

Genesis 13; January 13; Abram and Lot Separate

ANALYSIS:

1. What three things had Abram accumulated in abundance while in Egypt _____
2. After leaving Egypt, where did Abram go; and why did he go there? _____
3. Do you see any reason why God allowed strife between Abram's and Lot's herdsmen? _____
4. What should have prevented Lot from pitching his tent toward Sodom? _____
5. Was Abram impressed that the LORD had promised him all the land of Canaan? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The LORD chose Abram from all the men of the earth to have a personal relationship and covenant with. That covenant is in the Lord Jesus Christ. God chose Abram in the Lord Jesus Christ even as he has chosen us in the Lord Jesus Christ, if we are men and women of faith as Abram was. The Lord Jesus Christ is the seed of Abraham (Gal 3:16). And it is through him that we, along with Abraham, are the heirs of salvation and eternal life (Gal 3:29). Rejoice today that you are in Jesus Christ, the seed of Abraham.

Every day we make choices that reveal our priorities in life. Are our priorities based on spiritual and heavenly things? Or have we set our heart on the things of this world? Lot chose the well-watered plain of Jordan near the city of Sodom, while Abram did not care where he went so long as the LORD was with him. Lot should have avoided the wickedness of Sodom since Abram gave him first choice. Instead he eventually ended up in a cave, destitute and shamed. What choices toward spiritual things will you make this day? Will seeking first the kingdom of God be your top priority today?

HELP:

1. And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. (v.2)
2. Abram returned to Bethel, unto the place of his first altar so he could call upon the name of the LORD and worship the LORD. Notice Abram's priorities!
3. God used the strife between Abram's and Lot's herdsmen to separate Lot from Abram as the LORD had commanded Abram (12:1). After Lot leaves Abram, the LORD renews and expands his covenant with Abram.
4. Lot should have avoided the exceeding sinfulness of the men of Sodom, not moved toward them.
5. No, Abram was not impressed with the land of Canaan. Hebrews 11:9-10 teaches us that "he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country ... For he looked for a city which hath foundation, whose builder and maker is God."