



HELD FIRM TO HOLD FAST

Christ: Soul Anchor
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- Clear purpose
- Great story
- Promise from God
- Reminder of the power of Jesus



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A Great Story

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The Story of Abraham

The LORD had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you.

² “I will make you into a great nation,
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.

³ I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you.”

- Genesis 12:1-3



The Story of Abraham

- Abraham acted when God asked (12:4)
- Abraham has questions about the promise (15:1-8)
- Abraham had faith in Gods Word (15:6)
- Abraham wandered from Gods path (Ch. 16)
- God does not leave Abraham (Ch. 17)
- God fulfills his promise to Abraham (Ch. 21)
- God asks something difficult from Abraham (Ch. 22)



The Story of Abraham

¹⁵ The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time ¹⁶ and said, “**I swear by myself**, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants, will take possession of the cities of their enemies ¹⁸ and through your offspring **all nations on earth will be blessed**, because you have obeyed me.

- Genesis 22:15-18



What is Gods Promise/Purpose???

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To Make You His Family!!

¹⁴ He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit....

²⁶ So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

- Galatians 3:14, 26-29



We Who Have Fled

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