

Study Guide on Genesis 17:1-14 **New International Version**

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Genesis 17:1-14

(Genesis 17:1) When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty; walk before me faithfully and be blameless.

(Genesis 17:2) Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers."

(Genesis 17:3) Abram fell facedown, and God said to him,

(Genesis 17:4) "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations.

(Genesis 17:5) No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations.

(Genesis 17:6) I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you.

(Genesis 17:7) I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you.

(Genesis 17:8) The whole land of Canaan, where you now reside as a foreigner, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God."

(Genesis 17:9) Then God said to Abraham, "As for you, you must keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you for the generations to come.

(Genesis 17:10) This is my covenant with you and your descendants after you, the covenant you are to keep: Every male among you shall be circumcised.

(Genesis 17:11) You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you.

(Genesis 17:12) For the generations to come every male among you who is eight days old must be circumcised, including those born in your household or bought with money from a foreigner—those who are not your offspring.

(Genesis 17:13) Whether born in your household or bought with your money, they must be circumcised. My covenant in your flesh is to be an everlasting covenant.

(Genesis 17:14) Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.”

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?