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In Genesis 15, right after God sealed his covenant with Abraham, God told him his descendants will spend 400 years in Egypt

God also promised that he would bring the descendants of Abraham out of Egypt with a mighty hand

Abraham didn't argue with God, he accepted God's verdict as

law

But he was smart

He told Isaac to keep far away from Egypt

As a young man, Abraham and Sarah had gone to Egypt in Genesis 12:8-13:2 to avoid the devastating effect of a famine

When they were about to get to Egypt, Abraham pleaded with Sarah to introduce herself as his sister

and not as his wife because of her beauty

(This was a half-truth but the intention was self-preservation and not faith)

When Pharaoh was told of Sarah's beauty, he immediately sent his servants to go and bring Sarah to his palace

(Collecting beauty is an obligation of royalty)

Abraham had no say in the matter

Pharaoh paid him Sarah's dowry and he collected it

Pharaoh became the legal husband of Sarah

Abraham prayed that God would somehow step into the matter

God did.

Pharaoh and his household were afflicted by a strange disease

Pharaoh called for his

diviners

His diviners told him Sarah had to go

Pharaoh sent for Abraham

Why did you lie?

Abraham claimed he was afraid for his life

Pharaoh wanted to be rid of the affliction

Pharaoh paid Abraham and Sarah appeasement/compensation offering

Abraham practically came out of Egypt