

The Story: The Bible as One Continuing Story of God and God's People

Chapter 2: God Builds a Nation

As you read, take note of the cast of characters. Write a short descriptive to help you remember.

Write any notes or questions you have.

Review the questions on page 473-74 in your book to prepare for discussion in class.

To ponder: How do the people God chooses to be part of the story differ from how we might choose people?

Class discussion:

"God's will is lived forward and understood backward." What do you think that statement means? How does it reflect the truth of Abraham's life? How have you seen this to be true in your life?

What kind of consequences did Abraham and Sarah face for trying to make God's plan work for him? Have you ever experienced negative consequences from trying to make what you perceived to be God's plan happen on your own? How so?