

Quest Confirmation Class
Week 4: Abraham and the Covenant



God Speaks to & Calls Abraham:

Read Genesis 12.1-3.

- ☺ God is living and desires to establish a "family".
- ☺ God has a plan for Abraham and the entire world.
- ☺ God wants to bless Abraham, but asks Abraham to follow and obey.

God Makes Promises and Keeps Them--The Covenant.

Read Genesis 17.1-22.

- ☺ God promises to bless Abraham with land and a nation
- ☺ God seals this promise with a "Covenant" that is a sign of God's faithfulness to Abraham and his family.
- ☺ Two problems: no land and Abraham and Sarah are old with no children
- ☺ Faith wavers: A history of the Jews and Arabs= Isaac & Ishmael.
- ☺ God fulfills God's promise by providing Isaac.
- ☺ When died, had only one son and only owned the tomb where Sarah was buried of the land God had promised him

Faith

- ☺ Hebrews 11:8-19
- ☺ Faith: "Trust in and reliance on God"
- ☺ Have you ever seen the wind?
- ☺ Have you ever seen God?
- ☺ Movie Clip "Cast Away" clinging to hope when things seem hopeless. Knowing God is in control despite what we see (Clip location: 2:09:00 through 2:12:15.).

The Point: Faith is a journey and most of life is "faith without sight"

ABRAHAM AND THE COVENANT: REFLECTION

Name: _____

Class Summary:

Abraham was called by God and he followed. He was given a promise by God for many descendants and land but he only had one son (when he was 100 years old!) and when he died the only part of the land he owned was Sarah's tomb. He lived a life of patience and trust. He made mistakes but continued to walk with God and follow him.

Scripture Memory Work:

Exodus 20:1-17

Also, CONTINUE memorizing the books of the Bible. You will be quizzed on this (Old Testament AND New Testament). But it's a lot! Start now!

Family Time Questions *Youth and Parents please talk about and answer together*

- Who are some people of faith in your life? What have they taught you?

- What has been your biggest struggle in life to be patient and trust God?

- When you feel like you are questioning your faith or doubting God's timing (like Abraham did) what do you do to stay focused on God?

Read Hebrews 11:8-19 and pray together asking for God to help each family member grow in patience and faith.

For next week: Read Exodus 3:1-10. What did God call Moses to do?

If you have any questions about this lesson, please contact Jim and I will try to answer your questions (234-8673, jpope@fpcf.org)