

# THE WRITINGS OF ABRAHAM

## Part Two

### CHAPTER 51

AND when these virgins were slain, the priests of Pharaoh took me also and laid me upon the altar to slay me. But I cried unto the Lord my God for I knew that my mission was not yet ended.

2. And the Lord heard my voice and sent His angel to loose the cords wherewith I was bound.

3. And I saw the Lord seated upon His throne and He said to me, Abram, Abram, behold, my name is Jehovah, and I have heard thee and have come down to deliver thee and to take thee away from the father's house and from all thy kindred into a land which is unknown to thee, a land which I have promised unto Noah should be an eternal inheritance unto the promised seed.

4. Behold, I will lead thee by mine hand and will put upon thee my name that thou shalt bear the priesthood of the fathers and the power thereof.

5. As it was with Noah, so shall it be with thee that through thy ministry and the ministry of thy seed bearing this priesthood, my name shall be known in the earth forever, for I am thy God.

6. And the Lord broke down the altar of the idol gods by an earthquake and smote their priests that they were all destroyed.

### CHAPTER 52

BUT I hastened to my father's house where all the believers were gathered, fasting and praying for me and I said unto them, Up, for this day we shall depart from this city that the Lord may visit it in wrath and vengeance.

2. Wherefore, all the believers gathered together and followed me out of the city to my camp.

3. And we struck our tents and departed from the land of Shinar to go to the city of Shalom to confer with Father Shem.

4. And my father also, seeing that the king's face would be set against him, gathered together his goods and followed after me.

5. We journeyed slowly, for I had with me many souls, both women and children and women with child.

### CHAPTER 53

WHEN at length we arrived at the city of Shalom, Father Shem came forth to greet us, bearing bread and wine which he blessed and gave to us and he said unto me, Blessed art thou, Abram, for the Most High God hath multiplied thee and behold, thy seed shall be even as the sand upon the seashore without number.

2. Go to now with this great multitude into the land of Canaan for unto thee and thy seed will I give this land for an everlasting inheritance, saith the Lord God Almighty. Amen.

#### **CHAPTER 54**

THUS we departed from the presence of Shem and moved to the vicinity of Ludor which city we denominated Haran.

2. And we dwelt in the suburbs of Haran for three years for there was much pasture there and a space large enough for the multitude which accompanied me.

3. And I preached the gospel in Haran and many souls were added unto the faithful in that place.

#### **CHAPTER 55**

AND there was a famine in the land, but the land of Haran was blessed for our sakes that the famine there was light.

2. But at the end of three years, the famine abated throughout the land; wherefore lot, my brother's son, and I went before the Lord in prayer after the manner of the ancients, and in answer to our prayer the Lord appeared unto me and said, Arise, Abram, and take Lot with thee and all who follow after thee, for I have purposed to take thee out of Haran and to make of thee a minister to bear my name in a strange land which I will give unto thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession when they hearken to my voice.

3. For I am the Lord thy God.

4. I dwell in the heavens; the earth is my footstool for I shall surely walk upon it when I come to redeem my people from their sins.

5. My name is Jehovah and I know the end from the beginning; therefore, my hand shall be over thee and I will make of thee a great nation and I will bless thee above measure and make thy name great among all nations and thou shalt be a blessing unto thy seed after thee, that in their hands they shall bear this ministry and priesthood, even the priesthood of the fathers after the Holy Order of God, unto all nations.

6. And I will bless all them, even as many as shall receive this gospel through thy name, for they shall be called after thy name, even the seed of Abram, as though they were the seed of thine own flesh, and they shall rise up and bless thee as their father.

7. For I will bless them who bless thee and curse them who curse thee.

8. In thee, through the priesthood which thou barest, and in thy seed, through thy priesthood which they shall bear which cometh down from the fathers, shall all the families of the earth be blessed with the blessings of the gospel which are the blessings of salvation, even of life eternal.

9. For I give thee this promise, that thy seed shall sprinkle all nations that through them the right to this priesthood may encompass all mankind, that all may be brought into the covenant through obedience to the law and ordinances of the gospel.

## **CHAPTER 56**

NOW when the Lord had ceased speaking with me, I praised the Lord saying, Thy servant hath sought thee earnestly; now have I found thee.

2. Thou didst send thy angels to deliver me from death many times; shall I not do all things which the Lord my God requireth of me?

3. Blessed art thou, O Lord, who bestowest thy love without measure upon the righteous but hatest all iniquity.

4. But I have kept thy statutes to walk therein and have received thine ordinances unto myself, wherein thou hast blessed me with the Spirit of knowledge and truth.

