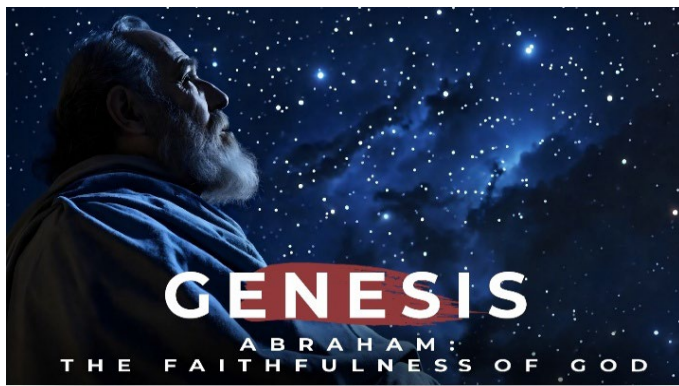




**ABRAHAM: THE
FAITHFULNESS OF GOD**
“Conforming Ultimately
Brings Condemnation”

Genesis 18:16-19:38

October 25, 2026

Truths for Transformation

- 1) Lot’s decision & dangerous drift toward sin 13:10-13; 14:11-12
- 2) The Lord’s determination & declaration & the devotion & desire of Abraham 18:16-19, 22-33
- 3) The people’s absolute depravity 18:20-21
- 4) The deplorable display of Sodom’s depravity 19:1-14
2 Peter 2:8; Ezekiel 16:50; Jude 1:7
- 5) The Lord’s divine directive & demonstration of mercy 19:15-22
- 6) The destruction, deliverance, & diversion 19:23-29
- 7) The disgraceful depths of disobedience 19:30-38

Takeaways for Today

- 1) We must not see how close we can get to sin, but how close we can get to the Lord. John 17:13-17
- 2) The Lord is patient, but ultimately His judgment will ultimately not be delayed or denied. Psalm 86:1-13; Luke 17:29-30
- 3) God never winks, excuses or approves of sin. There is always a price to be paid. Nahum 1:3; Romans 6:23
- 4) Only the Lord can take our bad and broken decisions and turn them into something beautiful. Romans 8:28
- 5) When the Lord calls us to follow Him and obey, we must not hesitate, delay, or look back. Luke 9:57-62

Response Questions

- 1) Why is spiritual compromise often a gradual process rather than one major decision? What are some seemingly small compromises that can lead to devastating consequences? What are some practical ways we can evaluate our decisions to determine whether they are drawing us closer to the Lord or moving us closer to sin?
- 2) Abraham demonstrated great compassion & concern for the people of Sodom despite their wickedness. How should his example challenge the way we view and respond to people who are living in rebellion against God? Why do you think Christians sometimes find it easier to criticize, condemn, or complain about the sinful condition of our culture than to faithfully pray for those who are lost?
- 3) Why do people sometimes mistake God's patience and delayed judgment for His approval or acceptance of their sinful behavior? What are some ways our society has gradually redefined, rationalized, or normalized behaviors that Scripture clearly identifies as sinful?
- 4) How should the reality of God's holiness and coming judgment influence the urgency with which we share the gospel with those who do not know Christ?
- 5) How can Christians demonstrate genuine love, compassion, and concern for those living in sin without compromising biblical truth or affirming behavior that dishonors the Lord?
- 6) Despite the urgency of the angels' warning, Lot hesitated & even tried to negotiate. Why do we sometimes delay obeying the Lord even when we clearly know what He wants us to do? What are some ways we try to negotiate the terms of our obedience rather than completely surrendering to the Lord?
- 7) How does the Lord's ability to bring good out of our failures and broken decisions give us hope without minimizing the seriousness of our sin?