

## Study Notes and Questions for Genesis 17

- God called Abraham to be “blameless.” What does that mean?
- How did Abraham respond to God in **verse 3**. What do you think his response was meant to convey to God?
- What promise did God give Abraham in **verse 4**?
- Why do you think it was important for God to give new names to Abraham and Sarah?
- In **verse 8** the Lord gives a timeframe for the covenant He is confirming with Abraham. What is that timeframe?
- What is the covenant that God made with Abraham (verse 10) and what implications does it illuminate on a spiritual level?
- What warning did God give concerning this covenant in **verse 14**?
- Why did Abraham laugh when God told him that Sarah would bear him a child?
- Abraham actually ended up having several children. What do we learn in **verse 19** about one of his children?
- What did Abraham ask the Lord concerning Ishmael and what was the Lord's response?
- How does **verse 23** speak of Abraham's obedience?