

Syllabus: Reading the Bible Together – Genesis 12

Lesson 1

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:1-3
- Abraham: Comparing Rabbinic and Biblical perspectives.
- Genesis 12 Overview: Key themes and narrative flow.
- Verse 1:3: Exploring the promise to Abraham.
- The Cohortative Heh: Grammar and usage in context.
- Textual Remarks: Notes on textual nuances.

Lesson 2

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:4-5
- Biblical Hebrew Numbers: Their forms and significance.
- Infinitive Weak Root: Understanding weak root forms.
- The Directional Article.

Lesson 3

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:6-9
- Geographical Notes:
 - - The Canaanites: Historical and cultural context.
 - - Maqom, Alon Moreh: Significance of locations.
 - - Directions: Understanding movement in the text.
 - - The Jussive Form: Usage and implications.
- The Directional Article: Additional examples in context.

Lesson 4

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:10-13
- The Type Scene: Recurrent narrative patterns.
- The Verb **נ.ל.ג**: Analyzing its usage in context.

- Consecutive Vav + Past Tense: Grammar in storytelling.
- The Imperative: Understanding commands in Hebrew.

Lesson 5

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:14-15
- The Word "גר": Exploring its meaning and usage.
- The Root ג.ר.ר: a case study for root development.
- כּי – a case for the elasticity of prepositions in BH.

Lesson 6

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:16-17
- The Root נ.ג.נ: Examining its textual applications.
- The Type Scene: Continued exploration of narrative patterns.

Lesson 7

- Text Covered: Genesis 12:18-20
- The Root נ.ג.נ: Key themes and implications.
- Imperative in Weak Root: Addressing weak root imperatives.
- The Relative Clause (אשר): Usage in BH.
- Concluding Remarks: Insights from Josephus.