

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

# Discover GRACE

SUN, JAN 21, 3PM *at* GRACE

**LEARN ABOUT GRACE**

OUR *beliefs*. OUR *vision*. OUR *leadership*. NEXT STEPS.

Dinner Included | Childcare Provided

Register at [gracewired.com/events](https://gracewired.com/events)



GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

# GENESIS



# 1 CORINTHIANS 10:12



#gracedetroit

**Therefore let anyone  
who thinks that he stands  
take heed lest he fall.**

GENESIS



You cannot walk faithfully  
with Jesus in isolation.

GENESIS



Please turn to  
**GENESIS 15:1-21**

Page 60 if you're following in your journal...



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

**1 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

**2 But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



**3** And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.”

**4** And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.”

GENESIS





# GENESIS 15:1-21



**5 And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



Then he said to him,  
“So shall your offspring be.”  
<sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD,  
and he counted it to him  
as righteousness.

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

**7 And he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you out from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess.”**

**8 But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

**9** He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

**10** And he brought him all these,

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

**cut them in half, and laid each half over against the other. But he did not cut the birds in half.**

**11 And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

- 12** As the sun was going down,  
a deep sleep fell on Abram.  
And behold, dreadful and  
great darkness fell upon him.
- 13** Then the LORD said to Abram,

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



**“Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years.**”

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



#gracedetroit

**14** But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions. **15** As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace;

GENESIS





# GENESIS 15:1-21



**you shall be buried in a good old age.**

**16 And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



- 17** When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.
- 18** On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram,

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



saying, “To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,  
<sup>19</sup> the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites,

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-21



the Kadmonites, <sup>20</sup> the Hittites,  
the Perizzites, the Rephaim,  
<sup>21</sup> the Amorites, the Canaanites,  
the Girgashites and the Jebusites.”

GENESIS



GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

# GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1



**After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1



After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision:  
**“Fear not, Abram, I am your shield;  
your reward shall be very great.”**

GENESIS



# PSALM 3:3-5



**3 But you, O LORD, are a shield about me,  
my glory, and the lifter of my head.**

**4 I cried aloud to the LORD,  
and he answered me from his holy hill.**

**5 I lay down and slept;  
I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.**

GENESIS





# GENESIS 15:1a



**After these things...**

GENESIS



GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

# GENESIS

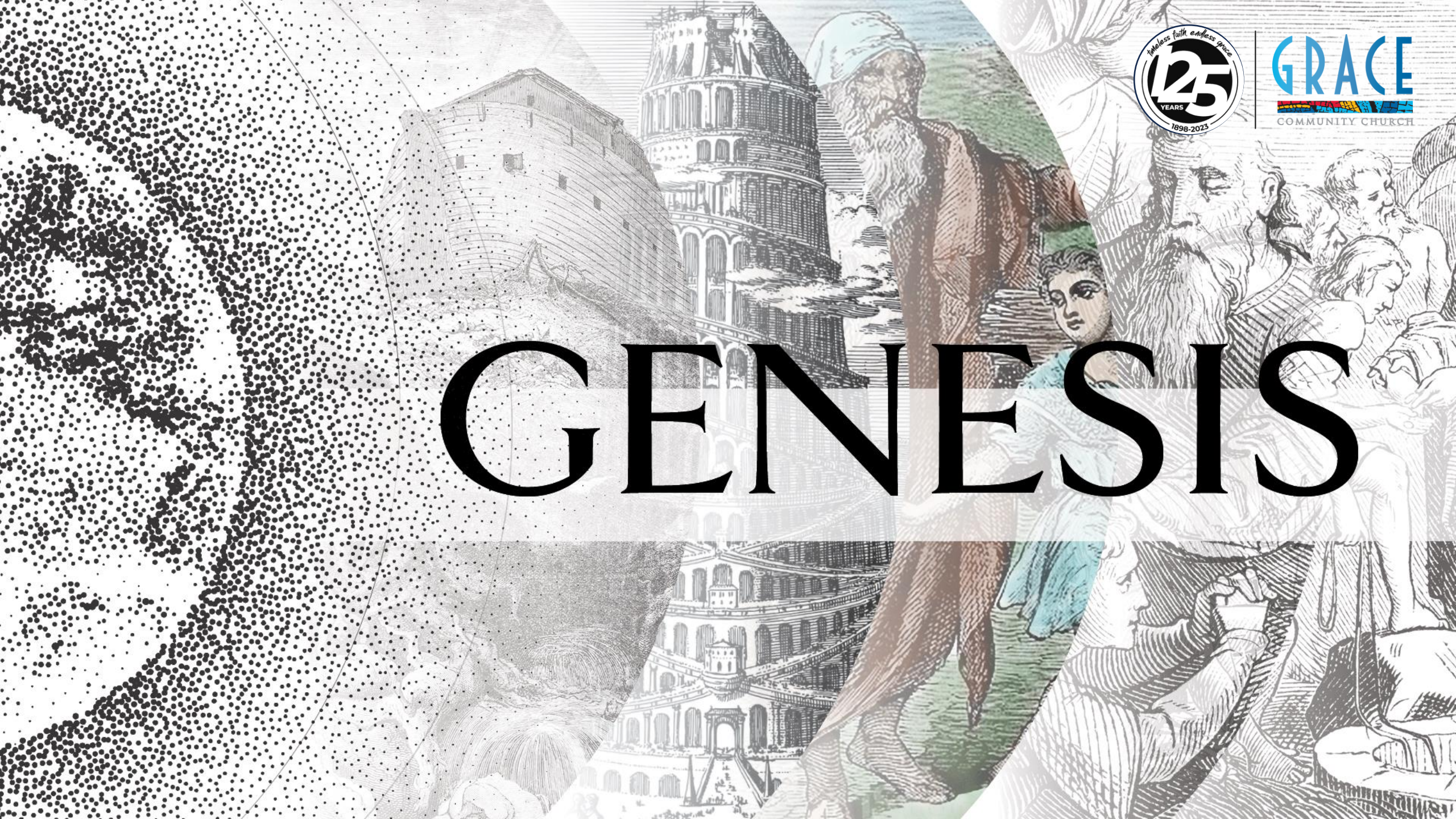


# GENESIS 14:14



**When Abram heard that his kinsman had been taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, 318 of them, and went in pursuit as far as Dan.**

