

**SOURCE NOTES**  
**ABRAHAM'S JOURNEY**  
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**LECTURE TEN**  
**ENGLISH SOURCE NOTES**

**Selection I**  
**The Rainbow Covenant**  
**Genesis 9:1-11**

9:1 God blessed Noah and his children. He said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.

9:2 There shall be a fear and dread of you instilled in all the wild beasts of the earth, and all the birds of the sky, in all that will walk the land, and in all the fish of the sea. I have placed them in your hands.

9:3 'Every moving thing that lives shall be to you as food. Like plant vegetation, I have [now] given you everything.

9:4 But nevertheless, you may not eat flesh of a creature that is still alive.

9:5 'Only of the blood of your own lives will I demand an account. I will demand [such] an account from the hand of every wild beast. From the hand of man - [even] from the hand of a man's own brother - I will demand an account of [every] human life.

9:6 He who spills human blood shall have his own blood spilled by man, for God made man with His own image.

9:7 'Now be fruitful and multiply, swarm all over the earth and become populous on it.'

9:8 God said to Noah and his sons with him,

9:9 'I Myself am making a covenant with you and with your offspring after you.

9:10 [It will also include] every living creature that is with you among the birds, the livestock, and all the beasts of the earth with you - all who left the ark, including every animal on earth.

9:11 I will make My covenant with you, and all life will never be cut short by the waters of a flood. There will never again be a flood to destroy the earth.'

**Selection II**  
**The Circumcision Covenant**  
**Genesis 17:4-10**

17:4 'As far as I am concerned, here is My covenant with you: You shall be the father of a horde of nations.

17:5 No longer shall you be called Abram. Your name shall become Abraham, for I have set you up as the father of a horde of nations.

17:6 I will increase your numbers very, very much, and I will make you into nations - kings will be your descendants.

17:7 I will sustain My covenant between Me and between you and your descendants after you throughout their generations, an eternal covenant; I will be a God to you and to your offspring after you.

17:8 To you and your offspring I will give the land where you are now living as a foreigner. The whole land of Canaan shall be [your] eternal heritage, and I will be a God to [your descendants].'

17:9 God [then] said to Abraham, 'As far as you are concerned, you must keep My covenant - you and your offspring throughout their generations.

17:10 This is My covenant between Me, and between you and your offspring that you must keep: You must circumcise every male.

### **Selection III**

#### **Circumcision Before Jews Enter the Land**

##### **Joshua 5:1-12**

[1] And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which were on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.

[2] At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.

[3] And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Israel at the hill of the foreskins.

[4] And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the people that came out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

[5] Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, them they had not circumcised.

[6] For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people that were men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that he would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

[7] And their children, whom he raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.

[8] And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the people, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole.

[9] And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day.

[10] And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

[11] And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.

[12] And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.