

1 Chronicles 01 - The Patriarchal Genealogies

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(1) Adam to Israel (1:1-54)

(A) Adam to Abraham (1:1-27) (Cf. Gen 5:5-23)

1 Adam, Seth, Enosh,

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1 Adam fathered Seth, who fathered Enosh,

1 Adam, Sheth, Enosh,

2 Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared,

2 Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared,

2 who fathered Kenan, who fathered Mahalalel, who fathered Jared,

2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,

3 Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech,

3 Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech,

3 who fathered Enoch, who fathered Methuselah, who fathered Lamech,

3 Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,

4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

4 Noah, Shem, Ham and Japheth.

4 who fathered Noah, who fathered Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

5 The sons of Japheth were Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.

5 The sons of Japheth were Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech and Tiras.

5 Japheth's descendants were Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.

5 The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

6 The sons of Gomer *were* Ashkenaz, Diphath, and Togarmah.

6 The sons of Gomer *were* Ashkenaz, Diphath, and Togarmah.

6 Gomer's descendants *were* Ashkenaz, Diphath, and Togarmah.

6 And the sons of Gomer; Ashchenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

7 The sons of Javan *were* Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim, and **Rodanim**.

7 The sons of Javan *were* Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim and Rodanim.

7 Javan's descendants *were* Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim, and Rodanim.

7 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.

- "...Rodanim" - natives of the Greek island of Rhodes

8 The sons of Ham *were* Cush, Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.

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8 Ham's descendants *were* Cush, Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.

8 The sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.

9 The sons of Cush *were* Seba, Havilah, Sabta, Raama, and Sabteca; and the sons of Raamah *were* Sheba and Dedan.

9 The sons of Cush *were* Seba, Havilah, Sabta, Raama and Sabteca; and the sons of Raamah *were* Sheba and Dedan.

9 Cush's descendants *were* Seba, Havilah, Sabta, Raama, and Sabteca.

Raamah's descendants *were* Sheba and Dedan.

9 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

10 Cush fathered Nimrod; he began to be a mighty one on the earth.

10 Cush became the father of Nimrod; he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

10 Cush fathered Nimrod. He became the first powerful ruler on the earth.

10 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.

- This list is almost identical to Gen 10:6-8,13-18. There is even the abbreviated narrative concerning Nimrod (1 Chr 1:10; Cf. Gen 10:8-12), a fact that points decidedly to the view that the chronicler had the Genesis genealogies before him.

11 Mizraim fathered the people of Lud, Anam, Lehab, Naphtuh,

11 Mizraim became the father of the people of Lud, Anam, Lehab, Naphtuh,

11 Mitzraim fathered the Ludim, the Anamim, the Lehabim, the Naphtuhim,
11 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

12 Pathrus, and Casluh, from whom the Philistines came, and the **Caphtorim**.

12 Pathrus, Casluh, from which the Philistines came, and Caphtor.

12 the Pathrusim, the Casluhim (from whom the Philistines descended), and the Caphtorim.

12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines,) and Caphthorim.

- "...Caphthorim" - probably refers to the island of Crete

13 Canaan fathered Sidon his firstborn, and **Heth**,

13 Canaan became the father of Sidon, his firstborn, Heth,

13 Canaan fathered Sidon his firstborn, as well as Heth,

13 And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,

- "...Heth" - founded the nation of the Hittites, who lived in current central Turkey

14 and the Jebusites, the Amorites, the Girgashites,

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14 The Jebusite also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,

15 the Hivites, the Arkites, the Sinites,

15 the Hivites, the Arkites, the Sinites,

15 the Hivites, the Archites, the Sinites,

15 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,

16 the Arvadites, the Zemarites, and the Hamathites.

16 the Arvadites, the Zemarites and the Hamathites.

16 the Arvadites, the Zemarites, and the Hamathites.

16 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite.

