

5. APPLICATION: What will you apply to your life after reading verses 1-9?

Day 3: Read Genesis 17:10-14, Leviticus 12:3, Acts 7:8, Romans 4:9-12, 16 [\[Open NIV\]](#)
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6. FACTS:

- A. Name and describe the outward sign given to Abraham for the covenant to be consummated.
- B. Who was to be given the sign? What happened to the child who did not receive the sign?
- C. According to Romans 4:9-12, did circumcision "make" Abraham righteous or did circumcision "symbolize" his righteousness? Explain your answer.

7. LESSONS:

- A. Explain why it is important to be able to distinguish between a spiritual reality and a symbol that points to that spiritual reality.
- B. Give an example of a symbolic practice that points to a spiritual reality in the church today.
8. APPLICATION: How can you apply the principle of the Old Testament practice of circumcision (symbolic practice that points to a spiritual reality) to your current walk with Christ?

Day 4: Read Genesis 17:15-27 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

9. FACTS:

- A. What new name did the Lord give Sarai, and what were the specific promises God made about her to Abraham in verses 15-19?

B. How did Abraham respond to God's promise of blessing Sarah?

C. How did God say he would provide for Ishmael and his descendants in verse 20?

D. From verse 21, what promise did God make about Isaac that was not given to Ishmael?

10. LESSONS: What lesson do you learn from how Abraham responded to the promises God made to him and Sarah about Isaac?

11. APPLICATION: Using your lesson from question 10, state how you can apply that lesson to your life.

Day 5: Read Genesis 18:1-15 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

12. FACTS:

A. What happened at the trees of Mamre while Abraham was resting in the doorway of his tent?

B. What did Abraham do and say to the three guests?

C. What did Abraham and Sarah do for these three men?

D. What were the exact words Sarah heard the Lord say about her future?

E. What was Sarah's response and her thoughts to herself?

13. LESSONS: How would the Lord's words to Abraham in verses 13-14 encourage him and what would similar words from the Lord mean to you today?

14. APPLICATION: Write down a promise from your study of the Patriarchs of Genesis this year that has encouraged you and explain why.

Day 6: Read Genesis 18:1-15, Romans 9:6-9, Jeremiah 32:17 [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

15. FACTS: Summarize Romans 9:6-9 in a few short sentences.

16. LESSONS: Write down a "take away" lesson from either Genesis 18:1-15 or Romans 9:6-9.

17. APPLICATION:

A. What promise has God given you concerning an impossible situation (like Sarah and Abraham having a baby in their 90's)?

B. How can you use this week's lesson to apply to your impossible situation? (See Jeremiah 32:17.)