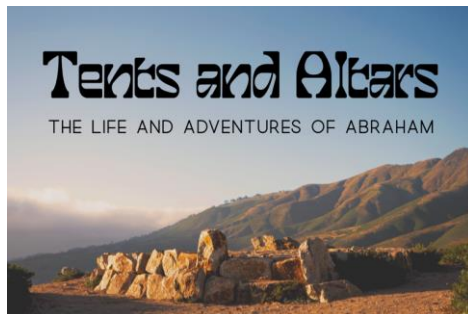


# DISCIPLE'S QUEST

*If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.*

John 8:31



**May 21, 2023**

**Genesis 14**

**Faith Fueled Valor**

## **Main Idea**

Standing on God's promises, Abram rescues Lot and drives four powerful invading kings out of the land of promise.

## **Outline**

Not exactly an outline, but guideposts to look for along the way:

- Abram is confronted with a daunting challenge: the land of promise is invaded and Lot is taken captive (14:1-12)
- Abram acts in faith by taking action to rescue Lot and drive the invaders out (14:13-16)
- In the aftermath of the victory, Abram worships God with Melchizedek and refuses tribute from the King of Sodom (14:17-24)

## Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 According to the message, how did people receive salvation before Jesus came?

How are people saved today?

#2 Sometimes calamity strikes when we are not expecting it. Thinking about Abram's experience in Genesis 13, what enabled him to face the crisis that struck in C. 14?

#3 By moving to wicked Sodom, Lot placed himself and his entire camp in harm's way. Is it surprising to you that after Lot's capture by Chedorlaomer Abram acted sacrificially to rescue him? Why or why not?

#4 What assurance did Abram have of victory against a numerically superior enemy?

#5 According to Melchizedek, what was the reason for Abram's victory?

#6 Why did Abram refuse the tribute reluctantly offered by the King of Sodom?

#7 What are the elements of real worship?

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