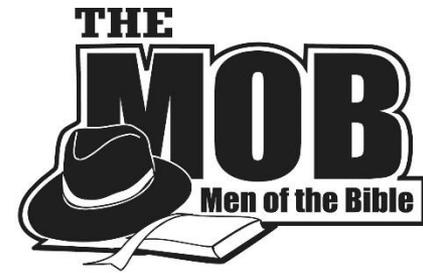


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- David
- Solomon
- Rehoboam
- Abijah
- Asaph
- Jehoshaphat
- Joram
- Uzziah
- Jotham
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- Hezekiah
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- Josiah
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- Shealtiel
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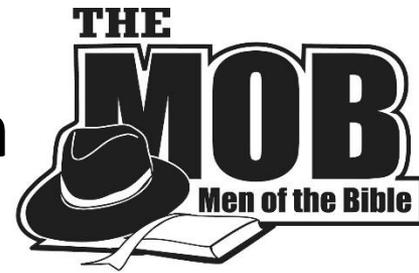


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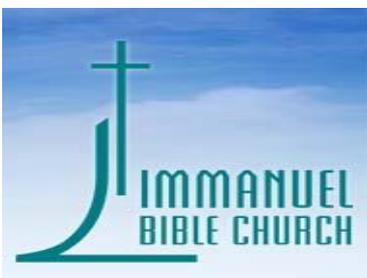
## Observations & Interpretation:

- This is the account of Abraham's death and funeral
- Isaac and Ishmael, although estranged, came together in peace to bury their father alongside Sarah\*
- This demonstrates that at certain times, Ishmael acted contrary to his nature and that ultimately, he was able to reconcile himself to Isaac's status as heir to Abraham\*
- The narrator tells us that God blessed Isaac (which God will do directly in [Genesis 26:2-4](#))\*
- The toledoth of Terah concludes

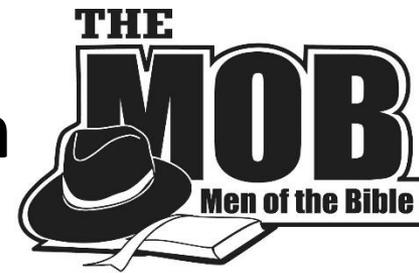
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- “These are the generations (toledoth) of Ishmael...”
- This passage highlights the faithfulness of God in fulfilling his promises: [Genesis 17:20](#) regarding Ishmael’s sons, and [Genesis 16:12](#) regarding Ishmael’s temperament\*
- Even in the peripheral characters of redemption history, God is faithful to his Word.\*

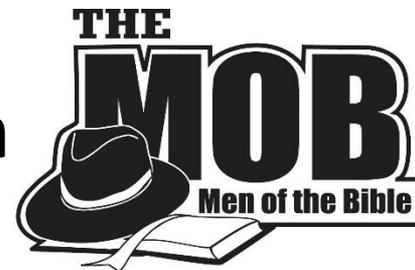
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## Observations & Interpretation:

- "There are the generations (toledoth) of Isaac..."
- Rebekah is barren at first, jeopardizing Abraham's line
- Isaac prays and his prayer is answered with restless twins
- Rebekah prays and her prayer his answered with the meaning of their restlessness:
  - The two nations would struggle throughout their history
  - God elected Jacob over Esau (see [Romans 9:6-13](#))
  - Jacob would continue the line of promise to the Messiah

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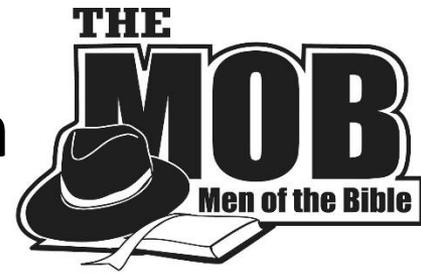
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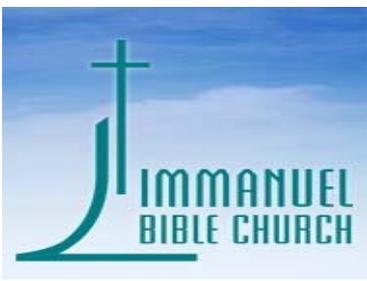
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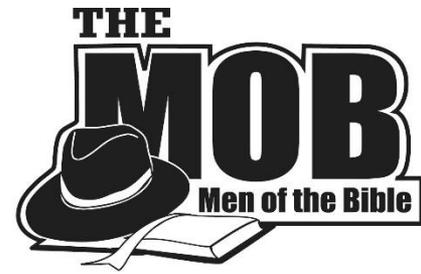
## Observations & Interpretation:

- Rebekah gave birth 20 years after marrying Isaac
- First instance of twins in the Bible
- The physical descriptions of the babies, the childbirth itself, and their names foreshadow their lifelong struggle
- As the brothers grew, their interests differed and their parents each chose a favorite
  - Isaac favored the outdoorsman Esau, father of the [Edomites](#) (Edom means “red”)
  - Rebekah favored the homeboy Jacob (“the heel”) who would later become “Israel” (the one who struggles with God)

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# Next Meeting



## Review:

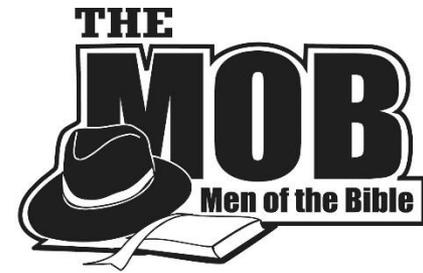
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## Read:

- [Genesis 26:1 – 35](#) God's Promise, Isaac's & Esau's Failures
- *Encountering Genesis*, Chapter 9, pages 120 – 122



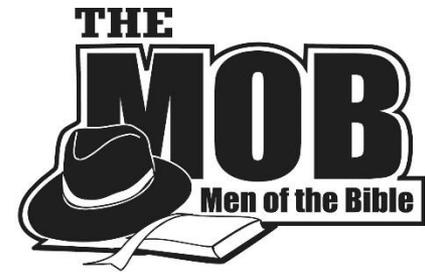
# Discussion & Application



1. Isaac and Ishmael buried their father. Can you imagine that funeral? Think about memorable funerals you have attended celebrating the life of a godly man or woman. What things would have been said of Abraham at his funeral?
2. What stands out to you about the fact that Isaac and Ishmael buried Abraham together? Have you been to a funeral where there might have been “bad blood” between relatives? What is important for those kinds of gatherings (particularly those in which a godly person has passed away)?
3. Why are the genealogies of Jesus in Matthew and Luke important? Do the different lists affect your belief in the truthfulness of the Bible? Why?
4. Rebekah received an “oracle” from God about the meaning of her twins. Do “oracles” still happen today when we “inquire of the LORD”? What does it mean that the canon of the Bible is closed?
5. Parental favoritism was evident with Rebekah and Isaac towards Jacob and Esau. Have you seen that in your life or the lives of those around you? How do you manage this in your family?



# Closing



- Questions
- Benediction