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“The Model Father”

“Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him.” (Isaiah 51:2)

Patriarchal Prototype – A Man of Faith

Genesis 15:1-6 – (1) “After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: ‘Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.’

(2) But Abram said, ‘O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’ (3) And Abram said, ‘Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.’

(4) And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: ‘This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.’ (5) And he brought him outside and said, ‘Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.’ Then he said to him, ‘So shall your offspring be.’ (6) And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.”

Practicing what He Preached – A Faithful Man

James 2:21-23 – (21) “Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? (22) You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; (23) and the Scripture was fulfilled that says, ‘Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness’—and he was called a friend of God.”

Dads, as Stewards of Souls:

(1) Speak of the Faith

(2) Model the Faith

(3) Give them to God by Faith

The Absentee Father

Isaiah 63:16 – “For you are our Father, though Abraham does not know us, and Israel does not acknowledge us; you, O LORD, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name.”

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)

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