

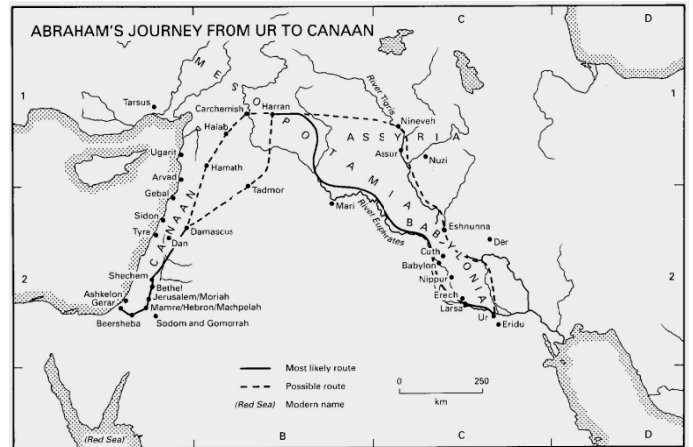
## Old Testament Men and Women of Faith "Father Abraham" (Part 1)

**Introduction:** the Old Testament is of great value when read in the light of the New Testament. Many of the characters in the Old Testament are referenced in the New.

1. History before Abraham – from creation to the covenant with Abraham.
2. The Noah Covenant: Genesis 9 – Covenants mark a new beginning in the plan of God.
3. Time Frame:
  - Abraham - 2000 B.C.
  - Moses – 1500 B.C.
  - David – 1000 B.C.
  - Daniel – 500 B.C.

4. Genesis 12:

- 1-3: The sevenfold promise to Abram. All the nations will be blessed through the descendents of Abram (Abraham) – see Acts 3:25.
- 4-9: Abram obeys and leaves Ur and travels to Haran with all his possessions and journeys to the land of Canaan. From Haran, he enters the land of Canaan.
- Verses 10-20: Abram in Egypt – a strange story – Sarah was 75.



5. Genesis 13: Abram and Lot.

- 1-13: Abram and Lot separate – see verse 13. Lot grabs the best land but settles in the midst of evil.
- 14-18: God re-establishes the covenant with Abram.

6. Genesis 14:

- 1-17: The battle with the five kings – Abram must have had quite an army.
- 18-20: A strange figure – Melchizedek – see Hebrews 7
- 21-24: Abraham rejects the offer of the King of Sodom

7. Genesis 15:

- 1-12: For the third time, God re-establishes the covenant with Abram.
- 12-21: Walking between the animal parts – see Jeremiah 34:18-19. If I break the covenant, may this happen to me.

**Next time:** Abram to Abraham, circumcision, Hagar, Ishmael, the three visitors, Sodom and Gomorrah, the Birth of Isaac.