

“I’ll Have My Christianity To Go!”

Genesis 12:1-8

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THE BIG IDEA

This message focused on the nature of God, who sends himself in the world to restore all things. He comes first as Creator then also as Redeemer and Sustainer. We are called to live in his likeness by being people who “go.” God calls us to “take our Christianity to go” and to allow him to shape our ordinary lives for extraordinary things, as he did for Abraham. Although there was nothing particularly special about Abraham, the power of God’s call upon his life made all the difference for his influence and success. He was an heir of the promises of God and a recipient of God’s blessings. God’s powerful call can make such a claim upon our lives as well. He will qualify us for whatever life he’s inviting us to so that we may know him, his grace, and his glory in deeper ways.

GETTING STARTED

1. How was your Christmas and New Year? As you start the new year, is there anything in particular you’re looking forward to?
2. What does it mean to “have our Christianity to go”?

LEARNING & LIVING OUT SCRIPTURE

Together, read Genesis 12:1-8.

3. What did God promise Abraham?
4. What does it mean that God blessed Abraham? The Hebrew word for blessing refers to favor upon a person that bestows wellbeing.
5. How would Abraham become a blessing?
6. What did Abraham have to leave in order to lean into the promises of God?
7. Is there anything that strikes you as odd in terms of Abraham’s life and his ability to leave his country to pursue this vision and blessing God had for him?
8. Based on this narrative and its outcome, why is the call of God important? What were its implications for Abraham’s life?

LIVING OUT “REAL LIFE”

9. Is God calling and commissioning you to “go” anywhere or to meet needs in a particular arena in life? If so, where? What blessings or wellbeing do you have that might be used to positively impact or bless the lives of others?

THE “EXTRA-MILE”

10. Take a risk this week for your faith.

SHARING & PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for the people who are victims of the Camp Fire, the response of Bidwell and our community.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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