

Genesis 15:1  
"Your Shield - Your Great  
Reward"

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## 1. Introduction

a. Lord spoke to Abram in a vision

- Shield = military gear to protect against arrows, sword, & spear thrusts
- God is the God of rewards
- God protects & rewards His people

b. Coming to God (Heb 11:6)

- believe that God is (lives/exists)
- believe that God rewards those who diligently seek (look for) Him
- Heb 11:8 Abram called to leave his family & home, leaving not knowing where he went
- \* Gen 11:1-3 "to a land I will show you"

## 2. Lord is Abram's Shield

a. God provides defense for Abram

b. Many times in Psalms where David calls God his Shield

c. Satisfied with God

- My grace is sufficient for you (2 Cor 12:9)

## 3. Abram Ask God for Children

a. He asks who should inherit after his death

- \* Eliezer of Damascus? (15:2-3)

### 3a (cont'd)

- Eliezer was trusted steward in Abram's household-born
  - b. God promises Abram a son who will come from his own body (15:4)
    - promise of new family
  - c. Promise of his descendents being as unnumbered as the stars (15:5)
- ### 4. God Makes Sure Promise to Abram
- a. Your descendents shall be so many that they will be in number like the stars of heaven (12:5)
  - b. And Abram believed God (12:6)
  - c. And God counted Abram's belief for righteousness
  - d. God sealed His promise
    - God passed between the cut halves of animal sacrifices sealing the promise (15:17-18)
      - \* covenant of many multitudes of descendents
      - \* covenant of land from Nile River to Euphrates River, from the Fertile Crescent to the waters of Indian Ocean
    - God made the covenant with Himself as the guarantor
      - \* it did not depend on Israel's performance

### 5. Conclusion

- a. Only those of faith are sons of Abraham (Gal 3:6-7)
- b. Jesus of Nazareth is the promised seed of Abraham
  - Gen 22:18 all the nations of the earth shall be blessed
  - Gal 3:16 to Abraham & his seed as of one who is Christ