

ABRAHAM: THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

“Choosing
God’s Course”

Genesis 13:1-18

September 20, 2026

Truths for Transformation

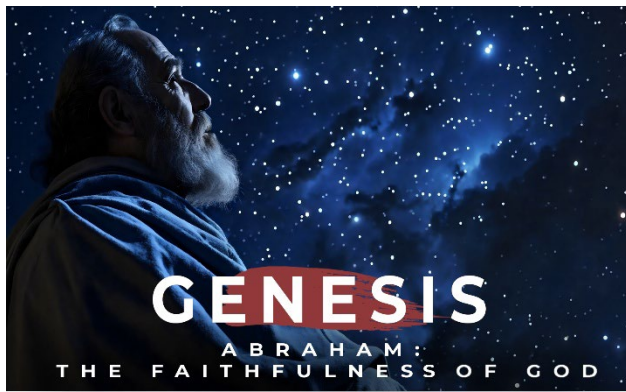
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Response Questions

- 1) Is there an area of your life where you know you have gotten off the path God desires for you? What spiritual practice or priority have you allowed to slip that you need to return to?
- 2) How do your finances, possessions, and lifestyle reveal what matters most to you? Look at yours this week and honestly evaluate them. Identify any area where you are pursuing materially that is creating unnecessary stress, conflict, or spiritual compromise. Make the necessary changes!
- 3) Why is it sometimes so difficult to let someone else go first or receive what appears to be better? What right, preference, or advantage might God be asking you to surrender for the sake of peace or another person?
- 4) What looks attractive in your life right now but could potentially draw you away from God?
- 5) Where is God asking you to trust Him even though you cannot see how things will work out? Are you willing to receive what God chooses for you rather than demanding what you would choose for yourself?
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Remember back from last week?

but in the end when we wrap up this morning, we’ll come back to the theme of this part of **Genesis** & this series – it’s all about **the faithfulness of God**. It’s not about what Abram can do or how faithful he is, but on **how faithful God is and always will be**. Let’s look this morning and

Let’s **READ Genesis 13:1-18 & PRAY**

Let’s look at **4 transformational truths** and then **takeaways** for today we can take & walk out the door with & put into practice in our lives this week!

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relocate reorient resettle reach ready reason receive recognize recommit
reconcile
Selfless vs selfish allure appeal the pull

Land lesson lean, learn, let go labor lot lead leave lead length leverage listen
load loathe long loss

Desperate, desire,

Problem- strife conflict – too much wealth/livestock to sustain both of them
strife solution success results

Takeaways for Today

1) **We**

OUR RESPONSE

1) **What**

Have you come to the place today where see & understand that without Christ you have no hope or life and today you want to surrender your life to Jesus? Share the ABC's! Identify with Jesus Be baptized!

Identify with His Body Are you a member of a Church? Without one a Christian is an orphan. Don't just attend step over the line today & join this family! **Invest in your calling** – to answer God's call to full time ministry
Identify where is the Lord speaking to me from the message today
PRAY Invitation: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"