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AM - BEN WRIGHT - "ABRAHAM - A MODEL OF FAITH"

PM - BEN WRIGHT - "THE TRANSFORMED MIND IS HUMBLE"

RICKY BERGER WILL BE WITH US WEDNESDAY NIGHT GIVING US A REPORT ON HIS MISSION WORK

WE WILL BE HAVING A "FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY" APRIL 6. GO AHEAD AND BE INVITING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO MAKE PLANS TO BE WITH US THAT DAY

WE WILL HAVE A WORKDAY AT THE BUILDING MARCH 15 IN ORDER TO HAVE IT READY FOR US TO HOST THE BIBLE BOWL ON MARCH 16. SNACKS ARE NEEDED FOR AFTER THE BIBLE BOWL AS WELL AS AFTER EVENING SERVICES FOR THE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL TO FOLLOW

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING

Bible Class 9:30

Worship 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

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ABRAHAM - A MODEL OF FAITH
(Genesis 15:1-6)

I. His faith was founded on revelation.

- A. God _____ Himself to Abraham.
 - 1. The first time that we know He revealed Himself to Abraham was while Abram was living in _____ of the Chaldees (Acts 7:2-4).
 - 2. Then at _____ in Mesopotamia (Genesis 12:1-4).
 - 3. Then at Shechem in _____ (Genesis 12:6-7).
- B. By revealing Himself to Abraham, God provided plenty of _____ for him to place his faith and trust in God.
- C. Our _____ is to be based on revelation as well.
- D. God will not speak to us _____ as He did Abraham.

II. Abraham's faith led to His _____ to God.

- A. Think about all the faithful acts that Abraham _____.
 - 1. He left his _____ (Hebrews 11:8).
 - 2. He traveled in an land _____ to him (Hebrews 11:9-10).
 - 3. He _____ his son Isaac (Hebrews 11:17; James 2:21-24).
- B. We _____ obey God by faith.
 - 1. The gospel calls for _____ to the faith (Romans 1:5).
 - 2. We must obey the doctrine of Christ from the _____ (Romans 6:17).
 - 3. There is a _____ placed upon them that don't obey the gospel (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; 1 Peter 4:17).

III. Abraham's faith was a _____ faith.

- A. The fact is Abraham trusted in God, not his own _____.
 - 1. Abraham _____ God.
 - 2. Abraham was in no way _____ simply by his works.
 - 3. Abraham was justified because of his faith that was _____ by his works.
- B. We must _____ in Jesus and not in our works.
- C. If Abraham is our model for faith, we must have an obedient faith that trusts in _____ who is the justifier of the ungodly.

IV. Abraham's faith was a _____ faith.

- A. As Abraham _____ more and more with God, his faith grew.
 - 1. There were times when Abraham's faith was _____.
 - 2. Thankfully, God was _____ with Abraham and his faith grew.
- B. You and I must _____ in faith.
 - 1. The _____ had to do this (Matthew 8:25-26; Acts 4:13).

2. The _____ had to do this (2 Thessalonians 1:3).

C. If we will use Abraham as a _____ for our faith we will grow as well (Romans 4:11-12).

THE AMAZING ATTITUDE OF OUR SPIRITUAL FOREFATHER

Ben Wright

Genesis 22:1-19 has always amazed me when I have been privileged to read or study it. Abraham had waited 25 years for his son of promise to be born. Finally, at the age of 100, God blessed the marriage of Abraham and Sarah with the birth of a son. Both well past child bearing years, the two wonderful examples of faith in God rejoiced over the birth of Isaac.

At some point in Isaac's formative years, some think from somewhere between age 15 and 20, God decided to put Abraham to the test. God commanded Abraham to take Isaac to Mt. Moriah and sacrifice him on an altar. Think about that challenging command for a moment.

This is the son Abraham had been promised by God. Isaac was to be the son through whom the promises of God would come. Notice that nowhere in these verses do we see a questioning attitude by Abraham. How many of us would have balked at such a command of God? More than most of us would have asked God why He would command such a thing at the very least. Many of us would probably have told God that there would be no way we would do such a thing.

Nowhere in this text do we read of hesitation or a wavering of belief on the part of Abraham. His heart was so fixed on following God by this time in his life that it seems to never have crossed his mind to question or doubt God in any way. There was a resolve of mind to do whatever God asked him to do. What a wonderful attitude of heart to never doubt or question God.

We know that it was not always like this with Abraham. God told him to leave his family and country behind. He left his country but couldn't leave all his family. Finally, after the death of his father and Lot's decision to take the better looking land, Abraham was completely separated from his family as well as country. He had Sarah lie about being his wife. He rushed God's plan by having a child with Hagar, which continues to bring about problems to this very day.

What we notice in the life of Abraham though, is a desire to please God. He didn't always get it right, but he always continued trying to please God. That is the attitude we need to

have. We aren't always going to get it right, but our goal should always be to please God. It took Abraham a long time, and it will take us a long time. Let us never stop striving to have the attitude of Abraham. Let's always strive to please God. When we do that, we will grow into those who also have an amazing attitude.