



# THE BIG STORY CHAPTER 4/25

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Abraham: God Chooses  
a Family

# **Today's Chapter...**

**After the flood, the Earth became filled once more with people. Some followed the Lord, but most didn't. It was into this world that God began revealing Himself. He didn't do it by founding a nation or creating a religion. He did it by choosing a family...**



# **Today's Scripture:**

## **Genesis 12:1-3**

**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. 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. 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."**



# **The Story: Abraham**

- Abraham, who was first called Abram, was not a special man in any way. He was not smart, brave, strong, or even holy.**
- Yet, God still chose Abraham and made Abraham a promise: all the earth, all creation, would be blessed through one of His children.**
- Abraham wasn't impressive at all, but when God promised that through Abraham all the nations of the world would be blessed, Abraham believed God was telling the truth, and God counted that faith as righteousness.**

# **Why it Matters in the Big Story**

- God could have chosen any way to step into human history, but He chose to form a relationship with a family.**
- It is through this family that all the stories of the Bible take place, because their story is really the story of God having a relationship with us.**
- Thousands of years after Abraham, one of his great-grandchildren would come and change the world. That great-grandchild's name was Jesus.**



# **GOD IS...**

**God is relational. God doesn't just want to be seen and worshiped from far away. He wants to be close to you, talk to you, love you and be loved by you. He is not a God who wants distance from us, but a God who wants to be very near to you.**

# Reflection Questions

1. **What did God promise Abraham?**

**That through his children all the world would be blessed.**

2. **What did Abraham do that was counted to him as righteousness?**

**He had faith that God was telling the truth.**

3. **Which one of Abraham's great-grandchildren changed the world?**

**Jesus!**

**Challenge Question: How will you live close to God this week?**