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2 **Genesis 12:1-4**

- 1 And יהוה said to Aḇram, “Go yourself out of your land, from your relatives and from your father’s house, to a land which I show you.2“And I shall make you a great nation, and bless you and make your name great, and you shall be a blessing!3“And I shall bless those who bless you, and curse him who curses you. And in you all the clans of the earth shall be blessed.”4So Aḇram left, as יהוה had commanded him, and Lot went with him. And Aḇram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Ḥaran.

3 **Past Few Weeks**

4 **Major Points**

- 1. Marriage is between One Man and One Woman to become One Flesh.
- 2. Divorce: hard Hearts…Adultery, Reconcile/Husband, Marry No Other “Adultery”
- 3. Marriage: Not unequally Yoked, Mixed Kinds…Defiled
- 4. Name Change: Character-Reputation, New Name From Yah “Marriage”

5 **The Bigger Story!**

- Babylon: Gen 11:4 And they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens, and make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered over all the face of the earth.”
- 27 And this is the genealogy of Teraḥ: Teraḥ brought forth Aḇram, Naḥor, and Haran. And Haran brought forth Lot.28And Haran died before his father Teraḥ in the land of his birth, in Ur-kasdim.29And Aḇram and Naḥor took wives: the name of Aḇram’s wife was Sarai, and the name of Naḥor’s wife, Milkah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milkah and the father of Yiskah.(Sarai).
- Babylonian Talmud — Megillah 14a:13… Rabbi Yitzḥak states: “Iscah is in fact Sarah.”He explains that the name Yiskah was associated with her prophetic insight and her beauty. (Babylonian Talmud — Sanhedrin 69b)
- Sarh (Yiskah)…Abraham’s Niece… Yibum=Levirate Marriage (Deut: 25:5-10)
- Rom 2:14 For when nations, who do not have the Torah, by nature do what is in the Torah, although not having the Torah, they are a torah to themselves.

6 **Great Name…Graft In Nations**

- Gen 11:4 and make a name for ourselves,

- Gen 12:1 “And I shall make you a great nation, and bless you and make your name great, and you shall be a blessing! ….3 And in you all the clans of the earth shall be (Grafted In) blessed (Ve-nivrekhu vekha kol mishpechot ha-adamah.)
- .The key word is venivrekhu, usually translated "shall be blessed.”
- Babylonian Talmud — Yevamot 63...Rabbi Elazar interprets Genesis 12:3 as God promising Abraham that two important branches from the nations would be grafted into his family.
- Ruth the Moabite, who became an ancestor of King David.
- .Naamah the Ammonite, the mother of Rehoboam, who continued the Davidic royal line.
- The passage uses the Hebrew verb lehavrikh (להבריך), meaning to graft or bend a shoot into the ground to take root. This is a deliberate rabbinic wordplay on venivrekhu in Gen 12:3.
- Gen 12:5 And Aḇram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the beings whom they had acquired in Ḥaran, and they set out for the land of Kenaʹan.

7 **Father Of Nations...Offering Isaac**

- Gen 17:44As for Me, look, My covenant is with you, and you shall become a father of many nations.5“And no longer is your name called Aḇram, but your name shall be Aḇraham, because I shall make you a father of many nations... 177“And I shall establish My covenant between Me and you and your seed (Many-Nations) after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be Elohim to you and your seed (Many-Nations) after you.8“And I shall give to you and your seed (Many Nations) after you the land of your sojournings, all the land of Kenaʹan, as an everlasting possession. And I shall be their Elohim.”
- 22:1616and said, “By Myself I have sworn, declares יהוה, because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son,17that I shall certainly bless you, and I shall certainly increase your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore, and let your seed possess the gate of their enemies.18And in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.

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9 **Judah & Ephraim Have A Problem!**

- Matt 19:9 “And I say to you, whoever puts away his wife, except on the ground of whoring, and marries another, commits adultery. And whoever marries her who has been put away commits adultery.”

