Week 3: November 9, 2024

Shabbat Message

Lech Lecha

Genesis 12:1-17:27

My Way or Yah's Way

The Unpopular Way

Introduction

Lech Lecha is a very meaty and very fast moving Parashah for example we see Abram obeying Yehovah's call to go out from His father's family and house and go to a country He doesn't know. Yehovah has done the very same thing with us as well when He has called us out of where we are to walk with Yeshua and follow His commandments. It takes real faith to walk out things you

have never seen before. We also see Abram going to Egypt because of a famine which by the way is a complete different message that I could expound on allowing outward circumstances to dictate where we go to seek refuge...Yehovah or Egypt. Of course we see Yehovah cutting a covenant with Abraham and His descendants, Hagar and Ishmael ending with the Covenant of Circumcision. This time around we are going to discuss Genesis 13 and a little of 14 as well.

Genesis 13:5-6

- Lot also grew in possessions and servants as well. The Abrahamic blessings fell upon His house as well because He too was related to Abraham.
- Just because you are related to Abraham doesn't mean that you are his seed. (Faith)
 (Galatians 3:29).
- 3. Lot is symbolic of those who lives in the world but who still want to do lip service to their faith in Yeshua which how many actually do that right now. Can you live in both? Can you please both? (James 4:4;Romans 12:2;1John 2:15;1 John 3:13).

Genesis 13:8-9

- 1. Abraham represents those who are living a Spirit filled Torah obedient life who just wants to follow Yehovah's voice. How do we know he followed the Torah (Genesis 26:5).
- 2. Abraham was a peace maker among men as well as we see with Lot here in verse 8 and9. He did what Yeshua said for all of us to do which is to make peace with all men.

3. Abraham then said to look to the right or the or the left. This is where they had to make a choice. You can either choose the right way or the wrong way. The Narrow Way or the Broad way that leads to destruction. (Matthew 7:13-14).

Genesis 13:10-12

- Lot saw with his eyes that the whole area surrounding the Jordan was well watered like Yehovah's garden and like Egypt. (Genesis 3:6-7; 1 John 2:16).
- Lot chose the land because it was pleasing to his senses. How many times do we make a choice based on senses.
- 3. Abraham moved his tent from the place near Sodom. Very key. Abraham moved away from sin and all appearances of evil. (1 Thessalonians 5:22).

Genesis 13:14-17

- After Abraham removed himself from all the evil and sinful influences Yehovah began to speak to him.
- 2. Abraham was given the land promise again
- 3. He was commanded to get up and walk around.

Genesis 14:17-19

1. Abraham eventually had to save his family who had been taken over by the evil of

Sodom.

- The reward that Abraham received for his faithfulness was a face to face encounter with Melchizedek...Yeshua Himself. Psalm 110; Hebrews 7.
- 3. Melchizedek King of Righteousness blessed Abraham with a special blessing and as a result Abraham tithed to Melchizedek. (Ps. 110:4; Heb 5:6; 6:20; 7:1-10).

Take Away

- 1. Sodom is a representative of the world and its evil system that we are to come out of Rev 18:4.
- 2. Abram lived differently then all the people around him because He trusted El Shaddai for His life.
- 3. When we leave the world, the flesh and the devil behind we gain a great reward from Yeshua.

Application

- 1. Today I will leave my Sodom behind and walk the narrow way and the ancient path that leads to Yehovah.
- 2. I will continue to be like our father Abraham and walk by faith and not by sight and to

continue to walk in His instructions of righteousness.

3. I will continue to grow closer to Yeshua as we each have had a personal encounter with Yeshua just like Abraham.

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