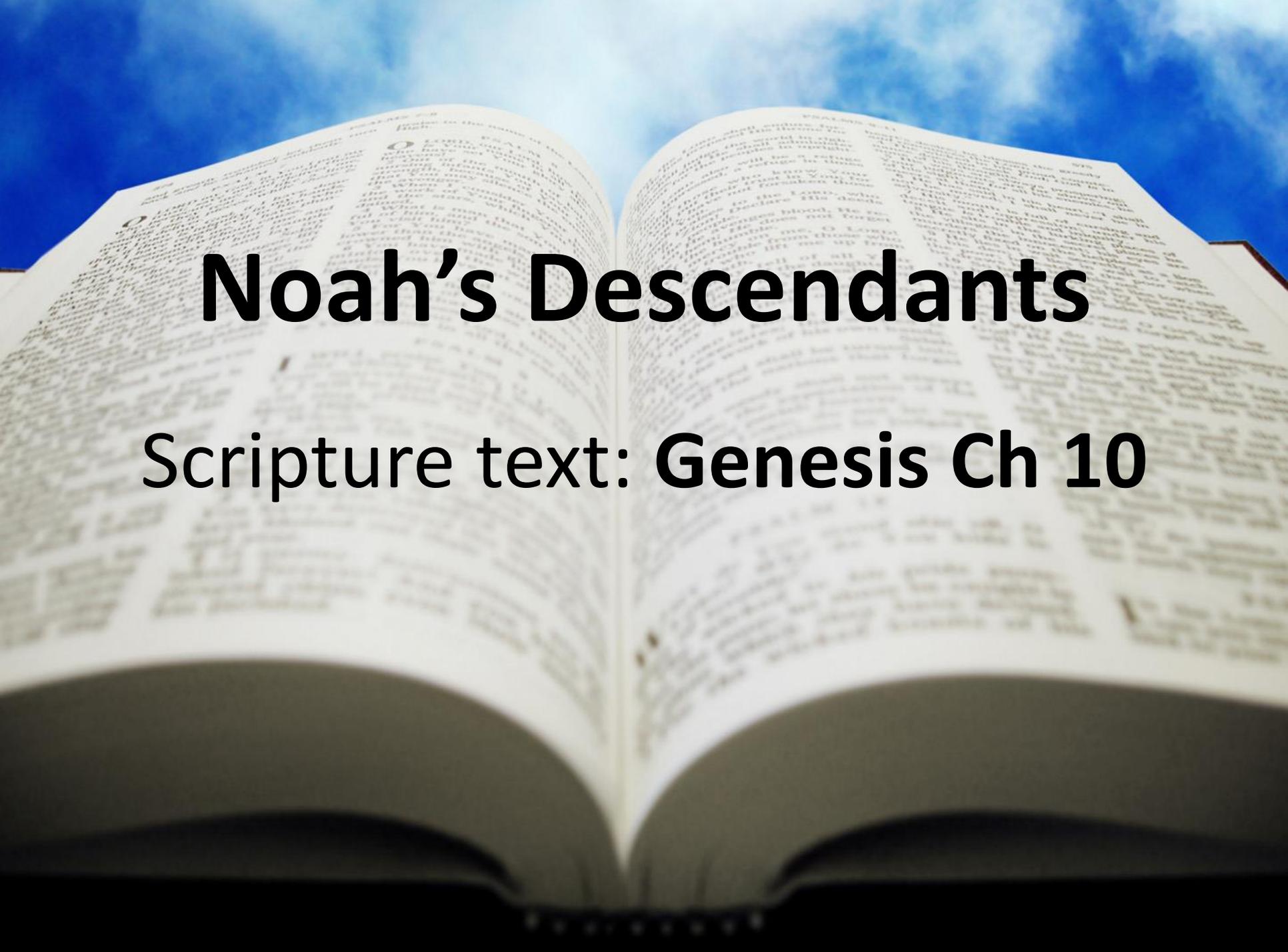


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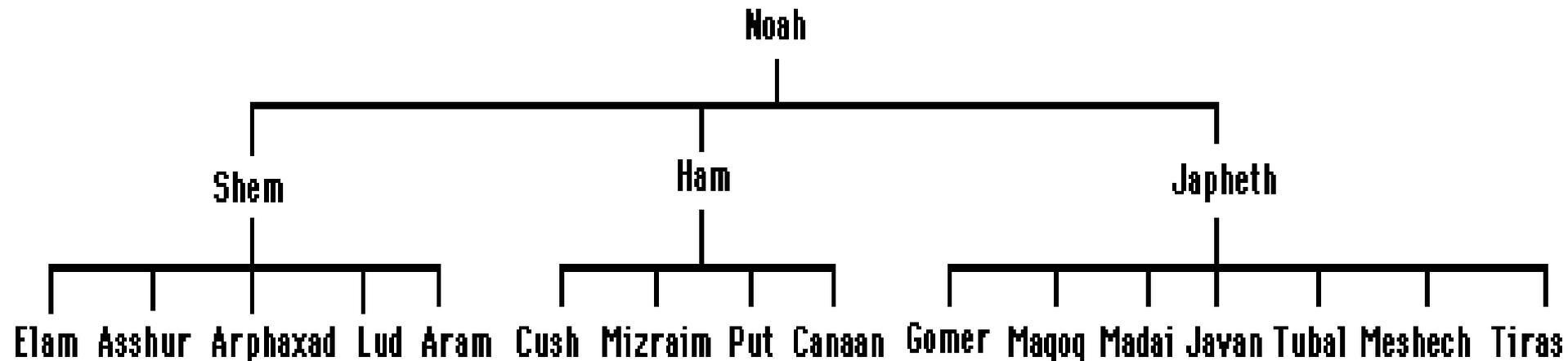
# Noah's Descendants

Scripture text: **Genesis Ch 10**

**Genesis 10:1** These are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Sons were born to them after the flood.

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## Noah's Family



**Genesis 10:2-5** The **sons of Japheth**: Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras. The **sons of Gomer**: Ashkenaz, Riphath, and Togarmah. The **sons of Javan**: Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim. From these the coastland peoples spread in their lands, **each with his own language**, by their clans, in their nations.

**Here is a breakdown of what each name means ...**

**Japheth: Japheth (ja'-feth) = Enlargement; extension; let him enlarge; he that persuades; beauty; (root = to enlarge).**

**Gomer: Gomer (go'-mer) = Complete; completion; heat; perfect; conclusion; i.e., filling up of the measure of idolatry or ripeness of consummate wickedness.**

**Magog: Magog (ma'-gog) = Expansion; increase of family; from the top. Overtopping; covering.