

# GENESIS - EXPOSITION

Genesis 13

# GENESIS Outline

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# PATRIARCH CHRONOLOGY

**Abraham (175)**

**Isaac (180)**

**Noah**

**Leaves Haran**

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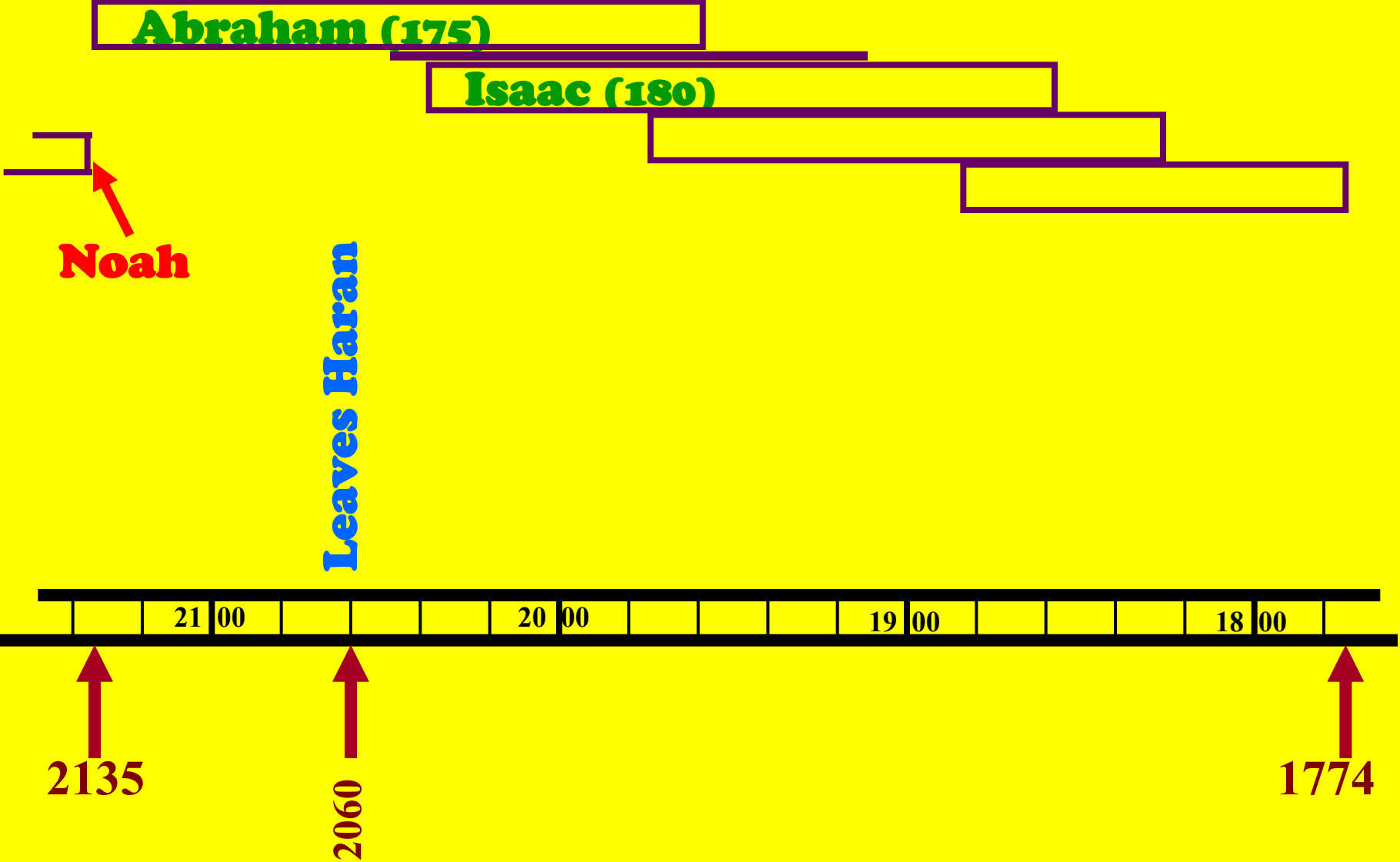
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**13:3-4 He went on his journeys from the Negev as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, 4 to the place of the altar which he had made there formerly; and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.**