5. For my part, I will love thee freely with all my heart and soul.

6. I will cleave to thine holy law to not turn aside therefrom in all thou hast commanded.

7. I have learned through the gift of thine Holy Spirit that no man is able to choose his own way nor direct his own steps for all such will fall into the pit.

8. In thine hand is the shaping of each man's soul which thou hast foreordained to conform to the image of thy Son.

9. Wherefore, I will embrace the Son and call upon God for mercy for evermore. Amen.

## **CHAPTER 57**

THEREFORE, I took Sarai and Lot and all my family and all Lot's family and all the souls who had joined us in Ur and in Haran who would come and we departed out of the land of Canaan.

2. But my father had departed not from his idolatry; wherefore, he remained in the land of Haran and Nahor also remained with some others who departed not from the truth of the living God.

## **CHAPTER 58**

WHEN we had come into the land of Canaan, I built an altar in the plains of Moreh and offered sacrifice unto the Lord.

2. And the Lord appeared unto me and said This is the land which I will give unto thee and to thy seed after thee forever.

3. I will make thy seed like the stars of heaven and I will give unto them for an inheritance all the land which belongeth unto the Canaanites for surely I will destroy them from off the face for the land when their wickedness is full.

4. Wherefore, I praise the Lord for His mercy and we departed from that place and journeyed toward Bethel.

## **CHAPTER 59**

AND when I reached Hebron, I tarried there for two years, but the famine again waxed great in the land.

2. hearing that there was no famine in Egypt, I determined to journey into that land, remembering the word of the Lord unto me in Ur that I should declare the mysteries of my God in the land of Egypt.

3. And, behold, the Lord blessed us on our journey that it was made light unto us and we journeyed until we reached the Kirmyon, one of the branches of the river of Egypt, where we rested from our journey for a season, for here the famine was not so severe.

4. But remembering the word of the Lord my God unto me, when we were recovered from our journey, I determined to move forward across the seven branches of the river of Egypt into the heart of the country of the Egyptians.

## **CHAPTER 60**

BUT on the night before I entered into Egypt, I dreamed a dream.

2. And behold, in my dream I saw a cedar and a palm tree and the branches of the palm tree were wrapped around the cedar.

3. Suddenly , a group of men approached, seeking to cut down the cedar and leave the palm tree to stand alone.

4. But the palm tree cried out saying, Cut not down the cedar for whosoever seeketh to fell it shall find the curse of God resting upon him.

5. So the men desisted and the cedar was spared by the act of the palm tree.

## **CHAPTER 61**

WHEN the dream was ended, I awoke from my sleep and wondered at it.

2. Wherefore, I went before the Lord in prayer and besought him saying, O Lord, show me the interpretation of this dream which I have had this night.

3. And the Lord said unto me, Behold, Sarai thy wife is a beautiful woman to look upon above all the women of the earth.

4. Therefore, it shall come to pass that when the Egyptians shall see her, they will say, She is his wife, and they will seek to slay thee for the sake of obtaining thy wife.

5. Let Sarai thy wife, therefore, say unto them, He is my kinsman, and thy soul shall live.

6. For thou art the cedar, O Abram, and Sarai is the palm tree and this is the interpretation of the dream; for through the act of thy wife, thou shall be saved and the way will be opened for thee to preach the mysteries of godliness in the court of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, for these Egyptians are thy kindred of thy seed of Eber, and it is My will that the truths of the everlasting gospel should be brought to them.

## **CHAPTER 62**

NOW I had heard while I dwelt in Haran that some of seed of Eber had entered into Egypt and driven the seed of Ham to the south and taken possession of the land.

2. But these followed not after the God of their father Eber, but worshiped idol gods, even as did my father Terah, but they followed not after the abominations of Nimrod.

3. Now these Hebrews were of the seed of Hadoram, the son of Joktan, the son of Eber.

4. And Joktan was the brother of Peleg.

5. And Eber was the son of Salah, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem.

6. Wherefore, the Lord had sent me to preach the gospel unto these who had departed from the god of their fathers.

## **CHAPTER 63**

WHEREFORE, I awakened my wife Sarai and I said unto her, I have had a dream of the Lord.

2. Tell it to me, she said, that I may know what it is.

3. Therefore, I related unto her the dream and all that the Lord had said to me concerning it and I added, When the men of the land shall inquire of thee saying, Who is this who accompanieth thee, say unto them simply, He is my kinsman.

4. Thus shall my soul live and the Lord will use their love for thee as a means whereby the gospel shall be preached among them.