- Cor 7:10 And to the married I command, not I, but the Master: A wife should not separate from a husband.11But if she is indeed separated, let her remain unmarried or be restored to favour with her husband, and let a husband not send away a wife.
- Jer 3:1Elohim said, “If a man puts away his wife, and she goes from him and becomes another man’s, does he return to her again? Would not that land be made greatly unclean? But you have committed whoring with many lovers. And would you return to Me?” declares יהוה.
- Deut 24:1When a man takes a wife and shall marry her, then it shall be, if she finds no favour in his eyes because he has found a matter of uncoveredness in her, and he shall write her a certificate of divorce, and put it in her hand, and send her out of his house,2and if she left his house and went and became another man’s wife,3and the latter husband shall hate her and write her a certificate of divorce, and put it in her hand, and send her out of his house, or when the latter husband dies who took her to be his wife,4then her former husband who sent her away is not allowed to take her back to be his wife after she has been defiled, for that would be an abomination before יהוה. And do not bring sin on the land which יהוה your Elohim is giving you as an inheritance.

10 Till Death Do Us Part...

- Romans 7:1Or do you not know, brothers – for I speak to those knowing the Torah – that the Torah rules over a man as long as he lives?2For the married woman has been bound by Torah to the living husband, but if the husband dies, she is released from the Torah concerning her husband.3So then, while her husband lives, she shall be called an adulteress if she becomes another man’s. But if her husband dies, she is free from that part of the Torah, so that she is not an adulteress, having become another man’s.4So my brothers, you also were put to death to the Torah through the body of Messiah, for you to become another’s, the One who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to Elohim.

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- Rom 11:17And if some of the branches (Judah) were broken off, and you,(Gentile-Ephraim) being a wild olive tree, have been grafted in among them, and came to share the root and fatness of the olive tree (Israel),18do not boast against the branches(Judah). And if you boast, remember: you do not bear the root, but the root bears you!

- Eph 2:14For He is our peace, who has made both (Judah-Ephraim-Fullness) one (Bride-Israel) , and having broken down the partition of the barrier,15having abolished in His flesh the enmity – the torah of the commands in dogma (Adultery) – so as to create in Himself one renewed (Bride-Israel-Sinai) man from the two, thus making peace (Restored to husband),16and to completely restore (Put Back!) to favour both (Ephraim-Fullness-Gentiles & Judah) of them unto Elohim in one body (Bride-Israel) through the stake, having destroyed the enmity by it.

- Gal 3:2828There is not Yehuḏi (Judah) nor Greek (Ephraim), there is not slave nor free, there is not male and female, for you are all one in Messiah יהושע.29And if you are of Messiah, then you are seed of Aḇraham, and heirs according to promise.

12 **Ephraim/Gentiles...Not A Different Bride**

- Hosea 8:8 “Yisra’ĕl has been swallowed up. They have now become among the nations as a vessel in which is no pleasure.

- Hos 2:1414“Therefore, see, I am alluring her, and shall lead her into the wilderness, and shall speak to her heart,15and give to her vineyards from there, and the Valley of Aḵor (trouble-disturbance) as a door of expectation. And there she shall respond as in the days of her youth, as in the day when she came up from the land of Mitsrayim.16“And it shall be, in that day,” declares יהוה, “that you call Me ‘My Husband,’ and no longer call Me ‘My Baʿal.’17“And I shall remove the names of the Baʿals from her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.18“And in that day I shall make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the birds of the heavens, and with the creeping creatures of the ground, when bow, and sword, and battle I break from the earth. And I shall make them lie down in safety.19“And I shall take you as a bride unto Me forever, and take you as a bride unto Me in righteousness, and in right-ruling, and loving-commitment and compassion.20“And I shall take you as a bride unto Me in trustworthiness, and you shall know יהוה.21“And it shall be in that day that I answer,” declares יהוה, “that I answer the heavens, and they answer the earth,22and the earth answer the grain and the new wine and the oil, and they answer Yizreʿĕl.23“And I shall sow her for Myself in the earth, and I shall have compassion on her who had not obtained compassion. And I shall say to those who were not My people, ‘You are My people,’ while they say, ‘My Elohim!’ ”

- 1:11 “And the children of Yehuḏah and the children of Yisra’ĕl shall be gathered together, and appoint for themselves one head, and shall come up out of the earth, for great is the day of Yizreʿĕl!

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