17 The sons of Shem *were* Elam, Asshur, Arpachshad, Lud, Aram, Uz, Hul, Gether, and Meshech.

17 The sons of Shem *were* Elam, Asshur, Arpachshad, Lud, Aram, Uz, Hul, Gether and Meshech.

17 Shem's descendants were Elam, Asshur, Arpachshad, Lud, Aram, Uz, Hul, Gether, and Meshech.

17 The sons of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Meshech.

- The Chronicler used Genesis texts selectively to include nations, tribes, and individuals that were relevant to his overall design, especially that one through whom redemptive blessing would come, namely, Shem (Cf. Gen 9:26-27)

18 Arpachshad fathered Shelah, and Shelah fathered **Eber**.

18 Arpachshad became the father of Shelah and Shelah became the father of Eber.

18 Arpachshad fathered Shelah and Shelah fathered Eber.

18 And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah begat Eber.

- "...Eber" - became father of the Eberites, which was another name for the Hebrews

19 Two sons were born to Eber: the name of the one was Peleg, for in his days **the earth was divided**; and his brother's name was Joktan.

19 Two sons were born to Eber, the name of the one was Peleg, for in his days the earth was divided, and his brother's name was Joktan.

19 Eber fathered two sons. The name of the one was Peleg (because the earth was divided during his lifetime) and his brother was named Joktan.

19 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one was Peleg; because in his days the earth was divided: and his brother's name was Joktan.

- "...the earth was divided" - it was divided linguistically when God judged mankind at the Tower of Babel (Gen 10:21; 11:10-26)

- This genealogy of Shem has the added feature of a brief summation of names in which the first five names (Shem through Peleg), which are central to the line of descent, are repeated (Cf. v24-25)

20 Joktan fathered Almodad, Sheleph, Hazarmaveth, Jerah,

20 Joktan became the father of Almodad, Sheleph, Hazarmaveth, Jerah,

20 Joktan fathered Almodad, Sheleph, Hazarmaveth, Jerah,

20 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

21 Hadoram, Uzal, Diklah,

21 Hadoram, Uzal, Diklah,

21 Hadoram, Uzal, Diklah,

21 Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah,

22 Ebal, Abimael, Sheba,

22 Ebal, Abimael, Sheba,

22 Ebal, Abimael, Sheba,

22 And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

23 Ophir, Havilah, and Jobab; all these *were* the sons of Joktan.

23 Ophir, Havilah and Jobab; all these *were* the sons of Joktan.

23 Ophir, Havilah, and Jobab—all of these were Joktan's descendants.

23 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these were the sons of Joktan.

24 Shem, Arpachshad, Shelah,

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24 In summary, Shem fathered Arpachshad, who fathered Shelah,

24 Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,

25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,

25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,

25 who fathered Eber, who fathered Peleg, who fathered Reu,

25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,

26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,

26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,

26 who fathered Serug, who fathered Nahor, who fathered Terah,

26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,

27 *and* Abram, that is Abraham.

27 Abram, that is Abraham.

27 who fathered Abram—that is, Abraham.

27 Abram; the same is Abraham.

- Striking by omission are the names of Abram's brothers, Nahor and Haran (which are found in Gen 11:26)

-- The Nahor in 1 Chr 1:26 is Abraham's grandfather, not his brother

-- Abraham's brothers were left out by the Chronicler because they were not in the line from Adam to David

(B) Abraham to Jacob (1:28-54) (Cf. Gen 25:1-4,13-16,25-26)

28 The sons of Abraham *were* Isaac and Ishmael.

28 The sons of Abraham *were* Isaac and Ishmael.

28 Abraham's descendants were Isaac and Ishmael.

28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.

29 These are their genealogies: the firstborn of Ishmael was Nebaioth, then Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam,

29 These are their genealogies: the firstborn of Ishmael was Nebaioth, then Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam,

29 These are their genealogies: the firstborn Ishmael fathered Nebaioth, and then Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam,

29 These are their generations: The firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

30 Mishma, Dumah, Massa, Hadad, Tema,

30 Mishma, Dumah, Massa, Hadad, Tema,

30 Mishma, Dumah, Massa, Hadad, Tema,

30 Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, Hadad, and Tema,

31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah; these were the sons of Ishmael.

31 Jetur, Naphish and Kedemah; these were the sons of Ishmael.

31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah—these are the Ishmaelites.

31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.