**

**Madai: Madai (ma'-dahee)** = Extended of the LORD; middle; (roots = [1] to measure; [2] Jehovah). My measures; my garments; what is enough.

**Javan: Javan (ja'-van)** = Supple; clay. He that deceives; a defrauder. The effervescing (one); mired.

**Tubal: Tubal (tu'-bal)** = Flowing forth; i.e., increase and diffusion of a race; worldly possessions; (root = to flow; to bring forth). Production. Brought. You shall be brought.

**Meshech: Meshech (me'-shek) = Same as Mesech = Drawing out; (root = to draw; to draw one any where; to draw out; to take hold; to continue). Durability.**

**Tiras: Tiras (ti'-ras) = He crushed the search. Desire; i.e., of parents.**

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**Genesis 10:3** The sons of Gomer: Ashkenaz, Riphath, and Togarmah.

**Ashkenaz (ash'-ke-naz) = Same as Ashchenaz =**  
A fire is scattered; a fire that spreads.

**Riphath (ri'-fath) =** A crusher; i.e., of enemies; (root = to crush; to make to tremble). A stable. Bruising; shrivelling; healing. Genesis 10:3 - Slander; fault.

**Togarmah (to-gar'-mah)** = Breaking bones; all bone; strong; (root = to break bones). Rugged. A strong hold. You will break her.

