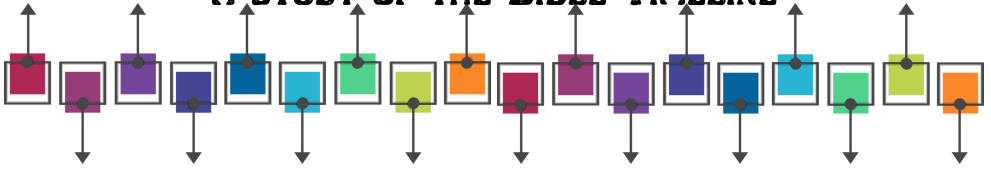


TRUST THE STORY

A STUDY OF THE BIBLE TIMELINE



ISAAC

- THE WORD "BEGINNING" IN GENESIS 1:1 IS THE HEBREW WORD "RE'SHIYTH (RAY-SHEETH)" WHICH MEANS "FIRST, BEGINNING, BEST, CHIEF."
 - THE CREATION STORY WAS BOTH FIRST IN TIMELINE ORDER AND FIRST IN IMPORTANCE IN THE BIBLICAL NARRATIVE.
- AFTER CREATION, GOD SAW THAT HIS CREATION WAS GOOD. HE TRUSTED THE STORY.
- ABRAHAM CONTINUED TO TRUST THE STORY, EVEN THOUGH HE TRIED TO MAKE THE STORY HAPPEN HIMSELF.
 - HE INTRODUCED HIS WIFE AS HIS SISTER.
 - HE WAS IMPATIENT IN WAITING FOR A SON.
 - HE THOUGHT HIS WIFE WAS TOO OLD TO HAVE A CHILD.
- ABRAHAM WAS PROMISED AS MANY DESCENDANTS AS THERE ARE STARS IN THE SKY AND SAND ON THE SHORE.
 - ABRAHAM WAS IMPATIENT, BUT GOD REMAINED FAITHFUL
- WHEN ABRAHAM WAS 99 YEARS OLD AND SARAH WAS 89, VISITORS FROM GOD CAME TO ABRAHAM AND TOLD HIM THEY WOULD HAVE A SON BY THIS TIME NEXT YEAR.
 - SARAH LAUGHED AT THE THOUGHT OF A 90 YEAR OLD GIVING BIRTH.
 - THAT TIME NEXT YEAR, ABRAHAM AND SARAH HAD ISAAC.
- GOD KEPT HIS PROMISE, EVEN WHEN ABRAHAM MADE MISTAKES.
- WHEN ISAAC WAS GROWN, ABRAHAM SENT A SERVANT BACK TO HIS HOMETLAND TO FIND A WIFE.
 - ABRAHAM'S SERVANT FOUND SOMEONE WHO DISPLAYED THE SAME COMMITMENT TO SERVING AS ABRAHAM DID.
 - ABRAHAM TRUSTED THE STORY BY BEING PATIENT IN FINDING A WIFE FOR HIS SON WHO WOULD SHOW THE SAME VALUES GOD SAW IN HIM WHEN HE CALLED HIM TO FOLLOW.
 - ISAAC MARRIED REBEKAH.
- EVEN WHEN THE STORY SEEMED IMPROBABLY (LIKE A 90 YEAR OLD WOMAN GIVING BIRTH), WE SEE GOD'S STORY IS TRUE AND TRUSTWORTHY.