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Genesis 12.1-3, 17.1-27

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Background

- Abram comes from the line of Shem, one of Noah's sons.
- Abram was from the city of Ur, which is 186 miles southeast of modern day Baghdad, and was first excavated in 1922-1934.
- The Land of Canaan, where God will bring Abram, is mentioned in the ancient Ebla tablets, found in Northern Syria, which date around 2300BC, many centuries before the biblical writings.

Genesis 12.1-3, 17.1-27 // Galatians 3.8, 9

WHO IS ABRAHAM'S OFFSPRING?

Romans 4.9-25 // Deuteronomy 10.16, 30.6 Romans 2.28, 29 // John 8.44 // Galatians 5.6-12

The offspring of Abraham are those who profess faith in Christ, and it is is those offspring who not only receive the blessing, but also are to spread the blessing.

Romans 11.17-24 // Galatians 3.14 // 2 Peter 3.13 Matthew 5.5 // Ephesians 2.11-22

We are blessed so we can bless others.

We are saved to be sent.

Revelation 5.1-14. 7.9-17



Recommended Resources

The Gospel Transformation Bible

NOTES:

Published by Crossway, this bible is not *so much* a study bible, but a bible with commentary to help you see the bigger picture of Christ and His Gospel in and through all the Scriptures.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEN'S MINISTRY - MARCH 24TH

Tomorrow night we're launching our Men's Ministry, led by Pastor Jobey! This will be a great opportunity to grow together with other men in the church in your devotion and knowledge of the Gospel. There will be a \$10 materials fee to cover the cost of the binder full of study materials/resources you'll be provided. We will meet every other Monday night at 7PM, here at the church. Sign up on your Connection Card!

NOAH MOVIE EVENT - MARCH 29TH

Come out **Next Saturday the 29th** to watch the movie "Noah" with us at the Regal Escondido 16 Theatre. The next day Pastor Jobey will be giving a message on the story of Noah! We expect the movie to be a "Hollywood Version" and most likely a departure from the Biblical account. That being said, we believe this will be an excellent opportunity to invite friends and family who may not know the true story and its significance to the Gospel to hear what the Bible really has to say about Noah the following day at our 9am or 11am services. We'll be buying group tickets in advance, so Reserve Your Seats Today by filling out the ticket included in your bulletin and drop it in the basket at the end of service.

TWO SERVICES COMING - MARCH 30TH

On March 30th we'll be going to 2 services on Sundays at 9am & 11am! We're very excited about this as it will allow us to reach even more people with the message of Jesus, as well as enable our faithful serving teams to attend a worship service every week

Along with this exciting growth comes more opportunities to partner with us by serving on one of our ministry teams! Check out the Green Board in the courtyard showing the current serving opportunities where you can take your next step of faith & get plugged in.

PARENTING WORKSHOP - APRIL 11TH

Mark your calendars for Friday, April 11th from 7-10PM for a workshop dedicated to helping you become more Gospel-centered parents, including an in-depth Q&A session & your choice of a great book to take home – all included in the \$20 registration. Childcare will not be available due to the length (3hrs) of the workshop. Sign up on your Connection Card TODAY!

SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to be sent. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From schools and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read Genesis 11:27-12:3 and Genesis 17:1-27 . What verses stuck out to you the most or what was the most impactful from the message on Sunday?
In your own words, what is a covenant?
Why is it important to note that God covenanted or set up an eternal agreement with Abraham and not vice versa?
In a marriage covenant, the external sign of the agreement is a wedding ring. What was the external sign of God's covenant with Abraham? Re-read Genesis 17:11.
Read Romans 4:9-12 and Romans 2:28-29 . What is the internal sign of Abraham's covenant?
Now read Ephesians 2:11-12. Who were we before God brought us into a covenant relationship with Him?
Who are we now that we are "In Christ?" In other words, God calls us into relationship with Him by grace through faith. What benefits have we been given by entering into this covenant relationship with God? Read Ephesians 1.3, 20, 2:10-22, 3.11, 4.32, Romans 3:24, 6.11, 23, 8.2, 39, 2 Corinthians 1.21, 5:19, Galatians 3:14, 1 Corinthians 1:30, and 2 Corinthians 1:21. Do you believe your true identity "In Christ" by the way you walk out your faith? Do you believe you are in a covenant relationship with God by your actions, your priorities, and how you spend your time? Why or why not?
Read Matthew 28.18-20. How does Jesus commissioning of us relate to God's promise to Abraham?
Knowing that God told Abraham that his offspring would be a blessing to the whole earth, what does that mean for you and me, and in what ways are you (or can you, if you aren't already) be a spiritual blessing to the earth?
Spend some time in praying for one other and confessing any sin. Then spend time thanking God for the covenant that God has made between us and Him. Thank Him for who we are "In Christ"! Thank him that we who were once far off

have know been brought near by the blood of Christ!