

¹Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:²And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:³And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.⁴So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.⁶And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.⁷And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.⁸And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.⁹And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.¹⁰And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.¹¹And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife,

¹وَقَالَ الرَّبُّ لِأَبْرَامَ، اذْهَبْ مِنْ أَرْضِكَ وَمِنْ عَشِيرَتِكَ وَمِنْ بَيْتِ أَبِيكَ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ الَّتِي أُرِيكَ. فَأَجْعَلَكَ أُمَّةً عَظِيمَةً وَأُبَارِكَكَ وَأَعْظَمَ اسْمَكَ، وَتَكُونُ بَرَكَةً. وَأُبَارِكُ مُبَارِكِيكَ وَلَأَعْنِكَ الْعَنَةُ. وَتَبَارَكَ فِيكَ جَمِيعُ قَبَائِلِ الْأَرْضِ. فَذَهَبَ أَبْرَامُ كَمَا قَالَ لَهُ الرَّبُّ وَذَهَبَ مَعَهُ لُوطٌ. وَكَانَ أَبْرَامُ ابْنُ خَمْسٍ وَسِتِّينَ سَنَةً لَمَّا خَرَجَ مِنْ حَارَانَ. فَأَخَذَ أَبْرَامُ سَارَى امْرَأَتَهُ، وَلُوطًا ابْنَ أَخِيهِ، وَكُلَّ مُفْتِنَاتِهِمَا الَّتِي افْتَنَا وَالنَّفُوسَ الَّتِي امْتَلَكَا فِي حَارَانَ. وَخَرَجُوا لِيَذْهَبُوا إِلَى أَرْضِ كَنْعَانَ. فَاتُّوا إِلَى أَرْضِ كَنْعَانَ. وَاجْتَارَ أَبْرَامُ فِي الْأَرْضِ إِلَى مَكَانٍ سَكِيمٍ إِلَى بَلُوطَةَ مُورَةَ. وَكَانَ الْكَنْعَانِيُّونَ جَبِينِي فِي الْأَرْضِ. وَظَهَرَ الرَّبُّ لِأَبْرَامَ وَقَالَ، لِنَسْلِكَ أَعْطِي هَذِهِ الْأَرْضَ. فَبَيَّ هُنَاكَ مَذْبَحًا لِلرَّبِّ الَّذِي ظَهَرَ لَهُ. ثُمَّ تَقَلَ مِنْ هُنَاكَ إِلَى الْجَبَلِ شَرْقِيَّ بَيْتِ إِبِلَ وَنَصَبَ حَيْمَتَهُ. وَلَهُ بَيْتٌ إِبِلَ مِنَ الْمَغْرِبِ وَعَايَ مِنَ الْمَشْرِقِ. فَبَيَّ هُنَاكَ مَذْبَحًا لِلرَّبِّ وَدَعَا بِاسْمِ الرَّبِّ. ثُمَّ ارْتَحَلَ أَبْرَامُ ارْتِحَالًا مُتَوَالِيًا تَحَوُّ الْجُثُوبِ. وَحَدَّتْ جُوعٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ، فَأَبْجَدَ أَبْرَامُ إِلَى مِصْرَ لِيَسْتَعْرِبَ هُنَاكَ، لِأَنَّ الْجُوعَ فِي الْأَرْضِ كَانَ شَدِيدًا. وَحَدَّتْ لَمَّا قَرَّبَ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ مِصْرَ أَنَّهُ قَالَ لِسَارَى امْرَأَتِهِ، إِنِّي قَدْ عَلِمْتُ أَنَّكَ امْرَأَةٌ حَسَنَةٌ الْمَنْظَرِ. فَيَكُونُ إِذَا رَأَى الْمِصْرِيُّونَ أَنَّهُمْ يَقُولُونَ، هَذِهِ امْرَأَتُهُ. فَيَقْتُلُونَنِي وَيَسْتَبْقُونَكَ. فَوَلِي إِيَّاكَ أُخْتِي، لِيَكُونَ لِي حَبْرٌ بِسَبَبِكَ وَنَحْيًا نَفْسِي مِنْ أَجْلِكَ. فَحَدَّتْ لَمَّا دَخَلَ أَبْرَامُ إِلَى مِصْرَ أَنَّ الْمِصْرِيِّينَ رَأَوْا الْمَرْأَةَ أَنَّهَا حَسَنَةٌ جِدًّا. وَرَأَاهَا رُؤَسَاءُ فِرْعَوْنَ وَمَدَحُوهَا لَدَى فِرْعَوْنَ، فَأَخَذَتِ الْمَرْأَةَ إِلَى بَيْتِ فِرْعَوْنَ، فَصَنَعَ إِلَى أَبْرَامَ خَيْرًا بِسَبَبِهَا، وَصَارَ لَهُ عَنَمٌ وَبَقَرٌ وَخِمِيرٌ وَعَبِيدٌ وَإِصَاءٌ وَأَنْثَى وَجَمَالٌ. فَصَرَبَ الرَّبُّ فِرْعَوْنَ وَبَيْتَهُ صَرَائِبَ عَظِيمَةً بِسَبَبِ سَارَى امْرَأَةِ أَبْرَامَ. فَدَعَا فِرْعَوْنَ أَبْرَامَ وَقَالَ، مَا هَذَا الَّذِي صَنَعْتَ بِي. لِمَاذَا لَمْ تُخْبِرْنِي أَنَّهَا امْرَأَتُكَ. لِمَاذَا قُلْتَ هِيَ أُخْتِي، حَتَّى أَخَذْتُهَا لِي لِيَكُونَ رَوْحَتِي. وَالْآنَ هُوَذَا امْرَأَتُكَ. خُذْهَا وَادْهَبْ.. فَأَوْصَى عَلَيْهِ فِرْعَوْنَ رِجَالًا فَسَبَّغُوهُ وَامْرَأَتَهُ وَكُلَّ مَا كَانَ لَهُ.

Behold now, I know that thou art a fair woman to look upon:¹² Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive.¹³ Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.¹⁴ And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.¹⁵ The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.¹⁶ And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.¹⁷ And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.¹⁸ And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What is this that thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?¹⁹ Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way.²⁰ And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.