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Dating & Authorship of the Pentateuch

◆ Traditional View: Substantial Mosaic Authorship

- ❖ The various parts of the Pentateuch are part of “the book of Moses”:
 - ❖ Exod 3:1–4, 17 in Mark 12:26
 - ❖ Lev 3:3–5, 9–11 in 2 Chr 35:12
 - ❖ Num 3:6 and 8:9 in Ezra 6:18
 - ❖ Deut 28:61 in 2 Chr 25:4
 - ❖ Deut 31:11–12 in Neh 13:1

- ❖ Moses wrote the promise that God would destroy Amelek (Exod 17:14).
- ❖ Moses wrote down the Book of the Covenant in Exod 21–23 (Exod 24:4; 34:27).
- ❖ Moses wrote Lev 18:5 (Rom 10:5).
- ❖ Moses journaled Israel’s journey through the wilderness (Num 33:2).
- ❖ Moses wrote Deut 24:1–4 (Mark 10:5).
- ❖ Moses wrote Deut 25:5 (Mark 12:19).
- ❖ Moses wrote down Deuteronomy’s embedded Scroll of the Law (Deut 31:24; cf. Josh 8:32).
- ❖ Moses wrote down the warning song in Deut 32 (Deut 31:19, 22).
- ❖ Moses wrote of the Messiah (John 1:45) and has writings (5:46–47).

◆ **Conclusion:** Moses was the substantial author of the Pentateuch.

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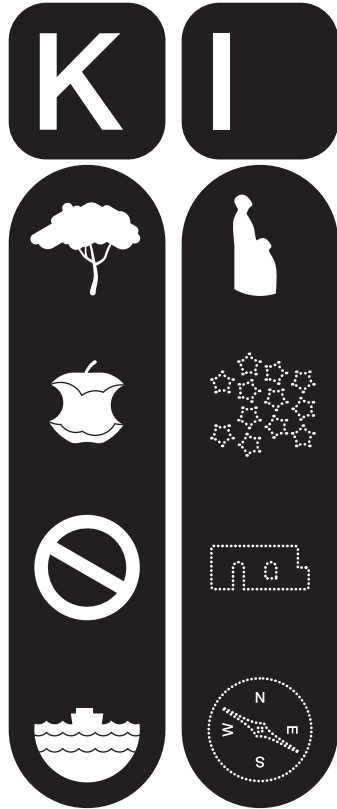
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Preface and the Need for Blessing (Gen 1:1–2:3; 2:4–4:26)

◆ 1:26–28

◆ 3:14–15

Ἡ ἘΖΟΡΙΑ ΤΩΝ ΠΡΩΤΟΠΛΑΣΤΩΝ



“As one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men.”

—Rom 5:18

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The Hope for Blessing: God Reaffirms the Blessing-Commission (5:1–11:9)

◆ 6:5–7, 17–18

◆ 8:20–9:1, 9–11

Summary of Genesis

Despite mankind's losing the blessing of eternally reigning over a very good world under God as his image bearers and spreading God's heavenly kingdom to the ends of the earth, Yahweh will restore this blessing to all the nations when they place their faith in the victorious, royal seed of the woman, who will descend from Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Judah and who will crush the serpent and claim all lands.

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Abe's Commission & God's Promises

“Go (command) to the land I will show you (v.1)

so that (promise) (v.2)

(a) I may make you into a great nation

(b) I may bless you

(c) I may make your name great

And (there) be a blessing (command)

so that (promise)

(a) I may bless those who bless you (v.3)

(and the one who curses you I will curse)

(b) with the ultimate result being that in you all the families of the ground may be blessed.”



