

**“The First Steps of Faith”**

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Genesis 12:1-6

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***Introduction:***

- A. Will you put your trust in what you can \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, or will you have faith in a \_\_\_\_\_?
- B. Abraham was a man who believed the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

***I. The Story***

- A. Abraham had \_\_\_\_\_ beginnings and was just another \_\_\_\_\_ face in the crowd of humanity.
- B. Abraham was born in the Chaldean city of \_\_\_\_\_ in Mesopotamia which is in modern day \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Like his relatives and neighbors, and before god appeared to him, Abraham like worshiped \_\_\_\_\_ and accepted mythology as \_\_\_\_\_ (Josh. 24:2-3).
- D. How wonderful it is to realize that God chose Abraham by \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. When we look at Abraham’s call and his response to that call, it appears that Abraham failed to fully \_\_\_\_\_ God’s call.
  - 1. What has the Lord told me to do that I haven’t done?
  - 2. Remember: \_\_\_\_\_ obedience is simple \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. Thankfully, God was \_\_\_\_\_ with Abraham and finally brought him along to \_\_\_\_\_ obedience.
- G. Notice the promises that God gave Abraham and consider the fact that Abraham didn’t know \_\_\_\_\_ God would work it out, but Abraham trusted that God \_\_\_\_\_ do it.
  - 1. God wants us to have that same kind of faith so that we can trust in all God’s promises, even though we have \_\_\_\_\_ how God will fulfill them.

***II. The Application***

- A. Two commands we find couched in God’s promises to Abraham.
  - 1. \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. God commanded Abraham to leave the \_\_\_\_\_ and familiar for the unknown and the \_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. When God commands us to go, it often means we have to \_\_\_\_\_ and put our trust in God.
  - 2. Be a \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. God calls us to “\_\_\_\_\_” in the spiritual darkness.
    - b. We can be a blessing in \_\_\_\_\_ ways and \_\_\_\_\_ ways.
- B. Old saying: “the journey of a thousand miles begins with \_\_\_\_\_.”
  - 1. What step of \_\_\_\_\_ do you need to make today?

Answer Key: Intro.A. touch, see, promise. B. promise. I.A. humble, nameless. I.B. Ur, Iraq. I.C. idols, truth. I.D. grace. I.E. obey. I.E.2. partial, disobedience. I.F. patient. I.G. how, would. I.G.1. no, idea. II.A.1. Go. II.A.1.a. known, unfamiliar. II.A.1.b. let, go. II.A.2. blessing. II.A.2.a. cut, holes. II.A.2.b. big, small. II.B. one, step. II.B.1. faith.