

THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

I. The Promises of the Covenant, Gen. 12:1-3; 15:18-21

- A. Personal promises *action - 13:16*
Abraham - 24:35 21:22
name great
- B. The promise of a nation 23:6 *Isa 41:8 friend 2 Ch 20:7 Jer 2:23*
- C. Universal promises *Abraham & Isaac 20.*
all families Gal 3:14
- D. Land promise

Meaning of the River of Egypt (Nile or Wadi el Arish) 90 mi. E Suez
1 Kings 4:21; 8:65 (Leupold) *Isa 27:12*

"The land belongs to Abram's seed only within the terms of the covenant and thus only in the seed of Abram, Christ, in whom the land-promise is transfigured into its cosmic antitype and the heirs of Abraham become the universal covenant community of the NT, there being neither Jew nor Greek in Christ" M. Kline, NBC.

II. The Question of Conditions in the Covenant

- A. The "pre-condition" of 12:1. *- CEH*
- JFW pu. cond.
- JDF Promise in 12. Cov. in 15 - NC promised in Gen. - ratified in death of x
- B. The "be thou a blessing" of 12:2

"The imperative, when depending (with waw copulative) upon a jussive (cohortative), or an interrogative sentence, frequently expresses also a consequence which is to be expected with certainty, and often a consequence which is intended, or in fact an intention ; . . . after a cohortative, Gen 12:2" Gesenius, Kautzsch, Cowley, 325.

III. Viewpoints as to the Fulfillment of the Covenant

- A. Amillennial. Community is big word
Conditional. Fulfilled in Israel's history. Fulfilled in Church.
- B. Covenant premillennial Kingdom or redemptive purpose is big idea.
The covenant is an expression of the single divine redemptive purpose God is carrying out in Israel and the Church.
- C. Premillennial. *land of promise*
1. Everlasting. Forever. Gen 17:7; 17:13, 19; 1 Chron 16:16-17; Ps. 105:9-10.
2. "It is true that, in the express terms of the covenant with Abraham, obedience is not stated as a condition." Allis, 33.
3. Solemnization ceremony in Gen. 15.
4. Reiterations to Isaac and Jacob, Gen. 17:19; 26:2-4; 28:13-15.
5. Jer. 31:35-37.

IV. Some Questions

- 1. Gen 26:5 - *To Isaac based on Ab's deed.* *cf. Ex. 23:31*
- 2. *JWR 21:43 - JFW language in the.*
cf. Gen 17: 8 - This was spiritually promised. *Land R-River incl. to canon*
Land 7 Lc
- 3. Gal 3
- 4. 1 Kg 4:21 *Heb 11:13, 39*
Jer 32:40-41
Abraham - word. *Twinning 1.4 incl. T3*
T3 & T1-u
Gen 15:6 Rom 4:5
John 21:43
1 Kg 4:24 Ch - earth
Ch - heaven