

**Abram born at Ur  
(2166 BC)**



**Abram moves from Haran to Canaan  
(2091 BC)**



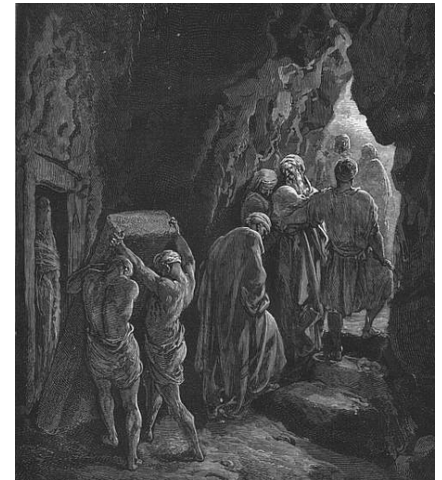
**Ishmael born to Abraham and Hagar  
(2080 BC)**



**Isaac born to Abraham and Sarah  
(2066 BC)**



**Abraham almost sacrifices Isaac  
("sometime later" than 2066 BC)**



**Sarah buried in the Cave of Machpelah,  
near Hebron (2029 BC)**



**Abraham's servant finds Rebekah for Isaac  
(2026 BC)**



**Jacob and Esau born to Isaac and Rebekah  
(2006 BC)**





The nomarchs split Egypt apart, bringing the Old Kingdom to an end;  
START OF THE FIRST INTERMEDIATE PERIOD (about 2180 BC)



Pharaoh Mentuhotep II reunites Upper Egypt and Lower Egypt; START OF THE MIDDLE KINGDOM (about 2060 BC)



The Third Dynasty of Ur builds an empire  
in Lower Mesopotamia (about 2100 BC)



The rise of Yu the Great, first Xia Emperor  
of China; START OF THE XIA DYNASTY  
(about 2200 BC)



The Minoan civilization builds its first palaces  
on the island of Crete (about 2200 BC)