

OPENING DOORS

The Call | Ron Holton

ICEBREAKER:

What gifts and talents has God blessed you/your family with?

READ:

Genesis 12:1-5

DISCUSS/OBSERVE:

1. What can we learn about God from this passage and/or Ron's sermon?
2. God directed Abram to leave his past without revealing his future destination. What does God's deliberate lack of detail teach us about the role of trust in your own walk of faith? Can you recall a time when God called you to take a step of faith without revealing the full picture?
3. Consider what Abram had to leave behind: his country, his community, and his father's house (Genesis 12:1). In your own life, what are your sources of comfort, familiarity, and security? How might God be asking you to release your grip on one or more of these things to follow Him more closely?
4. What are the specific promises God made to Abram regarding his future? What do these promises tell us about God's plan for His people?
5. How does God's promise to bless "all peoples of the earth" through Abram point to Jesus Christ?
6. Abram's journey was not a one-time decision but a process of continual daily faith. What are some of the smaller "moves" of faith and obedience God has called you to make in your life?

REFLECTION:

Write a prayer of gratitude that Jesus is the fulfillment of Genesis 12:1-3, the blessing of God for us and not just for us, for all the peoples of the world. Ask the Lord for His wisdom this week, to show you how He wants to use you to be a blessing for the purposes of His eternal kingdom.

APPLICATION:

God blessed Abram so that he could be a blessing to “all the families of the earth” (Genesis 12:3). What is one specific, tangible way you can use your current gifts or resources to be a blessing and open doors in your neighborhood, school, workplace, or immediate sphere of influence this week?

Consider how is God calling you to trust Him today. What will you do to be a part of Opening Doors?