

Sermon Series – “Making A Difference”

Message Summary: Genesis 15 is the story of a journey of a man named Abram and he is journeying from the emotion of fear to the strong platform of faith. He's growing in his faith; he's learning what it means to trust God. And we see his journey here in the paragraph we're going to study opens in fear but God takes him to a place of trust. Abram is “Making a Difference” for others.

**Making a Difference -
From Fear to Faith
Genesis 15:1-6**

1. Fear of man v.1

“Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward.”

2. Fading hope vv.2,3

“What are you going to give me, seeing I go childless . . .?”

3. Faithful promises vv.4,5

- A. God repeats the promise.
- B. God clarifies the promise.
- C. God expands the promise.

4. Faith in God v.6

“He believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.”

LifeGroup Questions

BEGIN IT (5min) – Time spent in praise and opening prayer.

OPEN IT (10min) – How much faith do you put in the promises people make to you?

EXPLORE IT (60min) – Read Genesis 15:1-6 and review Sunday’s sermon outline together as a group. Stop at each point allowing people to share their additional comments or notes taken while listening to the sermon. Now answer these questions:

1. In Romans 4:1-3 what was the main characteristic of Abraham’s relationship with God?
2. What causes many people to think that works are more important than faith in it comes to pleasing God?
3. In what way do people act as if they must earn God’s love?
4. How does God’s relationship with Abraham help you understand His workings in your life?
5. What promise are you waiting for God to fulfill in your life?

APPLY IT (15min) – What did God reveal to you in the sermon or among your discussion group? How will you apply this new understanding to your life?