5. Fear not to do this thing for they will neither defile thee, contrary to thy covenants, nor slay me, but all shall come to pass to the glory of our God.

## **CHAPTER 64**

SARAI, my wife, was fearful when she heard of the danger through which we must pass and wept that night before the Lord, but she placed her trust in Him and was comforted by His Holy Spirit.

2. The next day we moved on across the seven branches of the river and proceeded toward Foan where Pharaoh dwelt.

3. But I kept Sarai hidden until we reached Foan, for it was in the home of Pharaoh that the Lord purpose to use her great beauty to open the heart of Pharaoh unto the work of God.

4. When we reached the city of Foan, three of Pharaoh's officers met us and I brought Sarai forth to sit at my right hand while I gave them audience.

5. And according to the word of the Lord, while I attempted to explain unto them our having come there because of the famine in the land of Canaan and that we sojourned among them, they kept bestowing compliments upon Sarai for her great beauty and wisdom and the luster of her countenance.

## **CHAPTER 65**

WHEN the men departed from me, they went directly into the presence of Pharaoh and when they had eaten with him, he had good wine brought forth.

2. While they drank together, they began to speak unto him of what had transpired, but all they could speak of were the beauties of Sarai.

3. How beautiful is the woman Sarai, they said, who sitteth at Abram's right hand.

4. How comely is the shape of her face; how delicate and finespun are her tresses.

5. How beautiful her eyes. How delicate is her nose and the whole luster of her countenance.

6. How fair are her breasts and how comely with all is her complexion.

7. How comely, too, are her arms and how perfect her hands.

8. How pleasing are her hands to behold; how lovely her palms, how long and slender her fingers.

9. How comely are her feet. How well rounded her thighs.

10. None of the maidens and none of the brides that enter the bride chamber are fairer than she.

11. Her beauty is greater than all other women and she excels them all.

12. Moreover, along with all this beauty, she hath great wisdom and the workmanship of her hands is fair indeed.

## **CHAPTER 66**

WHEN he heard these words, Pharaoh lusted after Sarai and he sent his servants to fetch her to him.

2. Knowing it to be the will of the Lord, I let her go although mine heart was grieved within me.

3. When Pharaoh saw her, his lust grew within him, for he was overcome by her beauty and he took her into his household as his wife and sent men to slay me that I might not rise up to claim her.

4. But Sarai, seeing these things said unto Pharaoh, He is but my kinsman; wherefore, Pharaoh called back his men and my life was spared.

## **CHAPTER 67**

BUT Lot and I and all our household spent that night in prayer before the Lord for Sarai that she might accomplish her mission and that she might not be defiled contrary to her covenants.

2. And I stood with mine arms stretched out toward heaven after the Holy Order of God and I said, Blessed art thou, O Lord the Most High God, Lord of all worlds and Lord and Ruler over all things.

3. I know that thou dost rule over all the kings of the earth, executing judgment upon them in righteousness even as thou didst save me from the evil designs of the mighty King Nimrod.

4. Now do I complain before thee concerning Pharaoh of Foan, king of Egypt, who hath violently abducted my wife Sarai from me.

5. Wreak justice upon him in my behalf and let me behold thine hand wax mighty against him and against all his household and let him not be able this night to defile my wife contrary to her covenants.

6. Let them come to know, O Lord, that thou art the Lord of all the kings of the earth and the Ruler of all men, for this cause did I suffer Sarai to go among them according to Thy counsel.

## **CHAPTER 68**

AND God hearkened unto my prayer and withheld His spirit from the Egyptians that none of them were able to come at their wives that night.

2. In the morning, consternation reigned throughout the land of Egypt, for no man had been able to lie with his wife all that night.

3. Pharaoh also was greatly perplexed, for although his lust toward Sarai had grown throughout the night, he had been unable to satisfy that lust because of the curse of God which rested upon him.

4. Therefore, he summoned all of his wise men and the physicians of his household, but none could heal him and all had suffered the same affliction.

## **CHAPTER 69**

THEN the Spirit of the Lord fell upon Sarai and she said, My lord, it is indeed a sad matter that this affection should be upon thee.

2. My kinsman Abram is a man full of wisdom and of the Spirit of our God.

3. Send for him, therefore, and he shall tell thee how to be delivered from these bonds that thou mayest freely take me to thyself.

4. Now this he said at the direction of the Lord our God and the Lord softened Pharaoh's heart that he hearkened unto her words and he sent Shulem, one of his chief ministers, unto my camp.

## **CHAPTER 70**

WHEN Shulem arrived in camp, he was, according to my directions, let to the tent of Lot, and when he had entered the tent, he bowed before Lot and said, My lord Pharaoh and all the males of the land of Egypt have been cursed that they are unable to come at their wives.

2. But it hath been told Pharaoh by his handmaiden Sarai that her kinsman Abram is a man full of wisdom and of the Spirit of your God.

3. Let him, therefore, come and lay his hands upon my lord Pharaoh and pray for him that he may be healed and live.

4. But Lot said to him, As long as his wife Sarai remains with the king, my uncle Abram will not be able to pray for him.

5. Be off thou and tell the king to release the woman to her husband.

6. Then he will pray for him and he will be healed.

## **CHAPTER 71**

WHEN Shulem heard these words, he was amazed and he went straightway to the king.

2. My lord king, said he, This curse hath come on account of Sarai the wife of Abram.

3. Let Sarai be but restored to her husband Abram and this curse will be lifted from off all the males of Egypt.
4. Upon hearing these words, the king asked Sarai saying, Is this thing so?
5. Yea, my lord, she replied, and it is done that thou mightest behold the power of God.
6. For when thine heart lusted after me, thou shouldst have asked and not taken me by force.
7. But this is done that the glory of God might be revealed that thou shouldst turn from the worship of dumb idols to the worship of the true and living God.

## **CHAPTER 72**

HEARING these words, Pharaoh summoned me to him and when I entered his presence he asked, What is this that hath been done?

2. For I have taken Sarai to wife while she was yet your wife and for this thing a curse hath fallen upon me and all males in the land of Egypt.
3. Therefore, pray for me that this curse may be removed from us.
4. According to Pharaoh's request, I laid mine hands upon him and prayed over him and he and all the males of Egypt were healed.

## **CHAPTER 73**

WHEN the king had been blessed, he was that he had recovered and he praised the Lord for his recovery.

2. Wherefore, I took him into his garden and baptized him in the name of the Lord and all his household with him.
3. And when I had blessed him again, Sarai came before him and he knew that he had been healed for the Spirit of God fell upon him with this testimony and the witness thereof was sure.

## **CHAPTER 74**

THEN Pharaoh arose and praised the Lord and proclaimed to all his people that they should worship the Most High God who had healed them.

2. And he desired to enter into a covenant of eternal brotherhood with me that I should be his father and he should be my son.
3. Wherefore, I said unto Pharaoh, Put forth thine hand upon my thigh and I will make thee swear before the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that thou shalt be true to me and thine heirs to

mine heirs forever, and I shall receive thee unto myself to be my son and brother to inherit all the blessings of mine house and to bear my priesthood forever.

4. Wherefore, Pharaoh put his hand upon my thigh and swore to me according to this oath.

5. And when he had sworn, Lot sealed him mine that he should be my son in time and eternity and Pharaoh rejoiced therein.

## **CHAPTER 75**

AND the king clothed me in his own robes and seated me upon his throne, placing his own crown upon my head and his scepter in mine hand.

2. And I did teach him and his people in all the mysteries of godliness from first to last.

3. For Pharaoh did introduce me into the temple which had been built by the fathers, commenced by Father Seth and completed by Father Shem after the great flood and therein I did officiate in the rites and ordinances of the house of the Lord.

4. And Pharaoh made all matters right with Sarai, and he blessed her with the outpouring of his spirit and she was blessed in his presence.

5. And he gave unto her Hagar, his own daughter, also, to be her companion and to Hagar he gave many gifts.

6. And I was seven years in the land of Egypt teaching the gospel and administering unto Pharaoh and his household and all the Egyptians the blessings, rites, and ordinances of the gospel with the power thereof.

7. And I established among them the order of the Fathers and the priesthood thereof until the name of Jehovah was glorified throughout the land of Egypt.

8. And I taught the people the nature of the heavens and of the earth and the plan of salvation and the blessings of the Lord unto those who serve him in purity of heart and to believe on the Son of God who should come to make an atonement for their sins.

9. And so great was the power of God among us that in time all of the Egyptians had turned from their idolatry to the worship of the true God and I and my people had cause to rejoice in the fruits of labors.

## **CHAPTER 76**

AT the end of seven years, the Lord visited me and he said unto me, Blessed art thou, Abram, servant of the Most High, for thy joy shall be great in my mansion with this multitude which thou hast brought unto me; wherefore, thy name shall no more be called Abram but Abraham shalt thou be called, which is by interpretation, Father of a Multitude.

2. Moreover, thy wife Sarai shall no longer be called by that name, but Sarah shall she be called, which signifieth a Queen.

3. For Sarah have I chosen and appointed to be thy queen of queens for from her shall issue the promised seed, even him who shall be thine heir.