○ city (uncertain location)



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Mediterranean Sea

Dead Sea

**Sodom**

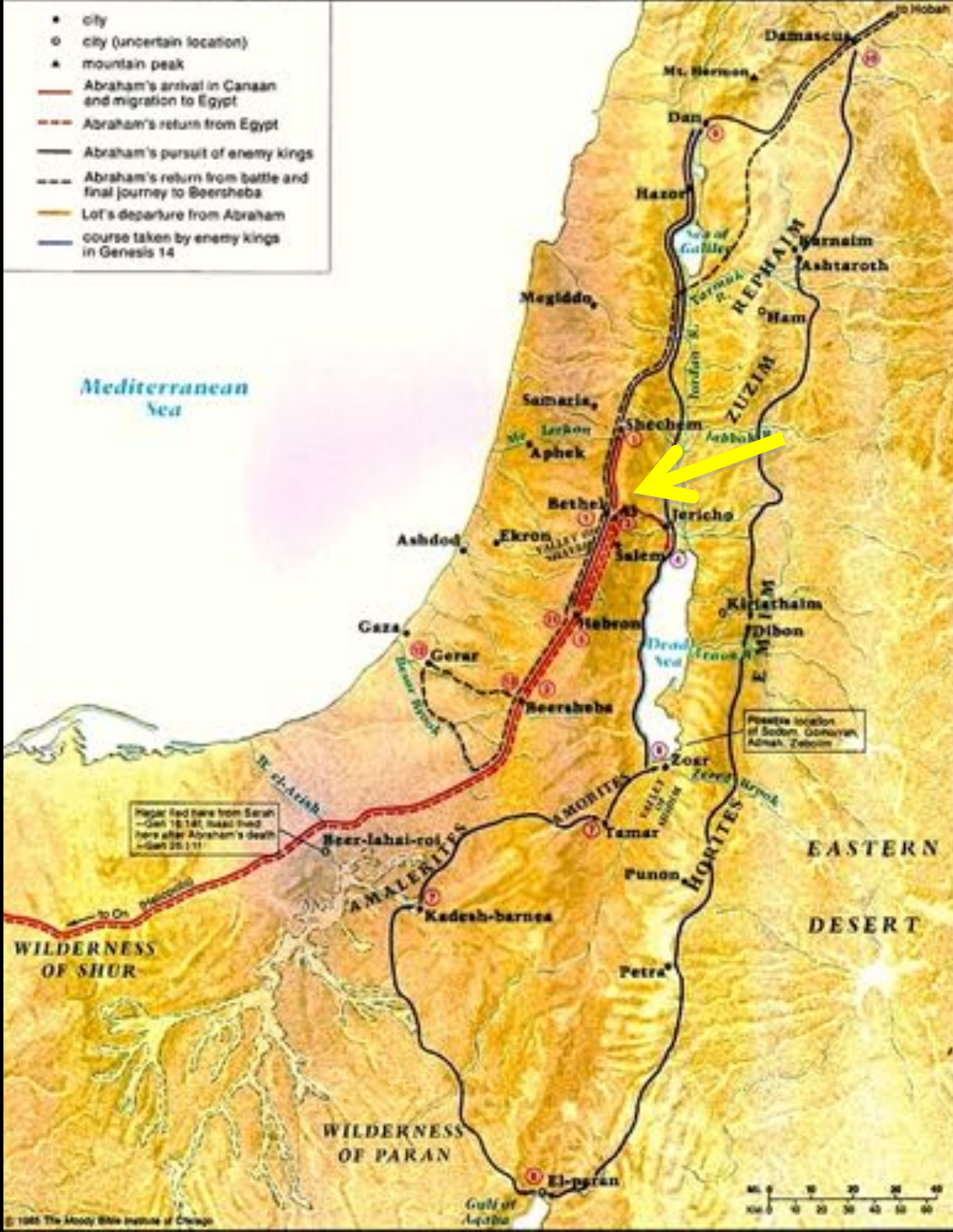


Gath-rimmon  
Ioppa  
Ono  
Beth-dagon  
Lod  
Modin  
Gittaim  
Jamnia  
Gibbethon  
Ashdod  
Ashkelon  
Gaza  
Gerar  
Ziklag

