

Patriarchal Lineage

12 SONS AND 12 TRIBES OF ISRAEL

ABRAHAM

ISAAC

JACOB

LEAH

(WIFE #1)

1. Reuben
2. Simeon
3. Levi*
4. Judah
9. Issachar
10. Zebulun

RACHEL

(WIFE #2)

11. Joseph**
12. Benjamin

BILHAH

(RACHEL'S SERVANT)

5. Dan
6. Naphtali

ZILPAH

(LEAH'S SERVANT)

7. Gad
8. Asher

12 SONS – LEVI – JOSEPH + MANASSEH + EPHRAIM = 12 TRIBES

*Jacob's son Levi and his people became the priests of Israel, and therefore not considered a tribe

**Jacob's son Joseph was given a double portion inheritance; therefore each of his sons (Manasseh and Ephraim) became a tribe.