

Communion Meditation – Jesus in Genesis

Genesis 15.1-6

Jesus and Heavenly Heritage

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Gen 15.6 is a famous Bible verse

- “Abram believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness”
 - Abel’s gift was respected by God in **Gen 4.4** (*salvation?*)
 - But here we see righteousness imputed to Abram because of faith
 - This indicates that a true atonement for sin would one day come
 - But that’s Abram’s faith ~ Our type is found in God’s promise

“What was it that Abram believed?”

- That God would bless him with descendants
 - In **Gen 13.16** God promised descendants would be like “*dust of earth*”
 - Here in **v5** He says they would be like the “*stars in the sky*”
 - Earthly descendants already promised ~ Now the heavenly are
 - Dust represents physical descendants
 - Stars represent heavenly descendants

Earthly and Heavenly Heritages

- Abram had no earthly future – no son to receive his inheritance
- People of the earth had no spiritual future –no path to an eternal inheritance
- As God gave Abram an earthly heritage in Isaac
- He gave all mankind a heavenly heritage, through Abram, in Christ
- Isaac was the son of promise for Abram’s earthly prodigy
- Jesus was the Son of promise for Abram’s heavenly prodigy
- In Abram we see both realities fulfilled: earthly and heavenly

Faith is still the instrument by which God grants us righteousness

Heb 11.6 ~ “Without faith it is impossible to please Him.”

Rom 10.17 ~ “Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God”

In coming to the Table we exercise our faith to hear our God