The Fatherhood of Father Abraham Genesis 18:19

Introduction: Abraham is promised a son (Genesis 12:1-3)

Abraham's Ultimate Test of Faith regarding his son (Genesis 22:1-19)

Genesis 18:19

For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

What did God see in Abraham that would make him a faithful father?

Gen.18:19

I. God foreknew that Abraham would <u>TEACH/TRAIN</u> his household to live Godly lives "Command his children" = discipline/training

II. God foreknew that Abraham would <u>MODEL</u> the righteous life for his family to follow

"After him" = <u>example</u>; He would <u>exemplify</u> righteousness

III. God foreknew that Abraham would <u>EXPECT OBEDIENCE</u> to God's ways "They shall keep the way" = <u>Obedience</u>