**The Life of Abraham**

**Terah,** the tenth in descent from [**Noah**](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Noah), was the father of **Abraham.**

Abraham lived in Mesopotamia but God told him to move his family to Canaan. God promised to protect his family if he followed God’s word. This is the start of **monotheism.** (one God)

Abraham had two sons, **Ishmael** and **Isaac**.

**Isaac** married Rebekah, who had twin sons, Esau & **Jacob.**

**Sons of Jacob / 12 Tribes of Israel**

1. Reuben
2. Simeon
3. Levi \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Moses
4. Judah \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_King David, King Solomon, Kings of Judah, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Jesus
5. Dan
6. Naphtall
7. Gad
8. Asher
9. Issachar
10. Zebulun
11. Joseph (coat of many colors)
12. Benjamin \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_King Saul

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| Noah\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Terah \_Abraham\_Isaac\_Jacob\_Judah\_\_\_\_King David\_King Soloman\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Jesus Israel Jews |

Judaism comes from the tribe of Judah.

The Israelites went to Egypt, because of a **drought** (no rain). They were made into slaves until Moses led them back to the land of Canaan. On the way back, Moses received the 10 Commandments from God on Mount Sinai. Moses died before reaching the Promised Land. It took 40 years to reach the city of Jericho, in Canaan. Joshua led the battle of Jericho, where the Israelites won back the land of Canaan.

(**Ishmael**, Isaac’s brother, had 12 sons and his family will start the Islamic religion.)

**Assignment:** Design a family tree that shows Abraham all the way to the 12 tribes of Israel.