


The Promise

Genesis 3:15



“And I will put enmity Between
you and the woman, And
between your seed and her
Seed; He shall bruise your head,
And you shall bruise His heel.”


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The Promise to the Patriarchs

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Abraham

Genesis 12:1-3



“Now the Lord had said to Abram: Get out of your country, From your family And from your father’s house, To a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

Genesis 18:16-19

“Then the men rose from there and looked toward Sodom, and Abraham went with them to send them on the way. And the Lord said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am doing, since Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have known him, in order that he may command his children and his household after him, that they keep the way of the Lord, to do righteousness and justice, that the Lord may bring to Abraham what He has spoken to him.”


Genesis 22:15-18

“Then the Angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time out of heaven, and said, “By Myself I have sworn ,says the Lord, because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son—blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies. In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.”

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Sarah

Genesis 17:16-21




“And I will bless her and also
give you a son by her; then I will
bless her, and she shall be a
mother of nations; kings of
peoples shall be from her.”

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Isaac

Genesis 26:1-4




“Then the Lord appeared to him and said: “Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land of which I shall tell you. Dwell in this land, and I will be with you and bless you; for to you and your descendants I give all these lands, and I will perform the oath which I swore to Abraham your father. And I will make your descendants multiply as the stars of heaven; I will give to your descendants all these lands; and in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.”

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Jacob


Genesis 28:10-15



“And behold, the Lord stood above it and said, “I am the Lord God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants. Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth; you shall spread abroad to the west and the east, to the north and the south; and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed. Behold I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.”

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Hebrews 11:8-9



By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise.”

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What was the promise?

- The Land promise
- The Great Nation promise
- All the families of the earth promise (the Seed promise)

The rest of the Old Testament tells the story of the descendants of Abraham, their triumphs and tragedies, and sets the stage for the keeping of the Seed promise.