

Genesis 12

I. God calls Abram. Genesis 12:1-3

- A. Abram was to leave his father's house.
- B. Abram was to go to a land that only God would show him.
- C. God would make his name great and make him a great nation.
- D. God would bless or curse those who blessed or cursed Abram.
- E. All the families of the earth would be blessed through Abram.

II. Abram obeyed God. Genesis 12:4-5

- A. Abram was 75 years old when he left Haran.
- B. Abram took Sarai, his wife, and Lot, his nephew with him.
- C. They went into the land of Canaan.

III. Abram travels to Sichem. Genesis 12:6

- A. Sichem is in the plain of Moreh where the Canaanites lived.

IV. God's Covenant with Abram. Genesis 12:7

- A. God told Abram that he would give this land to his seed. (The word seed singular is used, not seeds plural) Galatians 3:16 "Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ."

- B. Abram builds an altar there.

V. Abram travels to a mountain east of Bethel. Genesis 12:8

- A. The mountain is between Bethel and Hai.
- B. Abram builds an altar.

VI. Abram travels south. Genesis 12:9

VII. Abram goes to Egypt. Genesis 12:10-20

- A. There is a great famine in the land of Canaan.
- B. Abram has Sarai to tell the Egyptians that she is his sister.

1. Sarai was Abram's half sister. Genesis 20:11-12 "And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God *is* not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake. And yet indeed *she is* my sister; she *is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife."

- C. Pharaoh gave great gifts to Abram for Sarai.
- D. God plagued Pharaoh with great plagues.
- E. Pharaoh gave Sarai back to Abram and told Abram to leave and keep all that was given to him.