

**God's Purpose in the Family**  
**The Purpose and Call of the Family**  
Genesis 12:1-3; Genesis 18:17-19; Galatians 3:29

God is a God of purpose  
God is a generational God

**KEY TERMS:**

**PURPOSE**

- Purpose: The intent of the design, model and /or position
- God designed male and female to the intent that the family would pass down the knowledge of God from generation to generation
- The family is the intended means by which God remains known in the earth

**THE WORLD:**

- 1) The entirety of the planet and its inhabitants
- 2) The arrangement, fashion, popular practices (course) and flow of this present age
  - 1 John 2:15 – *Do not fall in love and become intoxicated with the things that entice you by the senses.*
  - The world is friend and partner to the flesh
- 3) The individuals who follow the flow of the world blindly
  - 2 Corinthians 5:19
  - God hates the sin, but God loves the sinner

Abraham will be the example we use to see purpose.  
Galatians 3:29

**FAMILY AND PURPOSE**

**Genesis 12:1-3**

- 1) Abraham is called out
  - Why is Abraham called out?
  - God is a God of purpose
  - What is the purpose here?  
“Blessed” families
- 2) Pay attention to the means to get to that end
  - God had to pull Abraham out of his family in order to get Abram’s family blessed
- 3) God wants His family to impact the world and not for the world to impact His family. (2 Corinthians 6:17)
  - But that cannot happen if you are not sober!
- 4) Be sober
  - do not be intoxicated by the things that entice you by your senses
- 5) Follow sanctification
  - As you establish your own family, you cannot blindly adopt practices and institute them into your family

- Even if you learned the practice in the household you came out of

**THE VISIT**

**Genesis 18:17-22**

- 1) What is it that is so special about Abraham?
  - God could work through Abraham.
  - Abraham makes his primary ministry (his profession), the ministry to his household and home.
- 2) For God's impact to be realized in the earth, God desires to work through His family structure/arrangement.
  - This is why God needs Abraham sober!
  - This is what God pulled Abraham out of the world to do.
  - The world's methods are against the ways of God.

**OFFERING ISAAC**

**Genesis 22:1-19**

- 1) Abraham is willing to offer Isaac.
  - Why?
    - Look at how he received a child (Hebrews 11:17-19)
    - He understands Isaac belongs to God
- 2) Abraham is not going to lose sight of purpose in his role within the family.
- 3) Abraham recognizes his family is for God and not for this world!

**The Call of the Family** is to produce spiritually and emotionally established believers who in turn get God's redemptive work done in the earth.

God's Purpose for the Family:

1. Reflect the Image of God
2. Conduct Government for God
3. Produce and Raise a Godly Seed
4. Show God's Love as His Covenant Agents