



A light to my path. Psalm 119:105

Do Not Be A Terah!

Terah, the father of Abram, was an idol worshipper (Joshua 24:2, NKJV). He lived in Ur of the Chaldeans with his three sons, Abram, Nahor, and Haran (Genesis 11:26-32, 1 Chronicles 1:17-27).

According to Jewish Historian Yehuda Altein, Terah was a wealthy man who made idols and may have been a military general serving under Nimrod (Micah 5:6, 1 Chronicles 1:10). As a young man, Abram, tried to bring his father, Terah, to God and leave his worship of idols.¹ Terah intended to take his son Abram and grandson, Lot, the son of Haran, who died in Ur, and his daughter-in-law, Sarai, Abram's wife from Ur to the land of Canaan. But Terah stopped in Charan (Haran) and remained there until he died at age two hundred-five.

Beloved, Terah had a choice, just as everyone does. He had a choice to continue to Canaan or stay in Charan; to worship God or idols; to encourage others to worship God or make idols for them. God allowed Terah to choose. But Abram obeyed God and left his father's house. Therefore, God changed Abram's name to Abraham and made a great nation from him, giving him much wealth and health. God wants to bless us abundantly. We can have God's abundance in everything when we leave the world behind and become his child through Abraham's Seed, who is Jesus (Galatians 3:7-9, 16). Choose wisely! Shalom

Notes: 1 "Who Was Terah?" Yehuda Altein, www.Chabad.org

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