

Living as Sojourners

Text: Genesis 21:22-34

Context - Following the birth of Isaac and Hagar's exile, Abraham now settles within the boundaries of the promised land and meets with Abimelech, the king of Gerar.

As You Sojourn...

I. _____ God's Peace (vs. 22-24)

- A. After suffering the household barrenness from Abraham's previous lie (Genesis 20), Abimelech wants to live in peace with Abraham. Abraham agrees to the terms of peace and accepts the treaty.
- B. Abraham was doing what all believers should do: pursuing peace with his unbelieving neighbors without compromising kingdom principles

II. _____ God's Provisions (vs. 25-32)

- A. In that desert land, a well was essential for survival, both for a man's flocks and for his family. Through this treaty, God was faithfully providing for Abraham's basic physical needs.
- B. God also promises to take care of our basic physical needs so that we need not worry. (See Matthew 6:25-34)

III. _____ God Publicly (vs. 33-34)

- A. This Tamarisk tree functioned as a reminder of the treaty concluded between two well known contemporaries, and also as a marker of one of Abraham's worship sites.
- B. How well do you set apart places in your life where you worship God? Do others know that you are a worshiper of God?