GENESIS



GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

# GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-2



**1 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1-2



**2 But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:4-6



**4 And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.”**

GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:4-6



**5 And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.”**

GENESIS





# GENESIS 15:4-6



Then he said to him,  
“So shall your offspring be.”  
<sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD,  
and he counted it to him  
as righteousness.

GENESIS



**...he counted it to him as righteousness.**





# RIGHTEOUSNESS

*/ rī'-chəs-nəs / noun*

**Action in accordance  
with a divine or moral law;  
doing what is right; right behavior**

GENESIS

# GENESIS 15:8



**But he said, “O Lord GOD,  
how am I to know that  
I shall possess it?”**

GENESIS

# GENESIS 15:18a



**On that day the LORD made  
a covenant with Abram...**

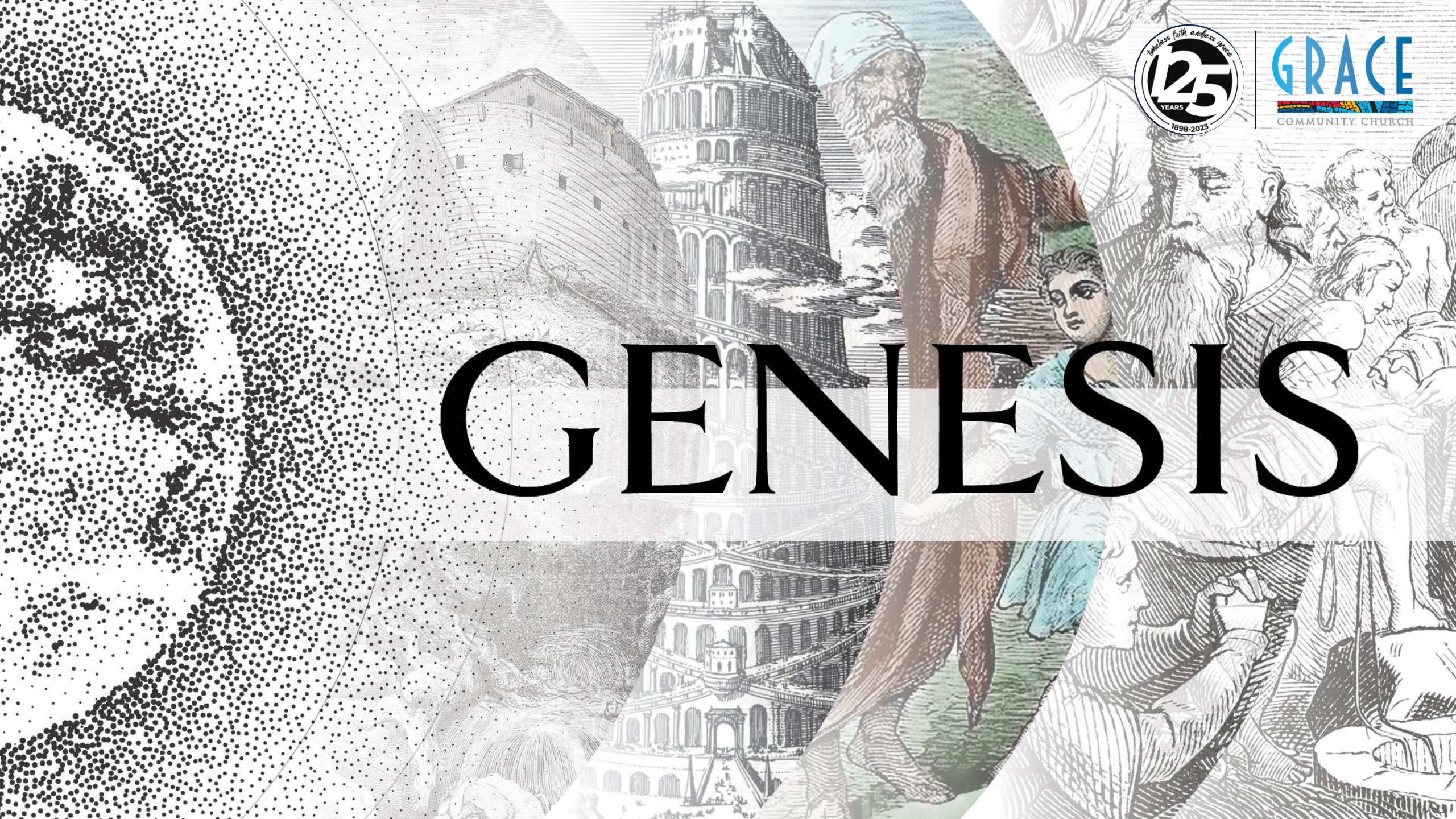
GENESIS



**“God is invoking a curse upon Himself if He does not keep His covenant.”**

**--Bruce Waltke**

**GENESIS**



GRACE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

# GENESIS



# GENESIS 15:1b



**“Fear not, Abram, I am your shield;  
your reward shall be very great.”**

GENESIS



**GRACE**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

# GENESIS