

Assignment #7: Abraham IDate Due: **Monday, November 5**

1. Please read chapters 5-7 (pp. 69-98) in the Arnold text and report your reading here. (Did you read it all, or how many pages did you read?)
2. The three promises to Abram in 12:1b-3 loom large in biblical studies.
 - 2.1 How are they related to the creation story?
 - 2.2 How are they related to the three things God asked Abram to leave in 12:1a?
3. Arnold references the Middle Bronze period.
 - 3.1 This is the name used by historians to describe what approximate dates?
 - 3.2 Write a paragraph summarizing Arnold's description of this period of world history.
4. The name, *El Shaddai* is the name God used for himself in appearing to Abraham in Chapter 17. Look the name up in a Bible dictionary or Bible encyclopedia, and record what you learn about that divine name.
5. Make an exhaustive (or nearly so!) list of facts we know about Ishmael from the biblical record. Study passages in addition to Genesis 16.