

**~OBAL (36)**  
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- The 8th listed of Joktan's 13 sons, each of whom founded one of the 70 post-Flood families, descendant of Shem. Exactly where the tribe of **Obal** settled is uncertain, but similar names occur in Yemenite Southwest Arabia.
- And to Shem, the forefather of all the sons of Eber, the brother of Japheth the oldest, there was also progeny born. ([Genesis 10:21](#))
- And to Eber there were two sons born. The name of the one was Peleg, because in his days the earth was divided, and the name of his brother was Joktan. ([Genesis 10:25](#))
- And Joktan became father to Almodad and Sheleph and Hazarmaveth and Jerah. ([Genesis 10:26](#))
- And Hadoram and Uzal and Diklah. ([Genesis 10:27](#))
- And **Obal** and Abimael and Sheba. ([Genesis 10:28](#))
- And Ophir and Havilah and Jobab, all these were the sons of Joktan. ([Genesis 10:29](#))
- And their place of dwelling came to extend from Mesha as far as Sephar, the mountainous region of the East. ([Genesis 10:30](#))
- As for Joktan, he became father to Almodad and Sheleph and Hazarmaveth and Jerah. ([1 Chronicles 1:20](#))
- And **Obal** and Abimael and Sheba. ([1 Chronicles 1:22](#))