



THE FOOTSTEPS OF FAITH
THE PROTECTION OF GOD'S PROMISES
GENESIS 12:10-20

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1. Trust _____
(v. 10)

Genesis 12:10-20 (ESV)

10 Now there was a famine in the land. So Abram went down to Egypt to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. 11 When he was about to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, "I know that you are a woman beautiful in appearance, 12 and when the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife.' Then they will kill me, but they will let you live. 13 Say you are my sister, that it may go well with me because of you, and that my life may be spared for your sake." 14 When Abram entered Egypt, the Egyptians saw that the woman was very beautiful. 15 And when the princes of Pharaoh saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. 16 And for her sake he dealt well with Abram; and he had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male servants, female servants, female donkeys, and camels. 17 But the LORD afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. 18 So Pharaoh called Abram and said, "What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? 19 Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her for my wife? Now then, here is your wife; take her, and go." 20 And Pharaoh gave men orders concerning him, and they sent him away with his wife and all that he had.

2. Trust _____
(vv. 11-16)

3. Trust _____
(12:7-9)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. **Read Acts 14:21-23.** What problems will arise if you do not expect hard things to happen in the Christian life? How might you be tempted to believe this unbiblical thought?
2. **Read Romans 8:31-32.** What should this kind of confidence in the promises and the goodness of God look like in your life this week?
3. In what ways might a lack of faith in the Lord tempt you to compromise? As you think through these temptations, identify a specific passage in the Bible that will help you be confident in the Lord when you face those temptations.
4. **Read Psalm 71:1-6.** What will it look like for you to seek refuge in the Lord even when your life is affected by the failure of others?
5. **Read Hebrews 12:7-11.** Even though it can be painful, how does it encourage you to know that God can restore you and use lessons from your failures to make you stronger in the faith?

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.

Fabarez, Mike. *Lifelines for Tough Times*. Harvest House, 2014.

Jones, Robert D. *Uprooting Anger*. P&R Publishing, 2005.

Weidmann, Josh. *The End of Anxiety*. Salem Books, 2020.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that God would strengthen our faith in his protection.

Pray that we would trust God without compromise.

Pray that the women's event next Saturday will foster contentment in the hearts of Compass Women.

Pray that God would raise up more healthy and strong churches in the Treasure Valley

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
1/29	Exodus 8-10	Matthew 21
1/30	Exodus 11-13	Matthew 22
1/31	Exodus 14-16	Matthew 23
2/1	Exodus 17-20	Matthew 24:1-28
2/2	Exodus 21-23	Matthew 24:29-51
2/3	Exodus 24-26	Matthew 25