

**Story Time - Read the story to the children**  
**Lesson 14: LOT'S CAPTIVITY AND RESCUE**  
**GENESIS 14**

Amraphel was the king of Babylonia, Arioch was the king of Ellasar, Kedorlaomer (KEE-dore-lau-mer) was the king of Elam, and Tidal was the king of Goiim. All these kings fought a war against King Bera of Sodom: King Birsha of Gomorrah, King Shinab of Admah, King Shemeber of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela. (Bela is also called Zoar.) All these kings joined their armies in the Valley of Siddim. (The Valley of Siddim is now the Salt Sea.) These kings had served Kedorlaomer for twelve years. But in the 13th year, they all rebelled against him. So in the 14th year, King Kedorlaomer and the kings with him came to fight against them. Kedorlaomer and the kings with him defeated the Rephaites in Ashteroth Karnaim. They also defeated the Zuzites in Ham. They defeated the Emites in Shaveh Kiriathaim. And they defeated the Horites who lived in the area from the hill country of Seir to El Paran. (El Paran is near the desert.) Then King Kedorlaomer turned back, went to En Mishpat (that is, Kadesh), and defeated the Amalekites. He also defeated the Amorites living in Hazezon Tamar. At that time the kings of Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, Zeboiim, and Bela (Zoar) joined together to fight against their enemies in the Valley of Siddim. They fought against King Kedorlaomer of Elam, King Tidal of Goiim, King Amraphel of Babylonia, and King Arioch of Ellasar. So there were four kings fighting against five. There were many holes filled with asphalt, which is tar, in the Valley of Siddim. When the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah and their armies ran away, some of the soldiers fell into these holes, but the others ran away to the mountains. So Kedorlaomer and his armies took everything that the people of Sodom and Gomorrah owned. They took all their food and clothing and left. Lot, the son of Abram's brother, was living in Sodom, and they captured him. They also took everything he owned and left. One of the men who had escaped went to Abram the Hebrew and told him what happened. Abram was camped near the trees of Mamre the Amorite. Mamre, Eshcol, and Aner had made an agreement to help each other, and they had also signed an agreement to help Abram. When Abram learned that Lot was captured, he called all of his family together. There were 318 trained soldiers. He led the men and chased the enemy all the way to the town of Dan. That night he and his men made a surprise attack against the enemy. They defeated them and chased them to Hobah, north of Damascus. Then Abram brought back everything the enemy had stolen, as well as the

women and servants, their food, his nephew Lot, and everything Lot owned. Then Abram went home after he defeated Kedorlaomer and the kings with him. On his way home, the king of Sodom went out to meet him in the Valley of Shaveh. (This is now called King's Valley.) Melchizedek, the king of Salem and a priest of God Most High, also went to meet Abram. He brought bread and wine. He blessed Abram and said, "Abram, may you be blessed by God Most High, the one who made heaven and earth. And we praise God Most High, who helped you defeat your enemies." Abram gave Melchizedek one-tenth of everything he had taken during the battle. Then the king of Sodom told Abram, "Give me my people who were captured. But you can keep everything else." But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I promise to the LORD, the God Most High, the one who made heaven and earth. I promise that I will not keep anything that is yours-- not even a thread or a sandal strap! I don't want you to say, 'I made Abram rich.' The only thing I will accept is the food that my young men have eaten, but you should give the other men their share. Take what we won in battle and give some to Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre. These men helped me in the battle."

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“And they took all the belongings of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their servants and food, and Abram’s nephew Lot, who lived in Sodom, and all his belongings, and they left.”

**GENESIS 14:11-12**

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## GENESIS 14

### MEMORY VERSE:

*"Blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand."*

**GENESIS 14:20**

### **Review Questions**

#### True or False

1. The kings of Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, Zeboiim and Bela (or Zoar) all joined together in the valley of Siddim.
2. The Valley of Siddim was full of asphalt (or tar) holes, and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah ran away, and some of the soldiers fell into these holes and the rest ran away to the mountains.
3. So Kedorlaomer and his armies took all the belongings of Sodom and Gomorrah, all their food & clothing and left.
4. King Kedorlaomer and his armies did not capture Lot.
5. The LORD told Abram that Lot had been captured.
6. Abram took an army of 318 trained soldiers and took back everything the enemy had stolen, as well as the women and servants, and Lot and all his belongings.

#### Questions

1. What did king Kedorlaomer and his armies go out and do? Did they go out and defeat a bunch of other cities and kings?
2. When they fought against the armies of Sodom and Gomorrah, what happened? What did some of the men fall into? What did the rest of the men do?
3. What happened to Lot?
4. How did Abram find out that Lot had been captured?
5. What did Abram do?
6. What did Melchizedek the Priest of the Most High God do?
7. Did Abram keep any of the king of Sodom's belongings?

## Lesson 14 Activity and Craft

### I Am Made Strong

Have your students group into pairs. Have one person of each pair put their index finger firmly on the top of their heads. Have the other partner try to move the finger away from the head of their partner by firmly pulling the arms away (no jerking or pushing aloud). They should not be able to do it.

Read Psalm 1:1-3 and explain that when we live a life that honors God, He strengthens us with His great power. He can do many miraculous things, but the greatest thing He does is empowering us to live godly lives. In Christ, we can be stronger than we think we are. [Give God the glory for His great works.](#)

### Flee Temptation

You will need black pepper, a toothpick (or you can use the leaded end of a pencil), a bowl of water, liquid detergent, and a saucer. Sprinkle pepper over the surface of the water in the bowl. These represent the people who love the Lord. Pour a few drops of liquid detergent into the saucer and dip the end of the toothpick into the detergent. This represents sin. Break the surface of the water in the center of the bowl with the toothpick. The pepper will quickly move to the edge of the bowl away from the soapy toothpick.

Explain to your class that we need to respond to sin the way that pepper responded to that soap. We need to run for our lives in the opposite direction of sin.

### PRAYER

Lead the children in a prayer of faith, asking God to help them walk by faith and not by sight. If there are any children who have not yet responded to the Gospel, give them opportunity to do so.