



## Endnotes for “Did Abraham Have Camels?”

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#### Notes

<sup>1</sup> “Anachronism” in this context means a word that is not appropriate to the claimed date of the document in which it was used, indicating either that the document was actually written later or that the word was inserted in the document later. A hypothetical example might be finding a supposedly ancient document mentioning an automobile. Since automobiles were not invented until modern times, the document’s use of that word would indicate that the document either is a modern forgery or was altered in modern times.

<sup>2</sup> The Bible does not tell us precisely when Abraham lived. Many Christian scholars believe that Abraham lived sometime during the early second millennium (2000–1800 BC). All other dates mentioned in this article are based on a secular chronology and are the dates stated in the cited articles.

<sup>3</sup> William Foxwell Albright, *The Archaeology of Palestine*, rev. ed. (Baltimore: Penguin Books, 1960), 206–207.

<sup>4</sup> Donald B. Redford, *Egypt, Canaan, and Israel in Ancient Times* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1993), 273.

<sup>5</sup> Israel Finkelstein and Neil Asher Silberman, *The Bible Unearthed: Archaeology’s New Vision of Ancient Israel and the Origin of Its Sacred Texts* (New York: Free Press, 2002), 37.

<sup>6</sup> John Noble Wilford, “Camels Had No Business in Genesis,” *New York Times*, February 10, 2014, <https://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/11/science/camels-had-no-business-in-genesis.html>.

<sup>7</sup> Elizabeth Dias, “The Mystery of the Bible’s Phantom Camels,” *Time*, February 11, 2014, <https://time.com/6662/the-mystery-of-the-bibles-phantom-camels/>.

<sup>8</sup> Daisy Carrington, “Do Camel Bones Discredit the Bible?,” *CNN*, February 20, 2014, <https://www.cnn.com/2014/02/20/world/meast/do-camel-bones-discredit-the-bible/index.html>.

<sup>9</sup> Martin Heide and Joris Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World, History, Archaeology, and Culture of the Levant* 10 (University Park, PA: Eisenbrauns, 2021), loc. 758 of 13041, Kindle. (All references to this source are to the Kindle locations.)

<sup>10</sup> Joseph P. Free, “Abraham’s Camels,” *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 3, no. 3 (July 1944): 188; Daniel T. Potts, “Bactrian Camels and Bactrian-Dromedary Hybrids,” *The Silk Road* 3, no. 1 (June 2005): 52, [http://www.silkroadfoundation.org/newsletter/vol3num1/srjournal\\_v3n1.pdf](http://www.silkroadfoundation.org/newsletter/vol3num1/srjournal_v3n1.pdf).

<sup>11</sup> Peter Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated in the Ancient Near East?,” *Zeitschrift für Orient-Archäologie* (Deutsches Archäologisches Institut: Orient-Abteilung) 8 (2015): 268; Lidar Sapir-Hen and Erez Ben-Yosef, “The Introduction of Domestic Camels to the Southern Levant: Evidence from the Aravah Valley,” *Tel Aviv* (Institute of Archaeology of Tel Aviv University) 40, no. 2 (2013): 278; Charles F. Aling, “Historical Synchronisms and the Date of the Exodus,” Associates for Biblical Research, November 7, 2008, <https://biblearchaeology.org/research/chronological-categories/exodus-era/3579> (Aling’s article was first published in the Spring 2004 issue of *Bible and Spade*).

<sup>12</sup> Titus Kennedy, “The Date of Camel Domestication in the Ancient Near East,” Associates for Biblical Research, February 17, 2014, <https://biblearchaeology.org/research/contemporary-issues/3832>.

<sup>13</sup> Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 266.

<sup>14</sup> Sir Leonard Woolley, *The Excavations in the Inner Town*, in *Carchemish: Report on the Excavations at Jerablus on Behalf of the British Museum*, vol. 3 of 3, *The Excavations in the Inner Town*, by Sir Leonard Woolley, and *The Hittite Inscriptions*, by R. D. Barnett (London: Trustees of the British Museum, 1952), 186; Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 1194 of 13041.

<sup>15</sup> Heide and Peters, loc. 1194 of 13041.

<sup>16</sup> Liora K. Horwitz and B. Rosen, “A Review of Camel Milking in the Southern Levant,” in *The Zooarchaeology of Fats, Oils, Milk and Dairying*, ed. J. Mulville and A. K. Outram (Oxford: Oxbow Books, 2005), 127, table 2; Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 4260 of 13041.

<sup>17</sup> Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 269.

