

OVERCOMING PROBLEMS IN LIFE

1. Historical example

- a) Lot was captured by enemies
- b) Abram attempted to rescue his nephew
- c) He succeeds in his attempt to rescue Lot

2. The historic and symbolic meeting between Abram and Melchizedek

- a) Who was Melchizedek?
 - i) He was a king
 - ii) He was also a priest of God Most High Genesis 14:18
- b) He conducted a special worship
 - i) Bread and wine Genesis 14:18
 - ii) Blessing of Abram Genesis 14:19a
- c) The blessing pronounced
 - i) Blessed be Abram of God Most High Genesis 14:19b
 - ii) Invocation of God's Name
 - God Most High Genesis 14:19b
 - Possessor of heaven and earth Genesis 14:19c
 - iii) Praising God for the deliverance given to Abram Genesis 14:20b
- d) Appropriate response of Abram
 - i) He worshipped God
 - ii) He learned more about God through this meeting
 - iii) He gave a tithe to Melchizedek Genesis 14:20

3. Melchizedek as one who symbolized the Lord Jesus Christ

Hebrews 5

- a) Jesus as King
- b) Jesus as the High Priest of the order of Melchizedek
- c) Superior to the Aaronic priesthood
- d) His ministry of intercession
Hebrews 5:7