

LESSON 18

The Call of Abram

Genesis 11:27-12:9

WELCOME

A Time for **Assembly**

Introduction to gather together through an ice breaker (10 minutes)

To start: Briefly share an experience of moving to a new home or workplace. How did you feel while going through the transition?

WORSHIP

A Time for **Adoration**

Inspiration to worship God through invocation, thanksgiving, and reading of Scripture (25 minutes)

Suggested Songs:

He Knows My Name, by Tommy Walker (page 54)

Draw Me Close, by Kelly Carpenter (page 52)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:27-12:9

WORD

A Time for **Admonition**

Instruction to communicate one's investigation of the story (content), interpretation based on the setting (context), and integration of the two for the spiritual truth (concept) (50 minutes)

1. Genesis 12 marks a new division in the book. What is the significance of Genesis 12 (12:1-3)?
2. What was clear (i.e., specific) about God's command to Abram? What was unclear (i.e., not specific) about it (12:1)? Read Hebrews 11:8.
3. What are the promises of God contained in His covenant with Abram (12:1-3)?
4. In what forms has Abram's blessing come to the world? To Christians? Read John 8:56 and Galatians 3:7-9.

WALK

A Time for **Accountability**

Invitation to apply the implication of the Scripture (connect), implementation of a specific action (conduct), and intercession for the saints/seekers (concern) (about 35 minutes)

1. If God were to impress upon you that He is calling you to make a major transition in your life, how ready would you be to obey Him?
2. Why would knowing Who calls you matter more than where you are called to go?
3. Preachers of “prosperity gospel” take the promise of blessing in Genesis 12:1-3 out of context. They say that the promise is meant for all Christians to claim directly for themselves today. What is a healthy view of stewardship that avoids the error of the “prosperity gospel”?
4. How can the group pray for you? Share now your personal needs or concerns with your accountability and prayer partners. These may include attitudes that need to be changed and/or specific actions to be done in obedience to God’s Word. As you intercede for each other, pray also for others outside the group who need to know Jesus.