

## FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

### Called & Chosen: Abraham - Genesis 15:1-21 - "God Makes a Covenant with Abram"

1. Is there anything specific from this message that the Lord has impressed upon your heart?  
If so, what is it & how do you feel the Lord calling you to respond?
2. Have you ever had a season of life where you struggled to understand how the Lord would do what He said he would do?  
What was the situation and how did you work through it (or if you're currently struggling in this way, how are you coping)?  
Have you questioned the LORD - possibly wondering why things are happening as they are or what He's doing?  
How do the interactions between Abram and The LORD in Genesis 15 encourage you specifically in this regard?  
How does the LORD respond to Abram and his questions/struggles with the Lord?
3. How does the Lord reassure Abram in the midst of his struggles?  
How do the promises He makes (or mostly, "reiterates") provide a reassurance to Abram despite his struggles through it all?  
How does God's Word (& the many promises it contains) provide that reassurance for us - and motivate us to stay in His Word?  
How does considering God's faithfulness in our lives & in the Word help us to trust Him in now & in the future as well?
4. How does Genesis 15:6 specifically encourage you in consideration of the Gospel message?  
How are Abram's and our faith the same (consider Romans 4:20-25) and how does God credit (or impute) righteousness to us?  
What does this reveal about the consistent character of our God and how does His treatment of us all reveal His love for us?
5. God establishes and confirms a Covenant with Abram, but he puts Abram in a deep sleep as He alone walks through the covenant?  
How does this reveal that God is taking on all the responsibility, and how does God ultimately fulfill His covenantal promises?
6. Consider the vision God gives to Abram of dark times for his dependents followed by a time of deliverance and great blessing:  
How does this relate to us as exiles in this world awaiting our eternal home & the prophesies and promises of God toward us?
7. Below are the "Today's Takeaways" from the sermon. Do any of these particularly encourage, convict, challenge, you, & if so, how?
  1. **God graciously meets Abram in his weakness!**  
*God does the same for us when we're weak!*
  2. **God makes promises that He alone will fulfill!**  
*God will always be true to fulfill His promises!*
  3. **God counts Abram's faith as righteousness!**  
*Only God is able to credit sinners as righteous!*
  4. **God gives a hope beyond the trials ahead!**  
*Eternal hope in Jesus equips us to endure all!*