



# **Abraham and Living by Faith**

# **ABRAHAM'S JOURNEY OF FAITH**

# Abraham – Faith Against All Odds

- Nothing sets Abraham apart from others... except his faith in God.
- By faith, when God commanded him to leave home and people, he obeyed – Gen. 12:1-7
  - Blessings would accompany obedience – 12:1-3
  - Because Abraham trusted God, he **departed** to follow God – 12:4-7
- Abraham was 75, had no children, and the promised land was occupied by other nations!

# Abraham – Faith 24+ Years Later

- God again promises to make *childless* Abraham the father of many nations – Gen. 17:1-5
- God promises to make *childless* Sarah the mother of many nations – Gen. 17:15-16
- God gave them a son in Isaac! – Gen. 21:1-3
- God tested Abraham’s faith by commanding him to offer Isaac...and he *obeyed* – Gen. 22

# **LIVING BY THE FAITH OF ABRAHAM**

# Living by Faith Necessitates...

- Obedience even when it means going into unknown territory – Heb. 11:8; Heb. 12:1-2; 1 Pet. 4:4, 12-13
- Living as pilgrims, seeking the things above – Heb. 11:9-10; Col. 3:1-3; Rom. 8:5-6
- Living with confidence in the Lord's promises, even when they appear impossible – Rom. 4:16-22

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**God can save the worst of sinners –  
1 Tim. 1:15-16; Rom. 5:8**

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**God can raise our bodies for eternity – 1  
Cor. 6:14; Jn. 3:16; Phil. 3:7-11; 2 Cor. 4:16-18**

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# Conclusion

- Are you a child of Abraham?
  - You obey what God commands
  - You focus on heavenly things
  - You live with hope of God fulfilling His promises
- Those who live by faith receive...
  - Salvation and new life
  - The hope and assurance of the resurrection
- Why would you wait?