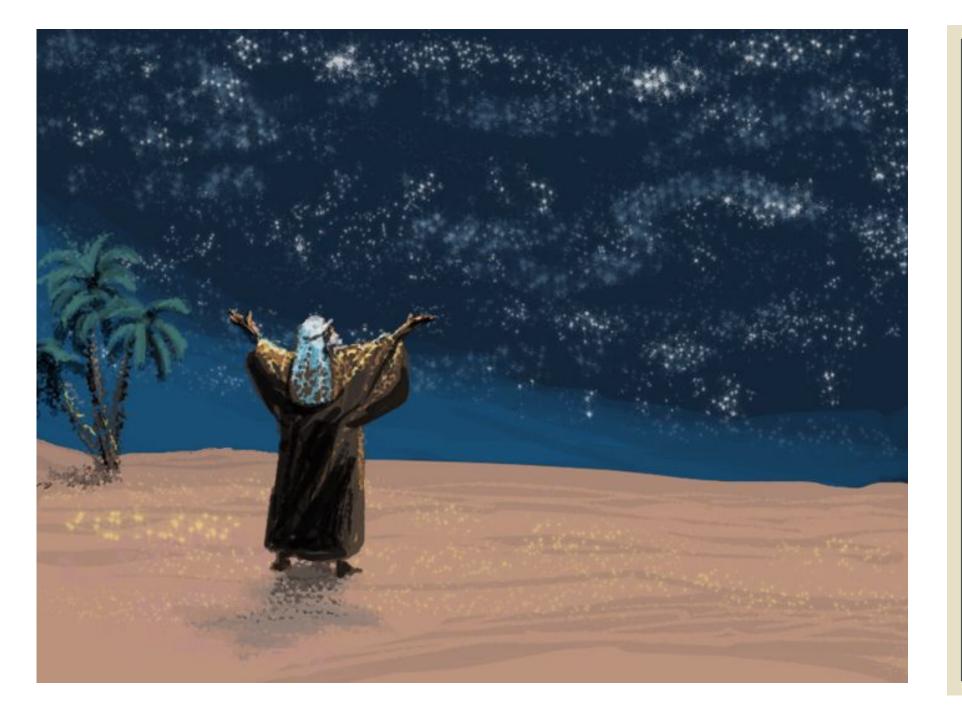




Two peoples claim the same land:

"On the day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying to your descendent I have this land..." -Genesis 15:18 (from the Torah & Old Testament Bible)

"He [Allah] has chosen you and has placed no hardship on you in practicing your religion—the religion of your father Abraham." –Qu'ran 22:78



"Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you [Abraham] can count them." Then he [God] said to him, "So shall your offspring be." -Genesis 15:5

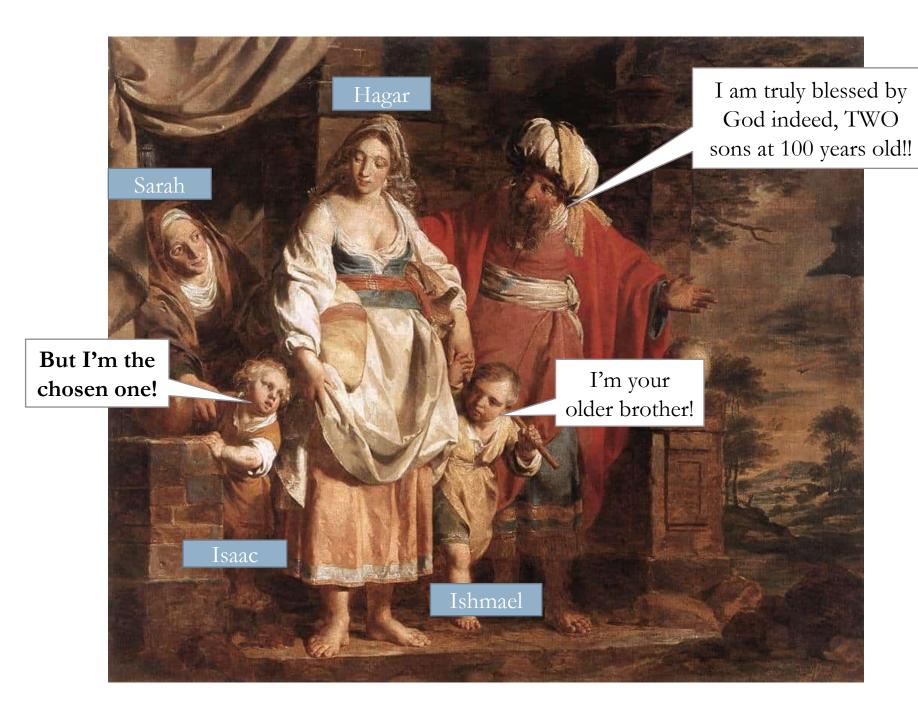
Abraham's

covenant: God

grants Abraham

land & many

descendants



Abraham and sons:

