



THE FOOTSTEPS OF FAITH  
THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ABRAHAM  
GENESIS 11:27-12:9

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1. Look \_\_\_\_\_ (11:27-12:3) *Genesis 11:27–12:9 (ESV)*  
27 Now these are the generations of Terah. Terah fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran fathered Lot. 28 Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans. 29 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. 30 Now Sarai was barren; she had no child. 31 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. 32 The days of Terah were 205 years, and Terah died in Haran. 12 Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 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. 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." 4 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. 5 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. When they came to the land of Canaan, 6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 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. 8 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. 9 And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.
2. Follow \_\_\_\_\_ (12:4-6)
3. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ (12:7-9)

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. **Read Galatians 3:7-9.** Consider the context of these verses, especially the verses that surround it in chapter 3. Why is it so important for us to remember that our hope is found in the gospel and not in our works? What trouble will we experience if we lose sight of that?
2. As you seek to grow in your faith, how often do you think about the promises of God? What are some ways you would like to grow in obedience as a Christian and what are some corresponding promises that will help you grow in those ways?
3. **Read Hebrews 11:8.** What are some ways you may struggle to obey God when you are unsure where that obedience may lead?
4. **Read Hebrews 11:13-16.** What are the ways you may be tempted to get tied down by the things of this world? How does the example of Abraham motivate you to live like a stranger and exile in this world?
5. **Read Psalm 147.** No matter what the external circumstances may be in your life right now, what are some reasons that you have to worship the Lord and to proclaim his greatness?

### RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

*Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.*

Kauflin, Bob. *True Worshipers*. Crossway, 2015.

McManis, Cliff. *What the Bible Says About Israel*. With All Wisdom Publications, 2020.

Piper, John. *Finally Alive*. Christian Focus, 2009.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise God for the hope that comes only through his promises.

Pray that God would strengthen our faith in him.

Pray that our church's Life Groups would truly be hubs of fellowship and discipleship in our church body.

Pray for our new missions partner, Edi Demo and the Illyricum Movement.

Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

### REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	Old Testament	New Testament
1/22	Genesis 42-44	Matthew 15
1/23	Genesis 45-47	Matthew 16
1/24	Genesis 48-50	Matthew 17
1/25	Exodus 1-2	Matthew 18
1/26	Exodus 3-4	Matthew 19
1/27	Exodus 5-7	Matthew 20