- This section is arranged around the descendants of Abraham according to their mothers — First, the descent of Ishmael, son of Hagar, appears (Cf. Gen 25:12-16). As founder of the various Ishmaelite and, ultimately, Arabic tribes he was important to the Chronicler's own historical situation (Cf. 1 Chr 27:30; 2 Chr 17:11; 21:16; 22:1; 26:7; also Cf. Neh 2:19; 4:7; 6:1).

32 The sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine, to whom she gave birth, were Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan were Sheba and Dedan.

32 The sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine, whom she bore, were Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan were Sheba and Dedan.

32 The descendants born to Keturah, Abraham's mistress, were Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah. The descendants of Jokshan were Sheba and Dedan.

32 Now the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.

33 The sons of Midian were Ephah, Epher, Hanoch, Abida, and Eldaah. All these were the sons of Keturah.

33 The sons of Midian were Ephah, Epher, Hanoch, Abida and Eldaah. All these were the sons of Keturah.

33 The descendants of Midian were Ephah, Ephher, Hanoch, Abida, and Eldaah. All these were the descendants of Keturah.

33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Ephher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these are the sons of Keturah.

34 Abraham fathered Isaac. The sons of Isaac were Esau and Israel.

34 Abraham became the father of Isaac. The sons of Isaac were Esau and Israel.

34 Abraham fathered Isaac. Isaac's descendants were Esau and Israel.

34 And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.

- Introduction of Abraham's line through Sarah, his wife, and Isaac, son of Sarah

— It mentions Isaac's two sons...Esau and Israel (Jacob), whose own genealogies then follow in v35-54 (Esau's line) and 1 Chr 2-7 (Jacob's line)

— The descendants of Esau, who settled in the land of Edom, east and south of the Dead Sea (Cf. Gen 36:8), are listed in two divisions here, as they are in Genesis

— First are the sons of Esau (1 Chr 1:35-37) and then "the kings who reigned in Edom" (v43-54)

Esau's Genealogy (Cf. Gen 26:4-11,20-28)

35 The sons of Esau were Eliphaz, Reuel, Jeush, Jalam, and Korah.

35 The sons of Esau were Eliphaz, Reuel, Jeush, Jalam and Korah.

35 Esau's descendants were Eliphaz, Reuel, Jeush, Jalam, and Korah.

35 The sons of Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

36 The sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zephi, Gatam, Kenaz, **Timna**, and Amalek.

36 The sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zephi, Gatam, Kenaz, Timna and Amalek.

36 Eliphaz's descendants were Teman, Omar, Zephi, Gatam, Kenaz, Timna, and Amalek.

36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek.

- "...Timna" - some Bible versions read as if Timna was a son of Eliphaz, but in Hebrew the name Timna is feminine, and in Gen 36:12 she is said to be a concubine of Eliphaz (son of Esau), and mother of Amalek

— Having mentioned Timna, the Chronicler then identified her as a native "Seirite" (1 Chr 1:38-39; she was a daughter of Seir), a pre-Edomite

37 The sons of Reuel were Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.

37 The sons of Reuel were Nahath, Zerah, Shammah and Mizzah.

37 Reuel's descendants were Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.

37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.

38 The sons of **Seir** were Lotan, Shobal, Zibeon, Anah, Dishon, Ezer, and Dishan.
38 The sons of Seir were Lotan, Shobal, Zibeon, Anah, Dishon, Ezer and Dishan.
38 Seir's descendants were Lotan, Shobal, Zibeon, Anah, Dishon, Ezer, and Dishan.
38 And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan.

- "...Seir" - the patriarchal name of the pre-Edomite population of Edom

39 The sons of Lotan were Hori and Homam; and Lotan's sister was Timna.
39 The sons of Lotan were Hori and Homam; and Lotan's sister was Timna.
39 Lotan's descendants were Hori and Homam. Lotan's sister was Timna.
39 And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna was Lotan's sister.

40 The sons of Shobal were Alian, Manahath, Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon were Aiah and Anah.

40 The sons of Shobal were Alian, Manahath, Ebal, Shephi and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon were Aiah and Anah.

40 Shobal's descendants were Alian, Manahath, Ebal, Shephi, and Onam.
Zibeon's descendants were Aiah and Anah.

40 The sons of Shobal; Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.

41 The son of Anah was Dishon. And the sons of Dishon were Hamran, Eshban, Ithran, and Cheran.

41 The son of Anah was Dishon. And the sons of Dishon were Hamran, Eshban, Ithran and Cheran.

41 Anah's descendant was Dishon.

Dishon's descendants were Hamran, Eshban, Ithran, and Cheran.

