

A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF GENESIS

ABRAHAM

GENESIS 12 - 13

INTRODUCTION

This is a Big Deal -

- Theologically
- Practically



GENESIS 12:1-5

THE 3 STEPS TO ADVENTURE

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"The LORD had said to Abram, 'Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you." (v. 1)

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"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." (w. 2-3)

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[&]quot;So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran."

GENESIS 12:10-20

"Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a while because the famine was severe. As he was about to enter Egypt, he said to his wife Sarai, 'I know what a beautiful woman you are. When the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife.' Then they will kill me but will let you live. Say you are my sister, so that I will be treated well for your sake and my life will be spared because of you."" (vv. 10-13)

"When Pharaoh's officials saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh, and she was taken into his palace. He treated Abram well for her sake, and Abram acquired sheep and cattle, male and female donkeys, male and female servants, and camels." (w. 15-16)

But the LORD inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram's wife Sarai. So Pharaoh summoned Abram.... 'Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her to be my wife? Now then, here is your wife. Take her and go!" (vv. 17-19)

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GENESIS 13:1-18

"Now Lot, who was moving about with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents. But the land could not support them while they stayed together, for their possessions were so great that they were not able to stay together. And quarreling arose between Abram's herders and Lot's." (w. 5-7)

"So Abram said to Lot, 'Let's not have any quarreling between you and me, or between your herders and mine, for we are close relatives. Is not the whole land before you? Let's part company. If you go to the left, I'll go to the right; if you go to the right, I'll go to the left."" (vv. 8-9)

"Lot looked around and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan toward Zoar was well watered, like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt. (This was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east. The two men parted company....
The Lord said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, 'Look around from where you are, to the north and south, to the east and west.
All the land that you see I will give to you and your offspring forever. I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust, then your offspring could be counted. Go, walk through the length and breadth of the land, for I am giving it to you."" (vv. 10-17)

