

CAC LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

Abraham: A Journey of Faith with a Faithful God

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Big Idea: Faith and fear cannot both lead.

- Ice Breaker: What is something you were afraid to do that turned out much better than you expected?

Key Points

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

- Faith and fear cannot both lead
- Fear will overcome faith in the moment, or faith will overcome fear
- God's promises and character don't depend on our faith; he keeps his word even when our faith fails
- At times, Abraham was led by fear and other times by faith
- If you want to be led by faith, in hard circumstances, trust God's strength, remember what God has done and recommit to him, and when fear has led you, repent and return.
- Allowing fear to lead us yesterday does not disqualify us from allowing faith to lead us today.

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.

- Has fear ever stopped you from doing something you wanted to do?
- Have you ever made a decision primarily because you were afraid of what might happen? How did that fear affect you or the people around you?
- What are some things that tend to trigger fear in you – health, finances, relationships, children, the future, something else?
- When fear rises, what is your typical response?
- What is the difference between experiencing fear and allowing fear to lead?
- How can focusing on ourselves instead of God increase the likelihood we will be led by fear instead of faith?
- How does it feel to know that Abraham was led by fear but God's promise and plan for him remained?

Scripture Review

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

- Genesis 12:10-13:18
- What caused Abraham to fear?
- What dilemma do Abraham and Lot face when they return to the land of Canaan? What solution does Abraham propose, and why was it unusual?
- What does this passage reveal about God's faithfulness?

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:** Psalm 23:4, Psalm 27:1, Psalm 34:4, Psalm 56:3-4, Isaiah 41:10, Isaiah 43:1
- **New Testament:** Matthew 6:25-34, John 14:27, Romans 8:15, Philippians 4:6-7, 2 Timothy 1:7, 1 John 4:18, Hebrews 13:6

Application & Action

When fear rises, Abraham's story gives us a pattern for turning our attention back toward God. Faith grows as we trust Him, remember His faithfulness, and return to Him.

Trust: Look to God's Strength

- Where are you tempted to rely on your own strength or plans instead of trusting God?
- What would it look like to bring that situation to God before reacting to it?
- What qualities or attributes of God can you name and claim to be true to help you trust him in a tough time?

Remember: Rehearse God's Faithfulness

- What has God done in your life that you can remember when fear rises?
- What could you do this week to intentionally remind yourself of God's faithfulness—pray, worship, read Scripture, journal, or talk with someone?
- What scriptures help remind you of God's faithfulness?

Return: Let Faith Lead Again

- Where has fear been leading you that you need to surrender back to God?
- What would it look like to receive His grace, return to Him, and allow faith to lead you today?

Take the Next Step Together

- What fear are you facing that you would be willing to let this group pray with you about?
- What step could you take this week to move toward faith rather than fear in that situation?
- How can we help each other remember God's faithfulness when fear begins to lead?

Two-minute Takeaway

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

When you notice fear rising this week, stop and turn your attention toward God.

- **Name it:** "God, this is what I'm afraid of..."
- **Bring it to Him:** "God, I give this to You. I need You to be with me in this." Then, simply sit with Him. Let yourself be reminded that you are not facing this alone.
- **Remember:** "God, what do I know to be true about You?" Remember something God has done. Thank Him for His faithfulness. Let His presence and truth begin to shape your response.
- **Ask Him:** "What would it look like to let faith lead me today?" You don't have to make the fear disappear. Bring it to God, stay with Him, remember who He is, and let Him lead you into your next step.

Prayer

Close your group time together with prayer.

