

**SERMON:** An Inconsistent Faith  
**SERIES:** Genesis: A Journey of Faith  
**SPEAKER:** Pastor Mark

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**THE GOAL:** The primary goal of a small group at Grace is to develop a Christian community where Jesus is experienced through the gospel.

**ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTIONS:** Use these questions to explore how God is at work in our families, communities, workplaces, and church.

1. Where have you seen God at work in your life this week?
2. What temptations have you been facing this week? How is God delivering you?
3. How have you experienced God's grace this week?
4. In what ways are you growing in your love for God?
5. In what ways are you growing in your love for others?
6. Have you started or stopped something this week just because you love Jesus?

**SCRIPTURE:** Genesis 20:1-18

**SERMON OUTLINE:**

- I. Struggling with sin    II. Exposing our sin    III. Grace covering our sin

**REVIEW:** Use these questions to better understand and apply the passage/sermon.

**Observation:** as a group talk through and summarize the passage. Think through Who, What, Where, When, How, Why questions together.

**Interpretation:** answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about God?
2. What does this passage teach us about us (mankind)?
3. What does this passage teach us about salvation/grace?
4. How does this passage point to Christ?

**Application:** answer these questions together:

1. How does this passage convict you?
2. How does this passage encourage or inspire you?
3. What specific truth do you see about God (his grace? love? holiness?) and how would your life be different if you really believed it?
4. By God's grace, what commitments do you need to make this week? Or, what do you need to start obeying/believing?

**GO DEEPER:** Use these questions to go deeper into the passage, minds, and hearts.

1. Are you able to identify any habitual sins that you return to in times of stress or transition? How might these sins be endangering your own heart and those around you?
2. Look at v.11-13. Abraham blamed both his surrounding culture and even God (he self-justified). What makes it hard for you to admit your sins?
3. Abraham deserved nothing yet he continues to gain blessing after blessing. How is this same grace at work in our lives in Christ? How does God's grace and forgiveness allow us to confess sin with fear and shame?

Pray: Praise God for his undeserved favor and grace. Confess ways that you have returned to habitual sins and self-justification. Ask God to be more comforting and beautiful to you than that specific sin.