

God Starts Over with Abram
Lesson #5
Genesis 12-14

God had created a perfect world and placed the man and woman in the garden to take care of it. God would come to His people daily to talk face to face with them, but when the man and woman disobeyed God, that relationship had been broken. As time went on, the people God had created in his own image no longer knew Him. God would start again, this time with a man named Abram, to reveal himself to the world.

God's Covenant with Abram – Genesis 12:1-8

1. Using Genesis 12:1 what did the LORD tell Abram when he said to:
 - Leave

 - Go

2. God gave Abram a seven-part promise. Using Genesis 12:2, 3 what were those promises?

3. What was Abram's response to God's call? (Genesis 12:4a)

4. What information is given about this time? (Genesis 12:4b, 5)

5. How far did Abram travel? (Genesis 12:6a)

The text states *"At that time the Canaanites were in the land"*. (Genesis 12:6b) By mentioning this, we are to watch for trouble ahead related to the Canaanites.

6. What did the LORD tell Abram about this land of the Canaanites and what was Abram's response? (Genesis 12:7)

7. What else did Abram do after the LORD appeared to him? (Genesis 12:8, 9)

The Famine - Genesis 12:10-20

8. When there was a severe famine in the land of Canaan, where did Abram go? (Genesis 12:10)

9. What was Abram's fear in doing this, and why? (Genesis 12:11, 12)

10. What was his solution? (Genesis 12:13)

11. Abram's plan seemed to be working. What happened when they arrived? (Genesis 12:14-16)

12. But that wasn't the LORD's plan. How did the LORD restore Sarai to Abram? (Genesis 12:17-20)

Abram and Lot - Genesis 13:1-18

13. Abram and his nephew Lot moved from Egypt into the Negev. What is mentioned about Abram at this time? (Genesis 13:2)

Abram Rescues Lot - Genesis 14:1-24

21. After being subject for fourteen years to king Kedorlaomer, four of the local kings decided they were tired of this and joined together in war. As a result, Kedorlaomer and four other kings came against them in the Valley of Siddim. How did that battle go? (Genesis 14:10-12)

Kings were the rulers of cities, not nations.

22. One person was able to escape and went to Abram. How did Abram respond to the news? (Genesis 14:13-15)

23. How did Abram's attack end? (Genesis 14:16)

24. After defeating Kedorlaomer and the kings, Abram was met by Melchizedek. Who was Melchizedek and what did he do? (Genesis 14:18-20a)

25. What was Abram's response to Melchizedek? (Genesis 14:20b)

26. When the king of Sodom asked Abram only for his people saying that Abram could keep everything else, how did Abram answer? (Genesis 14:22-24)

The name Melchizedek means "*king of righteousness*" and he was the king of Salem (Jerusalem). He was called "*priest of the most high God*" indicating that he truly worshiped the creator God. Not much is known about Melchizedek, but most commentators believe that he was a type of Christ in that he was both priest and king (See Hebrews 5, 6 & 7).