

YEAR 2, EPIPHANY 2, FRIDAY: MORNING PRAYER

For use with the First Lesson

Adapted from *The Vocabulary of the Church* (1960):

Te'rah	TEE-ruh
Na'hor	NAY-hor
Chalde'ans	kal-DEE-uhns
Sar'ai	SER-righ
Mo'reh	MOH-reh
A'i	AY-igh

The First Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from Genesis

Now these are the descendants of Te'rah. Te'rah was the father of Abram, Na'hor, and Haran; and Haran was the father of Lot. Haran died before his father Te'rah in the land of his birth, in Ur of the Chalde'ans. And Abram and Na'hor took wives; the name of Abram's wife was Sar'ai, and the name of Na'hor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and Iscah. Now Sar'ai was barren; she had no child. Te'rah took Abram his son and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sar'ai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they went forth together from

Ur of the Chalde'ans to go into the land of Canaan; but when they came to Haran, they settled there. The days of Te'rah were two hundred and five years; and Te'rah died in Haran. Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who curses you I will curse; and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. And Abram took Sar'ai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions which they had gathered, and the persons that they had gotten in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Mo'reh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. Thence he removed to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the

west and A'i on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

The Second Lesson. The Reader begins

A Reading from the Gospel according to John

Jesus said to the Samaritan woman, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly.” The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who

is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things.” Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”
The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.