

# Genesis 10

## The Names Tell A Story volcanic activity!

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# THE NAMES TELL A STORY: Volcanic activity!!

The following translation work is based on the assumption that Hebrew was the original language. If that's the case, then all these names have some kind of meaning in Hebrew. Some of the names are records of events. If something was going on when the child was born, the child would be named after the event. Only some of the genealogies of Shem, Cham & Yafet's grandchildren are listed. When the names of those cousins are placed side by side, they tell a story about what was going on geologically at the time. **As new things come to light, I will update this translation work.**

**8/10/10 Here is an update. It includes the first 5 generations born after The Flood**  
{And for most events there are at least 2 sons named: Deut 19:15}

## 1st Generation born after the Flood [between 1 and 37 years after The Flood]

In this section only, the color code for **Japheth's sons** is purple, **Ham's sons**, brown, & **Shem's sons**, blue (& the names that Shem gives to his sons are all spiritual!)

**Gomer** 'To bring to an end, to complete' {end of Flood} **Elam** 'to go or come up, to ascend, mount up, (plural)' {Is referring to the smoke from the offerings made by Noah.}

**Cush** 'burnt-offering' or 'burnt(scorched) there is!' {It's either referring to the first sacrifice or possibly referring to 'pillow lava' on Mt Ararat which would have been something they would have never seen before, especially when you take into account that there was neither volcanic activity nor an abundance of rocks before the Flood!... or... It could be referring to both}

**Asshur** 'to guide, direct upright, to be happy or blessed' {May or may not have been a twin to either Elam or Arphaxad... Shem's wife could have had the first one right off the boat & then gotten pregnant right away & had this one just before the next Spring melt! Either way, she had her hands full!!}

### Possibly after 1<sup>st</sup> 'Spring Melt'

**Magog** 'out-of to-increase and to-increase' **Mizraim** 'high & dry!' {Possible scenario: The waters of 'Lake Armenia' below them may have actually risen during the first 'Spring Melt' due to an accumulation of debris where it drained out. The debris would have consisted of logs, etc still floating around from The Flood and others being washed down from the mountains during the spring run-off. They would have all floated towards the drain field of the then 'Araxes River' which was beyond Naxcivan & Nechram and there they would have accumulated and formed a log dam, which in turn caused the water level of 'Lake Armenia' to rise.}

**Arphaxad** 'to be set free from your enemies to the point that you can utterly relax!' {born 2 years after the Flood when Shem is 100, & Noah is 603 years old.}

