## ABRAHAM: THE COVENANT AND THE PROMISE

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Terah Who Has A Son Named Abram

• **Read:** Genesis 11:27-32

 Terah And His Family Were On The Way To Canaan, Yet They Settled Along The Way In Haran

How Many Times Do We Settle

#### Who Was Abraham?

A Man Of Faith And Obedience

The Man Chosen By God To Be The Father Of A New Nation

One Of The Key Figures In All Of The Bible

#### God's Covenant W/ Abram

- Genesis 12:1–3 (NIV) 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."
- An Awesome Call --Is A Great Anointing & Appointing
- A Powerful Promise

"To this day Abraham's name is greatly recognized by all three major world religions: Christianity, Judaism and Islam."

- I will make you into a great nation.
- I will bless you.
- I will make your name great.
- And thou will be a blessing.
- I will bless those that bless you.
- I will curse those that curse you
- And all the peoples on earth will be blessed through you.

#### In Genesis 12 & 13 God said to Abraham:

- To your offspring I will give this land. This was the promise that Israel would possess the land of Canaan.
- Your offspring will be like dust of the earth uncountable.

## You Will Be The Father Of Many Nations.

- There will be Kings that will come out of you.
- Your seed will possess the gate of his enemies. This was a promise of victory.

• God Said To Abraham: "You Will Become A Great Nation, Your Name Will Be Great, And I Will Bless And Protect You."

Everything That Man Had Tried To Access By Disobedience

God Was Going To Give To Abraham — By Faith!

#### What Commands Did God Give To Abraham?

- He had to leave his country, (Ur of Chaldees, Babylon).
- He had to get away from his relatives. They were worshipping false gods
- READ: Joshua 24:2–3
- For the covenant to be enacted and in effect he had to follow God to a new land.

In This Covenant That God Made With Abraham -- It Started Off With A Condition And Then It Ended Up Being Unconditional

- A covenant is an agreement of contract between two or more persons or parties.
- A covenant is like a contract -- but it's not a contract
- In a contract both parties must live up to their end of the bargain

## In A Contract Two Parties Make An Agreement –

- The Contract Stipulates What The Agreement Is
- How It Is To Be Fulfilled

- What Is A Divine Covenant?
- An Agreement Or Promise That God Is Involved In
- It Takes Place Between Him And One Or More Others

#### There Are Two Type Of Divine Covenants

- 1. Covenants That Are Conditional
- 2. Covenants That Are Unconditional

## When God Makes An Agreement He Always Keeps It

When He Makes A Promise He Keeps It

## Whatever God Promises And Agrees To:

- Will Always Bring Glory To Him
- Will Bring Good To His People

#### The Covenant Of Noah

 A Promise Signified By A Rainbow That There Would Not Be A Worldwide Flood

It Was Unconditional

#### The Covenant That God Gave To Moses

- If God's People Will Follow After Him And Obey His Word They Will Be Blessed
- If They Disregard And Disobey They Will Be Cursed

This Is A Conditional Covenant

# What Did God Do To Guarantee The Covenant Between Him And Abraham?

- He gave to Abraham God's sign of Covenant relationship, the shedding of blood. This is known as the "Blood Covenant" or the cutting of the Covenant.
- **READ:** Gen 15:7-21
- God's sign of Covenant relationship is the shedding of blood
- The Lord Demanded from Abraham the sign of the Covenant Circumcision.
- **READ:** Gen. 17:9-13

 There Was A Penalty If A Jewish Man Refused The Covenant Sign Of Circumcision

- Genesis 17:14 (NIV) 14 Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant."
- Everyone not having the circumcision was to be cut off from the people of God.

## Did Abraham Believe The Word God Had Spoken To Him?

- Romans 4:20 (NIV) 20 Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God,
- Galatians 3:6 (NIV) 6 So also Abraham "believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."
- Abraham is known as the father of the faithful because of his great faith in God and His Word.

- Three Key events that show the obedience of Abraham:
- 1. He left his land and went into the land God had promised him.
- 2. He obeyed God's command concerning the Covenant sign off circumcision.
- 3. Even when God asked him to sacrifice his own son, Isaac, Abraham was willing to obey. He had great faith, believing God would raise Isaac from the dead.

#### God Was Pleased With Abraham's Faith And Obedience!

- **Genesis 18:19 (NIV)** 19 For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just, so that the LORD will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him."
- Abraham Moved Ahead Into The Promises That God Had Made
- He Believed That God Would Do What He Had Promised

• In many ways, understanding the Abrahamic Covenant unlocks the proper understanding of the bulk of the Bible.

• If you understand what God was promising in Genesis 12:1-3, you really can begin to understand what He does throughout the rest of the Old Testament and even the New Testament.