

## Genesis 13-14: Abram, Lot & Melchizedek.

### I. 13:1-4.

Wealthy Abram returns to where he should've been. Abram came back into the Promised Land basically as a beginner. He came back to Bethel, back with the tent and the altar, back doing what he should. He returns with Lot.

### II. 13: 5-13.

Abram and Lot separate because of conflict over space for their wealth. Abram asks him to choose the portion he wanted. Lot looks toward Sodom, pitches his tent near Sodom, eventually lives and leads in wicked Sodom.

**Philippians 2:4** - *Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*

### III. 13:14-20.

After letting Lot go, God appears to Abram reminding him of the Promised Land and descendants.

### IV. 14:1-17.

War breaks out; the four kings of the cities in the region of Sodom and Gomorrah rebel against five kings of nations ruling over them. The kings and kingdoms that were revolting lost the war. Lot is captured. Abram is informed about it and leads his army to victory. Lot is recovered.

### V. 14:18-20.

Melchizedek (king of righteousness) king of Salem (Jerusalem), priest of the Most High God and blessed Abram, and (Abram) tithed to him.

Melchizedek served Abram bread and wine, blessed Abram and blessed God. Abram then tithes to him in worship.

i. Regardless of how far you've fallen, you can always return to God.

**Jeremiah 4:1** - *"If you will return, O Israel," says the LORD, "Return to Me; and if you will put away your abominations out of My sight, then you shall not be moved.*

**Revelation 2:5** – *"Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent.*

ii. Live at peace with all people.

**Romans 12:14** - Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

**Romans 12:18** - If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

iii. Walk in the blessings of God.

**Proverbs 10:22** - The blessing of the LORD makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.

**Colossians 1:9-10** - For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

iv. Don't go to Sodom.

**2 Corinthians 6:16** - And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

v. It's all about Jesus.

Jesus is our Great High Priest; "Bridge Builder." Jesus is the King of righteousness. His body would be broken and His blood would be shed. He is the One worthy of our tithe/worship.

**Hebrews 7:25-28** - Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever.