

God's Contracts: Does God Keep His Promises

How Far Are You Willing To Trust God?

Sermon #2

Key Principle #1 - Abraham's Descendants Would Grow To The Size Of A Nation And Be His Special People, Genesis 12:2; 13:16; 15:2-5; 17:4-6; 22:17

What is important to remember here is that when God gives Abraham this promise, repeated five times, Abraham does not have a child even though his wife gets well beyond the child bearing years. This part of God's promise is fulfilled 25 years after it was first given, Genesis 21:1-5.

Key Principle #2 - The Country God Would Lead Abraham Would Be This Nation's Homeland, Genesis 12:4-7; 13:14-17; 15:18; 17:8

This land God promised Abraham would be his descendants' homeland was already occupied. Abraham had to accept by faith that God would somehow give his descendants the rule of this territory. It was fulfilled, in part, by Joshua's conquest: Joshua 21:43-45

Key Principle #3 - Abraham's Descendants Would Be A Blessing To The World, Genesis 12:2-3; 18:18; 22:18

This principle of God's promise to Abraham was fulfilled by the coming of Jesus Christ, Galatians 3:6-8 & 16. Note that in Matthew's gospel, Matthew lists in chapter one the genealogy of Jesus Christ going back to Abraham. Why does Matthew do this? To connect the promise of God to Abraham to the fulfillment of God's promise in Jesus Christ.

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." *Proverbs 3:5 & 6*