

Sermon Series: Abraham - A Journey of Faith

“A Name You Can Trust”

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Psalm 8:9; 29:2; 20:7; 124:8

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Introduction:

- A. Names represent people and companies—some we _____ and have _____ in and others not so much/
- B. In today’s segment from the story of Abraham, we are going to see some names being _____ and another being _____ for the first time, and we are going to learn why it is important to go with a name you can trust.

I. The Story

- A. Genesis 17:1-2
 - 1. How much time has passed since the end of chapter 16 and the beginning of chapter 17? _____ years.
 - 2. As far as we know, those years have passed in _____.
 - 3. God introduced Himself as God _____ - El Shaddai.
 - 4. Along with this new revelation comes a renewed demand from God: “_____ before me and be _____.”
 - 5. The Lord announced: “I will _____ my covenant...”
- B. Genesis 17:3
 - 1. Abraham responded appropriately - “Abram _____.”
- C. Genesis 17:4-16
 - 1. To memorialize the moment, God gave them new _____.
 - 2. Abram means “_____ father,” whereas Abraham means “father of _____.”
 - 3. Sarah’s name change is not as clear. It appears that Sarai meant “_____,” whereas Sarah means “mother of _____.”
 - 4. God gave Abraham _____ unconditional promises about what He would do.
 - 5. A key action for Abraham to keep the covenant was _____.
 - 6. In some respects, _____ in the new covenant corresponds to circumcision in the first.
- D. Genesis 17:17-18
 - 1. How did Abraham respond to what God said? He _____.
- E. Genesis 17:19
 - 1. God has a sense of humor, because look at the name that God wants Abraham and Sarah to give to the baby boy - Isaac means “He _____.”
- F. Genesis 17:20-22
 - 1. Ishmael would _____ become the bearer of God’s covenant blessing to the world, but Ishmael would not be _____.
- G. Genesis 17:23-27
 - 1. I love Abraham’s immediate and complete _____.

II. The Application

- A. We learn the importance of _____ in the _____ of the Lord. (Pr. 18:10)
- B. We learn the importance of _____ to live up to the _____ we have been given.
 - 1. We are now _____ of God, _____ (sanctified ones), _____ (students of Christ), and Christians (followers of Christ).

Answer Key: Intro.A. like, confidence. B. changed, introduced. I.A.1. 13. I.A.2. I.A.3. Almighty. I.A.4. walk, blameless. I.A.5. confirm. I.B.1. fell, facedown. I.C.1. names. I.C.2. exalted, nations. I.C.3. princess, nations. I.C.4. five. I.C.5. circumcision. I.C.6. baptism. I.D.1. laughed. I.E.1. laughs. I.F.1. not, forgotten. I.G.1. obedience. II.A. trusting, name. II.B. striving, name. II.B.1. children, saints, disciples.