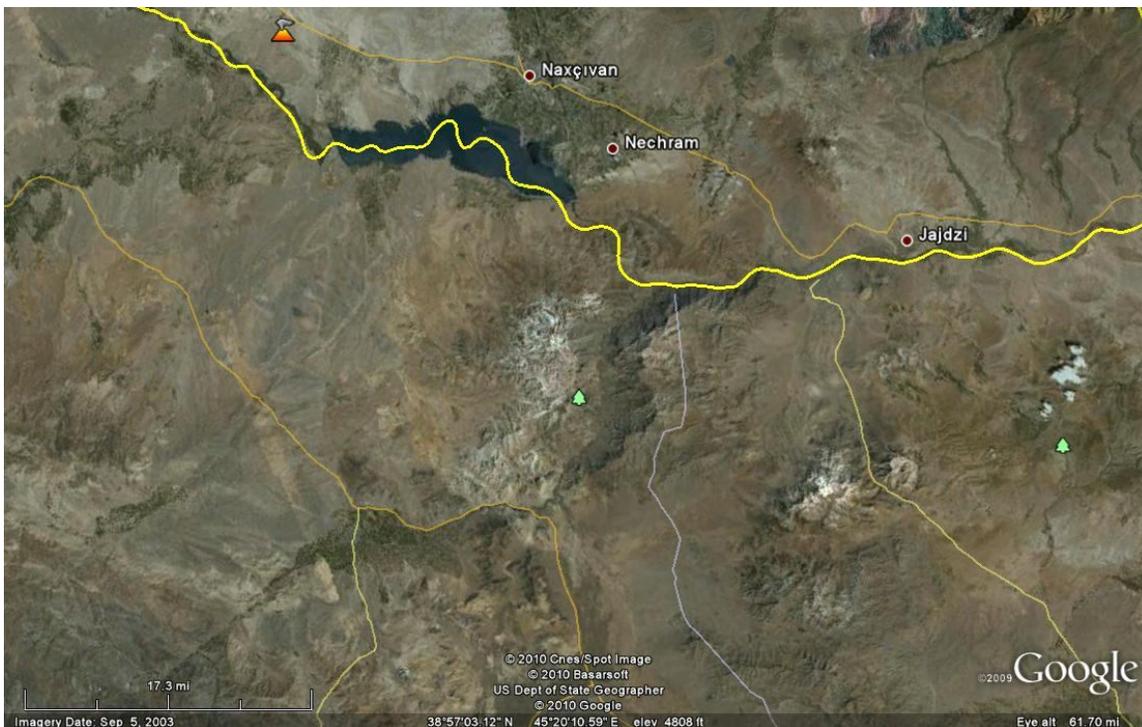
**Phut** 'Afflicted' and **Canaan** 'humble' {possibly low weight preemie twins that 'clouded' Ham's attitude.}

**In-between here is when Noah passes out in his tent during the wine incident.**

**Madai** 'from what is enough', or 'sufficiently'. **Javan** 'wine effervesce' {They must have been twins because their names go together. The wine incident happened about 4 years after the Flood. That's about the time needed to get a sufficient grape harvest from new vines to make a batch of wine}

**Some time later...**

**Tubal** 'to increase & flow as a mighty river!' {The 'log jam' dam of 'Lake Armenia' breaks free, & 'Lake Armenia' disappears & is replaced by the Araxes River. In the center of the picture below are erosion scars where this may have occurred.}



**Meshech** [root word] 'acquisition in the process of scattering seeds & those seeds taking root, then multiplying and spreading.' {'Lake Armenia' is now replaced with meadows of vegetation.}

**Lud** 'if only I could fly' and **Aram** 'to be high' (lofty). 'He is high' or 'He is mighty' {possibly twins. The names of the other sons are spiritual, so these could be too.}

**Tiras** 'terrifying fracture' {Where ever this was located, it would have motivated them to move from that location, and possibly down to the valley, now that the lake was gone. If they were living where the Armenian legends say that Noah planted his vineyard, this fracture may have been the beginning of the Ahora Gorge}

## 2nd Generation born after the Flood

[roughly between 37 to 67 years after The Flood based on Genesis 11:12-14]

[[please note](#) that the **color** code **changes** back to the **original research** document]

### Gomer's sons

- 1) **Ashkenaz** (sprinkled with fire)
- 2) **Riphath** (poundings-shakings)
- 3) **Togarmah** (to be poured out everywhere)

### Javan's sons

- 1) **Elishah** (God is, God owns, God is firm)
- 2) **Tarshish** (destruction breaks into white pieces)
- 3) **Kittim** (violent peltings)
- 4) **Dodanim** ('2 breast (masc.) judgments' possibly meaning '2 mountain peak judgments' as in volcanic eruptions.)

Keep in mind that based on the Hydroplate theory, there probably wasn't any volcanic activity prior to the Flood. This event would have made a profound impression on everyone!

