

CAC LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Abraham: A Journey of Faith with a Faithful God

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Big Idea: God's promises don't rely on what's possible. They rely on the One who promised.

Ice Breaker: The names Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac all have special meaning. Share about what your name means or how you came to be named this way.

Key Points

Take a few minutes to review the key points from this week's sermon.

- God's promises don't rely on what's possible. They rely on the One who promised.
- Imputation is the giving of Christ's righteousness to sinners
- Because God is almighty, He can be trusted to bring about the fulfillment of all promises He makes
- Some of the promises God has made to us include eternal life to those who trust Him and peace that guards our hearts when we pray
- Faith holds on to the promise when we can't see God moving
- Our faith depends on God and enables us to trust Him while we wait

Discussion Questions

Based on the sermon, discuss the questions below.

- What was your biggest takeaway? What stuck out the most or moved you on a personal level?
- Did anything bother you? What questions did you have?

Making it Personal

Review with your group the impact this week's sermon made on you personally.

- Have you ever had someone make a promise to you and then not keep it? How did that affect your trust in them?
- A promise is only as good as the person who makes it. How does knowing God's character change the way we view His promises? Did you ever make a promise that was especially difficult to keep?
- Have you ever waited a long time for something you believed God would do? How did the waiting affect your faith?
- How does the truth that God is faithful even when our faith is weak encourage you?
- Did God ever do something for you that you never thought He would/could? What was it? Why did you doubt?
- What is the difference between trusting God to keep His promises and expecting Him to fulfill our own plans in the way we want?
- Imputation is the giving of Christ's righteousness to others. What does this mean to you?

Scripture Review

Revisit some of the scripture passages from this week and discuss the questions below.

- Genesis 17-18
- Genesis 17:4–8: What promises did God make concerning Abraham's descendants, the covenant, and the land? Why is it significant that God declared Abraham would be the father of many nations before Abraham could see that promise fulfilled?
- Genesis 18:10–14: Why did Sarah laugh, and what question did the Lord ask in response?

Diving Deeper

Use the verses below to dive into other passages of scripture that relate to the primary scripture passage from this week's sermon.

- **Old Testament:** Numbers 23:19, Deuteronomy 7:9, Joshua 23:14, Isaiah 26:4, Psalm 9:10, Psalm 20:7, Jeremiah 17:7-8
- **New Testament:** Matthew 11:28-30, Hebrews 13:8, Colossians 1:22, 1 Corinthians 1:8, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Ephesians 1:4

Application & Action

It is important to take the knowledge you gain and see how it can become an actionable step that the Holy Spirit can use to produce transformation in your life.

If you are a follower of Jesus, whether you know it or not, God has made several promises to you. And because of who God is, we can trust Him to keep His promises. As you look over the following questions, remember we are on a journey of faith with a faithful God who loves us and holds us securely.

- **Respond to Doubt:** When you struggle to believe God's promises, what do you typically do? Identify one spiritually healthy/unhealthy tendency you have. How could the father's prayer in Mark 9 become part of your own prayers? What will you do differently to overcome seasons of doubt?
- **Hope in God Almighty:** Hope can't rest on our circumstances. What life circumstances are you struggling with right now that threaten to dampen your hope in God to see you through?
- **Know God's Promises:** Which of the promises mentioned in the sermon—eternal life, new creation, rest, comfort, peace, or security in Christ—is most meaningful to you right now? Why? Which promise do you need that you might feel disconnected from? Re-read the promises in scripture provided with the sermon notes. Incorporate some of these into your prayer time.
- **Encourage Others:** How could God use a difficult season you have experienced to comfort someone else who is struggling? Consider the message of 2 Corinthians 1:3–4. Is there someone you know going through challenging life circumstances who you can reach out and encourage because of something difficult you overcame? Make a plan to connect with this person.

Two-minute Takeaway

In response to this week's message, commit to taking two minutes each day to take a step closer to God.

Choose a promise from Scripture that speaks to your current season. Write it down and return to it each day this week.

- **Remember:** Read the promise slowly. Remind yourself who God is and what He has promised.
- **Be Honest:** Tell God what is difficult about believing this promise right now. Don't hide your doubts or disappointment.
- **Ask:** Pray, "God, I believe. Help me overcome my unbelief. Strengthen my faith as I wait."
- **Trust:** Ask God to help you remain faithful to Him, even when you cannot see how your circumstances will change.

You don't have to pretend that waiting is easy or that your faith never wavers. Bring your questions to God and keep returning to His truth.

Prayer

Close your group time together with prayer.