



**FOR THE WEEK OF: June 30th, 2002**

**TITLE: Abraham – The Father of Faith**

**MEMORY VERSE:** “Abraham believed God and it was accounted to him for righteousness.”

**Romans 4:3b**

### **SERMON REFLECTIONS**

1. Why did Abraham have to leave? What do you think about the statement ... "when you follow God nothing is permanent?" What makes change possible? Where does faith fit in to all of this?
2. Abraham was going to a land he did not know. When you walk by faith, how can you get direction? How does God lead? What's the problem with asking for a sign?
3. Do you believe that God wants to do something AMAZING in your life? Read **Jeremiah 29:10-11, Psalms 139:17-18** and **Ephesians 3:20**. What are some of the ridiculously amazing things that God wants to do in your life?

### **DAILY WALK - PROVERBS**

4. How does a wise man learn? Read **Proverbs 2:1-5** and give "how to" answers to these verses. (i.e. "How do you incline your ear to wisdom?")

### **DIGGING DEEPER (from Stone Tablets)**

5. Why was Isaac, and not Ishmael, the child of promise?
6. The Hebrews believe that sometimes prophecy is "patterned." Read about Abraham and his offering of his son (**Genesis 22:1-19**). What pattern do you see?
7. What does it mean to be justified by faith? (Give an example) What does it mean to be justified by works? (Give an example) Why do you need both? **James 2:14-15; James 2:25-27; Hebrews 11:6; Romans 4:3.**

**HOMEWORK:** See Question #3 of the Sermon Questions. If you don't know what the Lord is telling you to do by faith, spend some time with Him this week and ask! If you know what God has been telling you to do, but haven't done it, be praying for God to show you how to do it! Remember, everything that happens in your life is according to God's plan, but God will not act without you taking a step of faith.