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THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

ABRAHAMIC COVENANT-PART 1: THE CALL & A PROMISE

The Call to Trust: Beginning a Journey of Revelation - Genesis 12:1-3

1 The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. 2 “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. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

Abraham’s Response: Obedience - Genesis 12:4, 7

4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran.

7 The Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him.

One of the Promises: Descendants - Genesis 15:1-6

1 After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.” 2 But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” 3 And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.” 4 Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” 5 He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” 6 Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

**GOD DOESN'T REVEAL THE ENTIRE PATH ALL AT ONCE...
ONE STEP OF OBEDIENCE LEADS TO MORE DIRECTION.
REVELATION HAPPENS ALONG THE JOURNEY**

LET'S OBSERVE GOD'S FAITHFULNESS IN THIS COVENANT

The Call to Trust: Beginning a Journey of Revelation - Genesis 12:1-3

Terms and Conditions:

- "Go from your _____, your _____, and your _____ to the land I will show you" (Genesis 12:1).
- Trust in God's _____ and _____ by taking the first step.

Blessings:

- "I will make you into a great _____, and I will _____ you" (Genesis 12:2).
- "I will bless those who _____ you, and whoever curses you I will _____" (Genesis 12:3).
- "All peoples on _____ will be blessed through you" (Genesis 12:3).

Consequences:

- If Abraham _____, he would not experience the blessings promised.

Abraham's Response:

- So Abram _____, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. (Genesis 12:4)

Attribute of God: Faithfulness and Guidance

- God faithfully guides those who _____ Him and takes the initiative to bless.

Circle the Type: Conditional or Unconditional

- Hint: God's promise depended on Abraham's obedience to _____ his home and trust God's direction.

**Abraham's Journey of Obedience Continues - Next Step...
Promised Descendants to a Fatherless-Elderly Man - Genesis 15:1-6**

Terms and Conditions:

- Abraham was to trust God's promise, even though he was _____ and without _____.

Blessings:

- "Look up at the _____ and count the _____—if indeed you can count them. So shall your offspring _____" (Genesis 15:5).

Consequences:

- No conditions for Abraham to meet; God guaranteed the promise.

Attribute of God: Omnipotence and Trustworthiness

- Omnipotence: the quality of having unlimited or very great power.
 - God has the power to fulfill His promises, even when humanly impossible.

Circle the Type: Conditional or Unconditional

- Hint: This promise depended solely on God's faithfulness, as Abraham and Sarah could not physically fulfill it on their own.

NOW, LET'S READ THE AFTER-SUMMARY TOGETHER

Genesis 12:1-3 and Genesis 15:1-6 paint a picture of what it means to trust God when life feels uncertain. In Genesis 12, God calls Abraham to leave everything familiar—his home, family, and country—to go to a land he's never seen. There's no detailed roadmap, no clear instructions, just a promise that God will bless him, make him into a great nation, and bless others through him. Imagine being in your mid 70s, already established and settled and you find yourself leaving the comfort of your hometown, and stepping into the unknown just because God says, "Go." Abraham's story is a reminder that trusting God often means taking a step before seeing the destination. It's also a reminder that you have to take the first step before He reveals the next step.

By Genesis 15, Abraham is still waiting for the promises to come true. God promised him countless descendants, but Abraham is childless, and he's starting to question how God will make it happen. In this vulnerable moment, God reassures him with a visual—a sky full of stars, representing the future generations that will come from him. This is where trust gets real: believing in God's promise when your reality looks nothing like what He said. It's easy to trust when things are going well, but Abraham's story challenges us to trust God even when life seems off course.

For anyone who has lived some seasons of life, this hits home. You might be chasing a dream, praying for clarity, or struggling with unmet expectations. Maybe your life looks nothing like what you envisioned, and God's promises feel distant or even impossible. Abraham's journey shows that faith doesn't mean having it all figured out; it means holding onto God's word, even when the path is unclear. It's about believing that God is working, even in the waiting, and that His promises will come to pass in His perfect timing. Abraham's continual response of obedience and faith leads to the next step in his journey, revealing God's plan for his life progressively. Following direction leads to more direction. Just take a step. And when life feels stuck, go back to the last thing God told you...then trust Him.

Ultimately, Abraham's faith wasn't perfect, but it was enough. Genesis 15:6 tells us that Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness. The same is true for us—God doesn't ask for flawless faith, just a willingness to trust Him step by step. When the destination seems like a mystery or the road feels too long, we can remember Abraham's story as proof that God always keeps His promises. Trust Him, even when you can't see the end, because He's already there, working on your behalf.



APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- What “comfort zones” in your life might God be calling you to leave behind in order to trust Him and step into something new?
 - How can you take the first step of obedience?
- How can you trust God’s promise to bless you and use your life for His purposes, even if you don’t yet see how it will happen?
- How can you remind yourself of God’s faithfulness when you feel discouraged or impatient waiting for His promises to unfold?

Closing Prayer...

Heavenly Father, thank You for being a God who calls us into the unknown, inviting us to trust You when the path ahead feels unclear. Like Abraham, we sometimes struggle to leave behind what is familiar and comfortable, yet we know that Your plans are greater than anything we could imagine. Help us to step out in

faith when You call, even if we don’t see the destination. Teach us to trust Your promise that You will guide, provide, and bless us as we follow Your direction. Give us the courage to take that first step, knowing You are with us every moment.

Lord, we also come to You in those moments when life looks nothing like what You’ve promised. Sometimes, like Abraham, we feel stuck, confused, or doubtful, wondering how Your plans could possibly come to pass. Help us to remember that You are faithful, even when circumstances seem impossible. Strengthen our faith to trust in Your timing and Your power, knowing that Your promises never fail. Let us cling to the assurance that You are working in ways we cannot see, and give us patience as we wait for Your plans to unfold.

Father, thank You for the example of Abraham’s faith and for Your grace that meets us in our moments of weakness. Just as You credited Abraham’s belief as righteousness, we ask that You help us to grow in our trust and reliance on You. Lead us to walk by faith and not by sight, holding onto Your promises even when the way forward feels uncertain. May our lives reflect Your goodness and faithfulness, so that through us, others may come to know and trust You as well. In Jesus name, we pray...amen.



Homework:

Read Hebrews 11:8-12. Feel free to use study resources (commentary, concordance, BibleHub.com, etc.)

Next Week:

We will be covering the *Faithfulness of God* in the **Abrahamic Covenant - Part 2**.