

Genesis 17:1-18:15

Abram means “exalted father”

Abraham means “father of a multitude / many nations.”

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An “everlasting covenant” cannot be conditional.

-Neither can everlasting life.

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All About Circumcision!!!

Vitamin K & Prothrombin Levels

-Definitely low in infants, can hinder clotting.

-Some say highest on 8th day

-More widely accepted that it can be dangerously low for up to 1 week, day 8 is safe.

Why Circumcision?

-It was not original to the Jews, but also never universally done amongst a people.

-Egyptian priests did it. (Did this hint at them being a kingdom of priests?)

Exodus 19:6 — ‘And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel.”

It's not much for an “outward sign” like baptism.

For the adult, it is definitely a sign of true commitment.

-It is a sign tied to the Promised Seed.

-It is a sign tied to sexuality, which is one of the primary areas of human sin.

The American Academy of Pediatrics has stated that circumcision is associated with lower risks of:

-Urinary tract infections

-Certain sexually transmitted infections

-Certain long-term conditions, including cancer and phimosis

“The American Academy of Pediatrics states that the health benefits of newborn male circumcision outweigh the risks, though the benefits are not great enough to recommend routine circumcision for all male newborns.”

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Mark 10:21-22 — Then Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “One thing you lack: Go your way, sell whatever you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow Me.” But he was sad at this word, and went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

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Romans 4:19 — And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah’s womb.

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\*Authority versus influence.

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