<sup>18</sup> In discussing finds of camel remains, some scholars state authoritatively that the remains were of either Bactrian camels or dromedaries, usually based on size. Dromedaries supposedly have larger bones, and Bactrian

camels smaller ones. But “size alone is a poor criterion for taxonomic relationship...” (Sebastian Payne and Andrew Garrard, “*Camelus* from the Upper Pleistocene of Mount Carmel, Israel,” *Journal of Archaeological Science* 10, no. 3 [May 1983]: 246). Hybrid crosses between Bactrian and dromedary camels further complicate the analysis. Distinguishing hybrids from Bactrian camels and dromedaries by means of the archaeological record alone is a challenge (Rémi Berthon et al., “Domestication, Diffusion and Hybridization of the Bactrian Camel: A Zooarchaeological Perspective,” in *Les vaisseaux du désert et des steppes: Les camélidés dans l’Antiquité* (*Camelus dromedarius et Camelus bactrianus*), ed. Damien Agut-Labordère and Bérangère Redon, Archéologie(s) 2 [Lyon: MOM Éditions, 2020], <https://books.openedition.org/momeditions/8527> [accessed March 19, 2022]). In addition, the remains of a new giant camel species were uncovered at Hummal in Syria as well as at Farah II in Israel (Caroline Grigson, “The History of the Camel Bone Dating Project,” *Anthropozoologica* 49, no. 2 [December 2014]: 228–29). This finding may raise questions regarding the identification of ancient camel species based simply on size. Are large-sized faunal remains from dromedaries, hybrids between dromedaries and Bactrian camels, the giant species, or hybrids of the giant species with dromedaries or Bactrian camels?

<sup>19</sup> Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 270.

<sup>20</sup> Sapir-Hen and Ben-Yosef, “Introduction of Domestic Camels,” 279.

<sup>21</sup> Finkelstein and Silberman, *Bible Unearthed*, 37.

<sup>22</sup> Paula Wapnish, “Camel Caravans and Camel Pastoralists at Tell Jemmeh,” *Journal of the Ancient Near East Society* 13, no. 1 (1981): 102, 103, table 1.

<sup>23</sup> Wapnish, 102.

<sup>24</sup> Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 269–70.

<sup>25</sup> Victor Sarianidi, *Margiana and Protozoroastrism*, trans. Inna Sarianidi, from Russian (Athens: Kapon Editions, 1998), 73–74.

<sup>26</sup> Sarianidi, 43.

<sup>27</sup> Sarianidi, 45.

<sup>28</sup> As quoted in Martin Heide, “The Domestication of the Camel: Biological, Archaeological and Inscriptional Evidence from Mesopotamia, Egypt, Israel and Arabia, and Literary Evidence from the Hebrew Bible,” *Ugarit-Forschungen* 42 (2011): 356, <https://doi.org/10.13140/2.1.2090.8161>. Brackets and ellipses original. For the information given on the poem’s dating, see Mark W. Chavalas, “Biblical Views: Did Abraham Ride a Camel?,” *Biblical Archaeology Review* 44, no. 6 (November/December 2018): 64.

<sup>29</sup> Heide, “Domestication of the Camel,” 356–57; Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 1715 of 13041.

<sup>30</sup> Heide, “Domestication of the Camel,” 348.

<sup>31</sup> *The Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago*, vol. 7, *I and J*, ed. A. Leo Oppenheim (Chicago: Oriental Institute, 1960), 2.

<sup>32</sup> Kennedy, “Date of Camel Domestication.”

<sup>33</sup> Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 267–68.

<sup>34</sup> Kennedy, “Date of Camel Domestication.”

<sup>35</sup> A. Kirk Grayson, *Assyrian Rulers of the Early First Millennium BC I (1114-859 BC)*, The Royal Inscriptions of Mesopotamia: Assyrian Periods, vol. 2 (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1991), 103; Potts, “Bactrian Camels,” 51.

<sup>36</sup> Heide, “Domestication of the Camel,” 368; emphasis added.

<sup>37</sup> Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 258, 261.

<sup>38</sup> Magee, 261–62.

<sup>39</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 1171 of 13041.

<sup>40</sup> Otway Henry Little, “Recent Geological Work in the Faiyûm and in the Adjoining Portion of the Nile Valley,” *Bulletin de l’Institut d’Égypte* 18, no. 2 (1935): 209n1, 214–15, <https://doi.org/10.3406/bie.1935.3393>; Free, “Abraham’s Camels,” 189; Michael Ripinsky, “The Camel in Dynastic Egypt,” *Journal of Egyptian Archaeology* 71 (1985): 138.

<sup>41</sup> W. M. Flinders Petrie, *Ten Years’ Digging in Egypt: 1881–1891* (London: Religious Tract Society, 1892), 75; Free, “Abraham’s Camels,” 189.

<sup>42</sup> W. M. Flinders Petrie, *Gizeh and Rifeh*, with chapters by Herbert Thompson and W. E. Crum, double volume (London: School of Archaeology in Egypt, University College and Bernard Quaritch, 1907), 23; Kennedy, “Date of Camel Domestication.”

<sup>43</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 3913 of 13041.

<sup>44</sup> Ripinsky, “Camel in Dynastic Egypt,” 140.

<sup>45</sup> Randall W. Younker, “Bronze Age Camel Petroglyphs in the Wadi Nasib, Sinai,” *Associates for Biblical*

Research, March 2, 2009, <https://biblearchaeology.org/research/chronological-categories/patriarchal-era/4172>.

<sup>46</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 3856 of 13041.