Isaac & Ishmael

- Abraham & wife
 Sarah → very old &
 no children
- Sarah advices
 Abraham to take
 Hagar her servant as
 a 2nd wife
- Hagar bares him a son → Ishmael
- In her 70s, Sarah bares a son → Isaac

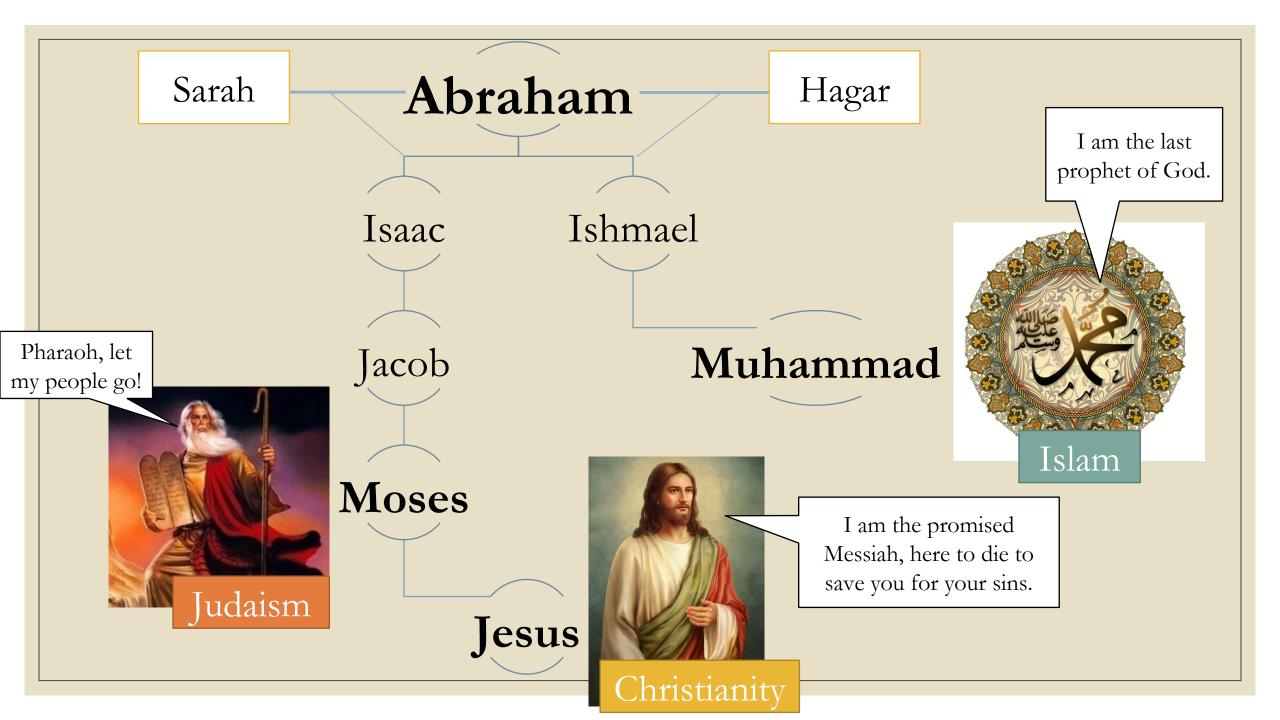


Abraham sends Hagar and Ishmael away



Hagar & Ishmael: ancestor of Muhammad

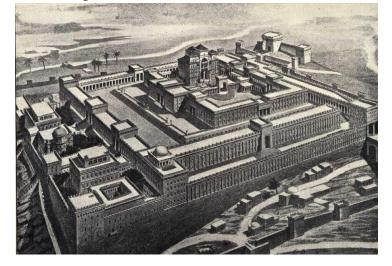
- Almost died in the desert
- Hagar cries and God saves them
- •Ishmael becomes a great warrior
- Has 12 sons →
 ancestor of
 Muhammad



