

Genesis 20

Abimelech's Sin

³ But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night and said to him, "Behold, you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is a man's wife."

⁴ Now Abimelech had not approached her. So he said, "Lord, will you kill an innocent people?" ⁵ Did he not himself say to me, 'She is my sister'? And she herself said, 'He is my brother.' In the integrity of my heart and the innocence of my hands I have done this."

Genesis 18:25

²⁷ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. – Matthew 5:27-28

Genesis 20:6-7

¹⁷ Then Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelech, and also healed his wife and female slaves so that they bore children. ¹⁸ For the Lord had closed all the wombs of the house of Abimelech because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

For I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me.

1 Corinthians 4:4

Abimelech's Response

Genesis 20:8-10

- Confronts Abraham
- Admits and acknowledges sin

Genesis 20:11-13

- Abraham justifies his sin

Genesis 20:14-18

- Abimelech repents and makes amends