

Abraham

Reading ———

Genesis 12:1-3 / Genesis 15:1-21 / Genesis 17:1-14 / Genesis 22:1-18

Christ from Beginning to End, Chapters 4 & 9 (pp. 63-69; 112-127)

Journal ———

TEXTBOOK RESPONSE

1. What insights did you gain from chapter 4 that will help you be a better reader of Scripture?
2. What does God promise to do for Abraham and through Abraham? How do these promises build off of God's promises to Adam and Noah? See pp. 112-120 for guidance.
3. The story of Abraham is rich with gospel elements. What insights did you gain from the "Looking Ahead" section (pp.120-127) that help you better understand the nature of the gospel?

SCRIPTURE STUDY

1. What evidence is there that Abraham was justified by faith and not by works? Why is this significant? Read Romans 4:1-5:1; Galatians 3:7-14 and write down five to ten observations. See pp. 122 for guidance.
2. Starting in Genesis 12 the Bible zooms in and focuses on one family. Why is the family of Abraham so important? How does one become a member of the family of Abraham? Read Genesis 3:15; Genesis 12:1-3; Romans 4:9-25; Romans 9:1-33 and write down five to ten observations. See pp. 121-126 for guidance.

RESPOND

Listen to *Promises* by Maverick City Music. For lyrics, see Appendix C.

Prep work Discussion

OPENING PRAYER

Pray through Galatians 3:7-9 and praise the Lord that all the nations of the earth are blessed through the gospel that was preached to Abraham.

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3. *Bonus:* Read Hebrews 11:8-19. Why was God not ashamed to be called Abraham's God? What things can we learn from the faith of Abraham?

Turn and Talk

CLOSING THOUGHTS

How did this week's lecture help you better understand the importance of Abraham, the story of Scripture, and the glory of Christ? Discuss the highlights of what you learned.