

If you follow the journey of Abraham, you know that God called him to leave his relatives and go to a new land, but he took his nephew Lot along with him. Perhaps Abraham felt he was obligated to take care of Lot and his family, but it wasn't what God called him to do. From that point on, Lot's presence brought strife, contention, struggle, stress, and frustration. Abraham did not distance himself from a relationship that hindered him, took his time and energy, and was a distraction from what God called him to do.

Lot may be the co-worker you sit with at lunch who talks badly about your employer, or the friend who causes you to compromise, or the cousin who brings out the worst in you. You cannot reach your destiny spending time with people like that. You need people around you who inspire you, who cause you to dream bigger, who honour God, who love their family, who are going places, making a difference, and setting new standards. If you won't separate yourself from unhealthy relationships, that is where you *will* get stuck.

Genesis 12:1-2 "The LORD had said to Abram: 'Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.'"