Pirathon  
Shechem  
Tappuah  
Lebonah  
Shiloh  
Arimathaea  
Gulgai  
Timmah-serah  
Gophna  
Bethel  
Ai  
Upper Beth-horon  
Gibeon  
Beeroth  
Jerusalem  
Bethlehem  
Tebus  
Bethoron  
Debir  
Carmel  
Eshtemoa

Succoth  
Adam  
Ophrah  
Beth-nimrah  
Beth-haram  
City of Salt  
Engedi  
Masada

Mahamaim  
Fenuel  
Mirpah  
Jogbehah  
Jazer  
Amm  
Beth-nimrah  
Heshbon  
Baal-peor  
Beer  
Beth-jeshimon  
Nebo  
Medeba  
Almon-diblathaim  
Ataroth  
Iahaz  
Kedemoth  
Dibon  
Aroer  
Mattan



# RESOLVING CONFLICT

Abram

Lot

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## Abram

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2. Relationships
3. Trust in promises
4. Yields rights

## Lot

- walk in flesh
- material gain
- selfish heart
- moral risks

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# **TERM**

- 1. Valley - כִּכָּר (kikkar)  
a round - talent (Ex 25:29),  
loaf (Ex 29:23),  
plain (19:17, 28-29, Deut 34:3 )**



Sodom



Dead Sea

Engedi

City of Salt

Gilgal  
Jericho (OT)  
Jericho (NT)

