

Read Genesis 17:1-8

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.

2 Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers.”

3 Abram fell facedown, and God said to him,

4 “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations.

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

6 I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you.

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.

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.”

When Abram was 99 years old, and God appeared to him, what did God tell him to do (v. 1)?
Be faithful to me and obey my commands.

If Abram obeyed, what would God do then (v. 2)? Then God would make another covenant with Abram. And give him lots of descendants.

Why did Abraham fall face down (v. 3)? He was worshipping God. He was amazed that God would bless him so much.

What else did God do (v. 5)? God changed Abram's name to Abraham.

What did God promise Abraham as part of the second covenant (vv. 2, 4, 6)? God would make him the (spiritual) father of many different people and nations. Some of his descendants would even be kings.

How long did God say the covenant would last (v. 7)? Forever. Because God will live forever.

What did God promise Abraham (v. 7)? That He would be the God of Abraham and the God of all of Abraham's descendants.

What else did God promise Abraham (v. 8)? That He would give the Promised Land of Canaan to Abraham and his descendants and it would be theirs forever. And He would be their God forever.