

Goldstone Church

Small Group Questions

Genesis 15:1-7

For Starting

- Would you call yourself a morning person, a midday person, an evening person, or a night-owl? Explain why?
- What are some of the things that make you afraid? How do you overcome these anxieties?
- How do you cope with being nervous before an event?
- What part/s of this Bible passage do you find difficult to understand? What would help?

For Reviewing

- v.1 starts with "After this". What events had happened in the previous chapter. See Genesis 14, especially v.17-24
- What 3 promises does God give to Abraham (v.1b)?
- Who does Abraham suggest will inherit his estate (v.2)? What was his nationality?
- What was this person's job in Abraham's household (v.3)?
- How does God respond to Abraham's question (v.4)?
- What time of day was it when God spoke to Abraham (v.5)? How many offspring does God promise to Abraham?
- What was credited to Abraham as a result of his faith (v.6)?
- What did God want Abraham to do with the land (v.7)?

For Discussion

- Considering the promise of God in Genesis 12, why was Abram so worried about who his heir would be?
- "*The faith that conquers fear is faith in the Word of God, not faith in feelings.*" Do you agree/disagree? Why?
- What is righteousness, and why do we need it so much (v.6)?
- Abraham is the father of faith (Genesis 15) because he believed the promise of God. What promises has God given to you? How did he give you these promises (e.g. quiet time, verbal, etc.)? What are you doing to walk in those promises?
- You could end by reading together Genesis 15:6.

Genesis 15:1-21 (NIVUK)

The Lord's covenant with Abram

¹ After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

“Do not be afraid, Abram.

I am your shield,
your very great reward.”

² But Abram said, “O Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

⁴ Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir.” ⁵ He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars – if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

⁶ Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

⁷ He also said to him, “I am the Lord, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.”