

**IT DOESNT MATTER WHERE YOU CAME FROM,  
All That Matters Is Where You Are Going.**

**1- THINK OF ABRAHAM... a moon worshipper and idolater...**

**Genesis 12:1-3 "Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."**

**Let me begin by saying, "Everything you've ever wanted is on the other side of fear. Thank God Abraham obeyed.**

**Hebrews 11:8 "By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, Obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went." This is why he is called the Father of Faith**

**Think about it. What if Abraham hadn't obeyed...  
he would have died an insignificant moon worshipper...  
But today, Abraham is a household name around the  
World...**

**I've discovered, your past is like an anchor; unless you are willing to cut it free and set sail, you will never see a better tomorrow... oh, stop talking about where you've been and start celebrating where you're going... for God's best is never in your past but always in front of you.**

## **2- Think of Rahab the prostitute...**

**Joshua 2:1 And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there.**

**You say, Pastor, you don't know what I've done...  
That may be true, but God never consults your past to decide your future...**

**Hardships often prepare ordinary people for an extraordinary destiny.**

**Your experience with your NEXT is going to be greater than your nightmare with your EX!**

**Listen to I Corinthians 6:9-11 "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God."**

**I have learned. Your PAST DOES NOT DEFINE YOU, IT PREPARES YOU...**

**GOD TAKES EVERYTHING YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH IN YOUR LIFE, SANCTIFIES IT AND THEN USES IT FOR HIS GLORY...**

**Later On, The Bible tells us, Rahab married Salmon, who**

**was the son of Nahshon, and their son was Boaz, who was King David's Grandfather...**

**3- Then we have Ruth...**

**She was a Moabite woman... Moab was known for their worship of false gods and sexual immorality...**

**"And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her. And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law. And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God: where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me."**

**You know the Story!**

**If Ruth had a word of advice to you and I today...  
she would say what the angel said to Lot and his family...  
Genesis 19:17 Escape for thy life; look not behind thee,**

**A gem cannot be polished without friction, nor a man perfected without trials.**

**4- Then we have Saul of Tarsus....**