

The Price of Faith - Week 8

Gen 13:8 - 14:1

Gen 13:7 Quarreling arose between Abram's herdsmen and the herdsmen of Lot. The Canaanites and Perizzites were also living in the land at that time. 8 So Abram said to Lot, "Let's not have any quarreling between you and me, or between your herdsmen and mine, for we are brothers. 9 Is not the whole land before you? Let's part company. If you go to the left, I'll go to the right; if you go to the right, I'll go to the left." 10 Lot looked up and saw that the whole plain of the Jordan was well watered, like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, toward Zoar. (This was before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.) 11 So Lot chose for himself the whole plain of the Jordan and set out toward the east. The two men parted company: 12 Abram lived in the land of Canaan, while Lot lived among the cities of the plain and pitched his tents near Sodom. 13 Now the men of Sodom were wicked and were sinning greatly against the LORD. 14 The LORD said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, "Lift up your eyes from where you are and look north and south, east and west. 15 All the land that you see I will give to you and your offspring forever. 16 I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust, then your offspring could be counted. 17 Go, walk through the length and breadth of the land, for I am giving it to you." 18 So Abram moved his tents and went to live near the great trees of Mamre at Hebron, where he built an altar to the LORD.

- Past failures are to remind me, not _____ me.
- Abram's failures would teach him the difference between a _____ man and a _____ man.

The Spiritual Man

Three things characterized the spiritual man:

1. _____
 - He had to separate himself from carnal _____.
 - He had to separate his _____ for his son and his _____ to his God.
 - He had to separate himself from _____.

2 Cor 6:16 What agreement [can there be between] a temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God; even as God said, I will dwell in and with and among them and will walk in and with and among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. 17 So, come out from among [unbelievers], and separate (sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not [any] unclean thing; then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor,

- True biblical separation is not isolation, but _____.
We must insulate so that we do not lose our _____ in reflecting Christ to a lost world.
- To do this we must be connected on one end to the _____ from God, and on the other end to the evident _____ of man.

2. _____

- Sanctification is not as much separation _____ as it is separation _____.
- Walking in the Spirit is _____ and _____ the sanctified life.
- Satan cannot steal your soul but will try to stifle your _____.

3. _____

- The tent symbolizes Abram's _____ toward this _____.

The Mind of the Spiritual Man

- Our nature is to allow _____ to dictate our attitudes.
- So what did he do? _____
- Worrying circumstances _____ an immediate answer.
- Worrying circumstances are followed by _____.
Nothing will hinder a man's _____ more than responding wrongly to those who are wrong.

Abraham's Response

1. He surrendered his _____.
God will show us when to _____ for what's right or when to let Him _____ what's wrong.
2. He treated Lot with spiritual _____.
3. He dealt with Lot with spiritual _____.
Abram was prepared to stop it by taking the path of _____.
4. He dealt with Lot with spiritual _____.
The spiritual man's _____ can and does trust God and is bigger than the problems or the strife that happens in our world.