

S.A.F.E. Homes



Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere



*“By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.”
Hebrews 11:8*

Trust And Obey

Abraham was a great man of God. Faith in God and His word must be really important because Abraham's name appears in what some people call "God's Hall of Faith" in the book of Hebrews. God spoke to Abraham and said, "Go where I lead you," but did not tell him where he was taking him! That would definitely take faith! Abraham just knew that if he obeyed God, he would inherit the land God led him to.

Abraham ended up in a "strange country." That means it was a wicked place where people did not love God. So God expected Abraham to separate himself from the worldly people who were a bad influence on him and his family. He expected Abraham to live his life differently from everyone else.

Even today, God wants us to separate ourselves from people who do not follow God. ***“Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you” (2 Corinthians 6:17).*** That can be hard to do when we love someone a lot. But it is hard for us to obey God while hanging out with people who do not love Him!

In the end, because Abraham had faith enough to follow God's commandment to separate himself from others and live a different lifestyle, God warned him also of bad things to come. He told Abraham to get his relatives out of the city of Sodom and Gomorrah because He was going to destroy it because of the people's wickedness.

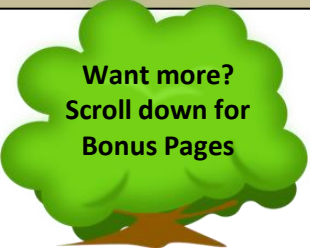
Abraham again believed God and followed His commandments and his life was spared!

When we believe God, follow His commandments, and stay away from people who are a bad influence, God will save us, too!

Family Prayer: *Dear Jesus, help me to follow Your word and commandments and live a clean life so that I can be saved. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*



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Blindfold volunteers and have 1 person be the leader. Place treats or snacks in a designated area and line the blindfolded volunteers across the room from the snacks. The leader will give the others directions that will lead them to the reward. See who does better at following directions, who made it to the reward first?

Optional: Discuss how following a teacher's instructions at school may be difficult, but when we follow step by step (as in math equations), we will usually come up with the right answers.

Let's talk

Discuss how obedience is hard when it is something we do not enjoy or understand. Have you ever done something you didn't want to, but obeyed anyway, and it turned out to be the right thing to do? What could have happened if you refused to listen?

It is not always easy to follow instructions when you do not fully understand the situation. Our parents, teachers, Pastor, and leadership are put in our lives to give us direction. Through their wisdom and experience, they can often help us through confusing times. Reach out to the leadership in your life this week and let them know how much you appreciate them.



Additional Challenges

Let's examine the life of Abraham more closely...

Read Genesis 12

(Verse 1) Now the _____ had said unto Abram, Get thee _____ of thy _____, and from thy _____, and from thy father's _____, unto a land that I will _____ thee:

What did God say would happen if Abram obeyed in verses 2 & 3?

Who went with Abram on the journey God called him into?

Read Genesis 13

What caused the families of Abram and Lot to separate?

Where did Abram and Lot go respectively?

Read Genesis 17

What life-changing event happened when Abram was 99 years old?

What was also promised to Abram?

In Genesis 21, Abraham received his promised child and God did make him a father of many nations, as promised. Just like Abraham, the Lord will bless us if we keep His commandments and follow His Word.

Puzzle Page

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