**Genesis 13**

You and Your Offspring Forever

*Blessing …*

I. Conflict Resolution
- A. A Lot of Strife
- B. Abram's Deference
- C. Lot's Preference

II. Land Distribution
- A. A Lot in Canaan
- B. A Full Compass
- C. A Paradise?

III. Population Explosion
- A. A Lot of Children
- B. An Uncountable Progeny
- C. An Innumerable Multitude

IV. Looking Forward
- A. Jesus
- B. The Gospel
- C. The Church
- D. The Four Corners
- E. New Heavens & New Earth

*… upon blessing*

***Children, Listen …***

1. Why did Lot choose the land he chose?
2. Who chose the land Abram would get?
3. How many directions does God point Abram to show him the land he would get?
4. How do will know that Abram will have many, many offspring (children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc; etc; etc;)?
5. Even though we may not be directly from Abram's family, why are we who believe in Jesus called children of Abraham?

**The Bigness of God's Promise**

Despite Lot's self-serving shenanigans Abram receives the greater lot. God promises Abram the land that he promises and has him walk its length to survey it. But it appears that there is more than meets the eye in this promise and the exercise. God points Him in every direction to show him the territory that will be for him and his people. Keep going north, south, east and west and you will eventually cover the earth! Is God saying His people will inherit the earth? Then there is the "forever" clause attached to it! While he walks the land he is also to consider the dust under his feet to consider just how many particles of it there are – "can you count it Abram?" Just to give him and idea of how many offspring this man and his barren wife would have God provides this astronomical equation – simple counting you cannot do. Certainly enough for Abram to consider even from a purely earthly perspective, but that is not the only way Abram sees nor is that the way God intends him to take these promises. Abram sees with eyes of faith – how much he could see we cannot know – but we know he was looking forward to a greater city and for the day of Christ. It appears that in these promises we get a glimpse into what will eventually come in Christ and with His Kingdom. Multitudes of offspring, children of faith, will believe in Jesus – and in time that progeny will cover the New Earth in the fullness of time. An awful lot has to take place from Abram's time … and our time as well till we get there, but what a great hope we share in God's promises that are always far bigger than we can even ask or imagine.