

Genesis 12

King James Version (KJV)

12 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: (God sent Abram from Ur into the land of Canaan)

²And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: (God blessed Abraham, because Abraham loved and obeyed God throughout his whole life)

³And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. (Abraham, through Isaac & Jacob would bring forth the 12 tribes of Israel. Jesus would come through this seed line and bless all people who believe on Him)

⁴So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. (Abram always obeyed and loved God)

⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. (The Land of Canaan was inhabited by the descendants of Ham's son, Canaan. They had become heathen peoples. They mixed <mated> with the fallen angels to produce more Geber – giant hybrid offspring. They also took part in sexual perversion and human sacrifice)

⁶And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.

⁷And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him. (God judged the Canaanites for their sins. HE gave their land to Abraham and his descendants – the 12 tribes under Jacob)

⁸And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD. (Bethel = house of God; Hai = a heap, a waste)

⁹ And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

¹⁰ And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land. (Egypt depended on the Nile for water and for farming. Therefore they didn't suffer from the drought as other nations did)

¹¹ And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon: (Sarai was a beautiful woman)

¹² Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive. (Abram knew he couldn't fight off a king and his entire army. He knew that he could trust Sarai to be faithful to him)

¹³ Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee. (She actually was his half-sister, as well as his wife)

¹⁴ And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.

¹⁵ The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. (Just as Abram had predicted)

¹⁶ And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels. (Pharaoh gave Abram riches, so he could have Sarai)

¹⁷ And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife. (God takes care of His own)

¹⁸ And Pharaoh called Abram and said, What is this that thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife? (Pharaoh was not a bad man. He would not have taken Sarai if he had known that she was Abram's wife. He will release them both, unharmed)

¹⁹ Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way. (This was God's way of saving the lives of Abram and Sarai, while blessing them with riches)

²⁰ And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had. (Abram left Egypt, a rich man. God saved them through the drought and made them rich in the process)