

In The Beginning

Abram rescues Lot

Abram and Lot separateGen.13

What is the status of “post Egypt” Abram and Lot? 13:2, 5 Comment? 12:2-3

They were both very wealthy. True to HIS promise, God had blessed. (note ‘splash’ effect)

What problem does this produce? vs.6-7 And Abram’s gracious solution? vs.8-9

Not enough room for both of them! Abram gives Lot his choice. Abram takes what’s left.

And what is Lot’s choice? vs.10-11 Lesson??

Lot chooses valley of Jordan. Prime location. Abram allows the Lord to choose.

What footnote is added about Lot and his location? vs.12-13

Lot settled close to Sodom and the men of Sodom were great sinners against the Lord.

What happens *after* Lot departs from Abram? vs.14-17 Comment??

God renews the promise of this land and innumerable descendants. For him, not Lot.

After walking throughout the promised land, what does Abram do again? vs.18

He stops in Hebron and builds another altar to the Lord. His faith is growing...

The Mysterious MelchizedekGen.14

What is the summary of 14:1-12?

A major skirmish of 9 kings left Lot a POW. Undoubtedly thousands involved in battles.

What kind of ‘army’ does Abram put together? 14:13-14; 24

318 of Abram’s trained servants plus support from his allies, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre.

And the result of his battle? vs.15-16 Comment??

Total victory. Returned with Lot, his possessions, family, servants. God blessed him...

As Abram returns from battle, what (2) kings meet him? vs.17-18

The (wicked) king of Sodom (with a deal), and the king of Salem, with a blessing.

What is the literal meaning of Melchizedek, King of Salem? Heb.7:1-2

Melchizedek = king of righteousness. Salem = peace. King of righteousness and peace.

What is meant by “a priest after the order of ...”? Ps.110:4; Heb.5:6; 6:20

Refers to the rank or regular arrangement of. Christ is a priest of the type of Melchizedek.

And what is one major ‘type’ of Christ seen in Melchizedek? Heb.7:1-3

Without father, mother, beginning, genealogy, or end. He abides perpetually.

What’s the point of Heb.7:4-10? Gen.14:18-20

Abram (and Levi) paid tithes to Melchizedek. Blessed by him. Melchizedek is Superior!

Melchizedek is the only man Abram ever recognizes as his spiritual superior. Comment??

It shows a great humility of Abram. Some believe Melchizedek is a theophany.

How does Abram now wisely handle the “deal” from the wicked king of Sodom? vs.21-24

He refuses to take so much as a thread from him. No link, no debt. Trust in the Lord...