4. Behold, the day cometh when the seed of Ham shall again rule in this land and at that day thy seed shall be in bondage to them, but I will raise up a prince from among the Egyptians who shall lead them out of bondage and they shall inherit the land of Canaan, even that land which I have promised unto thee and to thy seed after thee for an everlasting inheritance.

5. Moreover, from the loins of thine heir shall proceed the Messiah, even the Son of God, who shall walk upon the earth ministering to the poor and lowly, who shall be lifted up that the price might be paid for the original sin of Adam and for the sins of all mankind, that all who will believe on His name and receive His ordinances and keep His commandments should not perish but inherit everlasting life.

6. Moreover, in the last days I will raise up out of the loins of thine heir a choice seer through whom the fullness of my gospel shall be restored to the earth and all things shall be restored as in the beginning.

7. For upon him shall rest the priesthood of his fathers and he shall commence the organization of that holy order which was in the beginning of the world which shall be consummated before the Son of God shall walk again upon the earth.

8. These promises are thine, my son, and I say unto thee, Thou shalt be exalted and dwell with me in the mansion of my Father.

9. Now take thy people and return into the land of Canaan, for there have I a mission for thee and there shall the promises come to pass in thy behalf.

## **CHAPTER 77**

WHEN I had received this word of the Lord and He had departed from me, I went unto Pharaoh and told him that I must depart from his realm as the Lord had a work for me to do in the land of Canaan.

2. Though he was loathe to see me go, Pharaoh bowed to the will of God and appointed men from his own bodyguard to escort me to the borders of Egypt and he gave me gifts of cattle and silver and gold and fine cloth and precious jewels of every kind.

## **CHAPTER 78**

SO I went up out of Egypt and Lot accompanied me who had taken three wives while in Egypt, namely, Jennifer, daughter of Eliezer of Damascus, Deborah, daughter of Kumen who had come out of the city of Ur, and Asterah, daughter of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.

## CHAPTER 79

TRAVELING slowly and stopping often to camp upon our way, we eventually reached Bethel, where yet stood and altar that I had built there at the first.

2. I restored it to its perfect form and offered sacrifices thereon to the Most High God.
3. And I called there upon the name of the Lord of all worlds and offered praise to the name of God and blessed god and gave thanks before Him for all the possessions bestowed upon us and for the many souls we had won in Egypt and for having brought us back safely from that land.

## CHAPTER 80

NOW after our departure from Egypt, a faction arose among our people upon seeing the great wealth which Pharaoh had entrusted to us, for they desired property which they could call their own.

2. Lot also was among them, which thing grieved me greatly, but seeing they would not be reconciled, we gave unto them a portion of the common property and they departed from us under Lot's direction and settled in the Valley of the Jordan River.
3. There they went from place to place as their flocks needed pasture until they reached the city of Sodom where they mingled with the inhabitants and became one with them.
4. Lot also built a house in Sodom and settled there, but of all that company that went out from us, only Lot maintained his integrity and did not violate the covenants of his priesthood nor bow to heathen idol gods.
5. Nevertheless, Lot did not walk perfectly in the way of the Fathers for he dwelt not among the people of God but built his own house and he coveted his own property that he should govern it rather than holding all things common with the saints.
6. Nevertheless, Lot did continue to serve the Lord and the Lord loved him and his family and his property grew very large.
7. But I was grieved in my heart that Lot had parted from me for he had stood at my right hand and had been instructed in a better way.

## CHAPTER 81

MEANWHILE, I with my people dwelt in Bethel where we did worship the Lord our God after the Order of the Ancients and did strive diligently to establish the Holy Order of God among us in ever increasing perfection.

2. Wherefore, we did banish from among us all contention, all covetousness, all selfishness, and we were of one heart and of one mind and dedicated in all our service unto the Lord and held all things common, for no man called anything his own.

## **CHAPTER 82**

ONE night God appeared to me in a vision and said, Go up to the top of Hazor and lift up thine eyes and gaze eastward and westward and southward and northward and behold all this land for, behold, unto thee and to thy seed after thee shall I give it for an everlasting inheritance.

2. The next day I ascended Hazor as the Lord had commanded me and I gazed upon all the land from the river of Egypt unto Lebanon and Shenir, from the Great Sea unto Hauran, the whole area of Seir as far as Kadish, the whole of the great wilderness which lieth east of the Hauran and the region of Shenir as far as the Euphrates.

3. And as I beheld the land, the Lord my God spake in mine heart, saying, Blessed Abraham, I have chosen thee to stand at the head of a multitude.

