WHAT REALLY MATTERS (The Gospel According to Abraham, Part 2)

Genesis 13:1-17

1. LOT'S PRIORITIE Ge 3:10,11; Mk 8:	= •	
-	was more important than	his relationships
- He was more i	nterested int	han in
2. ABRAHAM'S PR Ge 13:3,4; 14:20-2		
	were more important than	າ
- He was	in God & others t	han in
SSESSING MY TRU	E PRIORITIES	
What <i>Mt</i> 6:33; <i>Ec</i> 5:10	_ my decisions?	
Who gets the Prv 3:9,10	of all I have?	
Am I a 2 Cor 9:10	of blessing or a	?

"Abram let go of his wealth so he could keep his relationship with Lot.

Jesus gave up the ultimate wealth so he could have a relationship with us."

Tim Keller

Fill-ins: PRIORITIES; Wealth; himself; God & others; God & others; wealth; more interested; himself; drives; first & best; conduit; reservoir; TRUE

Life Group Questions for the Week of January 13, 2019

- 1. Looking back at your notes from this Sunday's message, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?
- 2. Do you offer your siblings or family members the larger piece of pie or the bigger cookie? Why or why not?
- 3. On deciding where to live, rate the following factors, from most important to least important, for the average American:

Low property prices
Big, nice house
Lower crime rate
Attractive area
Church and ministry opportunities

- 4. On Sunday, we saw Abram's generosity and Lot's greed. Read the following verses and jot down what they say about a healthy perspective on our finances and generosity: Deuteronomy 8:17-18; 1 Chronicles 29:11-12; Proverbs 23:4-5; Luke 12:15; 1 John 3:17-18
- 5. One of the keys to building generosity into our life is learning to be content with what we have. As most of us know, this kind of contentment can be a challenge. What insight and hope do the following passages give us in moving toward this kind of contentment? 2 Corinthians 6:10; Philippians 4:11-13; Matthew 6:25-27,33-34

What would be your greatest challenges in being content with what you have?

6. Read Genesis 12:10-20 and answer the following questions:

In what ways did God bless Abram while he was in Egypt?
What are some of the differences in the Abram of chapter 12 in Egypt and the Abram we see in chapter 13? What lessons might Abram have learned about God from his trip to Egypt?

7. This conflict between Abraham and Lot arose because of the physical blessings they received. How can stuff/wanting stuff create conflict between people? List some potential problems with either having a lot of stuff and/or money or wanting a lot of stuff/money.