41 The sons of Anah; Dishon. And the sons of Dishon; Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

42 The sons of Ezer were Bilhan, Zaavan, and Jaakan. The sons of Dishan were Uz and Aran.

42 The sons of Ezer were Bilhan, Zaavan and Jaakan. The sons of Dishan were Uz and Aran.

42 Ezer's descendants were Bilhan, Zaavan, and Jaakan.

Dishan's descendants were Uz and Aran.

42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, and Jakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and Aran.

The Kings of Edom (Cf. Gen 36:31-39)

43 Now these are the kings who reigned in the land of Edom before *any* king from the sons of Israel reigned. Bela was the son of Beor, and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

43 Now these are the kings who reigned in the land of Edom before any king of the sons of Israel reigned. Bela was the son of Beor, and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

43 Here's a list of kings who reigned in the land of Edom before any king reigned over the Israelis, beginning with Beor's son Bela (his city was named Dinhabah).

43 Now these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom before any king reigned over the children of Israel; Bela the son of Beor: and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

- The fact that kings ruled over Edom for many generations before Saul became Israel's first king may explain why the Israelites wanted a king "like all the other nations" (1 Sam 8:5)

44 When Bela died, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah became king in his place.

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44 After Bela died, Zerah's son Jobab from Bozrah succeeded him.

44 And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

45 When Jobab died, Husham of the land of the Temanites became king in his place.

45 When Jobab died, Husham of the land of the Temanites became king in his place.

45 After Jobab died, Husham from the land of the Temanites succeeded him.

45 And when Jobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.

- These Edomite kings are not otherwise known but the adverse relationship of the Edomites to Israel and Judah was continuing (to this day!).

46 When Husham died, Hadad the son of Bedad, who defeated Midian in the field of Moab, became king in his place; and the name of his city was Avith.

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46 After Husham died, Bedad's son Hadad, who defeated Midian in the country of Moab, succeeded him. His city was named Avith.

46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Avith.

47 When Hadad died, Samlah of Masrekah became king in his place.

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47 After Hadad died, Samlah from Masrekah succeeded him.

47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

48 When Samlah died, Shaul of Rehoboth by the *Euphrates* River became king in his place.

48 When Samlah died, Shaul of Rehoboth by the River became king in his place.

48 After Samlah died, Shaul from Rehoboth on the Euphrates River succeeded him.

48 And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.

49 When Shaul died, Baal-hanan the son of Achbor became king in his place.

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49 After Shaul died, Achbor's son Baal-hanan succeeded him.

49 And when Shaul was dead, Baalhanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

50 When Baal-hanan died, Hadad became king in his place; and the name of his city was Pai, and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

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50 After Baal-hanan died, Hadad succeeded him. His city was named Pai, and his wife's name was Mehetabel. She was the daughter of Matred, who was the daughter of Mezahab.

50 And when Baalhanan was dead, Hadad reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pai; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

The Chiefs of Edom (Cf. Gen 36:40-43)

51 Then Hadad died.

Now the tribal chiefs of Edom were chief Timna, chief Aliah, chief Jetheth,

51 Then Hadad died.

Now the chiefs of Edom were: chief Timna, chief Aliah, chief Jetheth,

51 Then Hadad died.

The chiefs of Edom included the chiefs of Timna, Aliah, Jetheth,

51 Hadad died also. And the dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah, duke Aliah, duke Jetheth,

52 chief Oholibamah, chief Elah, chief Pinon,

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52 Oholibamah, Elah, Pinon,

52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

53 chief Kenaz, chief Teman, chief Mibzar,

53 chief Kenaz, chief Teman, chief Mibzar,

53 Kenaz, Teman, Mibzar,

53 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

54 chief Magdiel, *and* chief Iram. These *were* the chiefs of Edom.

54 chief Magdiel, chief Iram. These *were* the chiefs of Edom.

54 Magdiel, and Iram—these are the clans of Edom.

54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These are the dukes of Edom.