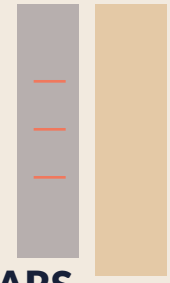
The evidence behind what we build.

A visual key to Genesis 6-12, Josephus, and later Jewish interpretation.

01 / THREE RESPONSES TO LOSS



PILLARS

Knowledge

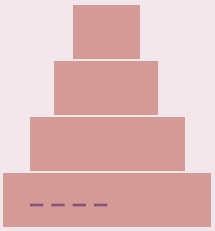
Josephus, Antiquities 1.2.3



ARK

Life

Genesis 6-9



TOWER

A name / security

Genesis 11; Josephus 1.4

02 / THE FRACTURE IN THE FAMILY LINE

SHEM	EBER	PELEG	ABRAM
One family	Two sons	Division	Promise

PELEG

"The earth was divided"

Genesis 10:25 states this connection. Rashi relates the division to Babel.

JOKTAN

Smallness -> humility

The humility reading comes from Genesis Rabbah 37:7, not Genesis itself.

03 / ONE WORD, TWO DIRECTIONS

BABEL

"Let us make a name"

Genesis 11:4 / fear of scattering

ABRAM

"I will make your name great"

Genesis 12:2-3 / blessing others

SOURCES ARE NOT INTERCHANGEABLE

Genesis = biblical narrative / Josephus = ancient retelling / Midrash & Zohar = later interpretations / This atlas = comparative reflection

When protection becomes control.

A decision lens for protecting what matters without sacrificing the people it was meant to serve.

FOUR QUESTIONS THAT CHANGE THE DECISION

01 FACT

What do I know rather than assume?

02 PURPOSE

What was this meant to protect?

03 PEOPLE

Who could be helped, harmed, or erased?

04 REVISION

What new evidence would change my mind?

WHEN VISIBILITY SERVES, NOT JUST SELF

CREDIT	Correct the record without inventing motives.
BOUNDARIES	Make space for safety, responsibility, and truth.
INFLUENCE	Ask who benefits if you stay in control.

THE RETURN

What is worth preserving?

And what must protecting it never cost another person?

For deeper study: Genesis 6-12 · Josephus Antiquities 1.2-1.4, 1.6
Rashi on Genesis 10:25 · Genesis Rabbah 37:7 · Zohar, Noach