

Peace, Patience, and God's Plan

Genesis 16 & Selected Scriptures

Introduction:

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

- *Moses & His Dilemma:* (Acts 7:25-30; Exodus 2:11-12)
- *King Saul & His Dilemma:* (Samuel 13: 8-14)
- *Abram & His Dilemma:* (Genesis 16; 21:18).

A Closer Look at Abram's Dilemma

1. Let's look at the _____ from within that tampered with God's promise. (Genesis 16:1-4a)
2. Let's look at the _____ from without which led to the consequences. (Genesis 16:4b-7)
3. Let's look at the _____ from God above which consoled the brokenhearted. (Genesis 16:7-14)
4. Let's look at the _____ they face, brought on by the decision that bears bitter fruit. (Genesis 16:15-16; Galatians 6:6-9; 1 John 1:9)

Application: Defusing Our Dilemmas

1. Let's remember to _____ a little slower. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)
2. Let's remember to _____ God for patience. (Galatians 5:22; John 5:15)
3. Let's _____ the worst-case scenario before we act.
4. Let's _____ of those who will be impacted by our decision.

Isaiah 40:31 *"But they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."*

Verse for March 2024 - Isaiah 53:5 (NIV) *"He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed."*

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!*