

## **RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH #7** **DISPENSATION OF PROMISE**

Hebrews 11:8-10, 17-22

- Notice the mention of four key patriarchs: \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_

### **DISPENSATION OF PROMISE (Patriarchal Dispensation)**

#### **Post-Tower of Babel to the Giving of the Law**

**1. Begins:** Genesis 12-Exodus 19:8

- **cf. Genesis 12:1-3**
  - Following the judgment at the Tower of Babel, the people of the earth \_\_\_\_\_. At this time, God began to deal with one man named \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Through the seed of Abram, God would \_\_\_\_\_ all the families of the earth.

**2. God's Attribute Revealed:** \_\_\_\_\_

- **cf. Deuteronomy 7:9** - God always \_\_\_\_\_ His covenants!
- **cf. Lamentations 3:22, 23** - God's faithfulness is \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Man's Responsibility:** Genesis 12:1-8

- Abram and his **seed** had a simple responsibility: \_\_\_\_\_ in the **land** God promised them.
  - God promised to make a great \_\_\_\_\_ of Abram
  - God promised to \_\_\_\_\_ Abram
  - God promised to make Abram a \_\_\_\_\_
  - God promised to \_\_\_\_\_ those who blessed Abram, and \_\_\_\_\_ those who cursed Abram.
  - God promised to bless the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth in Abram.

**4. Man's Test and Failure:** Genesis 12:10-20

- In the same chapter where God singles out a land specifically for Abram, he is put to the test through a \_\_\_\_\_ in the land.

- **cf. Genesis 12:10** - Rather than trusting God and \_\_\_\_\_ in the land, “Abram went \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ to sojourn there”
  - **cf. Genesis 16:1-5** - Look at the initial \_\_\_\_\_ of not abiding in the land of promise!
  - Nevertheless, God’s \_\_\_\_\_ remains intact! (**cf. Genesis 17:1-7**)
- **cf. Genesis 26:1-4** - Notice the Lord’s command when there was a famine in the days of \_\_\_\_\_.
- **cf. Genesis 27:34-36** - While Abraham had his flaws, things drastically spiral out of control with Abraham’s \_\_\_\_\_, as Jacob and some of his sons have major \_\_\_\_\_ problems (see Genesis 37 and Genesis 49).
- **cf. Genesis 42:1, 2** - The last \_\_\_\_\_ in the book of Genesis results in Jacob’s sons going to \_\_\_\_\_ to buy food.
- **Cf. Genesis 43:1, 2** - Conditions worsen, and now \_\_\_\_\_ of Jacob’s sons resort to Egypt (remember what they did to Joseph?).

**5. God’s Judgment:** Genesis 46:1-7, Exodus 1:1-11

- While the LORD’s promises remain intact, Israel ends up in \_\_\_\_\_ where they become \_\_\_\_\_ to Pharaoh and the Egyptians.
- While God eventually \_\_\_\_\_ them from bondage, this is a difficult time for God’s people.

**6. Types of Christ:** Genesis 22, 37, 39-50

- **cf. Genesis 22** - Abraham offers \_\_\_\_\_ - called “his only begotten son” (Heb. 11:17).
- Of Jacob’s sons, \_\_\_\_\_ is an outstanding type of Christ.
  - He was \_\_\_\_\_ by his brethren and sold into slavery, yet he \_\_\_\_\_ them when they are in need.

**7. Lessons for Today:**

- Be sure to consult the Lord concerning \_\_\_\_\_ you should be!
- You can be \_\_\_\_\_ by Abraham’s seed! Have you?