

Adult Bible Study 2024

Week Thirteen Notes

10/13/Sunday

Genesis 13-19 : Sodom & Gommorah | Tall el-Hammam

Main Ideas

- Looking Back
 - Gen 12 - Abrahamic Covenant - Abram's encounter with God & God's promises to Abram
 - Where there is an encounter, there is a promise(s)
 - Where there is faith, there is a testing
 - Don't be surprised by the testing of your faith!
 - Gen 15 - ceremony of the Abrahamic Covenant
 - Gen 17 - Every covenant has signs
 - Circumcision is this sign
 - Gen 22 - ratification of the Covenant
- Fr. John walked us through a map of the ancient Promised Land and its surrounding area
 - Jericho and Sodom was only 13 miles apart
 - AND DRASTICALLY DIFFERENT CLIMATE
 - Jerusalem was a high mountainous region
 - Jericho was deep under sea level, a city of palms with tropical climate
 - Sodom was A MASSIVE LAND
 - The most ancient, major city in the Middle Bronze Age
 - Indestructible
 - Massive economy
 - Trade throughout the Mediterranean
 - Guard towers etc
 - Sodom more famous discovered by a Christian archeologist as Tall el-Hammon "hill of the warm bath"
 - After Jerusalem, Sodom is the #2 most mentioned
- Lot is getting sucked into the world... into Sodom. He is losing himself to the most hedonistic and inhospitable city in the world
 - The sins in Sodom went beyond lust and sodomy, it was a brutal place where there was no sign of grace
- Key lessons learned - don't look back to the sins of the past. Protect your family. Seek out the angels of the land, even in the midst of turmoil. When God says GO!, we go!

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