

*Today's Message*

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3. The bold, \_\_\_\_\_ of Abraham.

Five vital truths from Genesis 18:16-33 . . .

1. God's sovereign plan to bring \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ to all nations through Abraham.

4. The preserving power of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

2. The stark contrast of two ways to \_\_\_\_\_.

1.

OR

2.

5. The Judge of all the earth who \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ His people.

## Stuff for Growth Groups

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#### PREPARING to be with One Another

Use a separate sheet of paper or notebook to work through these questions in advance of your Growth Group gathering. The more people come prepared, the richer and deeper and more real our discussions will be with one another.

#### CONNECTING with One Another

Open your time by checking in with one another to see how you're doing and how one another's week was.

#### EXPLORING God's Word with One Another

*Remember, we're giving you more than you can really discuss here. Pick a few questions that will take you back into the content of the passage and message.*

1. Read Genesis 18:16-33 again.
2. How did you "come under God's Word" in this text/message? What was most interesting and/or challenging for you in this week's text/message? What were the thoughts you had and/or the emotions you felt as you grappled with God's Word this week?
3. What is said about Abraham in Genesis 18:17-19 and what does it have to do with us?

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4. What are the two ways to live in the world illustrated here and at the 3 previous judgments of God? (fall, flood, and tower of Babel)
5. What is the basis of Abraham's bold faith-filled bartering with God in 18: 24-25? What is he challenging? How is Abraham here fulfilling his calling defined in Genesis 18:19?
6. In their bartering together, what exactly does God promise to Abraham? Does He just promise to not "sweep away the righteous with the wicked" or does He promise something more? What do we make of this?
7. What does Abraham know about who God is? How does this text point us to Jesus and the Gospel?

#### APPLYING God's Word with One Another

1. How might, or how can the fact that God has been working out a sovereign plan of salvation since Abraham (and before) affect the way we live our lives in the world?
2. What does it mean and look like to live by faith in the world today?
3. What does it mean and look like for us to be a "faith righteousness" presence in our community today?
4. Apply this text in your prayer time together by boldly interceding for one another, your friends and family, community and country.