

# Abram and Sarai

*(Based on Genesis 12, 13:1-4)*

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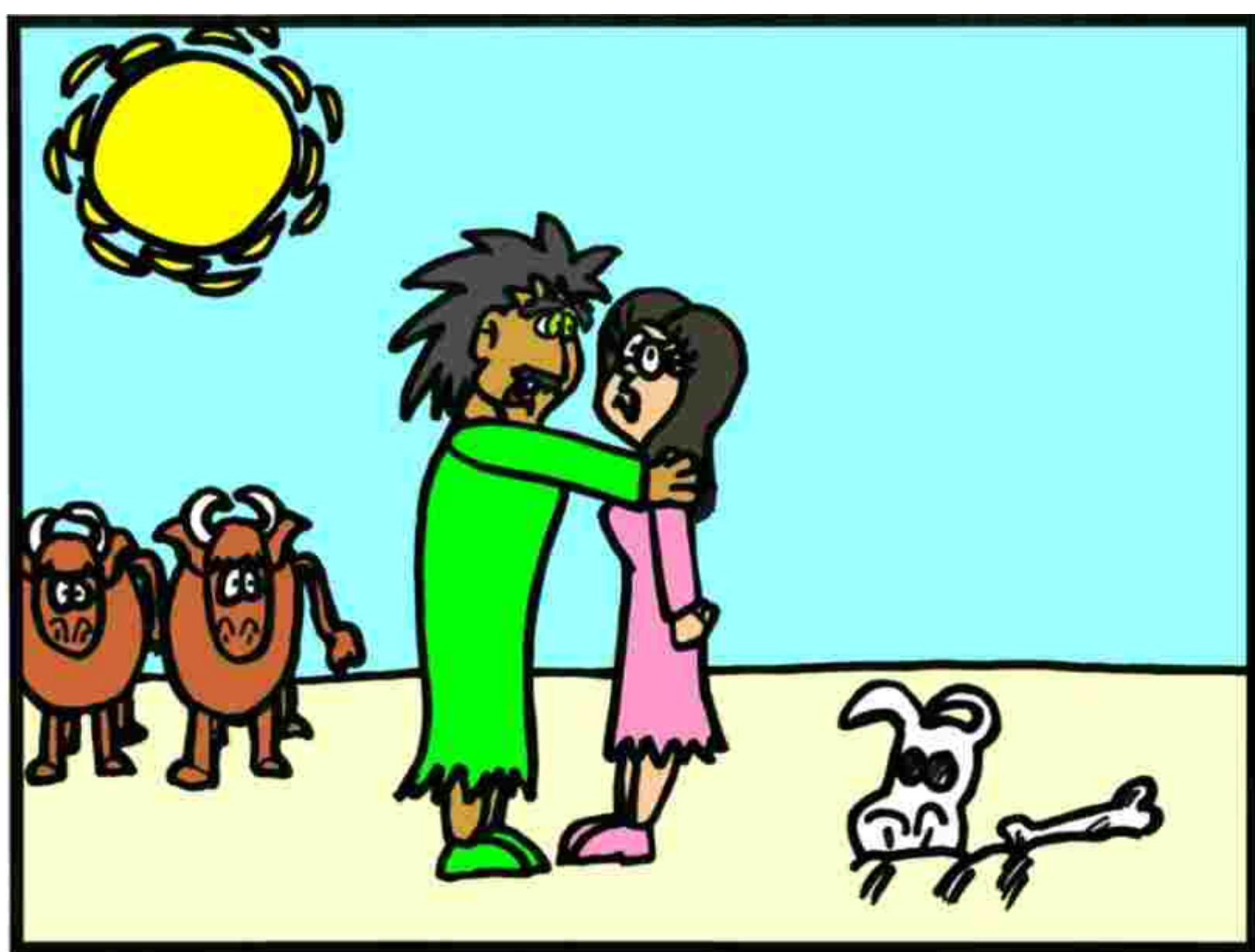
"Abram," said God. "I want you to leave your country and relatives (*his family worshipped idols*), and go to a country that I will show you. I will bless you and make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you and I will curse him who curses you. In you shall all the families of the earth be blessed."



Abram was seventy-five years old when he left his country to follow the Lord. Abram's wife Sarai and his nephew Lot went with him. Sarai was very beautiful but she was unable to have children.



When Abram arrived in the land of Canaan, God spoke to him again. "To your descendants (your kids and great, great, great grandkids) I will give this land."



