

## Beyond Part 5 — Building for Legacy Pastor Jude Fouquier & Pastor Heather Stow 04.16.2023

#### **USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

#### **Abraham's Promise:**

## [Genesis 12:1-4, NLT]

¹ The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. ² I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. ³ I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you." ⁴ So Abram departed as the Lord had instructed, and Lot went with him.

### **Isaac's Promise:**

## [Genesis 26:2-5, NLT]

<sup>2</sup> The Lord appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt, but do as I tell you. <sup>3</sup> Live here as a foreigner in this land, and I will be with you and bless you. I hereby confirm that I will give all these lands to you and your descendants, just as I solemnly promised Abraham, your father. <sup>4</sup> I will cause your descendants to become as numerous as the stars of the sky, and I will give them all these lands. And through your descendants all the nations of the earth will be blessed. <sup>5</sup> I will do this because Abraham listened to me and obeyed all my requirements, commands, decrees, and instructions."

# Isaac did not receive the blessing without Abraham's obedience

#### **Jacob's Promise:**

## [Genesis 28:12-17,NLT]

As he slept, he dreamed of a stairway that reached from the earth up to heaven. And he saw the angels of God going up and down the stairway. <sup>13</sup> At the top of the stairway stood the Lord, and he said, "I am the Lord, the God of your grandfather Abraham, and the God of your father, Isaac. The ground you are lying on belongs to you. I am giving it to you and your descendants. <sup>14</sup> Your descendants will be as numerous as the dust of the earth! They will spread out in all directions—to the west and the east, to the north and the south. And all the families of the earth will be blessed through you and your descendants. <sup>15</sup> What's more, I am with you, and I will protect you wherever you go. One day I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have finished giving you everything I have promised you." <sup>16</sup> Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I wasn't even aware of it!" <sup>17</sup> But he was also afraid and said, "What an awesome place this is! It is none other than the house of God, the very gateway to heaven!"

### [Judges 2:10, ESV]

And there arose another generation after them who did not know the Lord or the work that he had done for Israel.

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## [2 Timothy 1:5-7, ESV]

<sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

### [1 Corinthians 3:10-15, ESV]

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. <sup>11</sup> For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. <sup>12</sup> Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— <sup>13</sup> each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. <sup>14</sup> If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. <sup>15</sup> If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

# **Key Points:**

- 1. You have to experience God for yourself
- 2. Build a place for the next generation to experience God

## Applications for the Week:

This week, take time to pray and ask God, What do you want to do through me in the Beyond campaign? Come to the Advance Commitment night at Pursuit on Thursday evening at 6 PM.

# **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Pastor Heather said, "Isaac didn't receive God's promises without Abraham's obedience. Why is obedience vital to this process?
- 2. Your obedience to God will impact future generations? Knowing this, how does this impact the way you approach life?
- 3. Pastor Jude said, "We were created to live beyond ourselves." How do we do that?
- 4. What you are building now, will it last beyond you? What is your part to bless the next generation?
- 5. Who are you making a place for with your obedience?
- 6. How does your legacy reach beyond your own family?
- 7. What is your role in preparing a place for the next generation at TFH? What legacy do you want to leave or be known for?