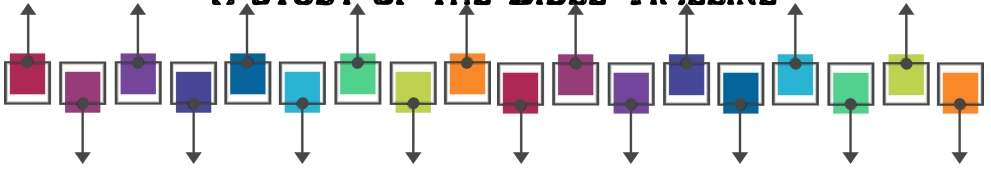


TRUST THE STORY

A STUDY OF THE BIBLE TIMELINE



CALL OF ABRAM

- 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.
- ADAM AND EVE WERE THE FIRST HUMANS AND THE ONLY PART OF CREATION MADE "IMAGO DEI" OR "IN THE IMAGE OF GOD."
- AFTER ADAM AND EVE SINNED, GOD STARTED WORKING ON A PLAN OF REDEMPTION TO BRING HIS PEOPLE BACK TO HIM.
 - HE SAVED NOAH AND HIS FAMILY DURING THE FLOOD.
 - HE REMINDED PEOPLE OF THEIR NEED FOR HIM AT BABEL.
- THE NEXT STEP IN THE REDEMPTION STORY WAS CREATING AN AVENUE TO BRING HIMSELF INTO THE WORLD IN A PHYSICAL WAY.
 - THE CALL OF ABRAM WAS THE FIRST MAJOR STEP TOWARD SENDING JESUS TO US.
- IT WAS BORDERLINE MORALLY WRONG IN ABRAM'S CULTURE TO FOLLOW THE CALL OF YAHWEH.
 - ABRAM LEFT EVERYTHING HE EVER KNEW.
 - HE LEFT HIS FATHER'S PROTECTION AND PROSPERITY.
 - HE LEFT HIS FATHER'S WORK.
 - HE LEFT HIS FATHER'S GODS.
 - HE LEFT HIS INHERITANCE.
 - HE LEFT HIS HONOR.
 - ABRAM STILL FOLLOWED GOD'S CALL WITHOUT HESITATION
- GOD MADE A COVENANT WITH ABRAM TO BLESS THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD THROUGH HIM.
 - GOD WAS NOT INTERESTED IN ABRAM GETTING COMFORTABLE LIKE THE PEOPLE OF BABEL - HE WANTED ABRAM GOING TO BLESS THE WORLD.
 - ABRAM SET UP AN ALTAR FOR GOD, SHOWING GOD'S IMMOVABILITY.
 - HE PITCHED A TENT FOR HIMSELF, SHOWING HIS FLEXIBILITY TO FOLLOW.