Series: Christ in the OT

Title: Christ as Melchizedek

<u>Text</u>: (Gen 14)

There is a War Raging all around us. - An Invisible War.

Abrahamic Covenant:: (Gen 12:1-3)

The Foundation of Abraham's Faith: (Rom 4:3)

I. Abram Overcame the Devil to Rescue a Brother:

(Gen 14:1-9) - Explain The Law of First Mention

(Gen 14:10-11) The Battle Went Badly for them!

(Gen 12:12)

How did Lot get into this mess? (Gen 13:9-13)

(Gen 13:10) Thanks to Abram and Egypt, Lot had Cattle.

After Lot moved there for the wrong reason...

(James 4:4) Friendship with the World, enemy of God!

(1 Jn 2:15-17) Love of the World

(Rom 12:2) He conformed to the World

(1 Cor 11:32) then he was judged with he World.

Word comes to Abram that Lot is captured, Proving...

"You are who you run with! (Gen 13:13) (Prov 13:20)

(Gen 14:11-13) "Hebrew" 1st mention, means "Stranger".

(Heb 11:9*,13) sojourned in the land of promise, as in a

Abram could have responded like...

(Gen 14:14) referred to Lot as his brother.

(Gal 6:1-2)

What are we to do with a brother taken captive like Lot?

(Gal 6:1-2)

Abram went to War with the Devil to Rescue a Brother:

(Gen 14:15-16)

II. Abram Overcame the World to Receive a Blessing:

(Gen 14:17-18)

2 Kings came out to meet Abram after his victory

Bera, King of Sodom.

Melchizedek king of Salem

The 4 Kings that carried away Lot Captive represented Satan. (Gen 14:2) Bera, King of Sodom.

The King of Sodom comes out to meet him, from where?

From hiding. (Gen 14:17) Snowflake!

The going got tough, so they quit & left it to others.

Christ Meets Abraham for the 1st Time: (Gen 14:128-20)

Melchizedek is described in (Heb 7:1-3)

Abram was met by 2 Kings:

King of Sodom, representing the World. King of Salem, representing God.

Both offered him a Blessing:

King of Sodom offered him the Spoils of War:

(Gen 14:21) Worldly, Temporary Blessings:

King of Salem offered Eternal Blessings: (Matt 6:19-20)

Both Kings wanted Abram's heart! (Matt 6:21)

Why did the King of Sodom only want the people back?

The World does not understand our Midset & Values:

(1 Pet 4:4)

(Gen 14:20c) And he gave him tithes of all (Heb 7:4) unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils

Why did Abram tithe?

He Saw The Grace of God: (Gen 14:18)

Symbol of the Lord's Supper, We have the Gospel Message! (Matt 26:26) *Take, Eat, This is my body...* (1 Cor 11:24) *that is broken for you!* I Owe Him all things! (Rom 12:1) *Reasonable Service!*

He Saw The Greatness of God: (Gen 14:22) He Saw The Goodness of God: (Gen 14:20) He Saw The Glory of God: (Gen 14:21-23)(Acts 7:2)

III. Abram Overcame the Flesh to Recommit His Belief: (Gen 15:1-6*)

Abram just overcame a huge temptation from the King of **Sodom:** (Gen 14:18)

(Gen 15:1) God Spoke!

God made him a promise about having children: (Gen 12:2)

Abram had his own plan to fulfill God's promise:

(Vs 2b-3) Abram's plan was a work of the flesh! (Gen 14:14-16) (Gen 15:4-5) God makes him the promise agian! (Gen 15:8) Abram is asking God for a little Verification this was God, and not a dream.

(Gen 15:9-10) Ancient Custom of passing through the sacrifice to confirm a covenant.

Abram Overcame the Flesh to Recommit His Belief:

(Gen 15:6) Abram Believed! (Heb 11:12-13)

Abram took God at His Word & God Showed UP!

Vs 17-18 The proof of our Faith! The Presence of God!

Abram Overcame the Devil to Rescue a Brother:

Abram Overcame the World to Receive a Blessing:

Abram Overcame the Flesh & Recommitted to a Belief: