

Discussion Guide (September 24, 2023)

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Message: *The Hope of a Promise Kept* (Series: *Anchor of Hope*)

PRIMARY PASSAGE

Hebrews 6:13-18 *For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise. For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul.*

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- The danger of drifting
- The promises of God are an anchor of hope that brings strong encouragement

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Share with each other a Biblical promise of God that is anchoring your hope.
2. How have the changes in our culture or world distracted you from the promises of God?
3. How have your current circumstances caused you to wonder about the promises of God?
4. To be an imitator of those whose faith inherits promises, you need to know their stories. Abraham's is one such story. The history of John and Betty Stam is another story. Whose story has encouraged your faith? What things have you done to acquaint yourself with the stories of faith from others?

Lord, I give up all my own plans and purposes, all my own desires and hopes, and accept Thy will for my life. I give myself, my life, my all utterly to Thee to be Thine forever. And work out Thy whole will in my life at any cost now and forever.

Betty Scott (Stam), 19 years old