

THE FAILURE TO WAIT UPON THE LORD

(Genesis 16:1-6)

- I. The PROMINENCE of Abraham
- II. The CALLING and DEPARTURE of Abraham
- III. The First TRIAL and FAILURE of Abraham
- IV. The SEPARATION of LOT from Abraham
- V. The RESCUE of LOT by Abraham
- VI. The TRIAL called SUCCESS for Abraham
- VII. The MAKING of a COVENANT with Abraham
- VIII. The FAILURE to WAIT by Abraham

* What does it mean to you to "wait upon the Lord?"

Principle to remember: _____ to _____ upon the Lord will result in you taking matters into your _____ and _____ negative consequences

Biblical Faith includes an _____ of our spiritual _____ and _____ to merit or _____ for salvation or even _____ our own life apart from God's _____ as revealed in His Word.

A. The Failure of Abraham and Sara (Genesis 16:1-6)

1. The Promise from God to Abram: - (Gen 15: 4-5)

* God promised Abram that a son would come forth from his _____

* What is different about Abram in chapter 15 than in chapter 16?

2. The Problem as Sarai saw it: (Gen 16:1)

* Sarai had not _____ any children to Abram

3. The Plan that Sarai made: (Gen 16:2-3)

* **Principle to remember:** You will have family problems when you go along with wrong cultural customs rather than follow God's plan.

* Note Sarai's rationale:

* Note Sarai's plan:

* Note Sarai's pretense:

* How did Abraham respond?

4. The Painful Price on all involved: (Gen 16:4-6)

* The impact on Hagar:

* The impact on Sarai:

* The impact on Abram:

* **Principle to remember:** Your failure to trust the Lord in decision making will affect not only you but those around you

* What can you take with you?