



Inter-European Division - Sabbath School Ministry
Outline for Sabbath School Teachers with ideas for group discussion inspired by the Teachers' Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.

Lesson No. 04 **17 - 23 April 2021**
Title: **An Everlasting Covenant**

Pastoral Group Objectives

Encourage the group to welcome each other and express acceptance towards each other, share needs and pray for each other and for those who are absent.

Let's Share the Word

Key Texts: **Genesis 17:1-14; Exodus 3:14; Revelation 14:6-7; Genesis 15:7-18; 41:45; Daniel 1:7**

Themes to Explore

1. As well as revealing Himself personally with His covenant with Abram, God unfolds His intent to save all peoples.
2. God presents Himself with several names, to reveal His nature. When He changes someone else's name it shows His sanctifying will.
3. His covenant with Noah was to save them from moral catastrophe, with Abram it was to realise the plan of salvation in history.

Suggestions for Teaching and Spiritual Objectives:

Study the elements of continuity in the covenants with Noah and Abram; highlight elements that are added and those that are prophetic.

Possible Questions for Deeper Study, Sharing and Application:

1. Why is God's covenant with Abram so important and repeated so many times in the Bible?
2. Why did God present Himself to Abram with so many names?
3. Why did God change Abram's name? What are the spiritual and moral implications of the new name?
4. How can we pass on to others the effects of the saving covenant that God established with Abram?

Personal Testimony and Church Mission:

Confess your limits, weaknesses and lack of passion in testifying of your faith in the Lord and in His plans.