

#### GENESIS 13.1-4

1 & Abram went up out of Egypt, he, & his wife, & all that he had, & Lot with him, into the south (Negev = "south desert" actually NE)

2& Abram [was] **very rich** in cattle, in silver, & in gold.

3& he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel,

unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between **Bethel & Hai**;

4Unto the place of the **altar**, which he had made there at the first:

& there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

# Abram & Lot Part Ways - Genesis 13.5-9

Trip to Egypt prospered Abram & Lot

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#### Abram & Lot Part Ways - Looking out for "Number 1" Strife in Overabundance?

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7 & there was a **strife** between the herdmen of Abram's cattle & the herdmen of Lot's cattle: & the Canaanite & the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.

Abram the Elder -- used his blessings to bless Lot uses his blessings to...??

Gen 13. 8 & Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee,

between me & thee, & between my herdmen & 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.



Abram gives Lot first choice

#### Genesis 13.10-13

lifted up his eyes

Lot Pitches Toward Sodom Genesis 13.10-13

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

Commentary by Moses

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

#### Genesis 13.10-13

#### Pitched his tent

Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain

#### Lot Pitches Toward Sodom Genesis 13.10-13

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

13 But the men of Sodom were wicked & sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

Commentary by Moses

Lot Pitches Tent Toward Sodom Small steps lead to big problems

Lot's steps

Beheld (lifted up his eyes) Chose Departed Dwelt in the plain Pitched toward Dwelt in Sodom city Seated in the gate (councilman) Family learns from Sodom

# Lifting up eyes ??

# BE a Lot?

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-- lifted up his eyes to behold sin (Gen 13.10)

# BE an Abram?

-- lifted up his eyes to behold what God promised

Gen 15.6 & he (Abram) believed in the LORD; & he (GOD) counted it to him for righteousness.

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Comparison LOT? ABRAM?

Eyes - key to the heart

BE an Abram? -desire what the "eyes of faith" can see Gen 15.6

-- lifted up his eyes to behold what God promised

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# Hope in ?

# BE an Abram?

- --leave Egypt behind & seek God
- --desire what the "eyes of faith" can see (Gen 15.6)
- -- lifted up his eyes to behold what God promised

# BE a Lot?

--keep Egypt in your heart (the world) --desire what the "eyes of the flesh" offers? -- lifted up his eyes to behold sin (Gen 13.10)

1 Cor 10.20But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice (worship), **they sacrifice to devils**, **& not to God**: & I would not that ye should have **fellowship** with devils.

Abram gives Lot first choice

# Fellowship ??

## BE an Abram?

- --fellowship with God as a desire of the heart
- --looking to God in worship (obedience)
- --leave Egypt behind & seek God
- --desire what the "eyes of faith" can see (Gen 15.6)
- -- lifted up his eyes to behold what God promised

# BE a Lot?

- --fellowship with devils (1 Cor 10.20) --lose it all to hold onto sin
  - --keep Egypt in your heart
- --desire what the "eyes of the flesh" offers?
- -- lifted up his eyes to behold sin (Gen 13.10)

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# Relationship starts in the heart

#### BE an Abram? -- fellowship -looking to God in worship --lifted up his eyes to behold what God promised BE a Lot?

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**Ps 121:1** "I will **lift up my eyes** to the mountains; from where shall my help come? My help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven & earth."



#### God Renews the Promise to Abram

## Genesis 13.14-16

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14 & the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him,

Lift up now thine eyes, & look from the place where thou art northward, & southward, & eastward, & westward:

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

#### God waits until Lot is gone

16 & 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.

# God Renews the Promise to Abram

#### Genesis 13.17-18

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

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

built there an altar unto the LORD

Hebron oldest known continually inhabited Jewish city

Genesis 14 4 against 5 The War of the Kings

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Mesopotamia-Shemites against Hamites

4 Mesopotamian Shemite Kings

Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, Tidal king of nations; 5 Hamite Kings

Bera king of **Sodom**, Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, Shemeber king of Zeboiim, King of Bela, which is Zoar.

Who is in Sodom?

#### Genesis 14 The War of the Kings Mesopotamia Shemites TOP RULER -Chedorlaomer king of Elam = Persia -Mesopotamia - Shemites-

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Vassals of Chedorlaomer rebel!

Genesis 14 The War of the Kings Shemites against Hamites

1& it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar,
Chedorlaomer king of Elam, & Tidal king of nations;
2That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, & with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, & Shemeber king of Zeboiim, & the king of Bela, which is Zoar.

# Who is in Sodom?

#### Genesis 14.3-4 The War of the Kings Mesopotamia Shemites

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Top ruler Chedorlaomer king of Elam = Persia -Mesopotamia - Shemites

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5 & in the 14th year came Chedorlaomer, & the kings that were with him, & smote t Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, & the Zuzims in Ham, & the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim, \*Slide 38 note

Chedorlaomer takes out other tribes on the way to Sodom

Chedorlaomer /4 kings slaughter the Hamites Rephaims, Zuzims, Emims show up again! \* slide 38 note

#### Genesis 14.6-7 The War of the Kings

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Chedorlaomer takes out other tribes on the way to Sodom

> 6 & the Horites in their mount Seir, unto Elparan, which is by the wilderness.

7& they returned, & came to Enmishpat, which is Kadesh, & smote all the country of the Amalekites, & also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezontamar.

