

¹And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.²And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah.³But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife.⁴But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, Lord, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation?⁵Said he not unto me, She is my sister? and she, even she herself said, He is my brother: in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.⁶And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.⁷Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine.⁸Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.⁹Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.¹⁰And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?¹¹And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God

¹وَأْتَقَلَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ مِنْ هُنَاكَ إِلَى أَرْضِ الْجَنُوبِ، وَسَكَنَ بَيْنَ قَادِشَ وَشُورَ، وَتَغَرَّبَ فِي جَرَارَ.²وَقَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ عَنْ سَارَةَ امْرَأَتِهِ، هِيَ أُخْتِي. فَأَرْسَلَ أَبِيمَالِكُ مَلِكُ جَرَارَ وَأَخَذَ سَارَةَ.³فَجَاءَ اللَّهُ إِلَى أَبِيمَالِكِ فِي حُلُمِ اللَّيْلِ وَقَالَ لَهُ، هَا أَنْتَ مَيِّتٌ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمَرْأَةِ الَّتِي أَخَذْتَهَا، فَإِنَّهَا مُتَزَوِّجَةٌ بِنَعْلٍ.⁴وَلَكِنْ لَمْ يَكُنْ أَبِيمَالِكُ قَدْ اقْتَرَبَ إِلَيْهَا. وَقَالَ، يَا سَيِّدُ، أَلَمْ تَقُلْ؟⁵أَلَمْ يَقُلْ هُوَ لِي إِنَّهَا أُخْتِي، وَهِيَ أَيْضًا نَفْسُهَا قَالَتْ هُوَ أَخِي. بِسَلَامَةِ قَلْبِي وَتَقَاوَةِ يَدَيَّ فَعَلْتُ هَذَا.⁶فَقَالَ لَهُ اللَّهُ فِي الْحُلُمِ، أَنَا أَيْضًا عَلِمْتُ أَنَّكَ بِسَلَامَةِ قَلْبِكَ فَعَلْتَ هَذَا. وَأَنَا أَيْضًا أَمْسَكْتُكَ عَنْ أَنْ تُخْطِئَ إِلَيَّ، لِذَلِكَ لَمْ أَدْعُكَ تَمَسُّهَا.⁷فَالآنَ رُدَّ امْرَأَةَ الرَّجُلِ، فَإِنَّهُ نَبِيٌّ، فَيُصَلِّيَ لَأَجْلِكَ فَتَحْيَا. وَإِنْ كُنْتَ لَسْتَ تَرُدُّهَا، فَأَعْلَمْ أَنَّكَ مُوْتًا تَمُوتُ، أَنْتَ وَكُلُّ مَنْ لَكَ.⁸فَبَكَرَ أَبِيمَالِكُ فِي الْعَدِ وَدَعَا جَمِيعَ عِبِيدِهِ، وَتَكَلَّمَ بِكُلِّ هَذَا الْكَلَامِ فِي مَسَامِعِهِمْ. فَخَافَ الرَّجَالُ جَدًّا.⁹ثُمَّ دَعَا أَبِيمَالِكُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَقَالَ لَهُ، مَاذَا فَعَلْتَ بِنَا، وَبِمَاذَا أَخْطَأْتُ إِلَيْكَ حَتَّى جَلَبْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَى مَمْلَكَتِي خَطِيئَةً عَظِيمَةً. أَعْمَالًا لَا تُعْمَلُ عَمِلْتَ بِي..¹⁰وَقَالَ أَبِيمَالِكُ لإِبْرَاهِيمَ، مَاذَا رَأَيْتَ حَتَّى عَمِلْتَ هَذَا الشَّيْءَ?¹¹فَقَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ، إِنِّي قُلْتُ، لَيْسَ فِي هَذَا الْمَوْضِعِ خَوْفُ اللَّهِ النَّبِيَّةِ، فَيَقْتُلُونِي لِأَجْلِ امْرَأَتِي.¹²وَبِالْحَقِيقَةِ أَيْضًا هِيَ أُخْتِي ابْنَةُ أَبِي، عَزَّرَ أَنَّهَا لَيْسَتْ ابْنَةُ أُمِّي، فَصَارَتْ لِي زَوْجَةً.¹³وَحَدَّثْتُ لَهَا أَنَا هُنَا أَنَّ اللَّهَ مِنْ بَيْتِ أَبِي أَنِّي قُلْتُ لَهَا، هَذَا مَعْرُوفُكَ الَّذِي تَصْنَعِينَ إِلَيَّ، فِي كُلِّ مَكَانٍ تَأْتِي إِلَيْهِ قَوْلِي عَنِّي هُوَ أَخِي.¹⁴فَأَخَذَ أَبِيمَالِكُ عَتَمًا وَبَقَرًا وَعَبِيدًا وَإِمَاءً وَأَعْطَاهَا لإِبْرَاهِيمَ، وَرَدَّ إِلَيْهِ سَارَةَ امْرَأَتَهُ.¹⁵وَقَالَ أَبِيمَالِكُ، هُوَذَا أَرْضِي قُدَّامَكَ. اسْكُنْ فِي مَا حَسَنَ فِي عَيْتِكَ.¹⁶وَقَالَ لِسَارَةَ، إِنِّي قَدْ أَعْطَيْتُ أَخَاكَ أَلْفًا مِنَ الْفِصَّةِ. هَا هُوَ لَكَ غِطَاءٌ عَيْنٍ مِنْ جِهَةِ كُلِّ مَا عِنْدَكَ وَعِنْدَ كُلِّ وَاحِدٍ، فَأَنْصِفْ.¹⁷فَصَلَّى إِبْرَاهِيمُ إِلَى اللَّهِ، فَشَقَى اللَّهُ أَبِيمَالِكَ وَامْرَأَتَهُ وَجَوَارِيَهُ قَوْلَدَنَ¹⁸لَأَنَّ الرَّبَّ كَانَ قَدْ أَعْلَقَ كُلَّ رَجِمٍ لِبَيْتِ أَبِيمَالِكِ بِسَبَبِ سَارَةَ امْرَأَةِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ.

is not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake.¹² And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.¹³ And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He is my brother.¹⁴ And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.¹⁵ And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee.¹⁶ And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand pieces of silver: behold, he is to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that are with thee, and with all other : thus she was reprov'd.¹⁷ So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children .¹⁸ For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.