LIFE WITH GOD: WHAT DOES IT REQUIRE? Three Lessons Abraham Learns About Life with God

Lesson # 1 – Abraham learns that Life with God always requires a leaving, a getting out.

Gen 12: 1- Now the Lord said to Abraham, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

All those who are called by God are called to make a break with their past. To leave things behind.

Think of Jesus call to the disciples, "follow me" and they left their nets and followed him.

Have you had this experience?

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Lesson # 2 – Abraham learns that Life with God always requires Faith.

Gen 15:1 where God says, "Fear not Abraham, I am your shield, your reward shall be very great."

How can I know that I will possess the land? God responds by a covenant commitment ceremony in which He demonstrates his commitment to fulfill this promise.

How does this apply to us?

Lesson # 3 – Life with God always requires Testing

Gen 22:1 – After these things, God tested Abraham saying, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I will show you."

God tested Abraham.

What does this teach us? The passage teaches us God often tests his people by bringing into their lives situations that force them to choose between Him and their most treasured possessions.

What is your Isaac? What is your treasured possession?

Conclusion