



GENESIS Chapters 12 – 14: The Call Of Abraham

Chapter 12

1-3 **Abram** – Epitome of faith - Rom. 4:1-3, 16-24; Gal. 3:6-9; Heb. 11:8-19; James 2:21-23

Ur = Flame, **Chaldean** = destruction, **Terah** = delay

Haran = desolate, parched

Abram left the **flame of destruction** and **delayed** in the **burnt place**.

Hebrews 11: ⁸By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. NIV

4-5 Abram was 75 years old. He lived for 100 more years.

6 **Moreh** – “Teacher”

Schechem – $\text{š} \text{ĕ} \text{ĕ} \text{m}$ “the neck” “place of burdens”

7-8 **Altar** – Abram worships God.

9-10 **Negev** – נֶגֶב “south” “to be parched”

Egypt – A symbol of the world spiritually –See Isaiah 31:1

11-13 **Say you are my sister** - A half lie see Gen. 20:12

14-16 **she was a very beautiful woman** - at 70 years old

Sarai = strife

17-20 **Take her and go!** - this unbelieving King had to rebuke this man of faith

Parallels between this event and when God delivers Israel from Egypt

The famine in the land (12:10; 47:13),

the descent to Egypt to sojourn because of the famine (12:10; 47:27),

the attempt to kill the males but save the females (12:12; Ex. 1:22),

the plagues on Egypt (Gen. 12:17; Ex. 7:14-11:10),

the spoiling of Egypt (Gen. 12:16; Ex. 12:35-36),

the deliverance (Gen. 12:19; Ex. 15), and

the ascent back to the Negev (Gen. 13:1; Num. 13:17, 22).

Chapter 13

1-4 **Bethel** - בֵּית אֱלֹהִים “house of God.” Back to where he started. He now “called on the name of the LORD”

5-13 **whole plain of the Jordan** – Lot chose what “looked” good.

14 **Forever** - לְעוֹלָם וָעוֹלָם $\text{l} \text{e} \text{w} \text{a} \text{l} \text{m} \text{ } \text{w} \text{a} \text{l} \text{m}$

15-18 **walk through the length and breadth** – Claim it!

Chapter 14

1-7 An “international” skirmish in the ancient world

8-12 In an effort to put down a rebellion (v. 4), four powerful Eastern kings invaded the Jordan Valley near the Salt Sea, that is, the Dead Sea (v. 3), defeating all the forces in the region (vv. 5-7), plundering the five Jordanian kings (vv. 8-11), and taking Lot captive (v. 12).

13-14 **Abram the Hebrew** – First use of “Hebrew”
Dan – 140 miles north of Hebron

15-16 **Hobah** – 100 miles north of Dan

17-20 **Melchizedek** - “king of righteousness”
Psalm 76:2

Hebrews 6:19 - 7:3

21-24 **King of Sodom** - asks for the people, or souls and he tells Abram to keep the possessions