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- Note the 11 inverted pentagrams emanating from the top of the rebuilt tower of Babel
- These 11 “fallen stars” represent the 10 horns/10 kings (Dan 7:7,24; Rev 13:1; 17:3,12) and the little horn/the beast that rises after them (Dan 7:8; Rev 13:1-2; 17:8,11)

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Job 1:1,17

1 There was a man in **the land of Uz**, whose name *was* Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

17 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, **The Chaldeans** made out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

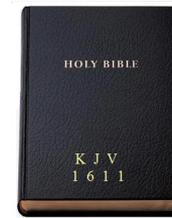
- The land of the Chaldeans was already established in the days of Job and was relatively near to where he lived in the land of Uz
- Uz was a son of ARAM (Gen 10:23), the progenitor of the Aramaic (Syrian) people
- The Chaldeans migrated primarily from ARAMEA

Gen 11:28,31

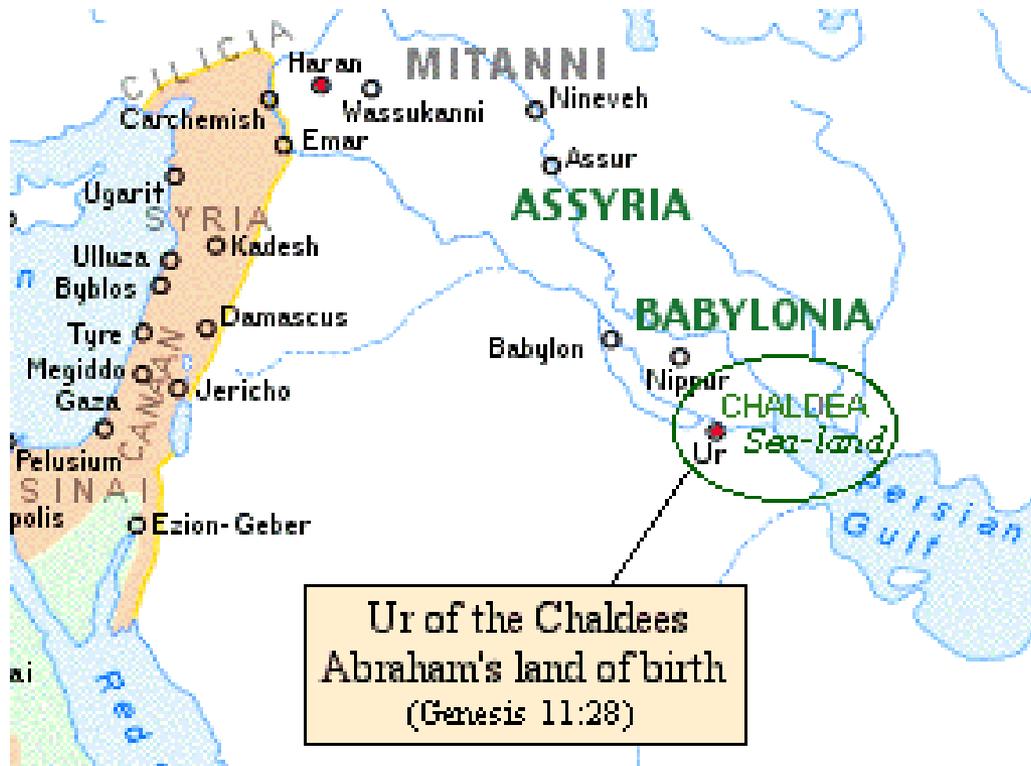
28 And Haran died before his father Terah in **the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.**

31 And Terah took **Abram** his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from **Ur of the Chaldees**, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

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Acts 7:2

And he said, Men, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father **Abraham**, when **he was in Mesopotamia**, before he dwelt in Charran,

- Abram (Abraham) was from Ur of the Chaldees (Mesopotamia)

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Gen 12:1

Now the LORD had said unto Abram, **Get thee out of thy country**, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

Gen 15:7

And he said unto him, I *am* the LORD that **brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees**, to give thee this land to inherit it.

Neh 9:7

Thou *art* the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram, and **broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees**, and gavest him the name of Abraham;

Acts 7:4

Then **came he out of the land of the Chaldaeans**, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell.

- The Lord called Abram out of the land of the Chaldees to Canaan
- This pictures the removal of the Jews from Babylon (Jer 50:8) and their restoration to their land; the final restoration of Israel; and the call for the Christian to separate from the world (2 Cor 6:17)

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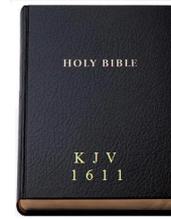
Gen 14:1,9

1 And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations;

9 With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five.

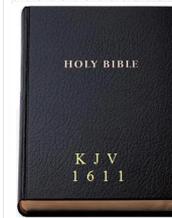
- Amraphel (Gen 14:1,9) is the second of three kings mentioned in association with Shinar; the others are Nimrod (Gen 10:10) and Nebuchadnezzar (Dan 1:2), both types of the Antichrist
- AMRAPHEL= Heb. Lprma= “sayer of darkness; fall of the sayer”
- Some believe Amraphel is Nimrod but that is unlikely, if for no other reason, because Nimrod would not have submitted to Chedorlaomer (Gen 14:4)
- Others believe Amraphel is HAMMURABI, the great legislator credited with one of the first, if not the first, written code of law in human history
- The “Code of Hammurabi” contained 281 laws (skipping the number 13) with scaled punishments for breaking the laws
- Hammurabi professed to be chosen by the gods to deliver the law to his people (i.e.- he is a counterfeit of Moses)

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- The preface of the Code states: “Anu and Bel called by name me, Hammurabi, the exalted prince, who feared God, to bring about the rule of righteousness in the land”
- Given the meaning of the name *Amraphel*, how ironic if he is none other than Hammurabi
- The battle between the four kings (from contemporary Iraq and Iran) and the five kings (Sodom and its sister cities) is the first picture of ARMAGEDDON in the Bible (Gen 14:1-3)
- It is interesting to note that Amraphel and his allies fought against sodomites (Gen 14:2) and giants (Gen 14:5-6)
- Abram and his 318 servants fight against Amraphel and his allies in the first of many instances where “Israel” and “Babylon” are in direct contrast with each other
- Abram fought against the coalition of four kings, not because he was on the side of the king of Sodom, but because they had taken his nephew Lot captive with those of Sodom (Gen 14:11-16)
- Babylon is not mentioned in any of its various forms from (Gen 14:9) to (Jos 7:21)- a period of time covering over 460 years



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