

Obeying the Promise Keeper Hebrews 11:8-22

In Obedience to the Promise Keeper, Abraham left his home Hebrews 11:8-16

Hebrews 11:8 – "By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he left, not knowing where he was going."

- "Called" καλέω Kaleo in Biblical Greek which can be translated to mean called, summon, invite
- "Obeyed" ὑπακούω Hupakouo in Biblical Greek which can be translated to mean to obey or answer (the door)
- "Inheritance/Promise" is mentioned 8x in Hebrews 11
 - Genesis 12:1-3 "...And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."
 - Hebrews 11:16 "They desire a better country, that is a heavenly one"

In obedience to the Promise Keeper, Abraham offered his son Hebrews 11:17-19

Hebrews 11:17 – "By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and the one who had received the promises was offering up his only begotten son"

- Vs 17 Abraham's belief passed the test
 - "Only begotten son"
- Vs 19 Abraham believed God has power over death
- Romans 4:20 "yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God"

In obedience to the Promise Keeper, Abraham's family followed in faith Hebrews 11:20-22

Hebrews 11:20 - "By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau, even regarding things to come."

- Generation 2.0: vs 20 Isaac (Genesis, chapters 24-26)
- Generation 3.0: vs. 21 Jacob (Genesis, chapters 27-36)
- Generation 4.0: vs. 22 Joseph (Genesis, chapters 37-50)
- Generation 42.0 Galatians 3:13-14 "Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us—for it is written: 'Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree' in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham would come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."
- Generation 2020 Galatians 3:29 "And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise."

DIGGING DEEPER

HEBREWS 11:8-22

Preparation

If possible, find a quiet and comfortable place. Rid yourself of distractions such as your phone, television, school work, interruptions from others, etc. Open yourself to God and intend to learn from Him. "Lord, here I am, I present myself to You. Open my heart to the truth of what is going on in my life."

Read the Text: Hebrews 11:8-22

Read the text a few times until you have a clear understanding of what the passage is saying.

3 Contemplate + Journal

Spend time thinking about and journaling your thoughts to the following questions. If you meet with a LifeGroup, you can also share your responses with them and have a great discussion.

- What is a word or phrase the Lord impressed on you in this time? Meditate on that.
- Ask the Lord, "Lord, what did Abraham's obedient faith look like in his life? And, Lord, how are you calling me to be obedient in faith now in my life?"
- What is unknown in your life right now? What do you tend to worry about? Ask the Lord, "Lord, teach me about
 my worries. What does it look like for me to walk by faith with you in my current "unknowns" of life, my worries,
 my situations?"
- How and what do you feel? Is there a specific situation in your life that relates to this passage today? Pray through this for a moment.

Praise + Worship

Worship is an act or mindset shift that realigns us to the reality of who God is. Find this song on Spotify, YouTube, AppleMusic, etc. and the lyrics if you would like to read or sing along. Make this song your prayer and declaration of praise and worship as you hear truths being sung over you. Allow the Lord to minister to your heart in this time.

Song Recommendation: "Promises" by Maverick City Music

6 Closing Prayer

Spend some time in prayer. Whether it is simply sitting in God's loving presence, expressing thankfulness and gratitude, and/or offering up supplication, pray what is on your heart in this time.

6 Blessing

"May you hold unswervingly to the hope you profess, for he who promised is faithful." Hebrews 10:23

NEXT STEPS

Your Response Today: Do you want to take a next step in your faith, ask for prayer, or learn more about following Jesus? Take a moment to fill out our online connection card by texting "Card" to 970-00

Be Baptized: Obey God in faith and be baptized to proclaim your faith publicly on Sunday, November 29. Learn more about this important next step as a follower of Jesus and RSVP for a Baptism Class at **CalvaryLife.org/Baptism**

Connect in a LifeGroup: Grow in community together this fall with others from Calvary. There are groups meeting online, as well as smaller off-campus groups meeting in-person. Browse groups to join, or consider helping to start a new group by filling out the Leader Interest Form at **calvarylife.org/groups**

Discover More: Learn about ways you can connect to life at Calvary including weekly pastoral updates and online events, find resources to receive care and help through this season, and discover how we are reaching out with the good news of Jesus locally and globally at **CalvaryLife.org**

RESOURCES

Connect Online Midweek: Engage with life at Calvary each day of the week through livestream and on-demand content, plus social media posts by following us on Facebook and Instagram @calvarylife

Family Activities: Find ways to help your kids grow through fun activities to build their faith each Sunday and throughout the week with great resources provided by Calvary Town at **calvarylife.org/town**

Find Help or Give Help: Do you need assistance or encouragement in this season? Or, do you want to get involved and be available to help others in need? Find ways to receive help or give help at **calvarylife.org/help**

Ways to Give: Your generosity and faithfulness is making a difference locally and globally! You can give today using the Offering Boxes available by the doors in the Worship Center and Chapel, or give online at calvarylife.org/give

Raise A Hallelujah

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies, I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody, I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

Chorus: I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm, Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar Up from the ashes hope will arise, Death is defeated the King is alive

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me, I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness fle I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery, I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

Bridge: Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder), Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder) Sing a little louder in the presence of my enemies, Sing a little louder louder than the unbelief Sing a little louder my weapon is a melody, Sing a little louder Heaven comes to fight for me

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Jesus We Love You

Old things have passed away, Your love has stayed the same, Your constant grace remains the cornerstone Things that we thought were dead, Are breathing in life again, You cause your Son to shine on darkest nights

For all that You've done we will pour out our love, This will be our anthem song

Chorus: (Jesus) we love You, Oh how we love You, You are the one our hearts adore, Our hearts adore (3x)

The hopeless have found their hope, The orphans now have a home, All that was lost has found its place in You You lift our weary head, You make us strong instead, You took these rags and made us beautiful

Bridge: Our affection our devotion, Poured out on the feet of Jesus

Goodness Of God

I love You Lord, Oh Your mercy never fails me, All my days, I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up, Until I lay my head, I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus: All my life You have been faithful, All my life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire, In darkest night You are close like no other, I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend, I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge: Your goodness is running after, It's running after me, Your goodness is running after, It's running after me With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything, Your goodness is running after, It's running after me

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Do It Again

Walking around these walls, I thought by now they'd fall, But you have never failed me yet Waiting for change to come, Knowing the battle's won, For you have never failed me yet

Chorus: Your promise still stands, Great is your faithfulness, Faithfulness I'm still in your hands, This is my confidence, You've never failed me yet

I know the night won't last, Your word will come to pass, My heart will sing your praise again Jesus you're still enough, Keep me within your love, My heart will sing your praise again

I've seen you move, You move the mountains, And I believe, I'll see you do it again You made a way, Where there was no way, And I believe, I'll see you do it again

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Crown Him (Majesty)

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne, Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns, All music but its own Awake my soul and sing, Of Him who died for me, And hail Him as thy matchless King, Through all eternity

Chorus: Majesty Lord of all, Let ev'ry throne before Him fall, The King of kings O come adore, Our God who reigns forevermore (forevermore)

Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave, And rose victorious in the strife, For those He came to save, His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring, And lives that death may die

Bridge: All hail Redeemer hail, For He has died for me, His praise and glory shall not fail, Throughout eternity

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