

April 23, 2023 Worship Service Pastor Bruce Adrian WeAreLifeBridge.com

# **ABRAHAM: God of Promise & Life of Faith**

Lesson Ten • Genesis 18:16-33

God Will Do What Is Right

#### **Fundamental Truth about God**

God is righteous and just. Therefore, as the Judge of all the earth God will only and always do what is RIGHT.

"Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" (vs. 24)

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## 1. The Lord REVEALS His Plan to Abraham!

#### God's Revelation

- "Shall I HIDE from Abraham what I am about to do?" (vs. 16-19)
- The Lord <u>HEARS</u> the outcry against sin and <u>SEES</u> the gravity of sin (vs. 20-21).

## 2. Abraham INTERCEDES before The Lord!

#### Abraham's Intercession

- Abraham <u>DRAWS NEAR</u> to God to intercede on behalf of others (vs. 22-26).
- Abraham acknowledges that God is <u>RIGHTEOUS</u> in His being and <u>JUST</u> in His actions (vs. 25-32).

Abraham recognizes that God is truly the just <u>JUDGE</u> of all the earth who will only and always do what is right (vs. 33).

#### Question

Why do bad things happened to good people?

#### **Better Question**

Why do good things happen to anyone?

#### **Unresolved Question**

Why did Abraham stop at 10 righteous people? Why not keeping going?

### Implication of Abraham's Intercession

The presence of the righteous MATTERS.

God's judgment is at times delayed mercifully as a gift of grace when there is a righteous influence on the culture and people pray.