

LIFE Community Sermon Notes
Blessed to Bless
Deal or No Deal

Genesis 12

The Call of Abram

- 1 The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you.
- 2 "I will make you into a great nation
and I will bless you;
I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.
- 3 I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you."
- 4 So Abram left, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Haran.

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Sunday, Mar 23

Big Idea: God blesses us so that we would be a blessing to others.

Key Verse:

Genesis 12:3

“I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

Opening Question: What was the most significant thing that has happened to you in the past week?

Questions in **bold** below are suggested focus questions.
Sections in *italics* and/or parenthesis are for the leaders.

Read the passage

Discussion Questions

1. **What is the correct manner of covering your sneeze in public?**
2. One of the quickest responses to a person sneezing is the phrase “God bless you” or “Bless you”. What do we mean when we say this to someone?
3. **What are some of the specifics of God’s call on Abram’s life from the passage?**
4. What does the Bible mean by “blessing” and “cursing” here? How did Jeanette describe this in her message?
5. **If the concept of “all peoples on earth will be blessed through you” is a blessing of salvation, what does this tell us about God? What does this tell us about God’s view of others? What does this tell us about God’s will for those who have experienced the blessing of salvation?**
6. **Jeanette described everyone in church as a “goer” or a “grower”. Which are you? Why?**
7. We each arrived at our place of faith through a journey of others reaching out to bless us. Jeanette presented Ms Tarbells as this person for her and her family. Who are your Ms Tarbells? When last did you thank God for them and thank them?
8. **What are you doing with your blessing of salvation and the truth that our God is a global God and His mission is a global mission?**
9. **Spend time together in your group praying for your Ms Tarbells in your life and those whom you might be reaching out to with the blessing of salvation. If you have no names to pray for spend time asking God to reveal people in your life who He wants you to share salvation with.**

Leaders Notes

Some additional Scriptures to look at around this passage are: Hebrews 11: