ABRAHAM AND LOT'S RELATIONSHIP

THE LORD WANTS TO ISOLATE ABRAM TO MAKE HIM A BLESSING Genesis 12:1-3 (KJV)

¹ 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: ² And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and **thou shalt be a blessing**: ³ And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Genesis 12:5 (KJV)

⁵ And Abram took Sarai his wife, and **Lot his brother's son** (Haran), 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.

Lot went with Abram and was blessed because of Abram Genesis 13:5-6 $\left(KJV\right)$

⁵ And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents.

BEGINNING OF THE PROBLEMS: HOW DID THEY START? Genesis 13:5-6 (KJV)

.⁶ And **the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together**: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.

WISDOM NEEDS TO BE APPLIED FOR SEPARATION IN LOVE Genesis 13:7-8 $\left(KJV\right)$

⁷ And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land. ⁸ And **Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I** pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren.

TRUST GOD FOR YOUR FUTURE

Genesis 13:9-9 (KJV)

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.

YOU MIGHT SEEM TO BE STUPID BUT JUST ALLOW GOD TO LEAD YOU TO HIS PERFECT PLAN

Genesis 13:10-11 (KJV)

¹⁰ And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar. ¹¹ Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

If you decide to go God's way, then the Lord shall be your God Genesis 13:14-17 (KJV)

¹⁴ And the **LORD** said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: ¹⁵ For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever. ¹⁶ And 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. ¹⁷ Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

THE ATTITUDE OF ABRAM WHEN LOT GOT INTO TROUBLE Genesis 14:10-12 (KJV)

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

Genesis 14:13 (KJV)

¹³ And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew;

Genesis 14:14-16 (KJV)

¹⁴ And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan. ¹⁵ And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus. ¹⁶ And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

Genesis 18:20-21 (KJV)

²⁰ And the LORD said (unto Abraham), Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; ²¹ I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.

Genesis 18:23 (KJV)

²³ And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

Genesis 19:24-29 (KJV)

²⁴ Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; ²⁵ And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

²⁶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

²⁷ And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD: ²⁸ And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace. ²⁹ And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that **God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the** *midst of the overthrow*, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.