



## An introduction to the book of Genesis.



The name Genesis, in the Hebrew is the name: ***Bereshit - In the Beginning***

### **The Importance Of Genesis**

The effects of a rationalistic handling of Genesis have been felt in every part of biblical studies including that of the New Testament.

A surprisingly large amount of New Testament teaching

is built upon the foundation laid in Genesis.

Luke's genealogy of our Lord Jesus Christ traces the Saviour human ancestry back to Adam through the patriarchs listed in Genesis.

The principle of justification by faith is the life and experience of Abraham, who believed God and it was accounted to him for righteousness, Genesis 15:6.

The Doctrine of Human Sin, as set forth in Romans 5 may not be understood apart from Genesis 3.

**Gen. 1:1 (NIV) - In the beginning, (friends), when I was in seminary, we spent about a month or more (I can't remember exactly) on this one verse, but the wealth of information contained in this one verse is mind boggling.**

### **Intro: To some of the main characters in the book of Genesis:**

**The most common of these is translated "Lord" in most Bibles, which comes from the Hebrew YHWH ("Yahweh").**

**Adam: which means in the Hebrew "of the ground; firm"**

**Eve: The traditional meaning of Eve is "*life; life giving*"**

**Abram: which means "exalted father."**

**Abraham: which means "father of a multitude"**

**Jacob: which means "heel-catcher" or "trickster."**

**Joseph: his name essentially means "he takes away; he shall ad.**

**Joseph: new Egyptian name given to him by Pharaoh: Zaphenath -Panea (Gen. 41:45), which is thought to mean "God speaks; he lives."**

**Laban: is Jacob's uncle, and later becomes his father-in-law. It is the Hebrew word for "white."**

**Sarai: which means "princess.**

**Sarai: gets a name change in Genesis 17:15. Her new name is Sarah, It is a Hebrew word meaning noblewoman or princess.**

**Isaac: in the Hebrew is (Yitzhak), the name Isaac means "one who laughs" or "one who rejoices."**

**Esau: which in the Hebrew means (Hairy)**

**Abimelech: which in the Hebrew means “Father of the King Benjamin: which in the Hebrew means “son of the right hand”**

I hope you enjoyed and were blessed by this snapshot, into the book of Genesis.

Remember Friends:

You can't buy your way into heaven, or out of hell !

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