

## LESSON 20

1. Even though our ancestors rejected God, did God abandon His plan to send the Savior?

-No.

2. Because many of our ancestors rejected God, who did God choose through whom to send the Savior?

-Abram.

3. Did God choose Abram because Abram did not sin?

-No.

-Abram was born into sin.

4. Why did God choose Abram?

-Abram believed that his sin merited death.

-Abram believed that only God was able to save him.

-Abram believed that God would send the Savior.

5. Abram married Sarai. How many children did they have?

-None.

6. Why did Abram and Sarai have no children?

-Because Sarai was barren.

7. What did God tell Abram to do?

-God told Abram to leave his country, and go where God would lead him.

8. God spoke to Abram with His voice. How does God speak to us today?

-Today, God most often speaks to us through His Book, the Bible.

9. What did God promise Abram?

-Firstly, God promised that Abram would have many descendants who would become a great people.

-Secondly, God promised that He would bless Abram.

-Thirdly, God promised that He would bless those who blessed Abram, and curse those who cursed Abram.

-Fourthly, God promised to bless all people through one of Abram's descendants.

10. Who would the descendant of Abram be, through whom all people would be blessed?

-The Savior.

11. What would the Savior do?

-The Savior would come to defeat the power of sin.

-The Savior would come to defeat the power of death.

-The Savior would come to defeat the power of Satan.

-The Savior would come to bring God and people back together again.

12. Did Abram believe the promises of God?

-Yes.

13. After God made His promises to Abram, what did Abram do?

-Abram left the country where he lived, and followed God to the country where God was leading him.

14. To where did God lead Abram?

-God led Abram to a new land called Canaan.

-Do you remember who Lot was?

-Lot was Abram's nephew who went with Abram to Canaan.

-One day, there was a problem between Lot and Abram.

Let's read Genesis 13:5-7

5-Now Lot, who was moving about with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents.

6-But the land could not support them while they stayed together, for their possessions were so great that they were not able to stay together.

7-And quarrelling arose between Abram's herdsmen and the herdsmen of Lot.

-What was the problem between Lot and Abram?

-Abram had many sheep and cattle.

-Lot also had many sheep and cattle.

-Because both Lot and Abram had so many sheep and cattle, there was not enough grass to feed all the animals.

-What did Abram think to solve the problem?

Let's read Genesis 13:8-9

8-So Abram said to Lot, "Let's not have any quarrelling between you and me, or between your herdsmen and mine, for we are brothers.

9-Is not the whole land before you? Let's part company. If you go to the left, I'll go to the right; if you go to the right, I'll go to the left."

-Abram thought that he and Lot should separate.

-Abram thought that Lot should choose where he would live.

-If Lot chose to live in the lowland, then Abram would live in the hills.

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-Let's read what Lot chose to do:

Let's read Genesis 13:10-11

10-Lot looked up and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan was well watered, like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, toward Zoar.

11-So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east. The two men parted company.

-Lot chose to live in the lowland.

-Why did Lot choose to live in the lowland?

-Because there was much grass there to feed his sheep and cattle.

-Lot was only thinking about grass.

-Lot was only thinking about his many sheep and cattle.

-Lot was only thinking about wealth.

-Lot made a bad choice to live in the lowland.

-Why did Lot make a bad choice?

-Because Lot did not ask God what to do.

-Because Lot refused to listen to God.

-Cain refused to listen to God, and he killed his brother Abel.

-Cain's descendants also refused to listen to God.

-All of Cain's descendants died in the flood.

-What will happen if we refuse to listen to God?

-If we refuse to listen to God, we will also die.

-If we refuse to listen to God, we will go to the Lake of Eternal Fire which God prepared for Satan and his demons.

-Will many sheep and cattle or wealth save us from the Lake of Eternal Fire?

-No.

-Lot refused to listen to God, and moved to the lowland.

Let's read Genesis 13:12-13

12-Abram lived in the land of Canaan, while Lot lived among the cities of the plain and pitched his tents near Sodom.

