

# JESUS EVERYDAY

## GOSPEL INTEGRATION

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

#### WEEK 4: ADVENTURE

##### Read the Text

##### Genesis 12:1-3

<sup>1</sup>Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

##### Main Point

Our God is a God of adventure. The whole Bible is filled with stories of God inviting His people to join Him on various adventures. We see this in Abraham's example where God leads Abraham on a journey and challenges him to trust Him, even in the most seemingly impossible of circumstances.

So what is adventure? **Adventure requires us to encounter risk in which hazards will be encountered and unforeseen events will take place.** Usually, there is a benefit to embarking on adventure, whether that's achieving a goal, a reward, or some kind of enjoyment. As image-bearers of God, we naturally have a

longing for this adventure, because it connects us to our Creator and God designed us to discover and explore His creation.

When we adventure, it requires us to step out into the unknown, trusting God along the way. As with Abraham's example, adventure can be filled with challenges, growth, and blessings. It can even mean us walking into something that seems impossible or crazy! ***When we trust God though, we have freedom to walk in obedience, and we even have freedom to experience failure. God has the power to use our adventure – whether it goes according to our plan or not – to develop, grow, and transform us.***

Why does God want us to embark on adventure? As we see with Abraham and many others in the Bible, ***partaking in adventure reveals the character of God.*** When we adventure and enjoy God's creation, we are able to revel in God's infinite creativity and share with others the truth of His glory.

### **Reflect Together**

1. When is a time God invited you to embark on an adventure? How did you experience the elements of adventure – taking a risk, experiencing trials, trusting in God, accepting failure, or enjoying a benefit? Is He calling you into an adventure right now?
2. What does it look like for you to partake in adventure while also reveling in the character of God?
3. It's summertime, which is the best season for adventure where we live. How do you want to incorporate adventure into your summer as an opportunity to share Jesus with others?

### **Mission Together**

As we approach the summer, we are encouraging all MCs to make it the summer of hospitality. This means making your group time more outward facing to non-believers.

This whole sermon series is about evangelism. Prayerfully consider who is **one person** in your life that you could pursue in relationship? Go through this exercise together:

1. Pray about who God wants you to pursue and how you can obey that call.
2. Work together as a group to come up with social ways to get yourselves and not-yet-believers together (game night, barbecue, play date at a park, party, etc.)
3. Make a plan! When and where will you host this, and what will the various responsibilities of the group members be?