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1 This is the account of Noah's sons Shem, Ham, and Japheth, who also had sons after the flood.

32 All these are the clans of Noah's sons, according to their generations and nations. From these the nations of the earth spread out after the flood.

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24 When Noah awoke from his drunkenness and learned what his youngest son had done to him, 25 he said, "Cursed be Canaan! A servant of servants shall he be to his brothers." **26 He also declared:** "Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem! May Canaan be the servant of Shem. 27 May God expand the territory of Japheth, may he dwell in the tents of Shem, and may Canaan be his servant."

The Promise of Paradise

A people A place A peace A provider & protector A life with no end/death

Genesis 12:1 Then the LORD said to Abram, "Leave your country, your kindred, and your father's household, and go to the land I will show you. 2 I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you; and all the families of the earth will be blessed through you."

4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had directed him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he left Haran.

5 And Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, and all the possessions and people they had acquired in Haran, and set out for the land of Canaan. Genesis 12
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God promised Abram a people



Genesis 13:16 I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if one could count the dust of the earth, then your offspring could be counted.

Genesis 15:5..."Now look to the heavens and count the stars, if you are able." Then He declared, "So shall your offspring be."

- 4 "As for Me, this is My covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations.
- **5** No longer will you be called Abram, but your name will be Abraham, for I have made you the father of many nations.

A people

6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will descend from you.

1 Then the LORD said to Abram,

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7 Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "I will give this land to your offspring.

God promised Abram a place

Genesis 13:14...the LORD said to Abram, "Now lift up your eyes from the place where you are, and look to the north and south and east and west. 15 For all the land that you see, I will give to you and your offspring forever.

Genesis 15:7 The LORD also told him, "I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess."

Genesis 17 8 And to you and your descendants I will give the land of your sojourn—all the land of Canaan—as an eternal possession;

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God promised Abram that He would be His God (protection & provision)

1 After these events, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision:"Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward."

7 I will establish My covenant as an everlasting covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you.

Protection & Provision of God



Moreover, I must point out that persecution against the Lord's church and against all Chinese people who believe in Jesus Christ is the most wicked and the most horrendous evil of Chinese society.

This is not only a sin against Christians. It is also a sin against all non-Christians. For the government is brutally and ruthlessly threatening them and hindering them from coming to Jesus. There is no greater wickedness in the world than this.

If this regime is one day overthrown by God, it will be for no other reason than God's righteous punishment and revenge for this evil. For on earth, there has only ever been a thousand-year church. There has never been a thousand-year government. There is only eternal faith. There is no eternal

power.

Those who lock me up will one day be locked up by angels. Those who interrogate me will finally be questioned and judged by Christ. When I think of this, the Lord fills me with a natural compassion and grief toward those who are attempting to and actively imprisoning me. Pray that the Lord would use me, that he would grant me patience and wisdom, that I might take the gospel to them.

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 9 So those who have faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

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- 26 You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
- 27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise.

Romans 4

16 Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may rest on grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring—not only to those who are of the Law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. 17 As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the presence of God, in whom he believed, the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being what does not yet exist.

Romans 4

- 23 Now the words "it was credited to him" were written not only for Abraham, 24 but also for us, to whom righteousness will be credited—for us who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead.
- 25 He was delivered over to death for our trespasses and was raised to life for our justification.

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