4. Wherefore, unto thee and to thy seed after thee I will give this land, even all that thine eye beholdeth, that ye may possess it forever.

5. And I shall multiply thy seed like the dust of the earth, for even as no man can count the dust of the earth, so shall they seed be without number.

6. Rise up, now, and compass this land.

7. Behold the length of it and the breadth of it, for I will give it unto thee and to thy seed after thee forever.

## **CHAPTER 83**

EVEN so, I, Abraham, descended from the high place and set out to behold all the land.

2. I commenced at the river of Egypt and came to the shore of the lake beside which I traveled until I reached the mountain of the ox.

3. Thence, I turned from the great lake which is by Sodom and walked across the breadth of the land until I reached Euphrates.

4. Thence, I journeyed even unto the Red Sea which I followed unto its head.

5. Thence, I went onward to the river of Egypt again, having compassed the whole land according to the command of the Lord.

6. When I had completed my journey, I bowed down and praised the Lord and returned safely unto my family where I found everyone well.

## CHAPTER 84

NOT many days thence, under the direction of the Lord, I departed from Bethel and settled in the plains of Mamre on the northeast of Hebron and there I built an altar and offered an offering unto the Most High God and dedicated that land unto the Lord.

2. And I held a great feast unto the Lord for the time of the Passover had come and together with all the men of mine household, Invited Mamre, Aneram, and Eshcol, my friends who were wanderers in the land as we were and who had joined the believers in the Most High God, into the Solemn Assembly.

3. And after this all my people ate and drank together with me before the Lord.

## CHAPTER 85

AT this feast, the Spirit of the Lord fell upon me and laying aside my garments, I danced before the Lord and sang unto the Lord a new song, saying, Blessed are Thou, O Lord, who hast given unto man knowledge of Thy ways that he might understand Thy truths and see Thine abundant mercies.

2. Blessed art Thou, O God, who art full of compassion and grace, for the greatness of Thy power, the abundance of Thy truth, the profusion of Thy mercies over all Thy works.

3. Rejoice the soul of Thy servant in Thy truth and through Thy righteousness make me clean before Thee.

4. Blessed art Thou, O Lord, for Thou has placed in the mouth of Thy servant the sacred words of power that I might stand as Thy minister continually that I may confer Thy grace upon Thy children and that I myself may return to Thy presence.

## CHAPTER 86

SARAH also rose up, full of the Holy Ghost, and danced and sang before the Lord.

2. And this is the song of Sarah: In Thee, O Lord, will my soul be raised up for Thou hast bestowed upon me Thy grace whereby I am restored to Thy presence for I have entered into thine holy house and received the sacred rites of Thy presence.

3. Surely in my tent at night I will sing songs of joy unto the Lord as I am overshadowed by the priesthood and lifted up in the foreshadowing of eternity.

4. Surely in receiving Thy Spirit through the overshadowing of the priesthood, I have received salvation.

5. Wherefore, in the midst of Thy people, those who reverence Thine holy name, I will praise Thee and glorify Thy name forever.

## CHAPTER 87

MY wife Kadar also arose and proceeded to dance and sing before the Lord.

2. And her song was: Bless the Lord, O my soul; exalt His name among the people.
3. I will praise Thee, O Lord, upon my bed when the well springs of my joy are opened up.
4. I will praise Thee at all times and seasons.
5. When the sun riseth upon the earth, I will praise Thine holy name.
6. When in its ordered course, day reacheth its turning point at the meridian, I shall not fail to praise Thee.
7. Again in the evening when the daylight departeth, I will marvel at Thy wonders and glorify Thy name.

## CHAPTER 88

THEN rose up my wife Judith who danced and sang, saying, Praise the Lord who hath shown me the wonders of His ways.

2. For as I lay upon my bed enwrapped in the ecstasies of the Holy Spirit, when the Spirit rushed into me, I saw the vision of the Almighty and heard that which is unlawful to be spoken.
3. Yea, O Lord, Thou hast visited me and I have heard Thy wondrous secret and I know that it is true. Through Thine Holy Spirit, through the rites of Thine holy priesthood, through the glorious inner vision to which Thou didst open my mind in the moment of passion, Thou has caused a spring of knowledge to well up within me, a fountain of strength and power, of loving kindness and glory in my God.
4. Thou has put an end to the darkness of the world in me and the splendor of Thy glory hath become in me an eternal light.
5. Wherefore, I will praise Thy name forever and give myself unto Thee.

## CHAPTER 89

WHEN Judith had finished her song, all the congregation, being filled with the Holy Ghost, arose to their feet and began to dance and sing and praise the Lord and to prophecy in His name.

