

**Discussion Starter** – What were some of the things that caused Abram to lose the intimacy he had with God and how has this message caused you to reflect on your own intimacy with God?

- Although Abram had not been seeking the council of God before going to Egypt, we see that God is still blessing him in a financial way? What important truth do we see here revealed about financial blessing in our lives?
- What is significant about Abram returning to the altar? How can we relate to this principal being that we live in the New Testament times?
- What happens to us as we in faith return to the Altar? Read Acts 3:19-20. Discuss insights gained from these verses.
- How do you see God's hand in the separation of Lot from Abram? What do you think God was doing or allowing to happen?
- Describe what is revealed about Abram's and Lot's character by how they interact in this strife?
- What lessons can we learn from Abram on how to deal with our own family problems? How does this reveal that Abram is drawing closer to the heart of God?
- How is Lot's character an example of the architype of the half-hearted believer? What does it mean?
- What do you think prompted God to speak to Abram again in verse 14? What lesson can we take away from this passage? Read Matthew 13:12. How does this passage speak to you?
- What do you think was the purpose of God's instruction to Abram in verse 17?
- Why do you think Abram builds another Altar in verse 18?