<sup>47</sup> “Cylinder Seal with a Two-Humped Camel Carrying a Divine Couple,” Walters Art Museum, accessed March 13, 2022, <https://art.thewalters.org/detail/27381>.

<sup>48</sup> Edith Porada, “A Cylinder Seal with a Camel in the Walters Art Gallery,” *Journal of the Walters Art Gallery* 36, Essays in Honor of Dorothy Kent Hill (1977): 6.

<sup>49</sup> Dominique Collon and Edith Porada, “23rd Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale,” *Archaeology* (Archaeological Institute of America) 30, no. 5 (1977): 345.

<sup>50</sup> “Relief with Dromedary Rider,” Walters Art Museum, accessed March 31, 2022, <https://art.thewalters.org/detail/37529>.

<sup>51</sup> Walter Dostal, “Riding Camels in Arabia: Outline of a Revised Cultural History,” in *Camels in Asia and North Africa: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Their Past and Present Significance*, ed. Eva-Maria Knoll and Pamela Burger (Vienna: Verlag der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, 2012), 125.

<sup>52</sup> Horwitz and B. Rosen, “Review of Camel Milking,” 127, table 2.

<sup>53</sup> Pierre Montet, *Byblos et l'Égypte: Quatre campagnes de fouilles a Gebeil; 1921 - 1922 - 1923 - 1924*, vol. 1 of 2, *Texte*, Bibliothèque archéologique et historique 11 (Paris: Librairie Orientaliste Paul Geuthner, 1928), 91; Ripinsky, “Camel in Dynastic Egypt,” 138.

<sup>54</sup> Richard W. Bulliet, *The Camel and the Wheel* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1975), 59.

<sup>55</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 4019 of 13041.

<sup>56</sup> Bulliet, *Camel and the Wheel*, 59.

<sup>57</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 4430 of 13041.

<sup>58</sup> Heide and Peters, loc. 1377 of 13041; Magee, “When Was the Dromedary Domesticated?,” 262.

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<sup>61</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 4192 of 13041.

<sup>62</sup> Heide and Peters, loc. 1155 of 13041.

<sup>63</sup> Donald J. Wiseman, “Ration Lists from Alalakh VII,” *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* 13, no. 1 (1959): 30; Steven A. Rosen and Saidel, “Camel and the Tent,” 74–75; Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 1903 and loc. 1919 of 13041.

<sup>64</sup> Heide and Peters, loc. 1939 of 13041.

<sup>65</sup> Lyubov B. Kircho, “Altyn-Depe: The Formation of the Earliest Urban Centre in Central Asia,” in *Urban Cultures of Central Asia from the Bronze Age to the Karakhanids: Learnings and Conclusions from New Archaeological Investigations and Discoveries; Proceedings of the First International Congress on Central Asian Archaeology Held at the University of Bern, 4–6 February 2016*, ed. Christoph Baumer and Mirko Novák, *Schriften zur Vorderasiatischen Archäologie* 12 (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag, 2019), 16.

<sup>66</sup> “Bactrian Camel,” Metropolitan Museum of Art, accessed March 23, 2022. <https://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/324256>.

<sup>67</sup> Victor Sarianidi, “Myths of Ancient Bactria and Margiana on Its Seals and Amulets,” Academia.edu, 1998, accessed March 21, 2022, [https://www.academia.edu/43704643/VICTOR\\_SARIANIDI\\_MYTHS\\_OF\\_ANCIENT\\_BACTRIA\\_AND\\_MARGIANA\\_ON\\_ITS\\_SEALS\\_AND\\_AMULETS](https://www.academia.edu/43704643/VICTOR_SARIANIDI_MYTHS_OF_ANCIENT_BACTRIA_AND_MARGIANA_ON_ITS_SEALS_AND_AMULETS), pp. 12, 28. Although Sarianidi dates the Bactria-Margiana Archaeological Complex to the second millennium, current scholars date it to the mid-third to early second millennium (Bertille Lyonnet and Nadezhda A. Dubova, “Questioning the Oxus Civilization or Bactria-Margiana Archaeological Culture (BMAC): An Overview,” in *The World of the Oxus Civilization*, ed. Bertille Lyonnet and Nadezhda A. Dubova [Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2021], 7).

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<sup>69</sup> Heide and Peters, *Camels in the Biblical World*, loc. 1041 of 13041; Melinda A. Zeder et al., “Documenting Domestication: The Intersection of Genetics and Archaeology,” *Trends in Genetics* 22, no. 3 (March 2006): 146; Wapnish, “Camel Caravans,” 106.

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<sup>107</sup> Potts, "Camel Hybridization," 149.

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<sup>116</sup> Free, "Abraham's Camels," 191.

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<sup>122</sup> Sarianidi, *Margiana and Protozoroastrism*, 154.

<sup>123</sup> The Bible also mentions Job having 3,000 camels (Jb 1:3) and then 6,000 (Jb 42:12). This article does not discuss Job's camels because biblical scholars are not certain when Job lived, where his homeland of Uz was located, or that he was even an Israelite.

<sup>124</sup> Wapnish, "Camel Caravans," 121.

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