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Memory Verse

"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."

Genesis 14:14

The Bond of a Brother

After his experience in Egypt (Genesis 12), Abram returned to the land of Canaan. What a joy it must have been to return to the land of promise! However, upon their return to Canaan, Abram and Lot separated from one another because of strife. There was "strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle" (Genesis 13:7). What a sad situation! How different from what the psalmist proclaims, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity" (Psalm 133:1).

When there is strife, it is easy for anger to well up in the heart, but there was no anger in Abram's heart over this. It is easy to fan the flames of enmity, but Abram did not allow this strife to cloud his heart, no, not at all. When the armies of Chedorlaomer marched through the land and took Lot and his family captive, what do we find Abram doing? Why, he raised his own band of men to rescue "his brother" (Genesis 14:14). It was not the bond of blood that was so strong, but the bond of faith—"So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another" (Romans 12:5).

Abram Intercedes

Abram's example shows us something about what the Lord Jesus does for those that put their trust in him. First, we learn that Abram has a love for Lot such that he will not alow Lot to be taken captive. So Jesus Christ keeps his people secure. Did he not say to Peter, "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to hve you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not" (Luke 22:31, 32).

Second, we see in Abram how the Lord Jesus delivers his people from the enemy. When Lot was taken captive, Abram raised an army with sword in hand to deliver him from captivity. Jesus too has come forth, and by the sword of his Word, and the power of the Spirit, delivers captives.

Jesus came into the world "to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house" (Isaiah 42:7).

Third, we see in Abram how the Lord Jesus intercedes for his people. Later, when God told Abram that he was going to destroy Sodom, we find Abram interceding with the Lord—"Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?" (Genesis 18:23). Jesus Christ sits upon the right hand of the Father continually making intercession for all them that come unto him—"Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us" (Romans 8:34).

Review Questions

1. What was the name of the king that some nations rose up against him in rebellion?

2. What were the names of the kings that were allies of Chedorlaomer? What nations did they represent?

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3. What were the names of the kings that rose up in rebellion against Chedorlaomer? What nations did they represent?

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4. Before they rebelled, how long had the nations served Chedorlaomer?

5. Where did the battle between the allies of Chedorlaomer and the rebellious nations take place?

6. What caused Abram to pursue the armies of Chedorlaomer?

Discussion Questions

1. Look at Genesis 14:14. What word in the verse indicates the reason why Abram would attack a great army and rescue Lot? Proverbs says, "A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother" (Proverbs 18:24). With this verse in mind, compare Abram's actions to that of Jesus Christ.

The word: ______

Comparison:

2. Explain how the actions of Abram are instructive to us in our interaction with others.

3. Why did Abram refuse to take any of the goods that were offered to him by the King of Sodom? What lesson can we learn from this?