Cell Study for 11/07/25 Pr Sam – Israel, Iran and Your Faith in Jesus Scripture Reading: Genesis 16:11-12; Genesis 17:19-21

Reasons why Pastor Sam is preaching this sermon:

- This is not a newspaper piece or the latest hottest news this is BIBLICAL PROPHECY and is connected to our Faith in Jesus and our Future in this Volatile World.
- To give us a HOPE in GOD who holds our future in a seemingly uncertain future
- Israel and Iran and the wars of the middle east is spoken of in the Bible. (This is not about politics but about the Bible)
- 1. Understanding the Israel-Iran Conflict from the Biblical Perspective.

Note: There are 2,500 prophesies in the Bible. Out of this, 2,000 prophecies has already been fulfilled. Prophecy is History foretold before it happened. This is why we have the future made known to us in the pages of the Bible.

- a) Name the 2 sons and the destinies recorded in the Bible.
- b) How does the Bible help us see the Israel-Iran Conflict?
- c) "God's plans are not changed by political shifts. No matter how dark things may be, God is still writing the story." In your own words, share how this statement changes the way you face the uncertainties of life on this earth in Christ? How can you apply what you just shared in the current season you are at in life?
- 2. God's Covenant Promises: Land, Seed and personal Blessings. Pr Sam listed some scripture verses on God's Covenant Promises for Israel.
- a) Let's take time to read the below scriptures together
 - i. Gen 12:1-3: Foundational Promise
 - ii. Gen 13:14-17: Land Promise Expanded
 - iii. Gen 15:4-7, 18-21: The Covenant Sealed
 - iv. Gen 17:1-8: The Everlasting Covenant

Share a scripture verse from what we have just read that stands out for you. How does this scripture verse encourage you to stand on God's promises in His word?

- b) Why was the younger son chosen? Read Romans 9:7b & Galatians 3:29
- c) Galatians 3:29 affirms us that because we belong to Christ, we have become the true children of Abraham, and the blessing of Abraham belongs to us. What does this reveal to you about the Nature of God? With your understanding, (the answer you just gave) how will you practice your faith in Jesus when you are face with uncertainties of the future: the changes in our country, worldwide economy, rumors of war and etc
- 3. Pastor ended his sermon with 5 encouraging lessons that we can learn from his sermon. Which of the lesson resonate with you the most? How will you apply it in Q3 of 2025? Below are the 5 lessons
 - a. When the world is Confused. WE ARE CONFIDENT
 - **b.** This prophecy is not to Scare you, but TO PREPARE YOU
 - **c.** God can use the most difficult people or power and bring about His DIVINE PURPOSE AND PLAN FOR OUR GOOD
 - d. People are asking for Direction, WE HAVE DESTINY given to us
 - e. Don't live Second-Guessing. BE ASSURED IN HIS SECOND COMING.

Corporate Prayer Items: please pray for the following:

- 1. EPCC will become what God has destined it to be for the nation and its people a church with a heart of love for the community and society
- 2. EPCC will actively grow as a church that organizes and advances the its community outreach, especially in schools, campuses and the neighborhoods surrounding the church
- 3. EPCC will be united and live in harmony as we serve together in various ministries to build God's house.