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BIBLE STUDY - SERIES 2 - LESSON #9

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LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF ABRAHAM: TRUST IN GOD

DEFINITION: TRUST – Firm belief in the reliability, truth, ability, or strength of someone or something
confident expectation of something; hope; confidence, belief, faith, certainty, assurance

MEMORY VERSE: "Abraham never wavered in believing God's promise. In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God. And being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform (Rom. 4:20,21)

1) Abraham's story is found in **Genesis chapter 11:26- chapter 25:11** (14 chapters) Read all **14 chapters** and place a check mark upon completion. _____

2) What were God's first instructions (Divine call) to Abraham? (Genesis 12:1)

3) Abraham was separated from home and family for a divine purpose. What was it?

Genesis 12:2-3 _____

A) What 6 promises did God make to him? _____

B) Are you trusting God in the situation you are in and for your future? _____

C) If No, what do you believe it is? _____

4) **Genesis 12:4** proves that Abraham trusted God. What did he do after God spoke to him?

5) How old was Abraham when God called him to begin a new life? _____ **Gen 12:4**

What does this teach you about God's plan for your life? _____

6) Abraham trusted and obeyed God's word. What was one of the benefits that he received from God? **Genesis 13:2** _____

A) Abraham's seed was also rich. What was his name? **Gen. 26:12-16**) _____

B) Job was a man who started out rich but lost everything. What happened in **Job 42:10**

7) Read **Genesis 15:1-6**. Abraham trusted God for something that **only** God could do for him. What was it? _____ What does **verse 6** say about Abraham's trust in God? _____

8) Trusting God does not exempt you from your faith being tested. Read **Genesis 16:1-3** Give a brief explanation of Abraham's test and how or why he fail the test.

9) Even though Abraham's trust was misplaced, God kept his promises to him. Read **Genesis chap. 17**. List 3 extraordinary things God said and did for Abraham and Sarah.

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

10) Trust in God is never in vain. Read **Genesis 21:1-7**. How did God reward Abraham's Trust in Him? _____

Are there any questions or struggles that you have that you would like to share with us to pray for you? Whatever is shared with us will be kept in strict confidence.

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Paul wrote that when you place your trust in God He will fill you with peace, joy, and assurance, (Rom 15:13).

Life can be difficult. Some people seem to face life's hardships with courage and come out stronger on the other side. They are able to climb even what feel like impossible mountains in their life. Others seem to be unable to recover from difficulties, and end up bitter, blaming others or God for their misfortune, or just sinking into depression. The ones who survive and even thrive in spite of challenges are often those who have faith in God, who trust him to help them through tough times. Abraham had complete trust in God, even when he was tested, and God blessed him exceedingly.

Characteristics of Abraham

- Obedience - left home and friends at the call of God Genesis 12:4
- Unselfishness - gave Lot the first choice of the land Genesis 13:9
- Courage-defeated the robber kings Genesis 14:14
- Benevolence - gave tithes to Melchizedek, the priest Genesis 14:20
- Incorruptibility-refused to receive gifts for service rendered Genesis 14:23
- Mighty in Prayer - Genesis 18:23-33
- Wonderful in Faith/Trust -was willing to offer up his only son, Isaac Hebrews 11:17
- Friend of God Isaiah 41:8 ; 2 Chronicles 20:7 ; James 2:23
- Faith of Abraham - Genesis 15:6 ; Romans 4:1-22 ; Galatians 3:6-9 ; Hebrews 11:8-10,17-19 ; James 2:21-24

Trust In God Leads To:

- Being compassed with mercy Psalm 32:10
- Enjoyment of perfect peace Isaiah 26:3
- Enjoyment of all temporal and spiritual blessings Isaiah 57:13
- Enjoyment of happiness Proverbs 16:20
- Rejoicing in God Psalm 5:11 ; 33:21
- Fulfilment of all holy desires Psalm 37:5
- Deliverance from enemies Psalm 37:40
- Safety in times of danger Proverbs 29:25
- Stability Psalm 125:1
- Prosperity Proverbs 28:25

Encouragement to Trust in God

- Psalm 37:3-5
- Psalm 115:11
- Psalm 118:8
- Proverbs 3:5,6
- Isaiah 50:10

Special Promises Concerning Trust in God

- 2 Samuel 22:31
- Psalm 31:19
- Psalm 32:10
- Psalm 34:22
- Psalm 125:1
- Proverbs 29:25
- Isaiah 26:3
- Jeremiah 17:7
- Nahum 1:7

Examples of Trust In God

- Job 13:15
- Psalm 25:2
- Psalm 56:3
- Psalm 57:1
- Isaiah 12:2
- 1 Timothy 4:10
- 2 Timothy 1:12

The Bible Teaches to Trust in:

- The everlasting strength of God Isaiah 26:4
- The goodness of God Nahum 1:7
- The loving-kindness of God Psalm 36:7
- The rich bounty of God 1 Timothy 6:17
- The care of God for us 1 Peter 5:7
- Former deliverances Psalm 9:10 ; 2 Corinthians 1:10

Examples of Those Who Trusted In God

- David 1 Samuel 17:45 ; 30:6
- Hezekiah 2 Kings 18:5
- Jehoshaphat 2 Chronicles 20:12
- Three Hebrew boys: Daniel 3:28
- Paul 2 Timothy 1:12

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