

Genesis 17

- 1) Name changes occur in this chapter. What do name changes usually signify?
 - a. What does “Abraham” mean?
 - b. What does “Sarah” mean?
- 2) What covenant is made in this chapter?
 - a. What does Stephen call it in Acts 7:8?
 - b. What does Paul call it in Romans 4:11?
- 3) Concerning circumcision:
 - a. What is circumcision?
 - b. What was the purpose of circumcision?
 - c. Who was subject to the circumcision requirement?
 - d. At what age was circumcision to be administered?
 - e. According to Colossians 2:11, 12, what New Testament requirement corresponds to circumcision?
- 4) How old was Abraham when this covenant was made?
 - a. How old was Ishmael when the circumcision covenant was made? (*hint: see Gen. 16:16*)
- 5) In what ways would God bless Abraham?
- 6) How did Abraham react to the news that he would have a son by Sarah? What do we know that the laugh *did not* mean (Rom. 4:20)?