

PROMISES

“THE PROMISE OF BLESSING FOR THE WHOLE WORLD”

Genesis 12; 15; 22

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Galatians 3:8-9

GOD PROMISES ABRAHAM THAT HE WILL...

- ★ Make him a great _____ (Gen. 12:2).
 - _____
 - _____
- ★ Provide _____ blessing (Gen. 12:2; Acts 3:25-26).
 - _____ blessing (Gal. 3:8-9).
 - _____ would come through your _____ (Gen. 12:3; Gal. 3:16).

TESTING VS. TEMPTATION

TEST = A difficult _____ that is used to _____ our _____.

TEMPTATION = Something that _____ us to do _____.

THE PURPOSE OF GOD’S TEST

1. To test his _____.
2. To test his _____.
3. To test his _____.
4. To set an example for _____ and for _____.

QUALITIES OF ABRAHAM’S LIVED FAITH

Abraham’s faith in God’s promises was...

- ★ Total _____ in the _____ and sovereignty of God.
- ★ _____.
- ★ _____.
- ★ _____ – not selective or half-hearted.
- ★ _____ – He held nothing back.

GOD’S PROMISES = BLESSINGS

- ★ He **PROVIDED** a _____ (Gen. 22:11-14).
- ★ He **PLEDGED** a _____ (Gen. 22:14b, 18).
- ★ He **PROMISED** a _____ (Gen. 22:15-19).

REFLECTION QUESTIONS & CHALLENGE:

- ◆ How do God’s promises impact your day to day life?
- ◆ What are you fearful of laying on the altar?
- ◆ What trials/testing are you presently experiencing? What can you do to honor God while in the midst of them?

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GOD PROMISES ABRAHAM THAT HE WILL...

- ★ Make him a great **nation** (Gen. 12:2).
 - **Offspring**
 - **Land**
- ★ Provide **universal** blessing (Gen. 12:2; Acts 3:25-26).
 - **Spiritual** blessing (Gal. 3:8-9).
 - **Messiah** would come through your **line** (Gen. 12:3; Gal. 3:16).

TESTING VS. TEMPTATION

TEST = A difficult **circumstance** that is used to **strengthen** our **faith**.

TEMPTATION = Something that **entices** us to do **evil**.

THE PURPOSE OF GOD’S TEST

1. To test his **love**.
2. To test his **obedience**.
3. To test his **faith**.
4. To set an example for **Israel** and for **us**.

QUALITIES OF ABRAHAM’S LIVED FAITH

Abraham’s faith in God’s promises was...

- ★ Total **belief/trust** in the **character** and sovereignty of God.
- ★ **Unquestioning**.
- ★ **Prompt**.
- ★ **Thorough** – not selective or half-hearted.
- ★ **Complete** – He held nothing back.

GOD’S PROMISES = BLESSINGS

- ★ He **PROVIDED** a **substitute** (Gen. 22:11-14).
- ★ He **PLEGGED** a **Savior** (Gen. 22:14b, 18).
- ★ He **PROMISED** a **blessing** (Gen. 22:15-19).

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