

thy seed be. You think Abraham went out and sat on a hill side and tried to count the stars? Or, he did not have to. Abraham came from the Ur of ~~Ch-~~ Chaldees, one of the most advanced centres of the culture of the charts showing day... and the Babylonians counted the stars. They had ~~shown~~ all these ~~stars~~ ~~from the~~ stars. They studied the stars, because they thought that ~~stars~~ ~~indicated~~ ~~what the future~~ could decide what the future was going to be. And they studied all about them, and they divided them into constellations which we still use. We still use some of their arrangements today. The Babylonians counted a little over three thousands stars, as they looked up, and they would count them hours and hours through the night, and ~~then~~ as you go through the year and some stars disappear ~~and~~ at one season and do not at another season. They found that there were about three thousands stars. Now later on, when ~~the~~ ~~people~~ ~~were~~ ~~able~~ ~~to~~ ~~travel~~ ~~all~~ ~~over~~ ~~the~~ ~~world~~ ~~and~~ ~~see~~ ~~from~~ ~~the~~ ~~south~~ ~~stars~~, from the south pole which we cannot see from up here... they found that ~~the pole is much greater than~~... the total is much greater than that, about six thousands stars. But the total number of stars that ~~you~~ you can see with naked ~~ye-y~~ eyes is about six thousands stars. I think that Abraham thought that now. I certainly trust the Lord, and the promises are wonderful. And God said, I should go out of Ur of Chaldees and come over here and he would give me a seed that would bless all the nations of the earth, though which all the nations of the earth will be blessed. What a great promise! What great nations will come to me? But he said, three thousands, four thousands, six thousands, that ~~is~~ is not much of a nation ... and there are hundreds of times of that size ... in the world. God said, Look up those stars, and count them, ~~sh-~~ so shall thy seed be. And I ~~think~~ think that Abraham thought I must ~~tu-~~ trust the Lord. Isn't that a queer figure that he gave? Because I ~~an-~~ cannot