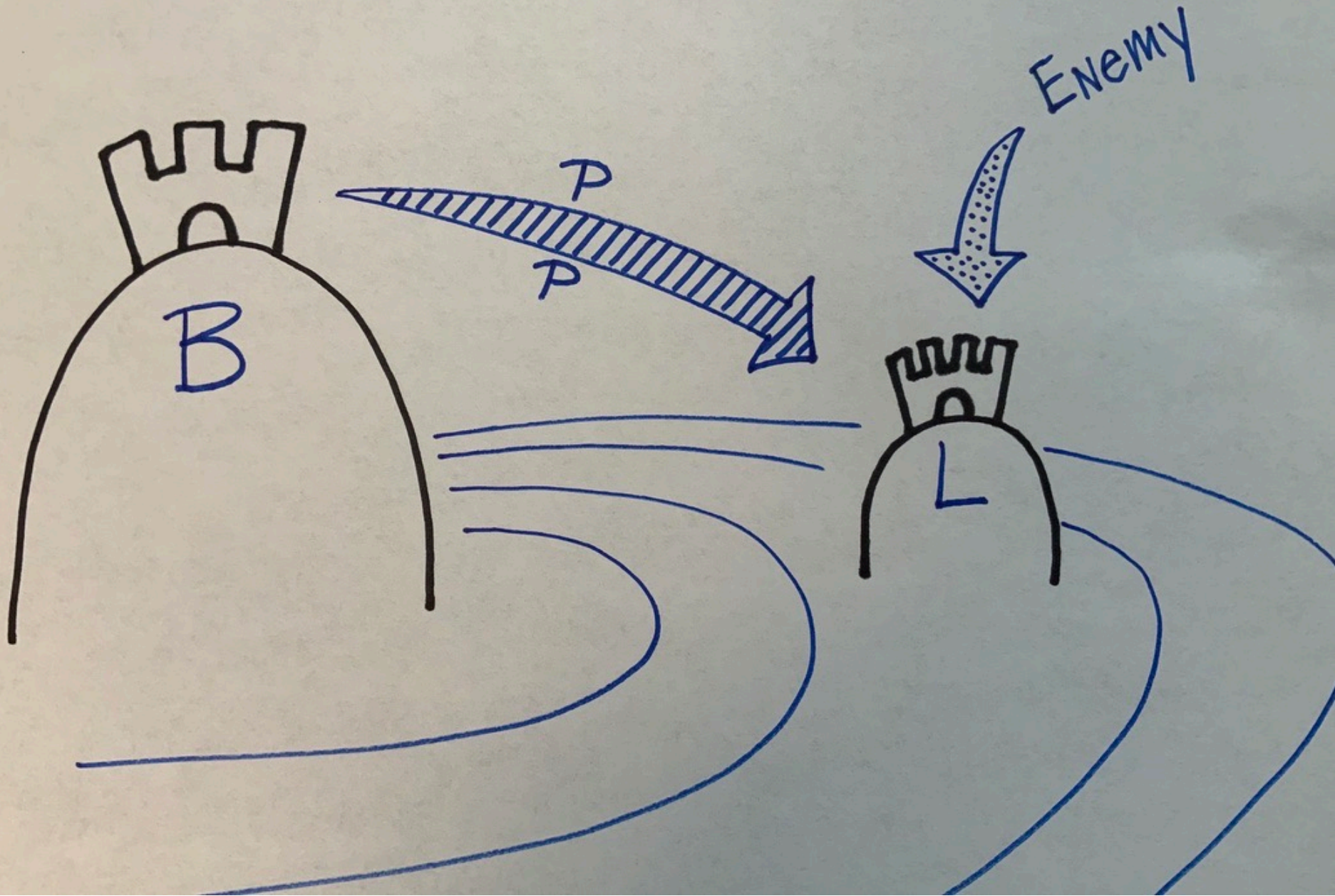
“I will make your offspring as the dust of the earth, so that if one can count the dust of the earth your offspring also can be counted.”

—Gen 13:16

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THE LAND BETWEEN

ARARAT
MOUNTAINS

FERTILE
CRESCENT

Assyria

GREAT
SEA

Phoenicia

Aram

MESOPOTAMIA

Babylonia

Persia

Israel

Philistia

Ammon

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