Beth-nimrah  
Shittim

Beth-naram

Heshbon

Baal-peor

Bezer

Beth-jeshimoth

Nebo

Medeba

Bethlehem

Almon-diblathaim

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Hebron

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Masada

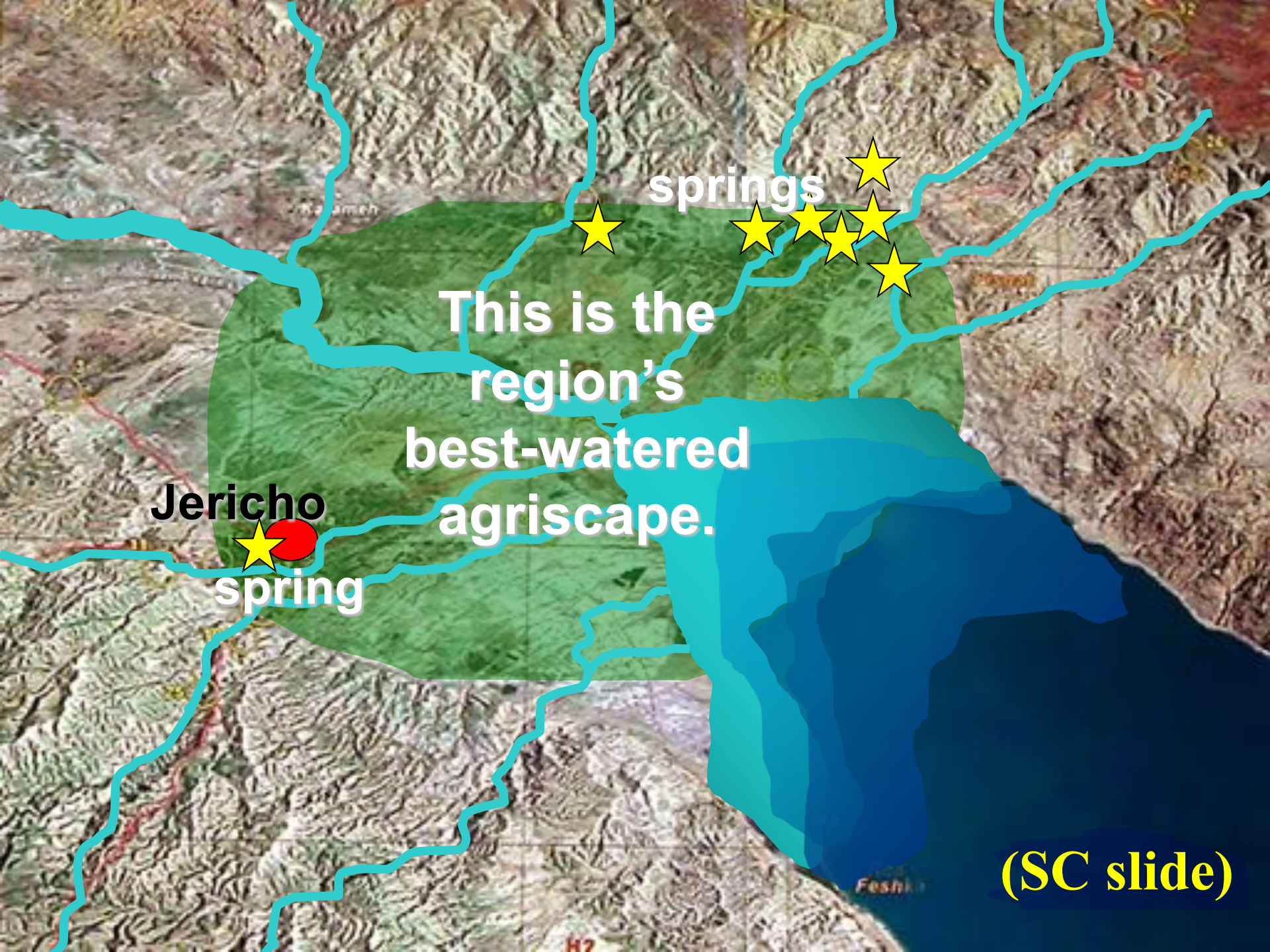


**Sodom (13:10)**



**Jericho area looking east from Cypros**

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**Jericho**



**spring**

**springs**

**This is the  
region's  
best-watered  
agriscape.**

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# CONTRASTS

## Lot

1. By sight

2. Abram offers land

3. Lift eyes - valley

## Abram

By faith

Lord offers land

Lift eyes - all land

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# CONTRASTS

## Lot

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3. Lift eyes - valley
4. Went east

## Abram

- By faith
- Lord offers land
  - Lift eyes - all land
  - Dwelt in Hebron



# **OUTSIDE BLESSING**

- 1. Out of Garden - 3:24**
- 2. Cain settles - 4:16**
- 3. Babel - 11:2**
- 4. Lot chooses Sodom - 13:10-12**
- 5. Keturah's sons - 25:6**
- 6. Jacob flees - 29:1**

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1. Walk in Spirit
2. Relationships
3. Trust in promises
4. Yields rights
5. Results to Lord

## Lot

- walk in flesh
- material gain
- selfish heart
- moral risks
- ignore principles

# CONTRASTS

## Lot

1. By sight
2. Abram offers land
3. Lift eyes - valley
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5. Greedy & worldly
6. Chose land

## Abram

- By faith
- Lord offers land
  - Lift eyes - all land
  - Dwelt in Hebron
  - Generous & humble
  - Waited for God



**13:13 Now the men of Sodom  
were wicked exceedingly and  
sinners against the LORD.**

# CONTRASTS

## Lot

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2. Abram offers land
3. Lift eyes - valley
4. Went east
5. Greedy & worldly
6. Chose land
7. Dangerous

## Abram

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  - Confirmed by God





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Tall el-Hammam  
Preliminary reconstruction  
of the Early Bronze Age

