

Outline

- Possessing the gate of your enemy
- The Comprehensive Plan of God for the Seed of Abraham
- 3 Dimensions of the plan of God for Abraham's Seed
- What it means to "Possess"
- What the "Gate" means
- Possessing the Gate by Power.
- Conclusion.

Text: Genesis 22: 17

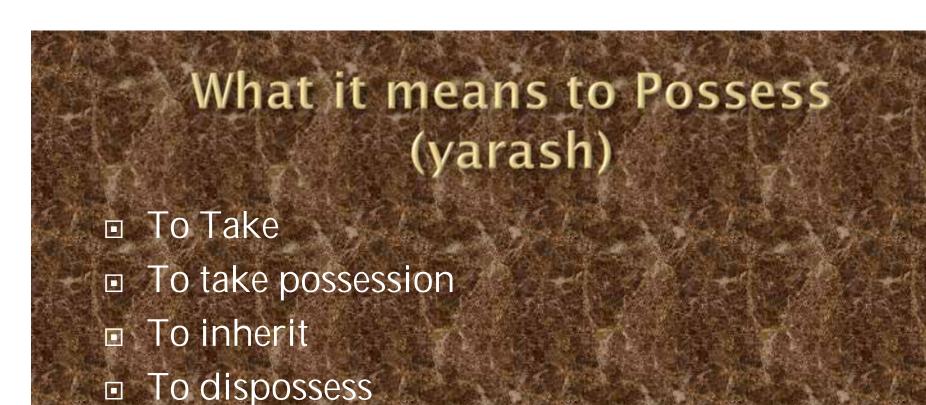
- Abraham's Obedience and Willingness to follow God's Command to Sacrifice Isaac;
- Abraham's release of the blessing for his seed:
- a) Abraham's seed multiply and be as the stars of heaven in number;
- b) Abraham's seed will possess the gate of his enemies;
- c) Abraham's seed will be the means of blessing to all the nations of the earth.



Fantastic Growth

■ Triumph over their enemies

Blessing to the Nations through them.



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Significance of Gate

- For War: If you penetrate the gate of a city, victory was assured; control of gate determines the outcome of conflict.
- For Commerce: Those who possess the gates determine who enters and do not enter to do business.
- Civil Government: The gate was the place where the elders and rulers of the people would sit to hold court and carry out the other aspects of civil ruling.

Possessing the Gate

- Conquering the nations and taking control of the city, the commerce and the civil government.
- Promise of a complete dominion of the church over its enemies.
- The promise of the dominion of Christ and His victorious reign over all nations and kingdoms (Ps. 110: 1-7).

Possessing the Gate (cont.)

- Glorious Triumph of the church (Isa. 2: 2-4).
- Triumph of the Kingdom of Christ in this age. Though small; but shall become great (Mt. 13: 31-32).
- The Plan of Salvation for the ethnic Israel and the Nations (Rom. 11: 11-36).

Conclusion

Holding on to the promise of God, the church has a bright future. It is becoming a place of dominion, a place of power, a place of wealth, a place of inheritance.

Are you part of this Kingdom?

What it takes is only obedience (willingness and obedience).