

# Worship Primer Sun Jan 31

The Big Story: Abram and the Blood Path

Text: Genesis 15:1-6

Noel is on part 5 of a 10 part series on "The Big Story" which discusses the Covenant God made with Abram.

"Years after the initial promise, God returns to Abram to reiterate his promise, "Your reward will be very great." God says and Abram is almost sarcastic. "How am I going to receive this promise when everything I own is going to be inherited (according to local custom) by my servant Eliezer who is from Damascus.

"God then takes a human legal custom, a bloody treaty ceremony, and imbibes it with new meaning. Despite all appearances, God promises, and Abram believes and the Gospel takes shape."- Noel

Join the Tintern Church of Christ livestream this Sunday January 31 at 10 am.LINK TO TINTERN YOUTUBE CHANNEL:<https://www.youtube.com/user/TinternCofC>

Songs for January 31 to prepare you before Sunday 10:00 am meeting\*\*\* Copy and paste the URL to listen OR go to the Tintern Facebook listing or Martin's Facebook listing and just click on the URL. \*\*\* Sorry for the ads...I don't know how to avoid them.

Please take the time to listen to some songs before church.As I was about to prepare this Sermon Primer, I was made aware of June Tallman's passing. It caused me to pause and consider many things. June's life was definitely an example of "The Big Story" of the Bible.

Our condolences to Doug and her family.Doug and June were a team and a vivid example of Servant-Leadership that has been their trademark for over 60 years. They were known for their humble, quiet and extremely generous support of everything that went on at Tintern and Great Lakes. June lead in all sorts of ways and was very helpful and organized and so thoughtful of others. Her laugh was infectious and her singing an inspiration. Her families, both physical and spiritual, were always put first. Personally, I found her to be an Encourager and she went out of her way to show her appreciation for what was being done at church. The Tallmans and Funks and Tintern Church are suffering a great loss. June is enjoying a great Victory in heaven. -- Martin

A couple of songs that remind me of June Tallman's servant attitude.The Servant Song (a capella) 3:06 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FejoxTNwbiY>

A Beautiful Life ...always looking to serve others.<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DGC82qNzus4>

June knew her songs and had a strong alto voice, so the next song has an alto lead. Home of the Soul. (a capella) 2:06 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgKS8ALIsYE>

And from the Great Lakes Family, a song for Doug and the Tallman family. The Lord Bless You and Keep You 2:38 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kj2IPZQXeL0>

### **Kid's Videos This Week**

I'm Trusting You God - Roar <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0VDpHibftHs>

Faith is just Believing <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=54jdoEIL7uk>

### **Genesis 15:1-6**

1 After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward." 2 But Abram said, "Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" 3 And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir." 4 Then the word of the LORD came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." 5 He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." 6 Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.