To add to this **Gomer & Javan's** first cousin was **Aram** (Shem's youngest son) Here's what he named his sons:

### Aram's sons

- 1) **Uz** 'to consult, take counsel'
- 2) **Hul** 'to hurl'
- 3) **Gether** 'a full vat' (the vat part of a wine press where grapes are trodden that's full of liquid.)
- 4) **Mash** 'to move, withdraw, depart, escape'

[These 4 names are basic Hebrew words]

**Aram's** brother **Arphaxad** named his son '**Shelah**' which means 'to send' (10:24)

**Cush's** sons { **Cush & Gomer** were about the same age }

- 1) **Seba** 'turn to go in' {Were they being 'ashkenazed' ?}
- 2) **Havilah** 'circular'
- 3) **Sabtah** 'surrounded by clefts/fissures'
- 4) **Raamah** 'to tremble, quake'
- 5) **Sabtechan** 'surrounded by what is laid down'
- 6) **Nimrod** 'let us rebel'

### Raamah's sons

- 1) **Sheba** 'to break up in order to enter'
- 2) **Dedan** 'breast judgment' [as in mountain top volcanic eruption?]

### Canaan's sons

- 1) **Sidon** 'furnish oneself with provisions'
- 2) **Heth** 'terror'
- 3) **Jebus** 'to tread underfoot'
- 4) **Amor** to say, declare, command
- 5) **Gir-gash** to drag, draw away-to impel, drive, approach
- 6) **Chivi** 'to breath, to live'
- 7) **Ark** 'to flee' Job 30:3
- 8) **Sin** 'mire'
- 9) **Arvad** 'a wandering'
- 10) **Zemar** wool
- 11) **Hamath** to surround with a wall (fortress)

### Mizram's sons

- 1) **Lud** 'if only I could fly'  
(same as Shem's son 'Lud')
- 2) **Anam** '2 fountains'
- 3) **Lehab** 'to burn, flame'
- 4) **Naphtuh** 'to open'
- 5) **Pathrusim** 'enlarged fractures'
- 6) **Casluhim** 'there is hope to live'
- 7) **Caphtor** 'a round or spherical knob'

Casluhim's son [next generation]

- 1) **Philist** 'to wallow in the dust'

## Possible birth-order of the cousins

**Apparently God clearly made it known that it was time to move,**

**1)Elishah** (God is, God owns, God is firm)

and the whole family came together to decide how to go about it: **1)Uz** 'to consult, take counsel'

Apparently **Shem** sends his older sons out of the area **1)Shelach** 'to send' (born 37 years after the Flood)

**Canaan** spent time collecting provisions but failed to move **1)Sidon** 'furnish oneself with provisions'

And **Mitzraim**, the dreamer of the bunch, came up with some impracticable notions about what they should do about the situation & thus failed to move. **1)Lud** 'if only I could fly'

**Then God gives them a nudge... Lesser Ararat begins to form**

**2)Anam** '2 fountains' **3)Lehab** 'to burn, flame' {twins?} **2)Heth** 'terror'

**1)Ashkenaz**(sprinkled with fire) **2)Hul** 'to be hurled' **1)Seba** 'turn to go in' **2) Tarshish** (a destruction that breaks into pieces of white, ie. 'white volcanic ash rock or pumice'.) His twin brother: **3)Kittim** (violent peltings)

**3)Jebus** 'to tred underfoot' **2)Havilah** 'circular' [**Lesser Ararat now exists!**]

See [▲▲] below

**Next, The Fault between the 2 Ararats begins to open up** **4)Naphtuh** 'to open'

**3)Sabtah** 'surrounded by clefts/fissures' Radial fissures also begin to appear.

**Next, The Fault between the 2 Ararats grows** **5) Pathrusim** 'enlarged fracture or fractures'

[This must have been the area where Ham's kids lived, as well as Gomer.]

**A multitude of earthquakes!** **2)Riphath**(poundings-shakings) **4)Raamah** 'to tremble, quake'

**Then apparently God commands them to leave the area** **4)Amor** 'to declare, or command'

**The Fault between the 2 Ararats pours out lava on both sides. and possibly the radial fissures are erupting at the same time.** **3)Togarmah**(to be poured out everywhere) **5)Gir-gash** 'to drag, draw away-to impel, drive, approach' **5)Sabtechan** 'surrounded by what is laid down' [Apparently they went back to survey the damage...]

