

## **Genesis 26:1-2 (NLT)**

**[1] A severe famine now struck the land, as had happened before in Abraham's time. So Isaac moved to Gerar, where Abimelech, king of the Philistines, lived.**

**[2] The LORD appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt, but do as I tell you."**

## **Genesis 26:3-4 (NLT)**

**[3] Live here as a foreigner in this land, and I will be with you and bless you. I hereby confirm that I will give all these lands to you and your descendants, just as I solemnly promised Abraham, your father. [4] I will cause your descendants to become as numerous as the stars of the sky, and I will give them all these lands...**

## **Genesis 26:4-6 (NLT)**

**[4]...And through your descendants all the nations of the earth will be blessed. [5] I will do this because Abraham listened to me and obeyed all my requirements, commands, decrees, and instructions.”**

**[6] So Isaac stayed in Gerar.**

**STAND FIRM !**

**Genesis 26:1-11**



## God Tells Isaac... vs. 3

- **STAY** in the Land
- I will be **WITH** you
- I will **BLESS** you

## God **PROMISED** to...

- GIVE the **LAND**
- **CONFIRM** the oath He made to Abraham
- make you into a **NATION**
- bless **ALL NATIONS**

**God** said:

**I will** be **WITH** you

and **I will BLESS** you

**Isaac had to OBEY God**  
in order to **fully EXPERIENCE**  
**God's PRESENCE** and  
**BLESSINGS**

**Hebrews 13:5-6 (HCS)** Your life should be free from the love of money. Be **SATISFIED** with what you have, for **He Himself has said,**  
**I will NEVER leave you or FORSAKE you.**

[6] Therefore, we may boldly say: **The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.** What can man do to me?

**Hebrews 13:5 (NLT)** ...I will never **FAIL** you.  
**I will never ABANDON you.**

**Stand Firm - BELIEVE** God's Promises

**Stand Firm - TRUST** God

**Stand Firm - WATCH** what God will do

**Stand Firm - Do not GIVE UP**

2 Chronicles 20:15 (NET)

...Don't be **AFRAID** and don't **PANIC**

...For the **battle is NOT yours,** but **God's**

**God is FAITHFUL**  
**to His Promises** even when  
we are **NOT faithful**

## Luke 2:29-32 (NIV)

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. [30] For my eyes have seen **YOUR SALVATION**, [31] which **YOU** have prepared in the sight of all people, [32]

**a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."**

**John 8:12 (NIV)**

**...I AM the light of the WORLD.**

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, **but will have the light of life."**

Galatians 3:8-9 (NIV)

The Scripture **FORESAW** that God would **JUSTIFY** the Gentiles by **FAITH**, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "**ALL NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED THROUGH YOU.**"

[9] So those who have **FAITH** are blessed along with Abraham, the man of **FAITH**.

## Revelation 5:9-10 (NLT)

And they sang a new song with these words: “**You are worthy** to take the scroll and break its seals and open it. **For you were SLAUGHTERED**, and your blood has **RANSOMED** people for God from every **TRIBE** and **LANGUAGE** and **PEOPLE** and **NATION**. [10] And you have caused them to become a Kingdom of priests for our God. And they will reign on the earth.”

Hebrews 4:15 (NIV)

For we do not have a high priest  
who is unable to **SYMPATHIZE** with our  
weaknesses, but we have one who has  
been **TEMPTED in every way**, just as we  
are--**yet was without sin.**

Hebrews 4:16 (NIV)

**Let us then approach the throne of  
grace with confidence,** so that we may  
receive **MERCY** and find **GRACE**  
**to help us in our time of need.**

Hebrews 12:11 (NIV)

**No DISCIPLINE seems pleasant  
at the time, but painful.**

Later on, however, **it produces a harvest of  
righteousness and peace** for those who  
have been trained by it.

Hebrews 13:5 (NIV)

**...God has said,**

**"Never will I LEAVE you;**

**never will I FORSAKE you."**

If it is in your heart to run then run, if it is  
in your heart to stand, then stand.

**The same man may both run or stand  
as the call and working of God within  
his heart may show.**

J. Bunyan

# Questions

1. Why did God remind Isaac that He was **WITH** him and would Bless him?
2. Why was it so easy for Isaac to slip in to Lying to protect himself?
3. What does it mean for us to **STAND FIRM** and Face our Fears?