

## **Abram and Lot**

Genesis 13 - 15

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Abram and Lot both had so much livestock it was no longer convenient for them to live in the same area. Abram stayed in the land of Canaan, while Lot settled just outside the city of Sodom.

A war broke out and the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah were utterly defeated. The enemy came through looting the cities, carrying off the people and their valuables. Lot was among them.

Abram raised an army and defeated the enemy, freeing Lot and everyone else who had been captured, and retaking all of their possessions.

Melchizedek, King of Salem, was also a priest. He came to Abram with bread and wine saying, "I bless you in the name of God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth, who alone is worthy to be praised for the glorious victory you have won this day." Abram gave to Melchizedek one tenth of all the spoils.

God appeared to Abram saying, "Don't be afraid. I will protect you always and reward you greatly."

Abram replied, "Lord, you have already given me everything I could have asked for except children."

But God said, "Abram, you will have a son." The Lord led Abram outside and said, "Look at the stars. Can you count them? That's how many descendants you will have."

Abram believed God and God was very pleased with him.