

CPC Community Group Questions July 4, 2021 Genesis 17

1. As the chapter begins we see God call back to his promises even in light of Abram's mess, how have you seen God respond to a mess in your life?

2. Speaking about v.5 Bryson taught that Abraham means "the father of a nation," and that God changed his name because in God's eyes his promise is already guaranteed. What could this attribute of God mean for you today?

3. In order to help Abraham see this God decides to give him a sign of their covenant, what are some signs God has given us to help us believe him?

4. Reflecting on the sign of circumcision, Bryson asked us to evaluate if we are seeing the reality of the signs we practice in the New Covenant, and the effects of holiness on our lives. Have you seen the reminders of God's sanctifying grace through the sacraments?

5. Abraham unsurprisingly seems skeptical of God's word, what is an area of your life you have trouble trusting God will work in?

6. Despite his doubt, Abraham still acts in faith and does what God asked in a response of obedience. How can our responding in obedience bring transformation to us?

7. Bryson finished his sermon by reflecting on his own story, and reminded us that God does not respond to our mistakes with guilt, but with grace. How should we respond to that?