

The Call of Abraham
Genesis 12:1-9
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Faith, what is it?

How is Abram's trust in the promises of God displayed?

A Word on Genealogies

Genesis 5, 11, Matthew 1. The tenth generation is the focus.

Genealogies are not strict chronologies.

How does the Toledoth provide the literary structure of Genesis?

Who was Abraham?

These are the generations of Terah. Abraham was the son of Terah.

Terah worshipped idols. (Joshua 24:2)

Abraham was not from a godly place and not from a godly family.

Ten generations after the flood, God is further revealing his covenant of grace.

Where does God start?

God's command to Abram

God did not say please.

Do you try to relate to God as an equal?

God's Promises to Abram

- 1) I will make of you a great nation.
- 2) I will bless you
- 3) I will make your name great.
- 4) I will make you a blessing to others.
- 5) I will bless those who bless you.
- 6) I will curse those who curse you.
- 7) I will bless all the families on the earth, through you.

How is the creation mandate renewed in Abram?

Abram obeys, and God appears to him. v 7

Abram was in Shechem at the time. Why was Shechem important?

How does Abram respond to God's promise?

In obedient faith.

He builds an altar and worships God.

Faith needs a promise of God to rest in.

What are you trusting God for? (Hebrews 11:6; Proverbs 8:17)