

## Sermon: “*The Promise Making God*”

Text: Genesis 15:7-21 (pew Bible page 10)

### I. Remember God’s past providence and purpose, Genesis 15:7

**Psalm 78:4** “We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, His power, and the wonders He has done.”

### II. Realize suffering almost always precedes success, Gen 15:13-14

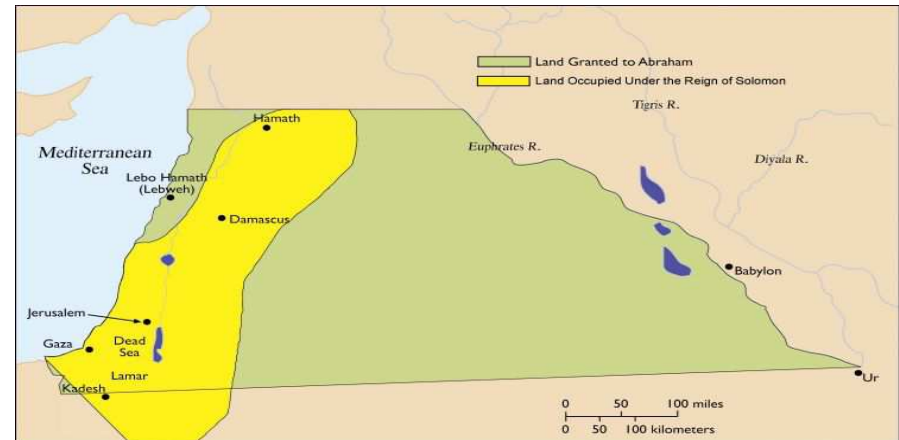
**Verse 13-14** “Your offspring ...will be afflicted for four hundred years. I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and *afterward* they shall come out with great possessions.”

**Verse 18** “*To your offspring* I give this land...”

### III. Recognize that judgment delayed is not judgment denied, Gen. 15:14 “I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve...”

## IV. Recall and rejoice in God’s radical ratification of promised land and Promised Land.

### A. The promise of land, verse 18 “To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates...”



1. The land promise has not yet been fulfilled (believed by some Christians).

2. The land promise has already been fulfilled (believed by some Christians).

**Joshua 21:43** “So the LORD gave Israel all the land he had sworn to give their ancestors, and they took possession of it and settled there.”

3. The land promised is a Bible symbol pointing to a future Promised Land, which is believed by all Christians

**Hebrews 11:8-16; Revelation 21:10**

### B. The power of covenant, Gen. 15:17-18

“a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.” Vs. 17

## V. Renew your confidence in God by repeating His promises