2. Some saw holy angels in our midst and others saw the heavens opened and beheld God seated upon His throne and all were filled with His Spirit and shouted praises to the Lord in joyousness until dawn.

3. Then we all rose up before the Lord and praised His name for this great outpouring and worshiped Him all that day.

4. And we rejoiced in the grace of the Lord our God.

## **CHAPTER 90**

PREVIOUS to this time, Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar, Chederlaomer, king of Elam, Arioch, king of Capadocia, and Tidal, king of Goyim in Mesopotamia, had waged war against Bera, king of Sodom, Birsha, king of Gomorrah, Shinah, king of Admah, Shemeber, king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela.

2. They assembled for combat in the vale of Siddim and the king of Shinar and his royal allies overcame the king of Sodom and his confederates and imposed tribute upon them.

3. For twelve years they paid their tribute to the king of Shinar, but in the thirteenth year they revolted against him.

4. In the fourteenth year the king of Shinar led forth all his allies and they went up along the way of the wilderness, attacking and plundering all who were confederate with the king of Sodom.

5. But the king of Sodom, the king of Gomorrah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela came forth to battle and met Amraphel and his allies in the vale of Siddim.

6. However, Amraphel and his allies prevailed against them and Bera, king of Sodom turned and fled and Birsha, king of Gomorrah fell into the slime pits which were in the vale of Siddim and perished there.

7. The remainder of the kings fled unto the mountain which was called Hanabal and tarried there in great fear.

## **CHAPTER 91**

BUT one of Lot's servants who dwelt in his house escaped and came to me in Hebron and told me that Lot, my brother's son, had been taken with all his possessions, but that he yet lived.

2. he showed me, moreover, the route which the kings had taken toward the land of Damascus.

3. When I heard this news, mine heart melted within me for Lot who had stood at my right hand had been as a brother to me in the place of my brother Haran, who had been slain in the Land of Shinar.

4. Oh, that Lot had stayed among the body of saints of the Most High God, I thought, and not go off to possess his own property apart.

5. Then these circumstances would never have befallen him that he should be in the hands of Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar and his host.

6. But as I thus mourned over Lot, the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Up, arouse thee, O Abraham. Take three hundred and eighty of the young men of the strength of thine house and also thy friends Aneram, Eshcol, and Mamre each with one hundred and five of the strength of his house and also Eliezer of Damascus who is with thee in the tent and pursue after Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar, for truly I shall deliver his hosts into your hands.

## **CHAPTER 92**

WHEREFORE, we did according to all that the Lord had commanded me, having all seven hundred of men and we pursued after them even unto the valley of Dan where we found them encamped.

2. And falling upon them by night from all four directions, we commenced the work of death and continued wreaking slaughter among them and discomforting them all that night.

3. And with the rising of the sun, they fled from before us until they reached Hobah which is situated to the left of Damascus where we did again overtake them and conquer them.

4. There we did strip them of all that they had taken as plunder and loot and likewise of all their won goods.

5. Lot also and his family we rescued from their hands and restoring to him all his possessions and all that they had taken from him as spoil, we restored him to his home in peace.

## **CHAPTER 93**

WHEN the king of Sodom heard that I had returned from the conquest of Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar, he came forth to meet me at the valley of Shaveh which is west of the city of Shalom where Noah and Melchizedek dwelt.

2. And Melchizedek brought forth bread and wine from the city of Shalom unto the valley of Shaveh where we were encamped.

3. And he being the high priest after the Order of the Most High God, brake the bread and blessed it and he blessed the wine also and he distributed them unto me and those who were with me, and we partook and were filled.

4. And Melchizedek lifted up his hands to heaven and blessed me, and said, Blessed Abraham, thou art a man of the Most High God, possessor of heaven and of earth, wherefore, his name and priesthood shall not depart from thee and thy seed after thee while the earth shall stand and even in eternity shall it remain with thee.

5. And blessed is the name of the Most High God and almighty His power, which hath delivered thine enemies into thine hand.

6. And I, Abraham, gave into the hand of Melchizedek, tithes of all I had taken, for he was the presiding high priest after the Order of the Most High God, the first of the fathers unto me, and he reigned under his father Noah.

## **CHAPTER 94**

AND when the king of Sodom had come unto me, he said unto me, My lord Abraham, give me the persons who are not thine but who are with thee whom thou hast rescued from the hand of Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar, but let all the property be left with thee.

2. But I said unto him, This day do I, Abraham, lift up mine hand before the Most High God, before His holy angels and before these witnesses who are with us and declare that I will not take even so much as a thread or a shoe's latchet which is not mine, lest thou shouldst say that all Abraham's wealth cometh really from thy possession.

