

# Faith To Live As A Sojourner

## 1. Abraham would spend his life in a moveable, not permanent home

1. Genesis 12:8-9
2. Ur was no longer his permanent home.
3. Nowhere on this earth could be his permanent home

## 2. Abraham's inheritance was not physical but spiritual

1. The land was promised to his seed (Genesis 12:7).
2. **Acts 7:5** "Yet he gave him no inheritance in it, not even a foot's length, but promised to give it to him as a possession and to his offspring after him, though he had no child."
3. **Hebrews 11:9-10** "9 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. 10 For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God."

## 3. Putting it to work

1. Abraham was able to move freely in the world because he was rooted in heaven.
2. The Christian is able to live in peace in the world, because his permanent home is in heaven.
3. May our hearts be in heaven (Matthew 6:19-21).

# Journey To Jesus



## Lesson Four

# Faithful Abraham

## Outline

- Faith To Leave
- Faith To Lead His Family
- Faith To Live As A Sojourner

## Faith To Leave

### 1. Home

1. **Genesis 12:1** "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. He left the only place he knew
  1. **Genesis 11:31** "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."
  2. **Genesis 12:4** "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."
3. Left without knowing where he was going (Hebrews 11:8).

### 2. His family

1. His father's home (Genesis 12:1).
2. The gods of his fathers (Joshua 24:2).
3. I have to leave traditions myself (Matthew 15:9).

### 3. We must choose to leave all for the Lord.

1. **Nehemiah 9:7** "You are the LORD, the God who chose Abram and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham."
2. **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."
3. Just like Abraham, God has chosen us to be His people.

## Faith To Lead His Family

### 1. He led his wife, nephew, and servants into Canaan

1. **Genesis 12:5** "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,"
2. He took them in the path of God, being led by faith.

### 2. Led by example

1. Abraham led his family physically
  1. Genesis 12:6
  2. Abraham physically led his family through the land, taking care of their needs as he went.
  3. I must provide physically for my family
    1. Men have their role (1 Timothy 5:8).
    2. Women have their role (Proverbs 31:27).
2. Abraham led his family spiritually
  1. Abraham showed his family how to worship (Genesis 12:7).
  2. God's plan and purpose was for the father to be the spiritual leader of the household.
  3. Parents are to teach their children (Deuteronomy 6:6-7).
  4. Sometimes it is up to others of the family (2 Timothy 1:5).
  5. It is up to the parents to show their children how to worship, how to study the Bible, and how to live a faithful Christian life.