

### *'Your Way Back' Genesis 13*

"So Abram left Egypt and traveled north into the Negev, along with his wife and Lot and all that they owned. (Abram was very rich in livestock, silver, and gold.) From the Negev, they continued traveling by stages toward Bethel, and they pitched their tents between Bethel and Ai, where they had camped before. This was the same place where Abraham had built the altar, and there he worshipped the Lord again." Genesis 13:1-4

1. On your way back, go back to \_\_\_\_\_

Worship is a \_\_\_\_\_ of giving God honor and praise.

Make your personal worship your \_\_\_\_\_.

"Lot, who was traveling with Abram, had also become very wealthy with flocks of sheep and goats, herds of cattle, and many tents." v. 5

2. On your way back, \_\_\_\_\_ for others

3. On your way back, \_\_\_\_\_

Do something for someone else's \_\_\_\_\_!

"But the land couldn't support both of them; they had too many possessions. They couldn't both live there – quarrels broke out between Abram's shepherds and Lot's shepherds. The Canaanites and Perizzites were also living on the land at the time. Abram said to Lot, "Let's not have fighting between us, between your shepherds and my shepherds. After all, we're family. Look around. Isn't there plenty of land out there? Let's separate. If you go left, I'll go right; if you go right, I'll go left." v. 6-9; "Lot took a long look at the fertile plains of the Jordan Valley in the direction of Zoar. The whole area was well watered everywhere, like the garden of the Lord or the beautiful land of Egypt. (This was before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah). Lot chose for himself the whole Jordan Valley to the east of them. He went there with his flocks and servants and parted company with his uncle Abram." v. 10-11

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ can be anyone's downfall.

"Lot lived right and was greatly troubled by the terrible way those wicked people were living. He was a good man, and day after day he suffered because of the evil things he saw and heard. So the Lord rescued him." 2Peter 2:7-8

You have weaknesses and sinful behavior you wrestle with, but God still loves you!

4. On your way back, \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus

"After Lot had gone, the Lord said to Abram, "Look as far as you can see in every direction – north and south, east and west. I am giving all this land, as far as you can see, to you and your descendants as a permanent possession. And I will give you so many descendants that, like the dust of the earth, they cannot be counted! Go and walk through the land in every direction, for I am giving it to you." So Abram moved his camp to Hebron and settled near the oak grove belonging to Mamre. There he built another altar to the lord." Genesis 13:14-18

When you follow God, you're not on the \_\_\_\_\_ of things.

"I am the high and holy God, who lives forever. I live in a high and holy place, but I also live with people who are humble and repentant, so that I can restore their confidence and hope." Isaiah 57:15