**The next part apparently happened while everyone was located in the Armenian Valley in front of the 2 Ararats...**

**Both Lesser Ararat & Greater Ararat erupt at the same time** (either here or in the place marked out [▲▲]above) **4)Dodanim**( '2 Breast Judgments' or '2 Cauldron Judgments')(see Hebrew break down of word for being specific about this location).

**6)Casluhim** 'there is hope to live' **6)Chivi** 'to breath, to live'

**7)Caphtor** 'a round or spherical knob'

**It's probably still there!** See <http://www.noahsarksearch.com/wallpaper.htm> See the NASA Satellite Photo of the 2 Ararats. **It may be the 'knob' on the Armenian side** [To enlarge it, copy & paste it onto a document.]

**In that photo you can also see the fault between the 2 Ararats where the lava poured out on both sides.** [On the Turkey side there are multiple out-croppings instead of a single 'knob'. See #5 .

<http://arcimaging.org/GeisslerRex/Ararat200005.jpg> ] For another view of the 'Caphtor' see

<http://www.noahsarksearch.com/wallpaper/souren-topchian800x600-monastery.bmp>

**After that experience, they may have headed 'down river' away from volcanic activity.** Local legend has it that Noah was buried in Naxcivan (See the Google Earth picture above & the [www.noahsarksearch.com](http://www.noahsarksearch.com) web site.).

Then the names describe an event where a large volume of water is contained in something the shape of a vat and it later breaks loose & heads their way. They flee for their lives, & the water leaves behind 'mire' type mud that destroys their camp. Then they become 'homeless wanderers' for a while.

3) Gether 'a full vat' (the vat part of a wine press where grapes are trodden that's full of liquid.) [I have no idea where this would be, but there are several possibilities, or the evidence may have been covered up by later volcanic eruptions.]

4) Mash 'to move, withdraw, depart, escape' 7) Ark 'to flee'

8) Sin 'mire'

9) Arvad 'a wandering'

And somewhere during this time Cush said..... 6) "Nimrod" which means 'let us rebel'

The volcanic activity and the ice sheet would have driven them in the direction of Shinar, which is now located on the South side of Baghdad. (Babylon is about 60 mile south of Baghdad) However, in those days, because the earth was still in the process of rolling, the Hebrew text indicates that at that time it was actually 'East' of Ararat. See #67 & #68 at <http://www.creationscience.com/onlinebook/HydroplateOverview9.html> and the Earth Roll section at <http://www.creationscience.com/onlinebook/HydroplateOverview7.html>



After studying this out, I am convinced that 'volcanic activity' was something that they had never experienced nor heard of prior to these events. If it was something they had been familiar with, they certainly wouldn't have stayed around and let their wives give birth to one baby right after another while it was going on! For example, Mitzraim & Canaan both stay around for the birth of six sons each before they flee (& the daughters aren't even listed!).

### 3rd Generation born after the Flood

[roughly between 67 to 101 years after The Flood based on Genesis 11:14-16]

**Shelach's son Eber: 'to overflow' or 'to pass over' born 67 years after the Flood**

**Raamah's son Sheba: 'to break up in order to enter'**

During this time the volcanic activity in the Mid Ocean Ridge and the Pacific Ocean began to lessen, so the ocean cooled down, and then because of this there was less evaporation from the ocean and so the massive ice sheet across the Northern Hemisphere began to melt, which in turn provided an over abundance of water which caused the post flood lakes to overflow and some to break up. The end result was that it contributed to the ocean level rising, however, it wasn't the only thing that caused it to rise.

