



Family
Conversation Guide
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WEEK 2

May Theme:

God has a Plan!

Monthly Memory Verse:

“I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.” - **Job 42:2** (ESV)

Monthly Challenge Verse:

“Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.” - **Jeremiah 17:7**

Week of May 1

Main Idea: **God's Call.**

Life Application:

Trust that God will lead us. We just need to follow Him.



Parents: After listening to the sermon, take some time during the week to have great conversations with your kids. Use [The Action Bible \(Pages 46-49\)](#) as you lead your kids, and also use your own [Bible \(Genesis 11:10-32 and 12:1-3\)](#) to read through some of the verses listed that will help them better understand.

1. Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. In [Genesis 11:10-28](#), we see a list of Shem's descendants. **In how many generations after Shem was Abram born?** (Count together- notice how many years people lived in those times!)
2. Terah was Abram's father, and they lived in Ur of the Chaldeans, a great city where people were pagans and worshiped idols. In [Genesis 12:1-3](#), we find the beginning of the Jewish people, God's chosen people, as Abram receives a calling from God. **What did God tell Abram to do?** ([Genesis 12:1-3](#), He told Abram to go from his father's house and leave his kindred family to go to the land that God would show him.)
3. God made 4 promises to Abram. **What were they?**
 - I will make of you a great nation
 - I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing
 - I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse
 - In you all of the families of the earth will be blessed
4. Read [page 47 in The Action Bible](#). Abram obeyed God and went, as God had told him to do. **Who did Abram take with him?** (Sarai, his wife, and Lot, his nephew, along with Terah, his father, who was an idol worshiper. Abram obeyed God by going, but disobeyed God by taking his father.)
5. **Where did Abram take his family?** (They went to Haran, where they stayed for a number of years because Abram's father wanted to stay there.)
6. Read [pages 47-49 in The Action Bible](#). When Abram was 75 years old, after his father died, he took his family, including Sarai and Lot and all of their servants and possessions, and started on their journey. They wandered for years, living in tents and going from place to place. In the hill country near Bethel, God told Abram his family would inherit that land. **So Abram set up an altar there, to remember God's promise.** Then they continued to wander and live as nomads.
7. **Why did Abram go to Egypt?** (Because there was a famine and they needed food). Yet God wanted Abram to stay in that land and trust him amidst the famine. **Discuss what happened in Egypt- what mistake did Abram make?** ([Pages 48,49](#)- Because Sarai was beautiful, Abram was worried that the pharaoh would kill him in order to make Sarai his wife, and he lied, saying that Sarai was his sister. He realized he had not asked God to help him- he had not trusted God.)

8. **How did God rescue Abram and Sarai?** (*He sent a plague*) **What should we do when we need God's help?** (*Instead of trying to solve our problems on our own, ask Him to help us.*)

Digging Deeper

1. David Chadwick says that we should always interpret the Old Testament by looking at the New Testament. This happens in **Acts 7:2-4**. Stephen was arrested and taken to the religious leaders, where he spoke before the high priest. His testimony verifies the story of Abram in **Genesis 12**:

“Brothers and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, and said to him, ‘Go out from your land and from your kindred and go into the land that I will show you.’ Then he went out from the land of the Chaldeans and lived in Haran. And after his father died, God removed him from there into this land in which you are now living.”

Stephen shows us that God first spoke to Abram in Ur of the Chaldees.

2. Read **Hebrews 11:8-10**. **Why was Abram able to obey God?** (*By faith*) In **Hebrews 11:1** is a beautiful verse about faith: “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.” (*Discuss together: How can we believe in God's promises when we can't actually see them happening right away?*)

Pray:

Dear God, We know that Abram loved You and trusted You. Help us to trust and have faith that You know what is best for us, and to obey as You lead us. Help us to ask You for help when we need guidance instead of trying to solve problems on our own. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Family Challenge:

1. **Go on a “journey” through your neighborhood together.**

Take turns being the “leader” and having everyone follow you. As you get to each intersection or corner, the leader will decide which way to go. **Ask:** We could get lost if we take turns being the leader! If we ask God to guide us, He will lead us. God told Abram to go from his home and follow Him. Sometimes, Abram disobeyed and he got into trouble by doing his own thing. If he had waited for God to lead him, he would have gotten to the land God had promised to him much sooner!

2. **Practice this month's memory verse together:** *"I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted."* Job 42:2

Talk about what the verse means to you. **What can God do? (All things) If God has a purpose for you, can anything "thwart" it?** (No) God had a purpose for Abram and even though Abram got sidetracked sometimes, God still led him to where He wanted him to go- to the land He had promised Abram.