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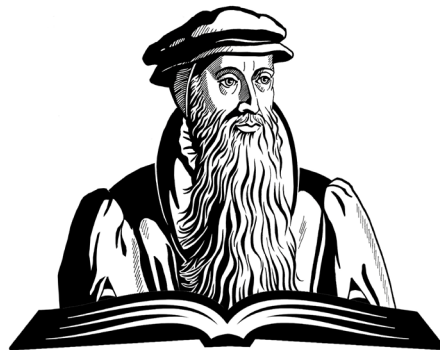
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Lesson 13:

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Lesson 13

Righteous by Faith

Genesis chapter 15

Memory Verse

“And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.”

Genesis 15:6

God: Abram’s Reward

After returning from defeating Chedorlaomer and rescuing Lot, the king of Sodom offered Abram the rescued goods that Chedorlaomer had stolen from Sodom. Despite how tempting it is to receive riches from the hands of heathen kings, Abram refused. Abram had a better reward. The Lord spoke to Abram in a vision, saying, “I am...thy exceeding great reward” (Genesis 15:1). What a blessing when our eye is fixed not upon earthly treasures, but on the “treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal” (Matthew 6:20).

Are the temptations to lay up the treasures of this life great? Remember that Jesus Christ, the Savior of sinners, was also tempted with the riches of this world. The devil offered Jesus all the kingdoms of this world, if only Jesus would bow down and worship him. The temptation failed, for Jesus had his eye on the glory of God—“Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve” (Matthew 4:10). May we too have our eye upon the glory of God.

Are the temptations to join the world great? Having been tempted, Jesus knows what it is to be tempted. Because of the temptation he endured, he is not aloof. Rather, he is filled with sympathy and compassion, “for we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin” (Hebrews 4:15). May we “by grace...through faith,” look unto this high priest (Ephesians 2:8).

Abram: Righteous by Faith

In Genesis 15:6, we read that Abram was righteous. But in what manner can it be said that Abram was righteous? If we look at the life of Abram, we can see that he was a man with many faults. He lied concerning his true relationship to Sarai on several occasions. Through Hagar, who was not his wife, he produced Ishmael. If he was not righteous in all that he did, how then could he be said to be righteous? He was not “accounted” righteous because he was righteous in

his own strength. Abram was considered righteous in the sight of God because Abram believed the promises of God. Abram “believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness” (Genesis 15:6).

Today, like in the days of Abram, as it has been ever since the fall, righteousness is not obtained by the works of the law. It has been is now, and always be by faith—faith in the precious promises of God regarding the seed of salvation. However, there is a difference. Abram looked forward to the day when God would fulfill his promise by giving him an heir. Christians look backward to a promise fulfilled in Jesus Christ. God “hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds” (Hebrews 1:2). Faith in the promises of God concerning redemption, the redemption to be found in his Son, faith in Christ makes one a child of God—”And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together” (Romans 8:17).

Review Questions

1. TRUE or FALSE. The vision that Abram received where God said that he was Abram’s shield and great reward. that occurred after the birth of Isaac.

2. Who was Eliezer of Damascus? Why did Abram mention him in his conversation with God?

3. What future event was revealed to Abram in Genesis 15:13–16?

4. God told Abram that his children would return to the land of Canaan in the _____ generation.

- a) Second
- b) Fourth
- c) Seventh
- d) Eleventh

5. The Lord did not immediately give the land of Canaan to Abram and his descendants because the iniquity of the _____ was not yet full.

- a) Amorites
- b) Kenites
- c) Philistines
- d) Jebusites

Discussion Questions

1. In Genesis 15:1, God tells Abram that he is Abram's "shield." What is meant by the word "shield"? Why was God Abram's shield? Does this idea of a shield apply only to Abram or to others too? Explain.

Meaning of the word "shield" _____

Why was God Abram's shield? _____

Does it apply to others? Explain _____

2. What does God tell Abram to do when Abram said to God, "Whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?" (Genesis 15:8)? To what does this point? How does this relate to the Christian?

What God told Abram _____

What does it point to? _____

How it relates to the Christian _____

3. Reflecting upon Genesis 15:17, show that God is long-suffering and full of mercy.
