**Abram in Egypt**

**A Bible Story From**

**Genesis 12:10-20**

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**Bible Story**

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**Background**

The events in the Bible story tell of a time of great famine. Abram took his family to Egypt for a while to provide for his family.

**Story from the Bible**

**Genesis 12:10-20**

This is what the Bible says.

Abram had obeyed God and moved to the place God had promised. God told him that He would give Abram’s offspring the land. There came a time when there was a great famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a while.

Just before Abram and his wife Sarai arrived in Egypt, Abram told Sarai that because she was so beautiful, he would tell the Egyptians that she was his sister and not his wife. He was afraid that they would kill him so they could marry her. So that’s what he did.

The Egyptians saw that Sarai was a beautiful woman. When Pharaoh’s officials saw her, they told Pharaoh about her and she was taken to the palace. Pharaoh treated Abram well and gave him sheep, cattle, donkeys, servants and camels.

But God inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram’s wife Sarai. So Pharaoh called for Abram and said, “What have you done to me? Why didn’t you tell me she was your wife? Why did you say, ‘She’s my sister,’ so that I took her as my wife?” Pharaoh told Abram to take Sarai and go.

Pharaoh gave orders to his men. They sent Abram on his way, with his wife and everything he had and what Pharaoh had given him. So Abram left Egypt. He had become very wealthy.

That concludes this story from the Bible.

**Retelling the Story**

Let’s review this story by retelling it as a group. We want to retell it as faithfully as we can to the story from the Bible. We do not want to add to it or leave out anything important. Who will get us started?

**Questions**

* Why did Abram take his family to Egypt?
* What did Abram tell his wife before they arrived in Egypt?
* What happened to Pharaoh when he took Sarai to be his wife?
* How did Pharaoh treat Abram when he took Sarai to be his wife?
* How did Pharaoh respond to Abram when he discovered that Sarai was Abram’s wife?
* What did you like about this story?
* What did you not like about this story?
* What did you learn about God from this story?

**Prayer**

Prayer is more than a way to end the session. It is time to talk to God. Public prayer is a model for others. Boldly ask God to guide participants to use the Bible story with others. Ask God to give you and the participant’s insight and understanding as you think about this biblical event.