

GENESIS

Week 2

The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. 2 "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Genesis 12:1-3

God initiates relationship through covenant.

God is gracious to justify his children by faith.

Jesus is the mediator of the new covenant.

Covenants point to the faithfulness of God.

"God, who foresaw your tribulation, has specially armed you to go through it, not without pain but without stain."

-C.S. Lewis

How to receive forgiveness from God:

- 1) Admit you, like everyone else, need a new life in Jesus.
- 2) Ask God to forgive your sins by the sacrifice of Jesus.
- 3) Receive new life from God by trusting in Jesus as your Savior & Lord.

You can do that now by simply talking to God in a prayer like this:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe you died for my sins and rose from the dead. Today, I receive you as my Savior; and I put my faith in you as my LORD. Help me to live for you all the days of my life. In your name, Amen.

If you chose to follow Jesus today, text "FAITH" to 309-250-2007 to receive additional information about next steps in following Jesus

for further reflection:

Trace the covenant of Abraham

- Read Genesis 12:1-4; 15:1-18 and 17

Discussion Questions

- What did you discover about God in Genesis 15?
- How does Abram's faith inspire the way you think about and relate to God?
- Where in your life do you feel God is calling you to faithfully trust Him?

WINTER JAM 2023

February 10th to February 11th
Wells Fargo Arena | Des Moines IA.

Winter Jam is going to Des Moines and so are we! This event is for students & friends in grades 6th-12th.

Featuring: We The Kingdom, Jeremy Camp, Andy Mineo, Anne Wilson, Austin French, Thrive Worship and more!

Head to our church app for more information & to get registered. This is a night you will NOT want to miss!

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Pastor Michaela Colbrese, January 29, 2023

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