#### Genesis 14.8-9 The War of the Kings 4 kings defeat 5 kings

#### The battle campaign

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Chedorlaomer takes out other tribes on the way to Sodom

8 & there went out the king of Sodom, & the king of Gomorrah, & the king of Admah, & the king of Zeboiim, & the king of Bela (the same is Zoar;) & they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim; (asphalt/tar pits)

9With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, & with Tidal king of nations, & Amraphel king of Shinar, & Arioch king of Ellasar; 4 kings with 5.



#### Genesis 14.8-9 The War of the Kings Lot & family captured by the 4 Kings

The battle campaign

10& the vale of Siddim was full of slimepits (asphalt); & the kings of Sodom & Gomorrah fled, & fell there; & they that remained fled to the mountain. 11& they took all the goods of Sodom & Gomorrah, & all their victuals, & went their way. 12& they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, & his goods, & departed



#### Genesis 14.8-9 Abram Rescues Lot

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13 & there came one thathad escaped,& told Abram the Hebrew;

for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, & brother of Aner:

#### Abram learns of Lot's capture

1<sup>st</sup> use of "Hebrew" Abram is a descendant of "Heber"

& these were confederate with Abram.

Abram's Allies

#### Genesis 14.8-9 Abram Rescues Lot

14& when Abram heard that his brother was

taken captive, Abram's plan to rescue Lot

he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, 318 (servants) & pursued them (4 kings of Mesopotamia) unto Dan.

Wait!! I thought Abram was a shepherd type person??

> What's he doing with 318 trained & armed servants?

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Genesis 14:15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them.

Genesis 14.15 Abram's rescue plan - Divide his troops - Attack by night



#### Mesopotamia ancient sickle sword weapon 18<sup>th</sup> C BC

# **Ancient Warfare**

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**15** & he divided himself against them, he & his servants, by night, & smote them, & pursued them unto Hobah, which is on **the left hand of Damascus.** Slide 28 map

Hebron is in the mountains traveling on foot

20 miles from Hebron to Jerusalem 150+ miles from Jerusalem to Damascus





# Battle of the 9 KingsGenesis 14Little kings stand up to the Bully

# SHEMITES

#### The battle campaign

4 invading, enemy kings from Mesopotamia

King Amrapel, ruler of Shinar King Arioch, ruler of Ellasar King Chedorlamer, ruler of Elam King Tidal, ruler of Goiim nations HAMITES (Canaan area) 5 retreating, allied kings of Plains of Jordan River

Bera, **King of Sodom** Birsta, King of Gomorrah Shemeber, King of Zeboiim Shinab, King of Admah King of Bela (Zoar)

- Served Chedorlaomer 12 years
- Chedorlaomer defeated & spoiled the rebels
- Took Lot, (Abram's nephew) captive from Sodom

#### Genesis 14.16 Abram Rescues Lot



16 & he brought back all the goods, & also brought again his brother Lot, & his goods, & the women also, & the people. Abram's forces conquer 4 kings that conquered 5 kings

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#### Genesis 15 After the Battle

#### Abram's Victory Heb 7:1-10

17 & the king of Sodom went out to meet him (Abram) after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, & of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.

#### King of Sodom saved because of Lot



#### The Blessing & Tithes Genesis 15. 18-20

18& Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread & wine: & he was the priest of the most high God.

19& he blessed him, & said, Blessed be Abram of the "most high God," (El elyon) possessor of heaven & earth:

20& blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. & he gave him tithes of all.

#### Abram gives tithes?

Melchizedek King of Salem Priest of the Most High God

Melchizek King of Salem

## Who is this Melchizedek?

Bread & wine?

#### Who won the battle?



#### Genesis 15.23-24 After the Battle King of Sodom & Abram

21& the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, & take the goods to thyself.

22& Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven & earth,

Repeating the blessing from Melchizedek

giving God the credit



#### Genesis 15.23-24 After the Battle King of Sodom & Abram

23 That I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, & that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich: 24Save only that which the young men have eaten, & the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, & Mamre; let them take their portion.

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# Melchizedek



-- Only mention in the OT

vs. Levitical Priesthood (unclean, passes away)

- -- Separation of Priesthood (Levi) & kingship (Judah) Heb 7.1
- -- Brings Bread & Wine

NT Jesus Christ a priest after the order of Melchizedek Heb5.5-6



# Ancient Warfare Bible Archaeology



# Additional notes

Slide #20 note 1 \*\*Maps slide #20 & 30 Samarian names of Rephaims, Zuzims & Emims reveal who they were. Rephaims = Giants. Nephylim & Anakim are alternate names used in Scripture. Zuzims = Roving Creatures Emims = Terrors

Slide #20 note 2 Chedorlaomer & his armies stopped on the way to Sodom to kill off the Rephaims, Zuzims & Emims even though they had not rebelled with Sodom. \*\*Maps slide #20 & 30

**Theophany** Manifestation of God that is tangible to the human senses. In its most restrictive sense, it is a visible appearance of God in the Old Testament period often, but not always, in human form. **Christophanies** (preincarnate appearances of Christ) & **angelophanies** (appearances of angels). In the latter category are found the appearances of the angel of the Lord, which some have taken to be Christophanies, reasoning that since the angel of the Lord speaks for God in the 1<sup>st</sup> person <u>Gen 16:10</u> & the human addressed often attributes the experience to God directly <u>Gen 16:13</u>, the angel must therefore be the Lord or the Christ.

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