

TEXT: Genesis 12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- <u>Blood Drive</u> Sign up today for our upcoming blood drive just over a week from now in our parking lot on Tuesday, November 10th from 3-8 PM! It is completely free, provides needed blood for hospitals in our area, comes with free COVID-19 antibody testing, and donates \$20 for every donor to Needle's Eye Ministries which will be supporting pastors in India and their families who are in great financial need! Sign up for an available time today at redeemerchurch.-com/nextsteps.
- <u>Reading Guide</u> Our staff has created a reading guide for our series through the second part of Genesis. Study the book along with us with the reading guide by accessing it at redeemer-church.com/nextsteps or in our app.

BIG IDEA: God is faithful to unfaithful people.

Read Genesis 12:1

1. When God calls us he calls us completely. He calls us to be a better kingdom with a better king. How can we balance loving America while realizing this critical truth?

Read Genesis 12:2-3

2. Abram is not a good and godly man. He's a bad man. God saves Abram not because Abram is good but because God is good. How does this mirror your story of salvation too?

Read Genesis 12:4

3. The evidence that we are right with our God is our obedience to him. Where do you see this evidenced in your life? Where are you tempted to not obey Jesus?

Read Genesis 12:7

4. We don't build physical altars anymore because we have the Holy Spirit. So our hearts are an altar. We respond to the presence of God in how we obey him. We remember what he said, not by building stone altars, but by reading His Word. What have you been reading and remembering in his word recently? How are you trying to obey that?

Read Genesis 12:11-13

5. Fear is a convincing liar. God calls us to wisdom but never to fear. Wisdom deals with reality as it really is while fear lies. Wisdom informs how we live life. Fear robs us of life. How have you seen this play out in your life like it did in Abraham's? How do we fight fear with the gospel?

Read Genesis 12:14-16

6. Abraham was unfaithful to his bride because he was willing to give her up to save his own life. Abraham, the father of our faith, looks nothing like the object of our faith, Jesus. Jesus remained faithful to his bride, the church. And the good news of the gospel is that Jesus gave up his own life to save the life of his unfaithful bride, the church. How is Abraham's story a reminder that God's grace frees our legacy from the wreckage of our past? That our future isn't defined by our yesterday?