
Journey Through the Bible- Week 3

2/22/26

MESSAGE NOTES

Abraham - **Promise**

Act 1: THE WORLD DESCENDS INTO CHAOS

The Lord observed the extent of human **wickedness** on the earth, and he saw that everything they thought or imagined was consistently and totally **evil**. So the Lord was **sorry** he had ever made them and put them on the earth. It **broke his heart**. And the Lord said, "I will wipe this human race I have created from the face of the earth. Yes, and I will destroy every living thing—all the people, the large animals, the small animals that scurry along the ground, and even the birds of the sky. I am sorry I ever made them." But Noah found favor with the Lord. Genesis 6:5-8 (NLT)

Act 2: GOD'S PLAN IS TO RAISE UP A NATION

Before Abraham, there was **failure**.

Adam and Eve - sin entered the world

Cain and Abel - violence

The Flood - corruption

From Failure to **Hope**

This is the account of Terah's family. Terah was the father of Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran was the father of Lot. But Haran died in Ur of the Chaldeans, the land of his birth, while his father, Terah was still living. Meanwhile, Abram and Nahor both married. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai, the name of Nahor's wife was Milcah... But Sarai was **unable** to become pregnant and had **no children**. One day Terah took his son Abram, his daughter-in-law Sarai, and his grandson Lot and **moved away** from Ur of the Chaldeans. He was headed for the land of Canaan, but they stopped at Haran and **settled** there. Terah lived for 205 years and died while still in Haran. Genesis 11:27-32 (NLT)

"Your fathers... lived beyond the Euphrates... and they served other gods." Joshua 24:2 (ESV)

ABRAM'S CALLING

The Lord had said to Abram, "**Leave** your native country, your relatives, and **go** your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. **I will** bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be **blessed** through you. Genesis 12:1-3 (NLT)

God asks Abram to leave:

Country (security)

People (community)

Father's House (inheritance and identity)

ABRAM'S JOURNEY

So Abram **departed** as the Lord had **instructed**, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he left Haran Genesis 12:4 (NLT)

Act 3: THE PROMISE

THE THREE PROMISES TO ABRAM

1. LAND — Which Became Israel
2. SEED — Grows Into Great Nation
3. BLESSING — To All Nations, Fulfilled in Christ

Act 4: FROM PROMISE TO REDEMPTION

In the same way, "Abraham **believed** God, and God counted him as **righteous** because of his **faith**." The real children of Abraham, then, are those who put their **faith** in God. What's more, the Scriptures looked forward to this time when God would make the **Gentiles** right in his sight because of their faith. God proclaimed this **good news** to Abraham long ago when he said, "All nations will be **blessed** through you." Galatians 3:6-7

So all who put their **faith** in Christ share the same **blessing** Abraham received because of his **faith**. Galatians 3:9 (NLT)

Then God says: "**TRUST ME.**"

Then the hinge of the whole Bible: "And Abram believed the Lord. And the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith." Genesis 15:6 (NLT)

When people work, their wages are not a gift, but something they have earned. But people are counted as righteous, not because of their work, but because of their faith in God who forgives sinners. Romans 4:4-5 (NLT)

And it is **impossible** to please God without **faith**. Anyone who wants to come to him must **believe** that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely **seek** him. Hebrews 11:6 (NLT)

It was by **faith** that Noah built a large boat to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God... Hebrews 11:7 (NLT)

It was by **faith** that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home. He went without knowing where he was going. Hebrews 11:8 (NLT)

Act 5: GOD WANTS OUR TRUST

