



Series: Genesis

Passage: Genesis 15

Title: The Abrahamic Covenant (Part 2)

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Discussion Starter – What were some of the things that you learned about God’s Abrahamic Covenant that you were not aware of before this sermon?

God’s Covenant with Abram – (Genesis 15:1-21)

- Why do you think God told Abram not to be afraid? What words did God use to comfort Abram and why were those words so important?
- Describe a time in your life when God reminded you not to be afraid? What comforting promises in God’s word do you hold on to?
- What can we see going on in Abram’s life by his response to God in verse 2-3? Explain what may have caused him to speak in this way.
- Describe how the LORD responds to Abram’s questions in verse 4? What are some of the significant things you see here in this verse?
- Explain what God actually shows Abram in verse 5 as God asks him to recount what the stars are telling him? Why do you think there are multiple interpretations of this verse? Read Galatians 3:16. What additional insights are gained from this verse?
- What do you think Abram believed in verse 6 that God accounted it to him as righteousness?
- How does Abram respond to God’s second promise in the covenant? Why do you think Abram responded this way? What can we learn from this interaction?
- How does God respond to Abram’s question and what did this ritual represent in the culture during Abram’s time?
- Why do you think God waited so long after cutting the animals in half? What do you think was going through Abram’s mind at this time based on the ritual that was taking place?
- Why do you think God put Abram into a deep sleep and what do you think caused Abram to experience the horror and great darkness described in this verse?
- What are some of the prophetic promises God tells Abram that will happen and when have they come true? How does knowing these truths impact your trust in what God’s word says that is still pending to happen?
- Why did the Jews have to wait so long in Egypt as slaves? What does this show us about God’s character?
- Explain the significance of the smoking oven and the burning torch that went through the center of the split carcasses? What did this represent about this covenant? What would normally happen in this type of covenant?
- How is this covenant connected to the new covenant in Christ?