



Reflection Questions

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Coming of the Patriarch

Genesis 11:10-12:4

Wrapping up Genesis 11 we are reminded again that God alone is the hope of the world -- not human ingenuity, not faithful ancestry, and not earthly circumstances.

Reflection Questions:

1. Terah was an idolater living in a city associated with moon-god worship, yet God used his family line to bring forth Abraham and ultimately the fulfillment of His redemptive plan -- what does this reveal about the nature of God's sovereignty and how it should shape the way we view seemingly hopeless situations in our own lives?
2. Abraham obeyed God's call to go to a place he could not see, and Hebrews 11 tells us he was ultimately looking forward to a heavenly city rather than an earthly inheritance -- how does keeping an eternal, heavenly perspective change the way you make decisions and set priorities in your daily life?
3. The genealogy in Genesis 11 reveals a steady decline in human longevity across generations, pointing to the ongoing effects of sin on creation -- how does this reality challenge the modern tendency to place hope in scientific and technological progress rather than in God?
4. From a human perspective it appeared Terah led his family out of Ur, but God later told Abraham in Genesis 15:7 that it was He who brought them out -- how does this truth about God's hidden direction of human events affect the way you interpret circumstances in your own life, especially when God seems absent?
5. Abraham's faith was counted to him as righteousness not because his circumstances were favorable -- his wife was barren and he did not know his destination -- but because he believed God was bigger than all of it -- in what area of your life do you need to stop waiting for favorable circumstances before trusting God?
6. Every physical and earthly endeavor in the life of the church should point to a greater spiritual reality -- how does this framework reshape the way you think about the role of your own work, resources, and daily life in God's redemptive purposes?