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**Genesis 10:4** The sons of Javan: Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.

**Elishah (e-li'-shah)** = Same as Elisha = God the Savior; to whom God is salvation; God of salvation; God is Savior. My God has disregarded.

**Tarshish (tar'-shish)** = She will cause poverty; she will shatter. Breaking; subjection; i.e., of enemies; hard; contemplation; (root = to break).

**Kittim (kit'-timm)** = They that bruise. Beaters down; crushers. Same as Chittim = Subduers; bruisers.

**Dodanim (do'-da-nim)** = Leaders; a leader.

**Genesis 10:2** The sons of Japheth: Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.

**Isaiah 66:19** and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to **Tarshish**, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to **Tubal and Javan**, to the coastlands far away, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And **they shall declare my glory among the nations.**

**Ezekiel 27:12-14** "Tarshish did business with you because of your great wealth of every kind; silver, iron, tin, and lead they exchanged for your wares. **Javan, Tubal, and Meshech** traded with you; they exchanged human beings and vessels of bronze for your merchandise. From Beth-togarmah they exchanged horses, war horses, and mules for your wares.

**Ezekiel 39:1** "And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of **Meshech and Tubal.**

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The **descendants of Japheth** in settled in Asia Minor and Europe

**Genesis 10:6-12** The sons of **Ham**: Cush, Egypt, Put, and Canaan. The **sons of Cush**: Seba, Havilah, Sabtah, Raamah, and Sabteca. The **sons of Raamah**: Sheba and Dedan. **Cush fathered Nimrod**; he was the first on earth to be a mighty man. He was a mighty hunter before the LORD. Therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before the LORD." The beginning of his kingdom was Babel, Erech, Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. From that land he went into Assyria and built Nineveh, Rehoboth-Ir, Calah, and Resen between Nineveh and Calah; that is the great city.

**Genesis 10:6** The sons of Ham: Cush, Egypt, Put, and Canaan.

**Ham #1 (ham)** = Heat; hot; warm; black; dark; (root = to wax warm; to wax hot; to inflame). (The second son of Noah).

**Cush (cush)** = A black countenance; full of darkness; black; roots = [1] to scorch; [2] the countenance). Ethiopia.

**Ham.** Ham signifies burnt or black; and this name was peculiarly significant of the regions allotted to his family.

To the Cushites, or descendants of Cush, were allotted the hot southern regions of Asia, along the shores of the Persian Gulf, Susiana or Chusistan, etc.; to the sons of Canaan, Palestine and Syria; to the sons of Mizraim, Egypt and Libya, in Africa.

**Isaiah 11:10-12** In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples--of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious. **In that day the Lord will extend his hand yet a second time to recover the remnant that remains of his people,** from Assyria, from Egypt, from Pathros, from **Cush**, from Elam, from Shinar, from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea. He will raise a signal for the nations and will assemble the banished of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

**Jeremiah 46:8-10** Egypt rises like the Nile, like rivers whose waters surge. He said, 'I will rise, I will cover the earth, I will destroy cities and their inhabitants.' Advance, O horses, and rage, O chariots! Let the warriors go out: **men of Cush and Put** who handle the shield, men of Lud, skilled in handling the bow. **That day is the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, to avenge himself on his foes.** The sword shall devour and be sated and drink its fill of their blood. For the Lord GOD of hosts holds a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

Ezekiel 27:10-13 "Persia and Lud and **Put** were in your army as your men of war. They hung the shield and helmet in you; they gave you splendor. Men of Arvad and Helech were on your walls all around, and men of Gamad were in your towers. They hung their shields on your walls all around; they made perfect your beauty. "**Tarshish** did business with you because of your great wealth of every kind; silver, iron, tin, and lead they exchanged for your wares. **Javan, Tubal, and Meshech traded with you**; they exchanged human beings and vessels of bronze for your merchandise.

