

5. Abraham, Father on Many Nations

No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations. I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. (Genesis 17:5-7 NIV)

Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian maidservant named Hagar ... Abram agreed to what Sarai said. So after Abram had been living in Canaan ten years, Sarai his wife took her Egyptian maidservant Hagar and gave her to her husband to be his wife. He slept with Hagar, and she conceived. (Genesis 16:1-4 NIV)

So Hagar gave Abram a son, and Abram named him Ishmael. Abram was eighty-six years old at that time. (Genesis 16:15-16 NLT)

Now the LORD was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah what he had promised. Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to the son Sarah bore him. When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. (Genesis 21:1-5 NIV)

Now Abraham married again. Keturah was his new wife, and she bore him Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah. Jokshan's two sons were Sheba and Dedan. Dedan's descendants were the Asshurites, Letushites, and Leummites. Midian's sons were Ephah, Epher, Hanoah, Abida, and Eldaah. These were all descendants of Abraham through Keturah. (Genesis 25:1-4 NLT)



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ABRAM	GENERATIONS	LONGER
AFTER	GRACIOUS	MAIDSERVANT
BORNE	HAGAR	MANY
CANAAN	ISAAC	MEDAN
COVENANT	ISHBAK	MEDIAN
EGYPTIAN	ISHMAEL	SARAH
EIGHTY	JOKSHAN	SHUAH
ESTABLISH	KETURAH	SLEPT
EVERLASTING	KINGS	TIME
FRUITFUL	LIVING	ZIMRAN