

Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.
(Genesis 22:8)

...Cursed be everyone who curses you, and blessed be everyone who blesses you!" (Genesis 27:29)

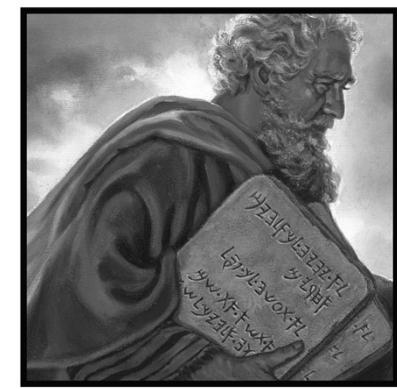
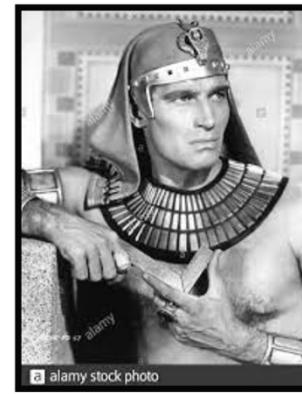
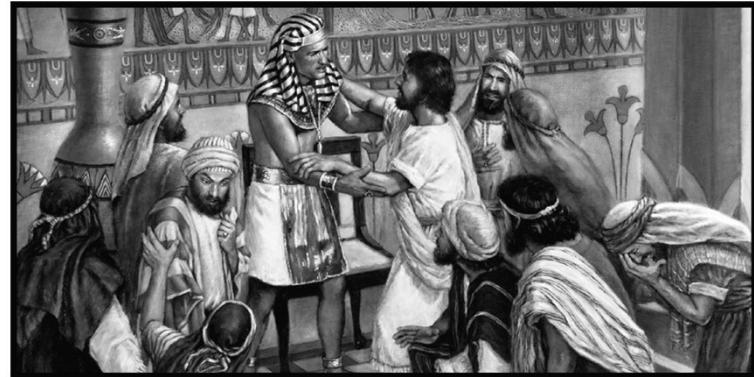
I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse...."
(Genesis 12:3)





Twelve Tribes of Israel

Manasseh	Asher
Naphtali	Zebulun
Issachar	Gad
Ephraim	Dan
Benjamin	Reuben
Simeon	Judah



[Jesus said] ... Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." (John 8:5)

... in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." (Genesis 12:3 ESV)

... the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. (Revelation 19:10 ESV)



...the LORD your God, he is God in the heavens above and on the earth beneath. (Joshua 2:11 ESV)

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, ... Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, ... and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab... (Matthew 1:1-2, 5)



By Faith: Judges

Gideon's small force defeated the Midianites
 Barak defeated Sisera and his iron chariots
 Samson fought the Philistines
 Jephthah fought the Ammonites

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
(Psalm 103:10)

as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
(Psalm 103:12)

For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust. (Psalm 103:14)

By Faith: Lifetime

David subdued the enemies of Israel
Samuel prophesied and led the nation
The prophets proclaimed the Word of God

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.
(Philippians 2:13)

...we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power (2 Thessalonians 1:11)

The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me...
(Psalm 138:8)

Through Faith

Conquered kingdoms
Enforced justice
Obtained promises
Stopped the mouths of lions
Quenched the power of fire

...our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up." (Daniel 3:17-18)

Through Faith

Escaped the edge of the sword
Were made strong out of weakness
Became mighty in war
Put foreign armies to flight
Women received back their dead

Through Faith: Suffering

Torture
Mocking
Flogging
Chains

Through Faith: Suffering

Imprisonment
Stoning
Being sawn in two
Killed with the sword
Dressed in animal skins

Through Faith: Suffering

Destitute
Afflicted
Mistreated
Wandering about in deserts and mountains,
and in dens and caves of the earth

Through Faith: Suffering

1 Peter 4

...do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings...

If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you...

Martyrdom

Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven... (Matthew 5:11-12)

looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:2)

If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. (1 Corinthians 13:3)

...Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams. (1 Samuel 15:22)



Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, ... It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, ... (1 Peter 1:10, 12)

And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, [Jesus] interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. (Luke 24:27)

Then turning to the disciples he said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it." (Luke 10:23-24)

Jesus Christ the same
yesterday, and to day,
and for ever.

– Hebrews 13:8

