

Genesis THE STORY BEGINS

Genesis 12:10-20 Abram and Sarai In Egypt



•10-13 - Bad solution to a valid concern

- -Abram protects himself, puts Sarai at risk
- -selfish and cowardly



"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you. I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

-Genesis 12:2-3



•14-16 - Bad solution spiraled down

- -Abram could have spoken up
- -He was safe, Sarai was violated



"...may you rejoice in the wife of your youth"

"Let them (her) be yours alone, never to be shared with another."



•17-20 - God responds with discipline and faithfulness

- -Disciplined both Pharaoh and Abram
- -Kept His promise to Abram



Lessons:

Best of us are very flawed.

"For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me."

-Psalm 51:3



Lessons:

God keeps His promises: He loves and includes very flawed people.

"Now I will make your name great, like the names of the greatest men of the earth"

-2 Samuel 7:9



Lessons:

We can do right in the midst of very flawed people.

"like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her master. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear."

-1 Peter 3:6





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