3. Only that which the young men who are with me have eaten and that which Aneram, Eshcol, and Mamre, these three stalwarts who went with me, have received as their share shall be excepted of all that I took from Amraphel, son of Nimrod, king of Shinar that was thine.

4. The rest I return freely unto thee.

5. Now go thy way in peace.

6. Thereupon, I returned all the possessions and all the spoil and gave them unto the king of Sodom and I released all the captives and sent them away rejoicing.

## **CHAPTER 95**

AND when I had done this, Melchizedek again lifted up his voice and blessed me saying, Blessed art thou, Abraham, for the Most High God shall visit thee and shall bestow upon thee riches and honor and lands for an everlasting possession because thou hast been true and faithful to the covenants which thou hast entered before Him.

2. Wherefore, thou shalt continue to increase, worlds without end, and the glory of the Lord shall never depart from thee. The blessings of thy Fathers shall rest upon thee and thou shalt stand at the head and in thee and in thy seed after thee, those who shall bear thy priesthood, shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

## **CHAPTER 96**

THEREWITH, I departed from Melchizedek, rejoicing in his blessing, for he was a man of faith who wrought righteousness and when a child he feared God and by his faith he stopped the mouths of lions and quenched the violence of fire when those of the evil combination sought to destroy him from off the face of the earth.

2. Therefore, having been approved of God, he was ordained an high priest after the order of the covenant which God made with Enoch which is after the order of the Firstborn, even our Father Adam.

3. For this holy order came not by man nor the will of man, neither by father nor mother, neither by beginning of days nor end of years, but of God.

4. For it was established in the beginning of the earth by the Ancients of days, wherefore it is called the Order of the Ancients, and it was delivered unto men from the beginning by the calling of God's own voice according to His own will through the voice of His Priesthood, unto as many as believed on His name and were faithful until they had obtained.

## **CHAPTER 97**

BEHOLD, these could transcend the veil, according to the will of God, and commune with the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn in heaven and many were caught up to be with them.

2. For God had sworn unto Enoch and unto his seed with an oath by Himself the every one being ordained after this order and calling should have power by faith to break mountains, to divide the seas, to dry up waters, to turn them out of their course, to put at defiance the armies of nations, to divide the earth, to break every band, to stand in the presence of God, to do all things according to His will according to His command, subdue principalities and powers, and this by the will of the Son of the Only Begotten of the Father which was from before the foundation of the world.

3. And men having this faith and coming up unto this order of God could be translated and taken up into heaven.

## **CHAPTER 98**

NOW Melchizedek was a priest after this order which is the Holy Order of God; therefore he obtained peace in Shalom and was called the prince of peace.

2. And his people wrought righteousness and obtained heaven for they sought for the city of Enoch which God had before taken, separating it from the earth, having reserved it unto the latter days or the end of the world.

3. For God hath said and sworn with an oath that the heavens and the earth should come together again and the sons of God be tried even by fire.

4. And thus Melchizedek, having established righteousness, was called the king of heaven by his people or, in other words, the king of peace.

5. And they communed with those in the city of Enoch and in the city of Peleg and had access to them and were blessed all their days.

## CHAPTER 99

AFTER these things God appeared to me in a vision and he said unto me, Behold Abraham, it is ten full years since thou camest into this land from Haran.

2. Two years didst thou remain then in the land, seven years wast thou in Egypt and one year hath passed since thy return from Egypt.
3. Now, number all that thou hast and see how it hath increased to double that which went out with thee in the day thou camest forth from Haran.
4. Therefore, fear not, for I am with thee and will be thine help and the source of thy strength.
5. I will be thy shield and thine exceeding great reward and thy wealth and thy possessions shall I increase exceedingly.

## CHAPTER 100

AND I said unto Him, My Lord God, truly my wealth and my possessions have increased but, behold, Eliezer of Damascus standeth as mine heir, whereas, prior to my departure from the city of Shalom, Father Shem said unto, Eliezer is a good and righteous man and he shall be greatly blessed in time and in eternity, but he shall not be thine heir, for another shall be thine heir who shall come forth from the womb of thy wife whom thou shalt take in the house of thy father for she is ordained to be thy queen of queens and the mother of thine heir.

2. Wherefore then doth Sarah remain barren, having neither son nor daughter?
3. Nay, replied God, fear not, for none shall be thine heir save he that shall come forth from the womb of thy wife Sarah for she is ordained to be thy queen of queens and the mother of thine heir.
4. Therefore is her name called Sarah.