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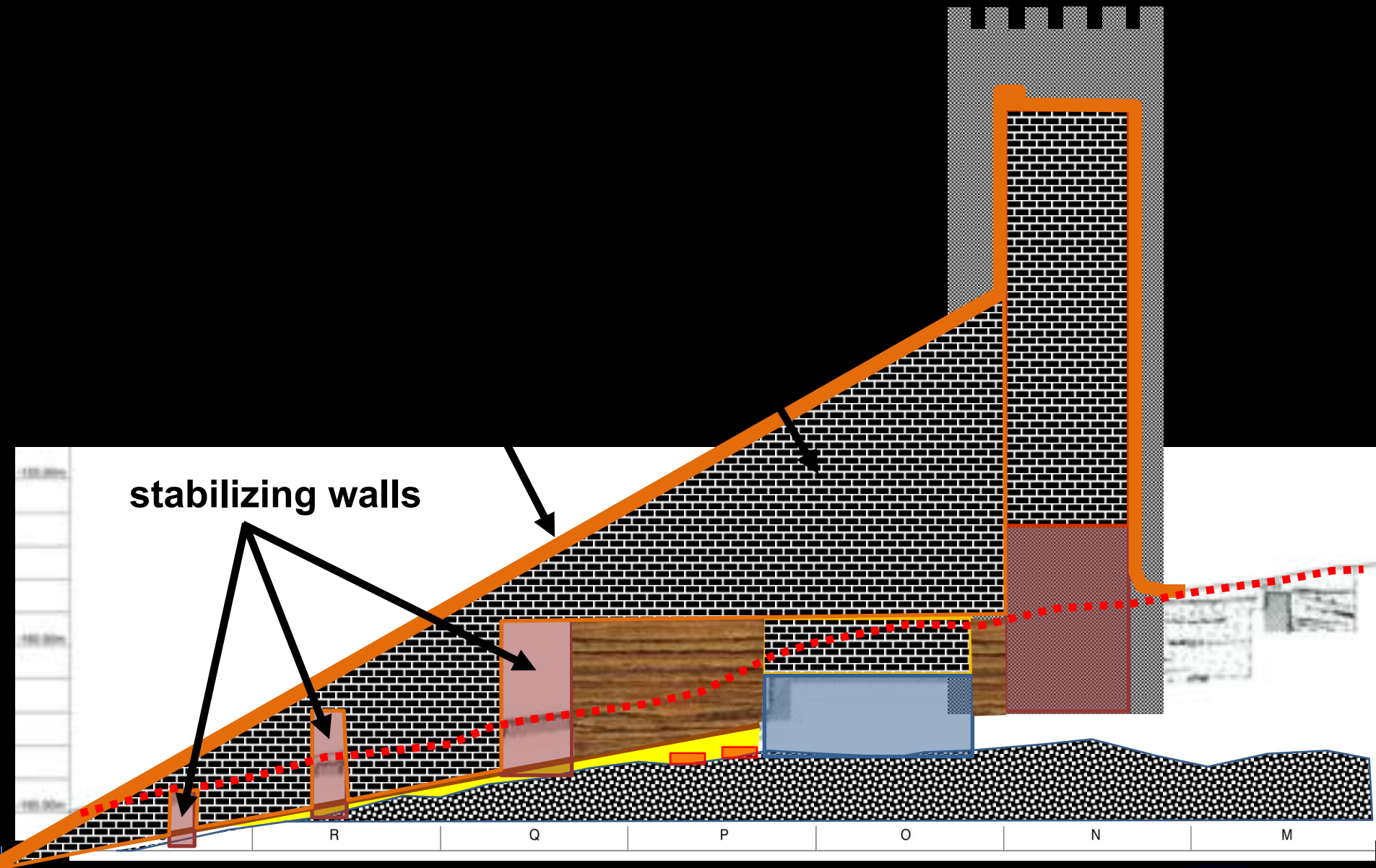




