Christ Community Presbyterian Church PCA 2310 Nursery Road Clearwater, FL (727) 530-1770 http://ccpconline.org Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

Abram's Demonstration of Faith Genesis 13:1-18 May 26, 2013

I. Abram's _____ (v.1-4)

A. Repentance = _____.

2 Timothy 2:24–26 (ESV) And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, 25 correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, 26 and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will.

Hosea 6:1–3 (ESV) "Come, let us return to the Lord; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. 2 After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. 3 Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth."

Revelation 2:4 & 5 (ESV) But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. 5 Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

B. Return to the place of worship = _____.

Hebrews 11:6 (ESV) And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

John 4:23 & 24 (ESV) But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

II. Abram's Faith Is _____ (v.5-7)

A. Abundance brings ______.

1 Timothy 6:9 & 10 (ESV) But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

B. _____ brings problems.

John 13:35 (ESV) By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Acts 6:1 (ESV) Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.

Philippians 2:3 & 4 (ESV) Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Romans 12:18 (ESV) If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

Ephesians 4:32 (ESV) Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Matthew 6:12 (ESV) and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

Matthew 6:14 & 15 (ESV) For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, 15 but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

III. Abram's Faith Is _____ (v.8 & 9)

A. _____ .

В._____.

Matthew 5:9 (ESV) "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Proverbs 17:14 (ESV) The beginning of strife is like letting out water, so quit before the quarrel breaks out.

Matthew 5:23 & 24 (ESV) So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24 leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Matthew 18:15 (ESV) "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.

2 Corinthians 5:18–20 (ESV) All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Philippians 2:5–11 (ESV) Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who,

though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Matthew 6:33 (ESV) But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

IV. Lot Makes a _____ (v.10-13)

A. Lot's decision making ______.

1 John 2:16 (ESV) For all that is in the world the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world.

Genesis 3:6 (ESV) So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.

Joshua 7:20 & 21 (ESV) And Achan answered Joshua, "Truly I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and this is what I did: 21 when I saw among the spoil a beautiful cloak from Shinar, and 200 shekels of silver, and a bar of gold weighing 50 shekels, then I coveted them and took them. And see, they are hidden in the earth inside my tent, with the silver underneath."

Job 31:1 (ESV) "I have made a covenant with my eyes; how then could I gaze at a virgin?

Matthew 18:9 (ESV) And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire. Psalm 119:18 (ESV) Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.

2 Corinthians 4:4 (ESV) In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

B. Lot's _____.

Psalm 1:1 & 2 (ESV) Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; 2 but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.

V. God ______ Abram (v.14-17) A. The timing of the blessing = _____ .

Genesis 12:1 & 2 (ESV) Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

B. The basis of the promise is ______.

Isaiah 46:8–11 (ESV) "Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors, 9 remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, 10 declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose,' 11 calling a bird of prey from the east, the man of my counsel from a far country. I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass; I have purposed, and I will do it.

VI. Abram's ______ of Faith (v.18) = _____

Psalm 122:1 (ESV) I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

Psalm 103:1 & 2 (ESV) Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, Psalm 68:19 (ESV) Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Selah

Psalm 68:19 (KJV) Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loadeth us with benefits, Even the God of our salvation. Selah.

Psalm 89:15 (ESV) Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,

Hebrews 12:28 & 29 (ESV) Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, 29 for our God is a consuming fire.

Hebrews 13:15 & 16 (ESV) Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. 16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.