**Egypt (e'-jipt)** = Black; oppressors. Double straits.

**Put (put)** = Same as Phut = A bow. Extension; brow. Afflicted.

**Canaan (ca'-na-an)** = Merchants; trader; servant; low region; lowland; low; humbled; (root = to be humble; to be subdued; to be brought low). A trafficker.

**Genesis 10:7-8** The sons of Cush: Seba, Havilah, Sabtah, Raamah, and Sabteca. The sons of Raamah: Sheba and Dedan. Cush fathered Nimrod; he was the first on earth to be a mighty man.

**Seba (se'-bah)** = Eminent; old man. Drink thou.

**Havilah (hav'-il-ah)** = Bringing forth; trembling (with pain); circle; (root = pang; pain; sorrow; especially of a pregnant woman). To declare to her.

**Sabtah (sab'-tah)** = Breaking through; i.e.,  
terror to foes. He compassed the mark.

**Raamah (ra'-a-mah)** = Thundering; trembling;  
greatness; (root = to roar; to tremble; to  
thunder).

**Genesis 10:7b** The sons of Raamah: Sheba and  
Dedan.

**Sheba #1 (she'-bah) = Main. He who is coming.**

**#2 (she'-bah) = An oath. Captive.**

**Dedan (de'-dan) = Leading forward; (root = to go forward; to go softly). Low; their friendship. In judgment. Their love.**

**Genesis 10:8** Cush fathered **Nimrod**; he was the first on earth to be a mighty man.

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**Nimrod (nim'-rod)** = Rebel; a rebel; to be rebellious; (root = to be rebellious; to be contumacious). Valiant; strong; he that rules. We will rebel.

**Nimrod** is of interest, for he is linked to the great cities of **Babel and Nineveh** in Assyria, whose inhabitants at a later stage would descend in destructive power on the kingdoms of Israel and Judah.

One of the most significant is the reference to **Nimrod** (9:8–10). Even God regarded him as a great hunter (“the mighty hunter before the Lord”). **This description does not mark him as a godly man**, but rather accentuates his strength. Not only was Nimrod the founder of the sport of hunting, but he also became **the symbol of the anti-God forces** of the world. His association with Babel, and the later experiences of Israel with Babylon, place him at the heart of the ***anti-Messiah ideology***.

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**BABEL** (Heb. Bāḇel, 'gate of god'; also \*Babylon). **The name of one of the chief cities founded by Nimrod in the land of Shinar (Sumer), ancient Babylonia.** It is named with Erech and Accad (Gn. 10:10) and according to Babylonian tradition was founded by the god Marduk and destroyed by Sargon c. 2350 bc when he carried earth from it to found his new capital Agade (\*Accad).

**ERECH.** An ancient city of Mesopotamia mentioned in the Table of Nations (Gn. 10:10) as one of the possessions of Nimrod in the land of \*Shinar. Known to the Sumerians as Unu(g) and to the **Akkadians as Uruk**, it was one of the great cities of Sumerian times. It is named in the Sumerian king list as the seat of the 2nd Dynasty after the Flood, one of whose kings was **Gilgamesh**, who later became one of the great heroes of Sumerian legend.

**ACCAD, AKKAD.** One of the major cities, with Babylon and Erech, founded by Nimrod (Gn. 10:10). It bore the Semitic name of Akkadu, Sumerian Agade. Its precise location near Sippar or Babylon is uncertain, though some identify it with the ruins of Tell Šešubār or even Babylon itself.

Inscriptions show that an early Semitic dynasty founded by Sargon I (c. 2350 bc) flourished here. At this time Akkad controlled all Sumer (S Babylonia), and its armies reached Syria, Elam and S Anatolia. With the great trade and prosperity which followed the rule of Sargon and his successor Naram-Sīn the dynasty became symbolic of a **'golden age'**.

**Micah 5:4-6** And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be their peace. When the Assyrian comes into our land and treads in our palaces, then we will raise against him seven shepherds and eight princes of men; **they shall shepherd the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod at its entrances;** and he shall deliver us from the Assyrian when he comes into our land and treads within our border.

**Genesis 11:7-9** Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. **Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth.** And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.