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ABRAHAM: God of Promise & Life of Faith

Lesson Nineteen • Genesis 25:1-18

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Abraham's death was truly the completion of a triumphant life of <u>FAITH</u>.

And the Scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"—and he was called a friend of God. James 2:23

Confronted with a Question

Has God been faithful to keep His promises to Abraham?

The answer is "YES" and "NOT YET." Yes, God had begun to fulfill His promises to Abraham. But no, those promises were not yet fulfilled completely.

God's Faithfulness and Abraham's Death

God Was Faithful to Abraham BEFORE He Died!

Abraham's Legacy

- Abraham was the <u>FATHER</u> of a multitude of nations, demonstrating God's faithfulness to His promises of countless descendants (vs. 1-4).
- Abraham affirmed <u>ISAAC'S</u> unique place in God's plan by giving the inheritance to Isaac and gifts to his other sons (vs. 5-6).

2. God Was Faithful to Abraham WHEN He Died!

Abraham's Funeral

- Abraham <u>DIED</u> in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people (vs. 7-8).
- Abraham was <u>BURIED</u> with his wife Sarah in the cave of Machpelah by his sons Isaac and Ishmael (vs. 9-10).

3. God Was Faithful to Abraham AFTER He Died!

God's Faithfulness

- ➤ God <u>BLESSED</u> Abraham's son Isaac (vs. 11).
- God MADE Abraham's son Ishmael into a great nation (vs. 12-18).

Abraham's Faith Stands as a Challenge to Us Today

Like Abraham, we too must $\underline{\text{LIVE}}$ by faith and $\underline{\text{DIE}}$ by faith, receiving in part, but not yet receiving in full, what God has promised.