

The Life of
ABRAHAM

“Abraham’s Calling”

Genesis 12:1-9



Chapters 12-50

Abraham

Isaac

Jacob

Joseph



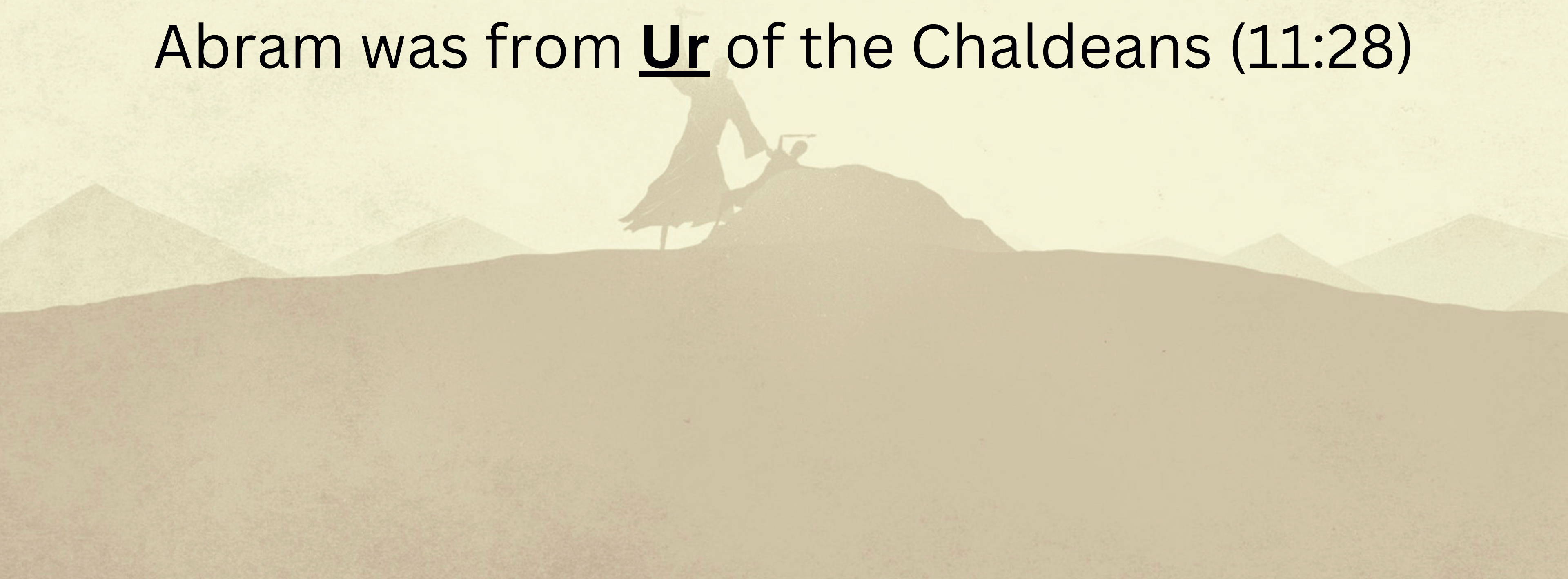
Background of Abraham

- Life story covers 25% of book of Genesis
- Name appears more than 300x's in Bible (11 of 27 books in the N.T.)
- Three world religions trace their spiritual heritage back to Abraham (Judaism, Christianity, Muslim)
- Abram = “exalted father” / “my father is exalted”
- Abraham = “father of a multitude”



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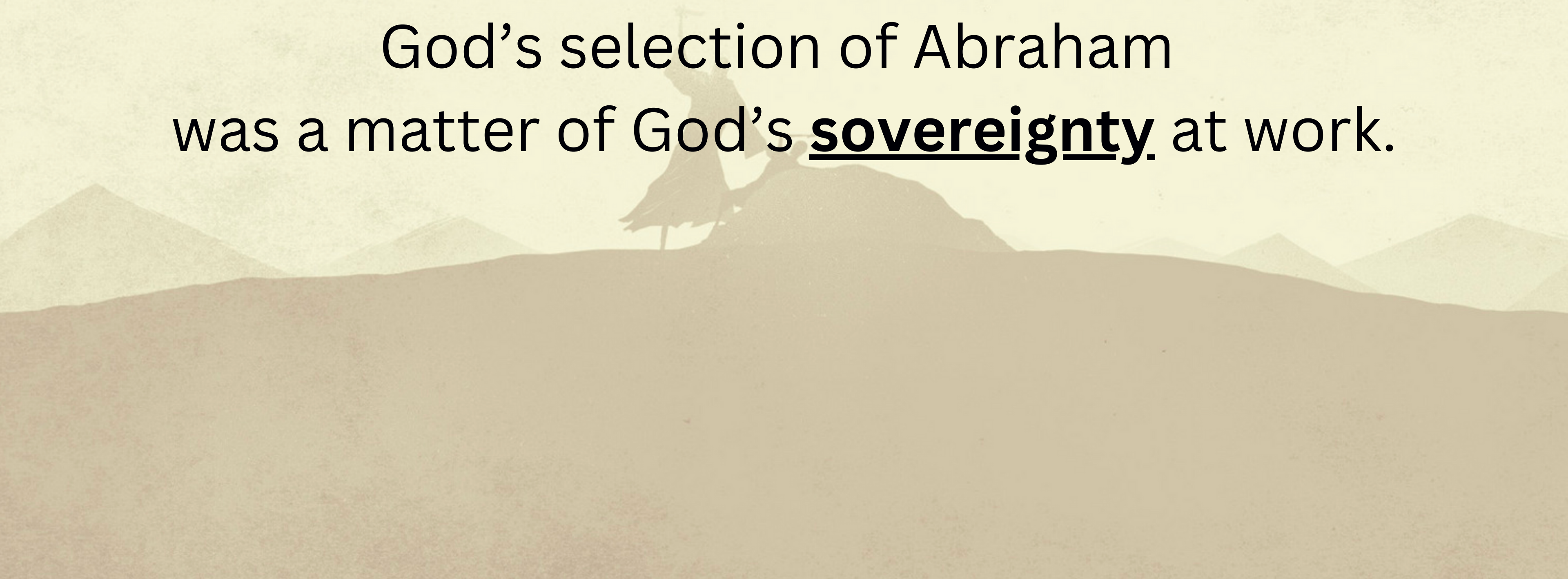
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Abram wasn't seeking after God;
God was seeking after Abram.

