

Blessed to Be a Blessing

Genesis 12:1-3

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1. Have you ever had the opportunity to “go” somewhere you’ve never been before? Did this excite you or make you nervous? Why?
2. Read Genesis 11:27-12:3. What did God ask Abram to leave behind in Genesis 12:1? Why is this significant?
3. What are the specific promises God makes to Abram in Genesis 12:2-3? Which ones are personal, and which ones are global in scope? How much of this do you think he initially understood?
4. What does it mean that “all peoples on earth will be blessed” through Abraham? How did Abraham’s descendants do in their task of blessing all peoples?
5. What other verses in the Bible come to mind in which God calls people to “go”? How have you sensed God calling you to “go” into the unknown? Describe how you feel about this.
6. What would be hardest for you to leave behind if God called you like He did Abram? Why?
7. In what ways have you experienced God’s blessing in your life recently? In what ways can you be a blessing to others this week? How could your Growth Group bless someone?
8. How can the church today live out God’s promise to bless “all peoples on earth”? Be specific.
9. Why do you think God’s mission from the very beginning included “all nations”? How does this shape our understanding of God’s heart?
10. How does Genesis 12:1–3 relate to the people’s previous desire to “make a name for ourselves” by constructing the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11:4? How does this connect with the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19–20 and the model for missions found in Acts 2:1-13?
11. What does God’s call to Abraham and his response to that call teach us about faith and obedience. What do we learn about God’s character?
12. How has this study sensitized you to the needs of our Go Team partners as they have left family, friends, and comfort to take the gospel to the nations? What are some practical ways you can support and encourage those who have responded to the call to “go” with the gospel? Pick one missionary or mission organization and do something specific for them this week.