There was a food shortage in Canaan so Abram decided to go to the country of Egypt. "You are beautiful Sarai, and I am sure that when the men of Egypt see you, they will kill me but let you live," said Abram. "Tell them that you are my sister."

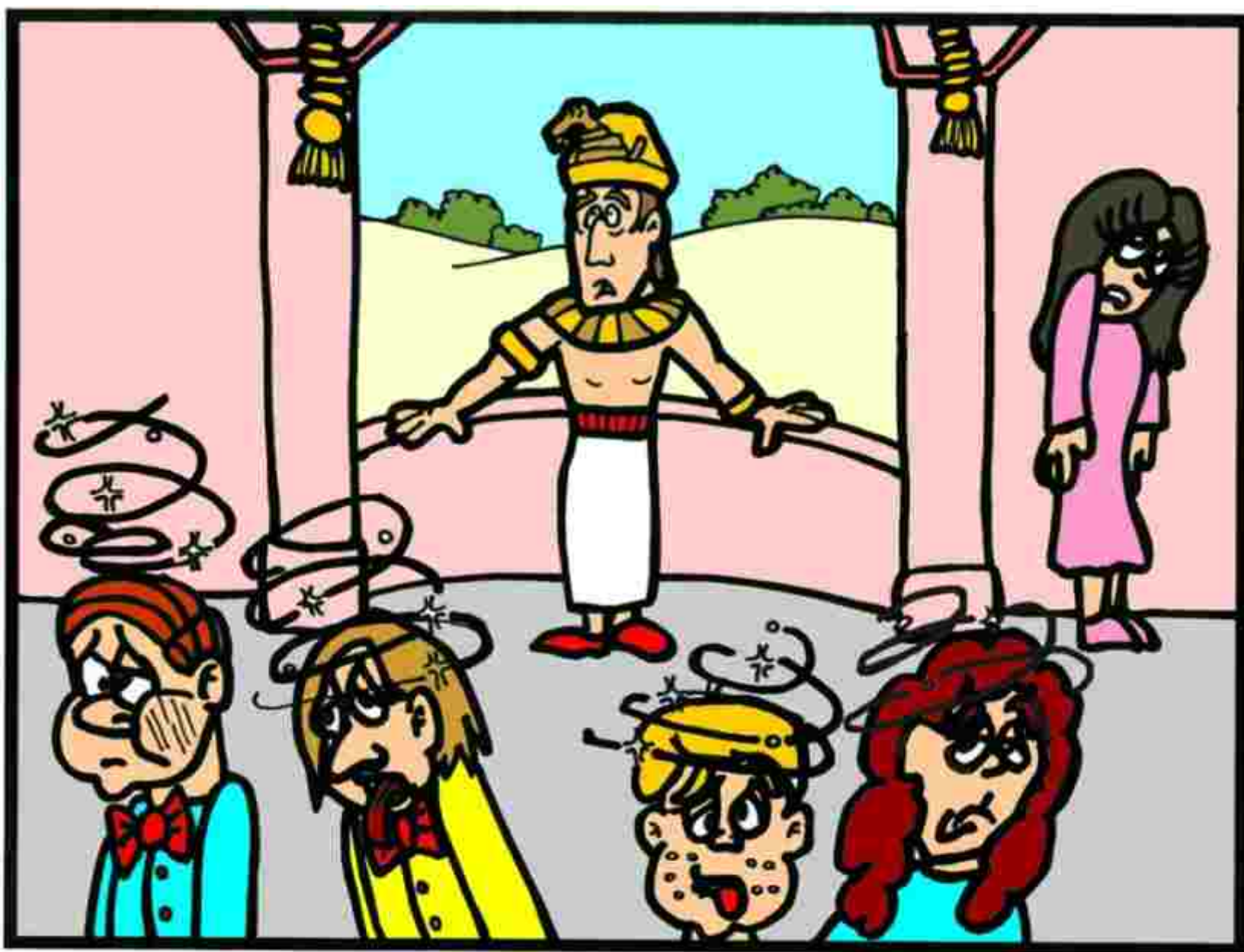




When they arrived in Egypt sure enough the men of Egypt noticed Sarai. Even the princes of Egypt talked about her and Pharaoh (the king), took her to his palace.

