



# FIRST LIGHT CHURCH

# SMALL GROUP GUIDE

Date: 3/3/2024

Series: Genesis Study-Abram

Text: Genesis 17:1-14

**BIG IDEA:** Gods' Covenant Is Everlasting.

**ICEBREAKER:** What day in your life would you like to relive?

**CONTEXT:** This passage picks up thirteen years after the last biblical notation. Abram and Sarai now have a 13-year-old son, named Ismael, who was born to them through their servant Hagar. God reiterates His covenant promises to Abram and sets some conditions for Abram to follow. Abram's name is changed to Abraham. God gives orders for Abraham and all males eight days old and older to be circumcised as a sign of the covenant.

**PASSAGE:** Have volunteers read Genesis 17:1-14.

## DISCUSSION:

1. Why is it sometimes difficult to be faithful in fulfilling our promises?
2. What kind of conditions do you put on people in your life with whom you have relationships/partnerships/friendships?
3. Has God given you a "new identity" since He saved you? In what ways have you been transformed?
4. Do you feel like it takes a long time to develop great faith? Why or why not?
5. How can we walk blamelessly before God? Is this even possible? Read Hebrews 4:13.
6. Why do you think that God keeps reiterating His covenant promises to Abraham?

## APPLICATION:

7. Has God laid something on your heart with which you need to be obedient?
8. How long has it been since you humbly and reverently fell on your face before God?

## COMMUNITY CONNECTION:

Remembering that God has changed us and given us a new identity in Christ is imperative in offering others the same grace that we have received. Many in our world are looking for hope and that can only truly and permanently be found in a relationship with Jesus. God's promise of eternal life is free for the taking. Look for people in your path this week who seem like they may need to hear the ultimate message of hope. Be intentional by finding ways to encourage those around you.

## CARE AND PRAY:

- Ask God to help you to learn to trust Him completely.
- Ask God to give you the boldness to have a Gospel conversation with someone this week.
- Ask God to help you to walk faithfully before Him and be obedient to that which He has called you.