Job & Melchizedek Patriarchal Dispensation

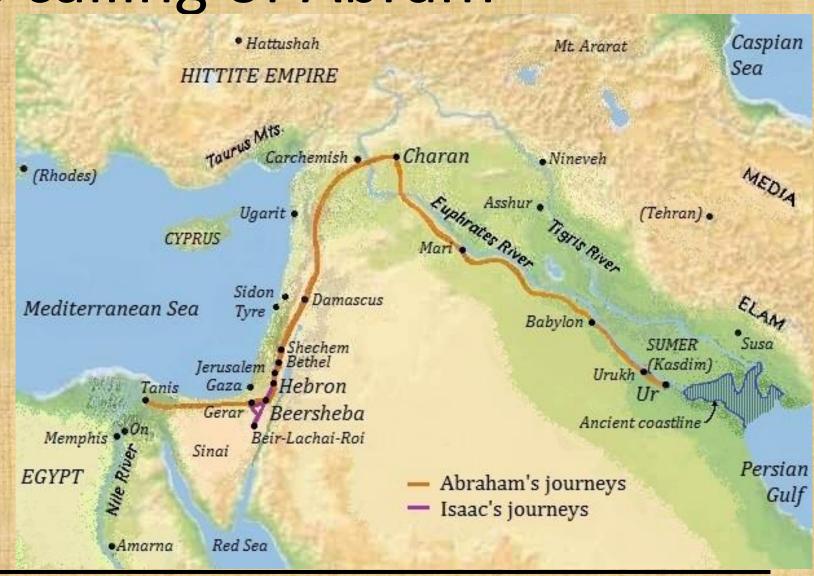
- After Babel, all the nations could worship 'Almighty God'.
- This 'Worship' would be co-ordinated through their 'Patriarch Priest'.
- This 'system' originated with Noah, who was a progenitor figure, like Adam (the only link to the world before 'The Flood').
- Examples: Job and Melchizedek (and later Abraham, Isaac & Jacob).
- The Nations 'deified' their departed founding 'Patriarch Priest's'.
- Then confused their deified ancestors with 'Almighty God'.
- Finally, they created a 'pantheon' of deities & identified them with aspects of the creation (natural 'forces', elements, or luminaries).
 - Man has to worship 'deify' something, even if not referred to as 'God'.
 - The Antichrist will utilise this inherent characteristic.

The calling of Abram

Abram was an Amorite (descendent of Shem).

Resident of 'Ur of the Chaldea's' (a city south of Babylon)

Abram was an idolator, as were his father's (Joshua 24:2).



Job (Author?)

- Job is an unwitting participant in the 'cosmic' battle, God v's Satan.
- Job is a major type of the Messiah.
 - Tested (opposed) by Satan, yet victorious.
 - Loses practically everything (his life) for God's sake.
 - Condemned by those who should know better (brethren/friends).
 - Job's self-justification are the words Jesus could have said, but didn't.
 - Job's trials result in a greater revelation of God than his initial glory.
 - Job's hope is in the resurrection (Job 19:26).
 - God as Creator, Judge, sacrifice & the resurrection feature (Adamic Cov).