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***“16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and
appointed you so that you might go
and bear fruit that will last.”***

(John 15:16)

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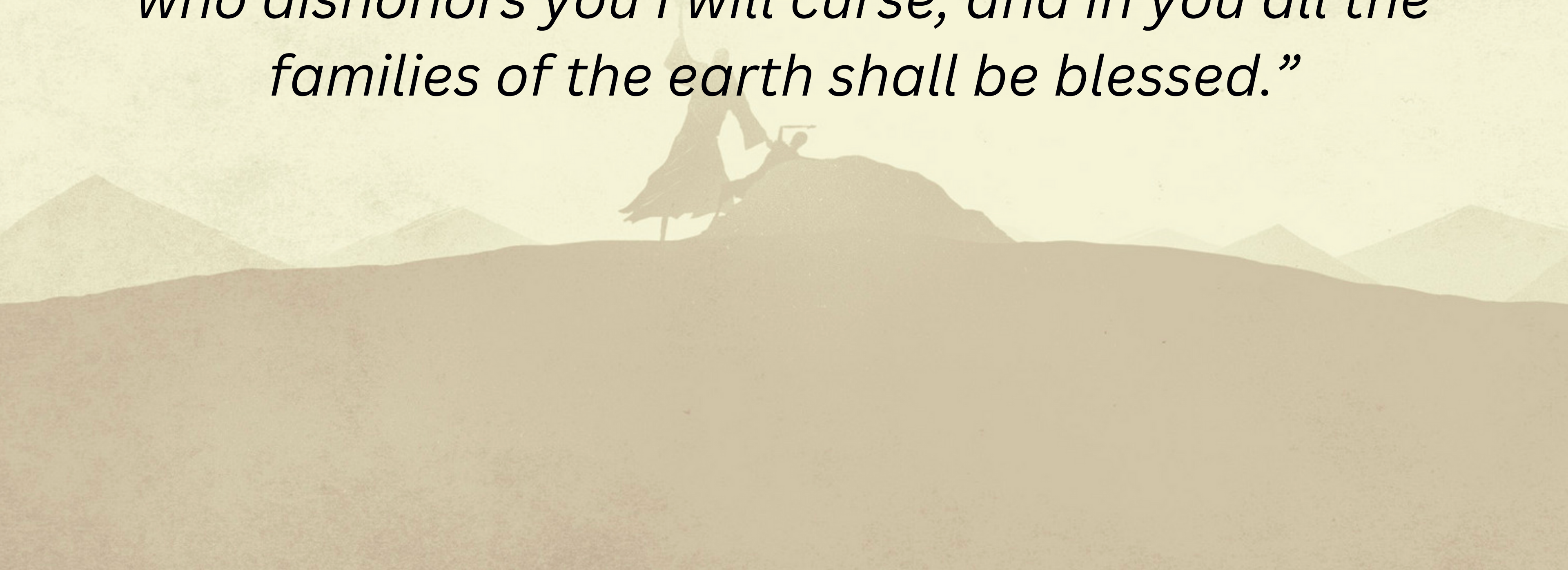


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Being faithful often times requires
leaving what's comfortable.

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Abrahamic Covenant
(Unconditional Covenant)

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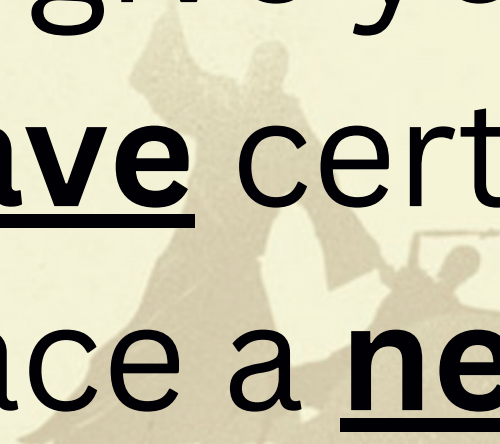
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When you give your life to Jesus
you must **leave** certain things behind
and embrace a **new** way of living.

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God calls us to a life of **consecration** and **separation**.

What is God calling you to **leave** behind
as you follow Jesus?

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Abraham always does two things:
pitches a **tent** and builds an **altar**.

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“Bethel” = House of **God**

“Ai” = Heap of **Ruins**

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