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“Promise
to Abraham”

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Making Melody #25 “Lets Talk About Jesus”

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Arr. by Hughes

Let's talk a - bout Je - sus, The King of kings is He. The Lord of

lords su-preme thru all e - ter - ni - ty, The great I AM, the Way,

the Truth, the Life, the Door; Let's talk a-bout Je-sus more and more.

Father's Day

Abraham means "Father of Many" "Father of a great many"

Abram means "Exalted Father" Ryrie Study Bible.

Born 2165 BC.

"Surely You are not greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets died too; whom do You make Yourself out to be?"

John 8:53. NASB

Jesus referring to A Rejoicing Abraham

- “Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad.” So the Jews said to Him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am.”
- John 8:56-59 NASB

Abraham's Faith

- Romans 4:1 “what shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh has found.
- Not through works
- Not through circumcision
- Not through the law.
- His faith was in God.

Reading William Kelly I learned: Isaiah also remembers Abraham. Isaiah 29:22, 41:8, 51:2, 63:16.

Abram obeyed this call.

- Genesis 12:1 NASB “Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go forth from your country, And from your relatives And from your father’s house, To the land which I will show you; And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing; And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.”

Oaks of Moreh and Bethel

- “The Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants I will give this land.” So, he built an altar there (at the oaks of Moreh) the Lord who had appeared to him.” Genesis 12:7 NASB
- Then he proceeded from there to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. Genesis 12:8

Bethel after Egypt

- Genesis 13:4 NASB

“He went on his journeys from the Negev as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, to the place of the altar which he had made there formerly; and there Abram called on the name of the Lord.”

Lord said to Abram, after Lot had separated

- The Lord said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, “Now lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are, northward and southward and eastward and westward; for all the land which you see, I will give it to you and to your descendants forever. “I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth, so that if anyone can number the dust of the earth, then your descendants can also be numbered. “Arise, walk about the land through its length and breadth; for I will give it to you.”
- Note the metaphor “dust”

Oaks of Mamre in Hebron

- Genesis 13:18 “Then Abram moved his tent and came and dwelt by the oaks of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and there he built an altar to the Lord.”

Abraham encounters Melchizedek

- Genesis 14:18 “And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; now he was a priest of God Most High.”
- Wm Kelly helped me see that this is not my assumed connection to the Lord’s Supper, though MacDonald alludes to the thought. It was, in context, food for the soldiers, and in prophetic terms the Great King, Jesus, millennial reign and supplying the needs of the heavenly army. Kelly points to the shadow of the kingdom where the King, the Lord Jesus is feeding the five thousand.

Melchizedek said

- Genesis 14:19 “He blessed him and said, “Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.”
- Abram did:
- "He gave him a tenth of all.”

Melchidezek King, Royal Priest, Governs

- He was an actual person, and King of Jerusalem. He brought out food for Abram's army. I do not believe this is a type of the Lord's Supper. After all, it is after the war, not for the cause of victory.
- Power of Poetic couplet.

Blessed Abram, and then Blessed God Most High. (El Elyon)

He blessed him and said,

“Blessed be Abram of God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth;

And blessed be God Most High, Who has
delivered your enemies into your hand.”
He gave him a tenth of all.

These two verses
by this ancient king
later will explain the
Lord Jesus Christ.

- Psalms 110:1-7 The Lord says to my Lord: “Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet.” The Lord will stretch forth Your strong scepter from Zion, saying, “Rule in the midst of Your enemies.” Your people will volunteer freely in the day of Your power; In holy array, from the womb of the dawn, Your youth are to You as the dew. The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind, “You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.” The Lord is at Your right hand; He will shatter kings in the day of His wrath. He will judge among the nations, He will fill them with corpses, He will shatter the chief men over a broad country. He will drink from the brook by the wayside; Therefore, He will lift up His head.

Melchizedek in the NT

- Hebrews 5:6, 10
- just as He says also in another passage, “You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His piety. Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered. And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation, being designated by God as a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. (Kelly helps to explain the Aaronic part of the ministering Christ followed in glory with the Melchizedek part.)

Melchizedek in the NT

- Hebrews 6:20
- where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.
- The chapter 7 of Hebrews
- “Observe this great man” verse 4
- This is not an Aaronic priest but a Royal Priest
- “Blessed the one, Abraham, who had the promises.” verse 6

Jesus is explained

- Hebrews 7:26 “For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens; who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of the oath, which came after the Law, appoints a Son, made perfect forever.”

Who had the promise

- After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying,
 - Poetic expression by the Word of the LORD
- “Do not fear, Abram, I am a shield to you; Your reward shall be very great.” Genesis 15:1 NASB

God use His creation
metaphorically, to
bring Abram to faith.

- And He took him outside and said, “Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” And He said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” Then he believed in the Lord; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Abram “how
may I know that
I shall possess
it”

- The Promise is God given and God accepted.
- Genesis 15:9-21
- The covenant in brief poetic expression says:
- On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying,
“To your descendants I have given this land,
From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates:

Summary thoughts

- Abraham's faith in the book of Romans is prominent.
- In Acts 7, Abraham beheld "glory of God."
- In Hebrews, it seems to me, that we move between convincing the reader of the present ministry of Christ, better than Aarons, including hearing our prayers, and the higher presentation of the great king who appeared to Abraham, not to sacrifice for sin, but to simply bless and put all creation in order under His reign.
- I marked out the places Abram called upon the LORD. The every day things are distinct from the sacred.