

Genesis 11:24-32 KJV

[24] And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah:

[25] And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters.

[26] And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

[27] Now these are the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.

[28] And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.

[29] And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife was Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.

[30] **But Sarai was barren; she had no child.¹**

[31] And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from **Ur of the Chaldees,** to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

[32] And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

Genesis 12:1-3 KJV

[1] Now the Lord had said unto Abram, **Get thee out of thy country,** and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, **unto a land that I will shew thee:²**

[2] **And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:³**

[3] And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Genesis 12:4-7 KJV

[4] So Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

[5] And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in

¹ The Bible adds information here that will be pertinent to the lesson later on.

² God is not specific with his instructions. We must learn to walk by faith and not by sight. Abram was faithful enough to follow instruction without full information.

³ This is the promise of God that came along with Abram's faithfulness.

Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.

[6] And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. **And the Canaanite was then in the land.**⁴

[7] And the Lord appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: **and there builded he an altar unto the Lord** , who appeared unto him.

Genesis 12:8 KJV

[8] And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his tent, having Beth-el on the west, and Hai on the east: **and there he builded an altar unto the Lord** , and called upon the name of the Lord .

Genesis 12:9-13 KJV

[9] And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

[10] And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

[11] And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon:

[12] Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive.

[13] **Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.**⁵

Genesis 12:14-16 KJV

[14] And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.

[15] The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.

[16] And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.⁶

⁴ God promises Abram a land that is already occupied. Again faith is believing God when it seems like there's no way his promise can be true.

⁵ Abram decides to lie about his marriage to save his life. Abram who was stepping out on faith did not trust God to protect him from the Egyptians.

⁶ Abram is blessed in spite of his lie.

Genesis 12:17-20 KJV

[17] And the Lord plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.⁷

[18] And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What is this that thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?

[19] Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way.

[20] And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.

Genesis 13:1-4 KJV

[1] And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.

[2] And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.⁸

[3] And he went on his journeys from the south even to Beth-el, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Hai;

[4] Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the Lord.⁹

Genesis 13:5-11 KJV

[5] And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents.

[6] And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

[7] And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.

[8] And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren.

[9] Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left.¹⁰

⁷ Pharaoh is punished for coveting Abrams wife.

⁸ Abram was blessed with riches for his obedience.

⁹ Often after God blesses our lives with material gain, He will cause us to return to where we began. This is so we do not lose focus as to what He wants from us.

¹⁰ Abram gives his nephew Lot the choice of the land. When the proper thing to do was for Abram the senior partner to have first choice.

[10] And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar.

[11] Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.¹¹

Genesis 13:12-16 KJV

[12] Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom.

[13] But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the Lord exceedingly.

[14] And the Lord said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:¹²

[15] For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.

[16] And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

Genesis 13:17-18 KJV

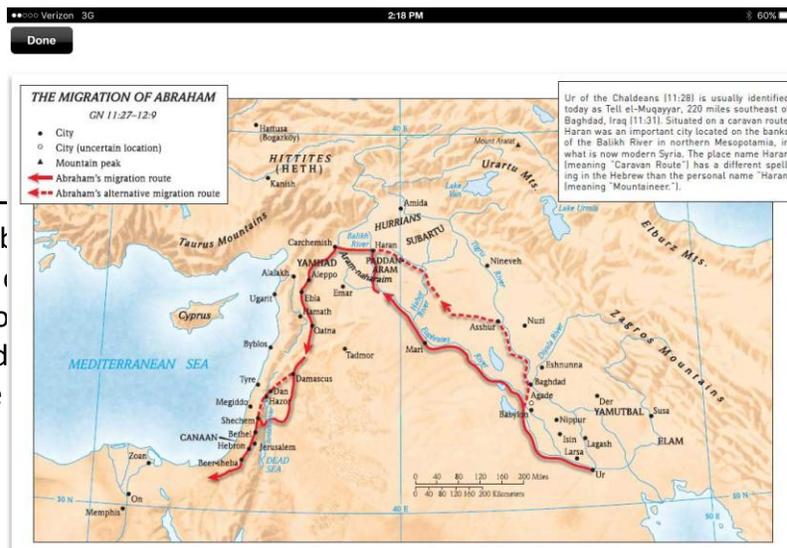
[17] Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

[18] Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron,¹³ and built there an altar unto the Lord.

¹¹ Lot chooses the land of Jordan because it was inhabited by evil people, Lot chose it because it was well watered.

¹² While Abram is in the land of Canaan, he is the inheritor of his father's inheritance.

¹³ Hebron is where Abraham built an altar to the Lord.



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