1000 BCE

Ancient Israel: Kingdom of Israel & Judah

- •Conquered this land from the Canaanites
- •King Solomon built Temple Mount as instructed to do so by God





Babylonian conquest/rule

•Babylonians destroyed the Temple Mount

•Jews are exiled in Babylonia

•Temple Mount is rebuilt by Jewish-Persian

governor

539 BCE

Persian conquest/rule





332 BCE

332 BCE

167 BCE

63 BCE

Hellenistic (Greeks) Era

•Alexander the Great conquered portions of the Persian Empire

Hasmonean Dynasty

•Semi-autonomous Jewish rule



Roman Empire conquest/rule

→ Jesus is born



Jewish revolt against Roman rule

- Jews lost lead to Romans destroying the Temple
- •Romans disperse the Jewish population \rightarrow *diaspora*

66 C



324 CE

Byzantine (Eastern Roman

Empire) Era

The Sakhra

570 CE | → Muhammad is born



638 CE The Islamic Caliphate

•Arab Muslim who were followers of Muhammad conquered and ruled the Middle East & North Africa

•Site of Temple Mount → Muhammad ascended to

heaven built the mosque: **Dome of the Rock**

Crusader Era

•Christian Europe attempting to take back Jerusalem from

1099

1291 Muslims

Mamluk (Egypt) Rule

•Turkish Muslim slaves who practice Arab culture rose up to conquer Egypt & Levant region



1517

Ottoman (Turks) Empire

- •Turkish Muslims that conquered former territories of Byzantine Empire
- •Religiously tolerant of non-Muslims



1914

Rise of <u>nationalism</u>: sense of national consciousness, people with shared culture/language/history should have independent nation

WWI

• Ottoman Empire sided with Germany - was on the losing side of the war, lost lots of territory



• Letters between Hussein bin Ali, Sharif (ruler) of Mecca & Sir Henry McMahon, British High Commissioner (administrator) in Egypt

 British will recognized Arab independence if they help fight on the Allied Powers side

• Palestine was be an Arab state

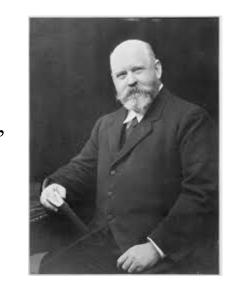
Sykes-Picot Agreement

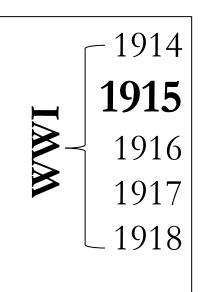
- Secret agreement between Britain and France, with approval from Russia re-dividing up land in the Middle East if the Ottoman Empire loses WWI
- Palestine would be "international territory" shared controlled

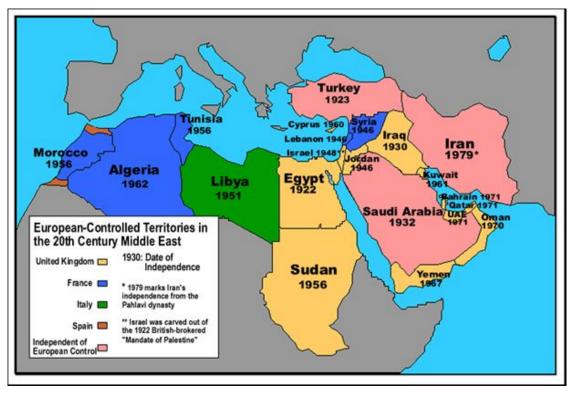


Balfour Declaration

- Letter from the British Foreign Secretary Arthur James Balfour to Walter Rothschild, a leader of the British Jewish community
- The British promised to give/will help make Palestine a home for the Jewish people







Treaty of Sevres

- Peace Treaty between the Ottoman & Allied Force (WWI)
- Partitions up the Middle East for the Allies
- Britain: Iraq, Palestine & France: Lebanon & Syria
- Palestine becomes a British Mandate

WWII

 The Holocaust - 6+ million Jews, Romas, Poles, homosexuals, disabled individuals send/killed in concentration camps



1945

1948

Establishment of the (modern) state of Israel in Palestine



- Zionist Movement of early 19th Century -- Jews will only be able to flourish safely if they had their own independent homeland
- After WWII/Holocaust many non-Jews/nations support this movement