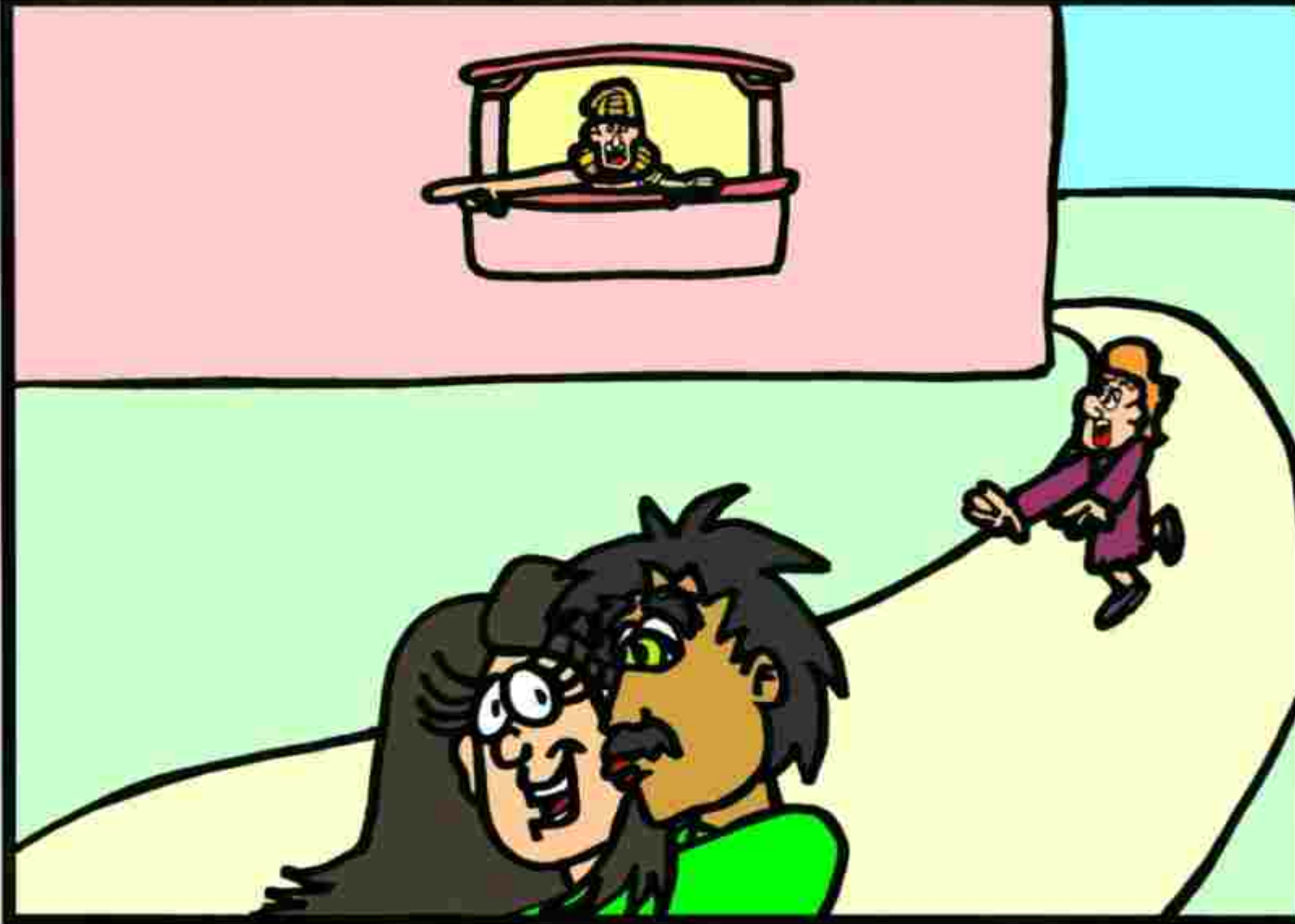


The king treated Abram, good, really good. He gave Abram sheep, oxen, donkeys, men and women slaves and camels.



But the Lord put terrible sicknesses on Pharaoh's household because of Sarai. "Why is all this terrible stuff happening to us?" gasped the King. Soon the King learned the truth.





"Why did you tell me she's your sister when she is really your wife? I might have made her my wife! Take your wife and get out of here!" said Pharoah to Abram. Abram, Sarai and Lot returned to Canaan.



Lord, help me to trust you in every situation. I thank you that because you are taking care of me I never have to resort to dishonesty.