13-Now the men of Sodom were wicked and were sinning greatly against the LORD.

-In the lowland, there were two cities.

-The names of these cities were Sodom and Gomorrah.

-The people of Sodom and Gomorrah did not believe in God.

-The people of Sodom and Gomorrah were very wicked.

-Did God see the wickedness of the people of Sodom and Gomorrah?

-Yes.

-Can we hide anything that we think from God?

-No.

-Can we hide anything that we say from God?

-No.

-Can we hide anything that we do from God?

-No.

-What did God tell Abram after Lot moved to the lowland?

Let's read Genesis 13:14-15 & 17

14-The LORD said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, "Lift up your eyes from where you are and look north and south, east and west.

15-All the land that you see I will give to you and your offspring forever.

17-Go, walk through the length and breadth of the land, for I am giving it to you."

-God said that He would give Abram all the land of Canaan.

-Here is also what God said to Abram:

Let's read Genesis 15:5-6

5-The LORD took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars--if indeed you can count them." Then He said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

6-Abram believed the LORD, and He credited to him as righteousness.

-God also said that Abram would have as many descendants as the stars.

-How many stars are there?

-More than anyone can count.

-Even though Abram had no children, God told Abram that he would have as many descendants as the stars.

-Even though Abram had no children, did Abram believe God?

-Yes.

-Abram believed that God would one day give him a child.

-Abram also believed that one of his descendants would be the Savior whom God would send to save people.

-Here is also what God said to Abram:

Let's read Genesis 15:13-16

13-Then the LORD said to him, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own, and they will be enslaved and mistreated four hundred years.

14-But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions.

15-You, however, will go to your fathers in peace and be buried at a good old age.

16-In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure.”

-God also said that Abram’s descendants would go to live in another country, and after 400 years, God would bring them back to Canaan.

-How did God know what would happen to Abram’s descendants?

-God knew all that would happen to Abram’s descendants before they were born.

-Do you know what will happen tomorrow?

-No.

-Do you know what will happen next month?

-No.

-Do you know what will happen next year?

-No.

-But God knows everything.

-God knows what will happen to us tomorrow.

-God knows what will happen to us next month.

-God knows what will happen to us next year.

-God alone knows what will happen in the future.

-When Abram was 99 years old, God spoke to Abram again.

Let's read Genesis 17:1-5

1-When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty; walk before me and be blameless.

2-I will confirm my covenant between me and you and you will greatly increase your numbers."

3-Abram fell face down, and God said to him,

4-"As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations.

5-No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations."

-God spoke to Abram, and gave him a new name.

-What was the new name that God gave to Abram?

-Abraham

-Why did God give a new name to Abram?

-Because Abraham would have many descendants.

-God also gave Sarai a new name.

Let's read Genesis 17:15-16

15-God also said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah.

16-I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her.”

-What was the new name that God gave to Sarai?  
-Sarah.

-Why did God give a new name to Sarai?  
-Because Sarah would also have many descendants.

-Even though Sarah was very old and barren, what did God promise?

-That Sarah would become the mother of many descendants.  
-That Sarah would have a son.

-Let’s read what Abraham did when God promised this:

Let’s read Genesis 17:17

17-Abraham fell face down; he laughed and said to himself, “Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?”

-How old were Abraham and Sarah?  
-Abraham was 100 and Sarah was 90 years old.

-Why did Abraham laugh?

-Did Abraham laugh because he did not believe God?

-No.

-Why did Abraham laugh?

-Abraham laughed because he was 100 years old, and Sarah was 90 years old, and God was going to give them a son.

-Was God able to give a 100-year-old man, and a 90-year-old barren woman a son?

-Yes.

-Who created the first man?

-God.

-Who created the first woman?

-God.

-Who gives life to every baby?

-God.

-Is there anything that God cannot do?

-No.

-God can even give a son to a 100-year-old man, and a 90-year-old barren woman.