



Grace Assembly Of God

Chapter-By-Chapter Bible Reading Devotional

Scripture:	Genesis 25	Title:	A Blessed Life!
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Summary of Chapter:	This is an amazing chapter because it brings a very happy closure of the life of Abraham, the Father of many nations. Abraham lived a blessed life! He had already given his wealth to the sons of his wives and he gave the main inheritance to His only son, Issac.		
Key Verses	How does it speak to me?		
<i>⁷Abraham lived for 175 years, ⁸and he died at a ripe old age, having lived a long and satisfying life. He breathed his last and joined his ancestors in death.</i>	<p>175 years is indeed a long time. Today, more people are living past the 100 years in Singapore because we have a very strong health care system in place. But I don't think anyone may live till 175 in today's context even with medical advances and good health care system. Personally, I do not want to live that long for a practical reason. I do not want to put burden on my household cos they, too will not be young as well. In Genesis 25:7, I was captivated about living a satisfying life like Abraham! He lived a blessed life even though he did not see the fulfillment of the promise.</p> <p>I am convinced that God wants me to live a satisfying life because he has a plan for me. But I do not need to be like Abraham or someone else. I want to be faithful where God has placed me. I know that God did not save me to just survive but to thrive in my spiritual journey of faith. It is not to bless me more and more materially so that my family and I can enjoy it.</p> <p>I am sure that many of you will agree that one of the signs in our spiritual growth journey, God does not answer our prayers quickly as compared when we were a new Christian! One thing I know that God wants to shape me from the inside-out so that I can find satisfaction in Him alone and not in titles or things. During challenging moment, I have learnt not to pray "Lord, get me out from this situation quickly." Instead I have learnt to ask "Lord, tell me what you want me to learn from this situation so that I may follow your plan."</p> <p>Is it easy? It is not. But it is definitely worth it all if I am seeking to live a satisfying life that pleases Him. A blessed life in Christ Amen!</p>		
APPLICATION QUESTIONS:			
Adult:	How do you like people/ co-workers to best remember you after you have fulfilled your mission or assignment?		
Youth:	What is something that takes up much of your time? If you were to be prompted to spend less time on it so that you can give priority to what's truly soul-satisfying, would you?		
Child:	Can you share about a toy which you enjoy playing with daily? What if this needs to be removed so that you can spend more time with God, would you do it? Pray that nothing will ever take the position of God in your heart.		
PRAYER:			
Praying Scripture:	"Lord Jesus, thank you for the gift of salvation for extended to us. We know that we are not just to survive but to thrive in our spiritual journey of faith. I pray for every person including myself that we will not quit easily when we face challenging moments. You are interested to strengthen our faith and sharpen our character. Lord, tutor our hearts and change our mindsets whenever we face opposing situations that our prayer is not, "Get me out of it quickly but rather, Lord what do You want to show me in this situation. Thank you that we can live a blessed life because of You. We honor and worship You, in Jesus' Name. Amen!		
Thanksgiving Prayer:	I/We thank you for _____ (e.g. delicious food they ate, places they went, prayer that is answered, etc)		
Intercessory Prayer:	I/We want to pray for _____ (e.g. healing of sickness, family members, work or study, leaders, nation, etc)		
Salvation Prayer:	I/We pray for the salvation of my/our unsaved loved ones _____ (can add one name per day). In Jesus Name I/we pray. Amen.		

