



# Genesis 12



**Go Back to Go Forward**



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**Past:**



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## Past:

- Your life
- Family of Origin



Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

**Genesis 12:1-3**





I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

**Genesis 12:1-3**



Now there was a famine in the land.  
So Abram went down to Egypt to  
sojourn there, for the famine was  
severe in the land.

**Genesis 12:10-20**



When he was about to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, “I know that you are a woman beautiful in appearance, and when the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ Then they will kill me, but they will let you live.

**Genesis 12:10-20**



Say you are my sister, that it may go well with me because of you, and that my life may be spared for your sake.” When Abram entered Egypt, the Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful.

**Genesis 12:10-20**



And when the princes of Pharaoh saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. And for her sake he dealt well with Abram; and he had sheep, oxen, male donkeys,

**Genesis 12:10-20**



male servants, female servants,  
female donkeys, and camels. But the  
Lord afflicted Pharaoh and his house  
with great plagues because of Sarai,  
Abram's wife.

**Genesis 12:10-20**





So Pharaoh called Abram and said,  
“What is this you have done to me?  
Why did you not tell me that she  
was your wife? Why did you say,  
‘She is my sister,’ so that I took her  
for my wife? Now then, here is your  
wife; take her, and go.”

**Genesis 12:10-20**



And Pharaoh gave men orders concerning him, and they sent him away with his wife and all that he had.

**Genesis 12:10-20**





From there Abraham journeyed toward the territory of the Negeb and lived between Kadesh and Shur; and he sojourned in Gerar. And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, “She is my sister.” And Abimelech king of Gerar sent and took Sarah.

**Genesis 20:1-2**



Now there was a famine in the land, besides the former famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went to Gerar to Abimelech, king of the Philistines.

**Genesis 26:1-9**



And the Lord appeared to him and said, “Do not go down to Egypt; dwell in the land of which I shall tell you. Sojourn in this land, and I will be with you and will bless you, for to you and to your offspring I will give all these lands,  
**Genesis 26:1-9**



and I will establish the oath that I swore to Abraham your father. I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and will give to your offspring all these lands. And in your offspring all the nations of the earth shall be blessed,

**Genesis 26:1-9**



because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.” So Isaac settled in Gerar.

**Genesis 26:1-9**



When the men of the place asked him about his wife, he said, “She is my sister,” for he feared to say, “My wife,” thinking, “lest the men of the place should kill me because of Rebekah,” because she was attractive in appearance.

**Genesis 26:1-9**





When he had been there a long time,  
Abimelech king of the Philistines  
looked out of a window and saw  
Isaac laughing with Rebekah his  
wife.

**Genesis 26:1-9**



So Abimelech called Isaac and said,  
“Behold, she is your wife. How then  
could you say, ‘She is my sister’?”  
Isaac said to him, “Because I  
thought, ‘Lest I die because of her.’”

**Genesis 26:1-9**





So [Jacob] went in to his father and said, “My father.” And [Isaac] said, “Here I am. Who are you, my son?” Jacob said to his father, “I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me; now sit up and eat of my game, that your soul may bless me.”

**Genesis 27:18-19**



They saw [Joseph] from afar, and before he came near to them they conspired against him to kill him. They said to one another, “Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits.

**Genesis 37:18-24**



Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams.”

But when Reuben heard it, he rescued him out of their hands, saying, “Let us not take his life.”

**Genesis 37:18-24**



And Reuben said to them, “Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but do not lay a hand on him”—that he might rescue him out of their hand to restore him to his father.

**Genesis 37:18-24**



So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. And they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

**Genesis 37:18-24**





# Generational Judgment Principle





The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands,

**Exodus 34:6-7**





forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

**Exodus 34:6-7**



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“Jesus may be in your heart, but  
grandpa is in your bones.”

- Pete Scazzero



We all carry the sin from the past  
into the present.



We all carry the sin from the past into the present, are we going to carry it into the future?



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# Generational Judgment Principle:

1. Sin has generational consequences.
2. Sin has generational patterns.
3. The Lord redeems generational sin.



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“[My story] reveals the conflict between the tyranny of the world and the wonder of God’s grace.”

- **Jon Tyson**



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5. By the power of the Holy Spirit,  
work to change.



But Joseph said to them, “Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.

**Genesis 50:19-21**



So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones.” Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

**Genesis 50:19-21**



