

Faith Is Responsible

Abraham: A Daring Faith - Part 4 May 27 & 28, 2017 Dr. Rex Keener, Senior Pastor

Big Idea: Genuine faith in God always produces an active concern for other people.

Text: Genesis 14:10-24

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. – James 2:14-17

This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God; nor is anyone who does not love his brother.

– 1 John 3:10

I. ABRAHAM'S RESPONSE WAS _____

The four kings seized all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah and all their food; then they went away. They also carried off Abram's nephew Lot and his possessions. - Genesis 14:11-12a

...he was living in Sodom. - Genesis 14:12b

...Lot {was} oppressed by the sensual conduct of unprincipled men (for by what he saw and heard *that* righteous man, while living among them, felt *his* righteous soul tormented day after day with *their* lawless deeds). – 2 Peter 2:7b-8 {NASV}

One who had escaped came and reported this to Abram the Hebrew. - Genesis 14:13a

See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. – Colossians 2:8

When Abram heard that his relative had been taken captive, he called out the 318 trained men born in his household and went in pursuit. - Genesis 14:14a

II. ABRAHAM'S RESPONSE WAS	
	I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves Matthew 10:16
	Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone Colossians 4:5-6
III. ABRAHAM'S RESPONSE WAS	
	During the night Abram divided his men to attack them and he routed them, pursuing them as far as Hobah, north of Damascus. He recovered all the goods and brought back his relative Lot and his possessions, together with the women and the other people Genesis 14:15-16

Remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and

cover over a multitude of sins. - James 5:20

MEMORY VERSES

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