

E	J
<p>Promise to Abram</p> <p>GEN 15:12 And it came to pass, that, when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, a dread, even a great darkness, fell upon him.</p> <p><i>[Gap in E: God speaks to Abram in a dream]</i></p> <p>GEN 15:3 And Abram said: ‘Behold, to me Thou hast given no seed, and, lo, one born in my house is to be mine heir.’</p> <p>GEN 15:13 And He said unto Abram: ‘Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; ¹⁴and also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge; and afterward shall they come out with great substance. ¹⁵But thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age. ¹⁶And in the fourth generation they shall come back hither; for the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet full.’</p>	<p>Covenant with Abram</p> <p>GEN 13:14 And the Lord said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him: ‘Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art, northward and southward and eastward and westward; ¹⁵for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever. ¹⁶And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth; so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered. ¹⁷Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for unto thee will I give it.’</p> <p>GEN 15:1 (After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in a vision, saying::) ‘Fear not, Abram, I am thy shield, thy reward shall be exceeding great.’</p> <p>²And Abram said: ‘O Lord God, what wilt Thou give me, seeing I go hence childless, and he that shall be possessor of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’ ⁴And, behold, the word of the Lord came unto him, saying: ‘This man shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.’ ⁵And He brought him forth abroad, and said: ‘Look now toward heaven, and count the stars, if thou be able to count them’; and He said unto him: ‘So shall thy seed be.’ ⁶And he believed in the Lord; and He counted it to him for righteousness.</p> <p>⁷And He said unto him: ‘I am the Lord that brought thee out (of Ur of the Chaldees,) to give thee this land to inherit it.’ ⁸And he said: ‘O Lord</p>
(added by redactor)	{ problematic }

P	Notes
<p>Covenant with Abram</p> <p>GEN 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him: ‘I am God Almighty; walk before Me, and be thou whole-hearted. ²And I will make My covenant between Me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.’ ³And Abram fell on his face; And God talked with him, saying: ⁴‘As for Me, behold, My covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for the father of a multitude of nations have I made thee. ⁶And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. ⁷And I will establish My covenant between Me and thee and thy seed after thee throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee and to thy seed after thee. ⁸And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land of thy sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.’</p> <p>⁹And God said unto Abraham: ‘And as for thee, thou shalt keep My covenant, thou, and thy seed after thee throughout their generations. ¹⁰This is My covenant, which ye shall keep, between Me and you and thy seed after thee: every male among you shall be circumcised. ¹¹And ye shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of a covenant betwixt Me and you. ¹²And he that is</p>	<p>Promise to/Covenant with Abram</p> <p>E Text</p> <p>There is no preparation in the E text for the verse, “GEN 15:3 And Abram said: ‘Behold, to me Thou hast given no seed.’”</p> <p>Presumably, God must have appeared to Abram in a dream or vision before Abram made this reply (because God appears directly only to Moses in E). Therefore, this edition has moved Genesis 15:12 (where Abram is about to have a dream or vision) before Genesis 15:3.</p> <p>In the received version of the Bible, Genesis 15:12 is in the middle of the covenant ceremony in J, but it is clearly out of place there and interrupts the narrative. Though this verse does not make sense in J, it does make sense in this new location in E.</p> <p>J Text</p> <p>A redactor interrupted the J passage describing God’s promise to Abram in Genesis 13 and Genesis 15 by inserting Genesis 14, which scholars agree is not by J, E or P. Thus, this redactor had to add “After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in a vision” at the beginning of Genesis 15. This is not characteristic of J, where the Lord speaks directly to people rather than appearing in a vision.</p> <p>In Genesis 15:7, R added “(of Ur of the Chaldees,)” to make this text consistent with P’s version saying Abraham came from Ur of the Chaldees.</p> <p>J says, “GEN 15:18 In that day the Lord</p>
[used more than once]	“ quoting older text ”