

First words

Where did it all begin? – The \_\_\_\_\_ of Abraham’s faith

A. Abraham’s \_\_\_\_\_

**Genesis 11:10** - *These are the generations of Shem. When Shem was 100 years old, he fathered Arpachshad two years after the flood.*

**Genesis 11:25–26** - *And Nahor lived after he fathered Terah 119 years and had other sons and daughters. <sup>26</sup> When Terah had lived 70 years, he fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran.*

B. Abraham’s \_\_\_\_\_

**Genesis 11:27–28** - *Now these are the generations of Terah. Terah fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran fathered Lot. <sup>28</sup> Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans.*

**Joshua 24:2** - *And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, ‘Long ago, your fathers lived beyond the Euphrates, Terah, the father of Abraham and of Nahor; and they served other gods.’*

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A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Abraham

1. It was call \_\_\_\_\_ by the LORD – **Genesis 12:1a** - *“Now the LORD...”*

2. It was a call to a \_\_\_\_\_ - **Genesis 12:1b** – *“...said to Abram”* - Literally “had said”

3. It was a call to \_\_\_\_\_ - **Genesis 12:1c** - *“Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house”*

4. It was a call to \_\_\_\_\_ – **Genesis 12:1d** - *“...to the land that I will show you”*

5. It was a call to the \_\_\_\_\_ – **Genesis 12:2** - *And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.*

6. It was a call to be a \_\_\_\_\_ – **Genesis 12:3** - *I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”*

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Abraham

1. Abraham’s obedience was \_\_\_\_\_.

**Genesis 12:4–5a** - *So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup> And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan.*

a. Because of his family \_\_\_\_\_ – **Genesis 11:28** - *Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans. (see v. 31)*

b. Because of his family \_\_\_\_\_ - **Genesis 11:29-30** - *Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans. <sup>29</sup> And Abram and Nahor took wives. The name of Abram’s wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor’s wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and Iscah. <sup>30</sup> Now Sarai was barren; she had no child.*

2. Abraham's obedience was \_\_\_\_\_.

***Genesis 11:31–32** - Terah took Abram his son and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they went forth together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan, but when they came to Haran, they settled there. <sup>32</sup> The days of Terah were 205 years, and Terah died in Haran.*

3. Abraham's obedience was \_\_\_\_\_

a. With the LORD's \_\_\_\_\_ – **Genesis 12:5b–6** -..... *When they came to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup> Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land.*

b. With the LORD's \_\_\_\_\_ - **Genesis 12:7** - *Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.*

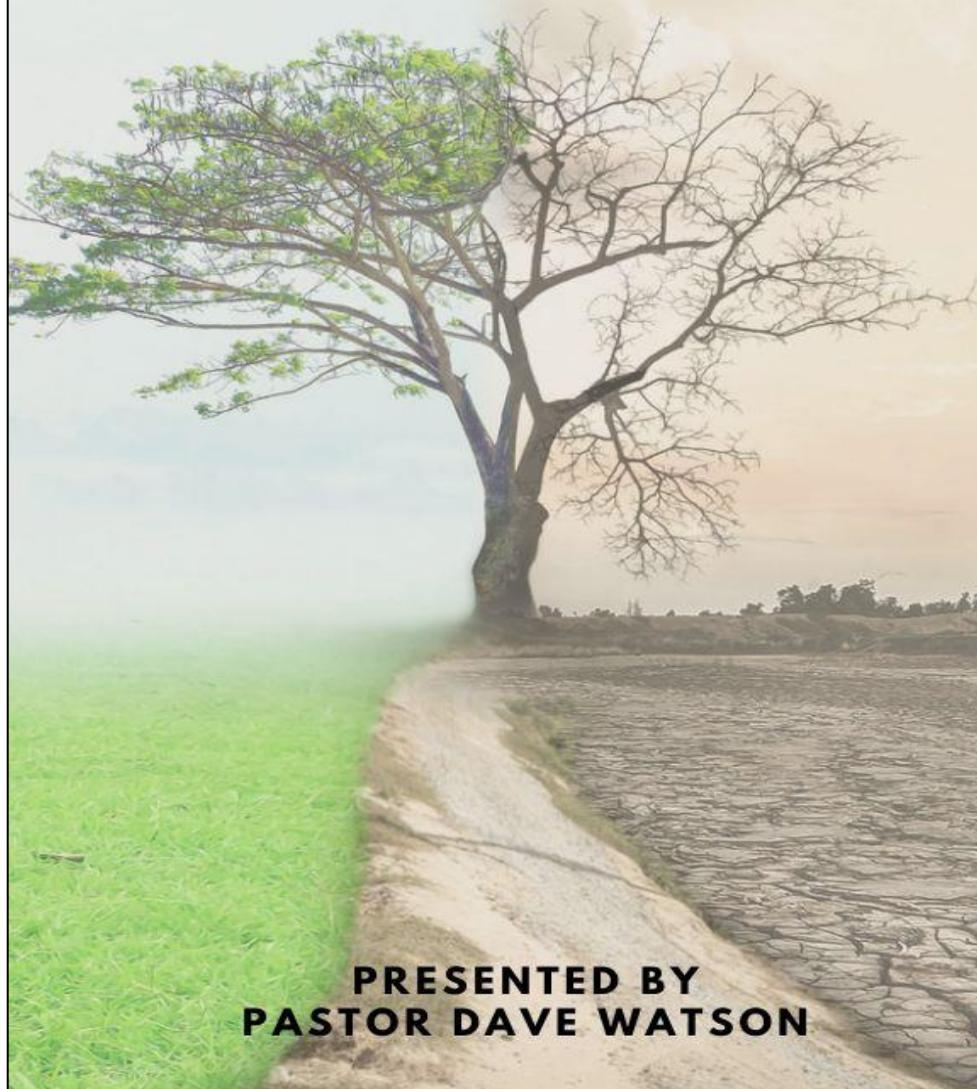
c. With the LORD's \_\_\_\_\_ – **Genesis 12:8–9** - *From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup> And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.*

***Hebrews 11:8–9** - By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise.*

So....What's It To Me?

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## THE JOURNEY BEGINS



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