

## GENESIS –Lesson 40

Learn: I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days: thy years are throughout all generations. Of old thou hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands. They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed. But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end. Psalm 102:24-27

Read: Genesis 21:22-34

1. What did Abimelech know that made him want to have a non aggression pact with Abraham? v 22
2. How should this testimony of Abimelech about Abraham's life be a challenge to us?
3. What was the basis that Abimelech used as a reason that Abraham should make this pact with him? v 23
4. Abraham was willing to make the pact, but there was something that needed to be settled before such an agreement would be made by Abraham. What was it?  
v 25

Beersheba was not in the country of Abimelech, but had nevertheless been raided by some of Abimelech's men.

5. What was Abimelech's part in the taking of Abraham's well? v 26
6. Abimelech had sent Abraham away with sheep and oxen and servants previously when he had returned Sarah to Abraham. What did Abraham give to Abimelech at this time when making their pact? v 27
7. Beside the animals of verse 27, Abraham gave Abimelech another gift. What was it?  
v 28

8. Abimelech was puzzled, wondering what was the meaning of the seven lambs. What did Abraham tell him? v 30

The number seven represents completeness, sealing the covenant, and symbolizing Abraham's permanent right to the well.

9. Why was the place where the agreement was made called Beer-sheba? v 31

Beersheba can mean both "well of the oath" and "well of seven."

10. What else did Abraham do to commemorate the covenant between himself and Abimelech? v 33

11. The Hebrew for the name of the LORD that Abraham used there is El-Olam. What does it mean? v 33

12. How does God's name, "the everlasting God" encourage you?

13. Though Abraham had made a covenant with an earthly king, he recognized that God Himself had made an eternal covenant with him, to give him and his seed all this land forever. What application can be made to our lives as believers in Jesus, using Abraham as an example, as we go through lives?

14. What is an important part of the concept that God is everlasting? Exodus 15:18

15. What authority says that God is everlasting? Deuteronomy 32:39-40

What other gods exist in the same way as the God of the Bible?

What are some of the differences between our everlasting God and all other so called gods?

16. How does Psalm 90:2 express the idea that God is everlasting?

17. How long has the God of the Bible ruled? Psalm 45:6; 93:2

18. Since God is everlasting, he is outside of the universe that He created. What will happen to the universe as we know it? Psalm 102:24-28

Will this change affect God in any way? Explain.

When all the universe that we know is removed, what is the Lord's promise to those who are His children (those who have trusted in Him for salvation)?

John 14:1-3; Revelation 21:1-3

19. What four things are we reminded of in Jeremiah 10:10?

20. In light of false teaching that is coming into the church today which says that "all the gods" of the nations are really the same as Jehovah of the Bible but they just have different names, what is to be the response of every believer to those that say such things?

Acts 4:10-12

Philippians 2:10, 11

21. How should each teaching that we hear concerning God, salvation, end times, how we as Christians should live be judged, no matter who is teaching?

Acts 17:10, 11

Galatians 1: 8, 9

22. How should we regard any who teach false things concerning God, salvation?

Acts 20:28-31

Romans 16:17, 18

II John 1:10

Timothy 2:16, 17

23. Is anything new coming along that is not already in the completed Bible, the Holy Word of God?

Acts 20:27

II Peter 1:2, 3

II Timothy 2:16, 17

II Timothy 3:14-17

24. Going back to Genesis 21:34, how long did Abraham stay in the land of the Philistines?