

## Timeline of Truth – Abram Rescues Lot (Gen 14:1-24)

<p><sup>1</sup> And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations,</p> <p><sup>2</sup> <i>that</i> they made war with Bera king of Sodom, Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that is, Zoar).</p> <p><sup>3</sup> All these joined together in the Valley of Siddim (that is, the Salt Sea).</p> <p><sup>4</sup> Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.</p> <p><sup>5</sup> In the fourteenth year Chedorlaomer and the kings that <i>were</i> with him came and attacked the Rephaim in Ashteroth Karnaim, the Zuzim in Ham, the Emim in Shaveh Kiriathaim, <sup>6</sup> and the Horites in their mountain of Seir, as far as El Paran, which <i>is</i> by the wilderness.</p> <p><sup>7</sup> Then they turned back and came to En Mishpat (that <i>is</i>, Kadesh), and attacked all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites who dwelt in Hazezon Tamar.</p> <p><sup>8</sup> And the king of Sodom, the king of Gomorrah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that <i>is</i>, Zoar) went out and joined together in battle in the Valley of Siddim <sup>9</sup> against Chedorlaomer king of Elam, Tidal king of nations, Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar – four kings against five.</p> <p><sup>10</sup> Now the Valley of Siddim <i>was full of</i> asphalt pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled; <i>some</i> fell there, and the remainder fled to the mountains.</p>	<p><b>1. Dominant Kings <u>Attack</u> Local Kings</b></p> <p><i>a. 4 Kings Attack Rebellious 5 Kings (summary 1-2)</i></p> <p><i>b. The Location of the Battle (3)</i></p> <p><i>c. Background (attacking, heading your way 4-7)</i></p> <p><i>d. 5 Kings Go Out to Meet the 4 Kings (8-9)</i></p> <p><i>e. Results of the Battle (10)</i></p>
<p><sup>11</sup> Then they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their provisions, and went their way.</p> <p><sup>12</sup> They also took Lot, Abram's brother's son who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.</p>	<p><b>2. The Victorious Kings <u>Plunder</u>, Taking <u>Lot</u></b></p>

<p><sup>13</sup> Then one who had escaped came and told Abram the Hebrew, for he dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and brother of Aner; and they <i>were</i> allies with Abram.</p> <p><sup>14</sup> Now when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his three hundred and eighteen trained <i>servants</i> who were born in his own house, and went in pursuit as far as Dan.</p> <p><sup>15</sup> He divided his forces against them by night, and he and his servants attacked them and pursued them as far as Hobah, which <i>is</i> north of Damascus.</p>	<p><b>3. Abram Rises to <u>Rescue</u> Lot &amp; All</b></p> <p>a. Abram <i>Is Told</i> (13)</p> <p>b. Abram <u>Responds</u> (14a-b)</p> <p>i. Arms...</p> <p>ii. Trained servants...</p> <p>iii. [Allies – v.13]...</p> <p>c. Abram <u>Pursues</u> (14c)</p> <p>d. Abram <u>Divides Forces</u> (15a)</p> <p>e. Abram <u>Attacks Them</u> (15b)</p> <p>f. Abram <u>Chases Them</u> (15c)</p>
<p><sup>16</sup> So he brought back all the goods, and also brought back his brother Lot and his goods, as well as the women and the people.</p>	<p><b>4. Abram <u>Returns</u> with the Rescued People &amp; Property</b></p>
<p><sup>17</sup> And the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that <i>is</i>, the King's Valley), after his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who <i>were</i> with him.</p> <p><sup>18</sup> Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he <i>was</i> the priest of God Most High.</p> <p><sup>19</sup> And he blessed him and said:      "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; <sup>20</sup> And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand."      And he gave him a tithe of all.</p>	
<p><sup>21</sup> Now the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, and take the goods for yourself."</p> <p><sup>22</sup> But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have raised my hand to the LORD, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth,  <sup>23</sup> that I <i>will take</i> nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that <i>is</i> yours, lest you should say, 'I have made Abram rich'--  <sup>24</sup> "except only what the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men who went with me: Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion."</p>	