**Raamah's son Dedan 'breast judgment' [as in mountain top volcanic eruption]**

**Casluhim's son 1)Philist 'to wallow in the dust'**

Possibly Mt Ararat erupts again and forms the Ahora Gorge. [See page 203 at

[http://www.noahsarksearch.com/The\\_Explorers\\_Of\\_Ararat\\_1945-1974\\_Clifford\\_Burdick.pdf](http://www.noahsarksearch.com/The_Explorers_Of_Ararat_1945-1974_Clifford_Burdick.pdf) ]

### 4th Generation born after the Flood

[roughly begins 101 years after The Flood based on Genesis 11:16]

**Eber's sons Peleg & Joktan** were probably twins because their names go together & describe one event: **The Ocean Level was beginning to rise... It continued to do so the whole life-time of Peleg which was 239 years. He lived until Abraham was 48!** See <http://www.creationscience.com/onlinebook/FAQ216.html#wp2930663>

**Peleg** 'to be divided' or split by a channel of water'

**Joktan** 'diminished' {It's a reference to the land becoming smaller, & not the man himself. Joktan had 13 sons & that's one of the most numerous accounts of sons listed in the scriptures.}

### 5th Generation born after the Flood

[roughly begins 131 years after The Flood based on Genesis 11:18]

There is a correlation here with people's ages decreasing and the ocean level rising.

**Peleg's son Reu** 'friend' Genesis 11:18-19. Peleg lives 239 years

**Joktan's** sons:

**Almodad** 'no shaking' or 'nothing shaking'. This may be when they moved down into the Shinar valley & away from the region of Ararat.

**Sheleph** 'to be plucked up like grass' or 'to be draw out'. Apparently they weren't involved in the Babel rebellion because they kept speaking Hebrew.

See the research for Genesis 11 at [http://www.w-rocs.org/stones/GENESIS\\_11\\_updated.pdf](http://www.w-rocs.org/stones/GENESIS_11_updated.pdf)

**Hazarmaveth** 'settlement dies' **(It could be a record of Genesis 11:1-9)**

**Jerah** 'a lunation' i.e. a month, or a moon cycle.. 'month', 'moon'.

**Was there some kind of solar event going on with the moon at that time? More research needs to be done.** The conclusion that I have come to so far is that it was a total solar eclipse. (These guys would have been very familiar with the study of astronomy.) According to 'Our Created Moon' by DeYoung & Whitcomb 'A particular city might expect to witness a total solar eclipse only about once every 360 years' (pg 32). What is interesting here is that if you divide the amount of time from the first year of Creation up till the estimated time of Jerah's birth, it's 1800 years (360 x 5). If you go backwards from 1063 BC which was a total solar eclipse recorded by Babylonian astrologers, this would put Yarach's birth at about 2143 BC. (However, that doesn't account for either the earth roll or the wobble effect of shifting weight caused by the breaching post Flood lakes.)

**Hadoram** 'thanks/praise be lifted up'

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**Uzal** 'to go away, to depart' According to Bible Maps Joktan settled in Southern Arabia, including around the boarder between Saudi Arabia & Yemen. There are cone shaped volcanoes in that area. [See Google Earth]

**Diklah** 'to make into nothing' by one of the following methods: crushing, crumbling, beating, bruising, pulverizing, threshing or grinding, and **Sheba** 'to break up in order to enter' {Possibly twins} **What kind of geological event is this?** There are places in Southern Yemen that look similar to the Grand Canyon when viewed from Google earth .i.e. between 'Amran' & 'Hajjah' & 'Al Mahwit'. (Places most Westerners have never heard of before.)

**Abimael** 'A Father is God' [NASB]

**Oval** 'to be leafless, stripped of leaves' [Davidson] and **Ophir** 'to be covered in ashes' {These 2 might be twins, & possibly their names might be describing a volcanic blast similar to Mt Saint Helens.}

**Havilah** 'Circular' {Probably another cone shaped volcano.}

**Jobab** 'crier' or 'howler'. Either the family was grieved or, this kid being the youngest of 13 brothers was a colicky baby & his older siblings gave him the name!