

----- Cushan of Aram (Mesopotamia) 8 years -----

2083a AM, 2792 JP, 1922 BC

**71. God called Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to go into the land that he would show him. {#Ge 15:7 Jos 24:2,3 Ne 9:7 Ac 7:2-4} [L7] Ur was located in Mesopotamia according to Stephen, the first martyr. The historian Abarbenel noted on the passage in Genesis {#Ge 11:28-32} that Ur was the city of those priests and mathematicians who, from their art, were called by the name of Chaldeans. By this name, even in Chaldea itself, those Genethliaci, or recorders of genealogies, were distinguished and singled out from the rest of the magi or wise men of that country, as we find in Daniel. {#Da 2:2,10 4:7 5:11} They taught Terah and his sons idolatry. {#Jos 24:2} Terah therefore took Abram his son, and Lot, Abram's nephew and the son of Haran, and Sarai, Terah's daughter-in-law and Abram's wife, and started their journey together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan. They came to Haran, still in that same country of Mesopotamia, where they remained because of the great infirmity and sickness of Terah. Terah lived for two hundred and five years and died in Haran. {#Ge 11:31,32}**

2148b AM, 2858 JP, 1856 BC

**94. Abraham was very careful about getting a wife for his son Isaac. He sent his chief servant, Eliezer of Damascus {#Ge 15:2} (after first taking an oath from him), to find a**

wife for his son. Eliezer, under the guidance of God, went into Mesopotamia and there obtained for him Rebecca the daughter of Bethuel, sister to Laban, the Syrian.....

**2265c AM, 2975 JP, 1739 BC**

**124. ... It is said that Jacob had twelve sons born to him in Mesopotamia. {#Ge 35:22-26} Benjamin is not to be counted among them, because he was born later in the land of Canaan near Bethlehem. {#Ge 35:18,19} In a similar manner, the twelve apostles are counted to make up that number, even though Judas was dead. {#Joh 20:24 1Co 15:1}**

**2553a AM, 3262 JP, 1452 BC**

**283. .... Balaam was a soothsayer from Mesopotamia. Balak asked him to come and curse the Israelites and promised him a large reward for his labour. Balak intended afterward to make war upon the Israelites. {#Nu 22:1-6 De 33:4 Jos 24:9}**

- [Aram, son of Shem](#), according to the "Table of Nations" in Genesis 10
- [Aram-Naharaim](#) (Aram of two Rivers), the land in which the city of Haran lay
- [Aram \(biblical region\)](#), an ancient region containing the ancient state of [Aram Damascus](#), located in modern Syria
- [Aram Rehob](#), an early Aramaean kingdom referred to in Numbers and Judges
- Aram, son of Bethuel's elder brother, [Kemuel](#), grandson of Abraham's elder brother, Nahor
- [Paddan Aram](#), an early Aramean kingdom in Mesopotamia referred to in Genesis