

# The Parting of the Ways

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Genesis 13 & 14

*I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse;  
therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live.*  
Deuteronomy 30:19

## Readings this week

S	Genesis 13
M	Genesis 14
T	Genesis 18:16- 33
W	Genesis 19:1 - 29
Th	Genesis 26:1 - 6
F	Psalm 133
S	Mark 9:33 - 37



## Problem ????????

Not enough grazing land for Abram and for Lot! What's to be done?  
Read Genesis 13:1-7 and identify the problem, and how it arose.

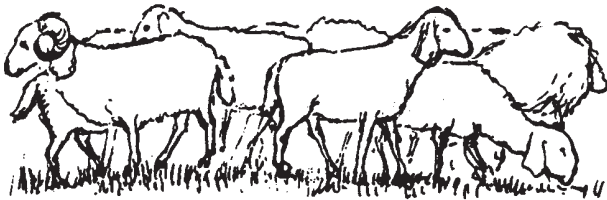
## Solution !!!!!!!

Who suggested the solution?

Was it fair to both sides?

Why do you think Abram suggested it?

Why did Lot make his choice?



## What do you think?

What do you think attracted Lot to Sodom?

Why didn't Abram want to go to Sodom?

What was important to Abram about the places he stayed at?

Which to you think was most important to Abram?:

- Doing what God wanted
- Owning as much land as he could
- Being as rich as possible

Which of these things is most important to your friends at school?

## Ordinary life

Which areas of life do the decisions Abram and Lot made affect?

Make a list here:

Can you go through a whole week without arguing with anyone in your family?

Look at the list you have made. How do you make decisions on those things?

What does Abram's attitude tell you about being part of a family?

What are the priorities in your life?

Are they in the right order?



## Digging Deeper - What happened to Lot?

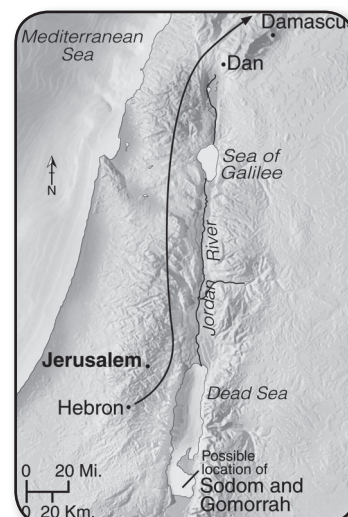
Genesis 14 tells how there was a battle between four kings from round the Rivers of Tigris and Euphrates (where Abram and Lot had come from) and five kings from round Sodom where Lot lived now.

Read verses 10-12 to find out who won and what the four kings did with Lot. Then read verses 13 -16 to find out what Abram did.

What, in verse 14, makes you think Abram was a wealthy man? Read 17-20 to find out who Melchizedek was, what he brought and what he said.

The whole story of what happened to Sodom is in chapter 18:16 – 19:29 but

Genesis 18:20 particularly says what God thought of the people of Sodom and 19:24-29 says what happened to it and to Lot later.



Pray that you will get your priorities right in life.