**Archaeologists Uncover Companies'  
Rainbow Logos From Sodom And  
Gomorrah (Babylon Bee)**



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stabilizing walls

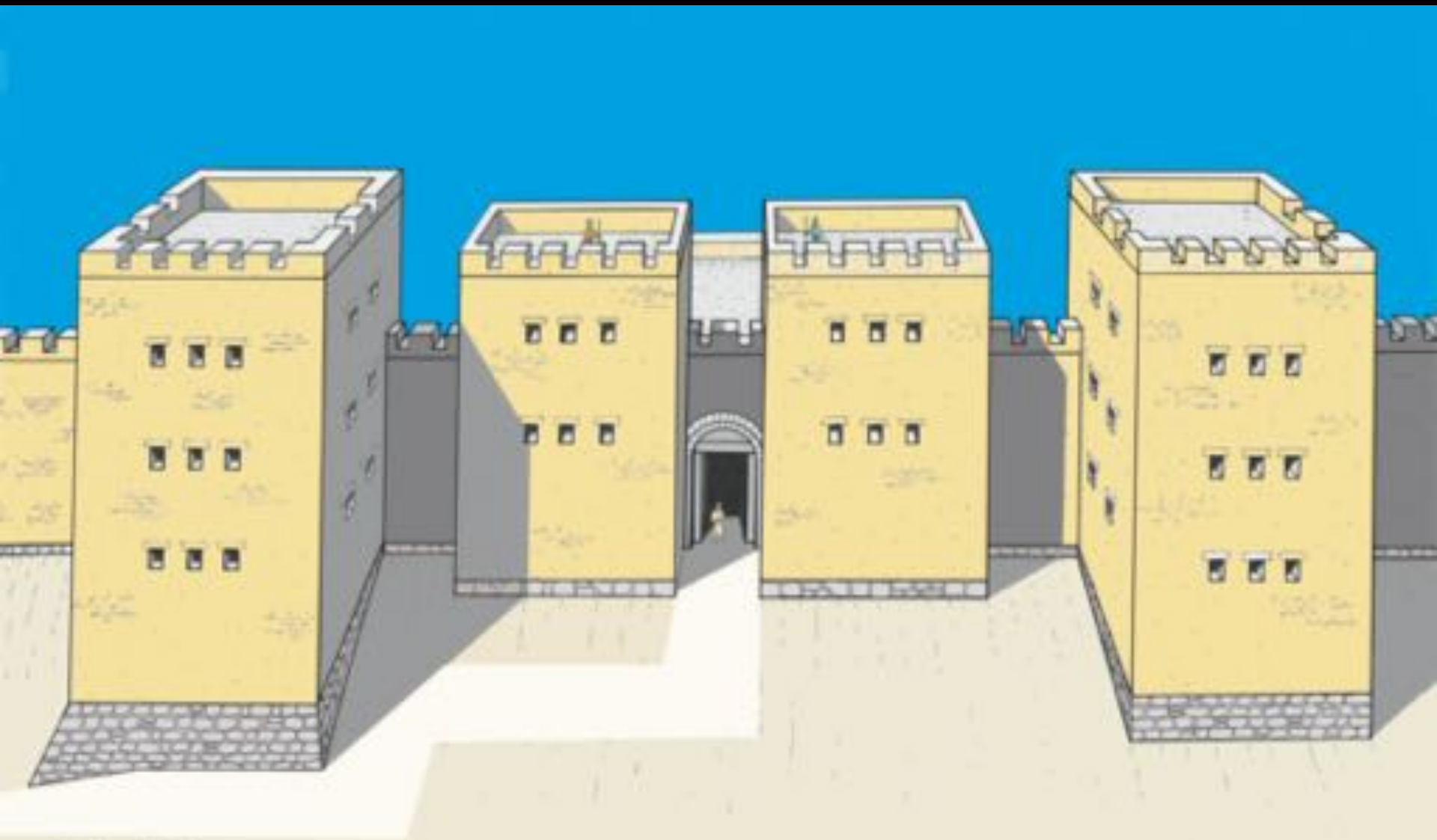
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# 7 PROMISES

1. Great nation
2. Blessing - land of Canaan
3. Name great
4. Will be blessing
5. Bless those who bless
6. Curse those who curse
7. All people blessed

**13:16-17 “I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth, so that if anyone can number the dust of the earth, then your descendants can also be numbered. 17 “Arise, walk about the land through its length and breadth; for I will give it to you.”**

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5. Results to Lord
6. God rewards

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8. Lost all

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  - Heir of world

Sea of Galilee

**Relationships need to  
be nurtured &  
protected!!!**