

Peace, Even When God Surprises Us

Hebrews 11:8-10; Acts 7:2-7 & Selected Scriptures

Introduction:

Biblical Peace: *The Assurance of Knowing God's Favor in All of Life because of His Friendship with Us.*

Hebrews 11:8-10

I. God is Peace and He is full of Surprises.

- **Truth:** God doesn't often _____ reveal His plans.
 - Genesis 6-7:
 - Genesis 19:23-25:
 - Exodus 12:31-33:
 - Exodus 3-4:
 - Joshua 6:
 - Daniel 5:
 - Luke 1:26-56, 2:20:

II. The Way God Surprised Abram.

(Acts 7:2-7)

1. By uprooting his deep family _____.
(Acts 7:2)
2. By giving him a clear _____ to leave the familiar behind. (Acts 7:3; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT) *"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right. It is God's way of preparing us in every way, fully equipped for every good thing God wants us to do."*

- a. Are you uneasy with the _____ state of your life?
 - b. Are you searching for new _____?
 - c. Are you decreasing your attachments to personal _____ and tangible securities?
 - d. Are you passionately _____ to obey God?
3. By giving him a _____ to follow with unsure details. (Hebrews 11:8; Acts 7:4; Genesis 11:31-32)

Conclusion: God is not through surprising us

1. Do you _____ God's will first, or your own?
2. Are you willing to _____, as you are willing to go?
3. Is your decision to obey God becoming more _____ or more complicated?

Verse for January 2024 - 1 Thessalonians 5:23 (NLT) *"Now may the God of Peace make you holy in every way, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again."*

My Commitment: *"Lord, based upon what I heard You say to me this morning I choose to obey You by. . ."*

Our Fellowship: Before you leave ask someone: *"What did God say to you today?"*

Deuteronomy 30:14 (TM) *The Word is right here and now - as near as the tongue in your mouth, as near as the heart in your chest. Just do it!*