

Heading out into the unknown.

Today's Scripture: Genesis 12:1-9

12 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. 2 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. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran

Overview: God sends us out into the world. This world is dangerous and unpredictable. Our lives can be overwhelmed at times but God has supplied us with what is necessary for us to succeed. He has our best interest in mind and his love, caring and providence is available to all who call Jesus Lord. He knows that we face uncertainty but it is not without help.

1) Uncertainty: Define distrust, doubt, misgiving, mistrust, reservation, skepticism, suspicion

2) There is little difference between modern day Christians and those of our forefathers: Let's look at Culture, relationships, economic, political, physical, spiritual

i. A look at Abram's world:

ii. A look at Jesus world:

iii. A look at our world:

3) Now that I have you all upset, what do we have going for us?

a) God is there helping us: Psalm 63:7

b) We can go directly to our King with requests: James 1:5

c) If God is for us who can be against us? Romans 8:31

4) Things we know that do not change: God is immutable; unchanging

5) How does God "equip" us:

a) 2 Timothy 3:16 We are set to be at good work.

b) 2 Peter 1:3: His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness,

c) Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

d) Instruction: A clear example:

Romans 12:1-21

2 Corinthians 3:5,6

Ephesians 6: 10-18

6) A look at our day as prophesied during the first century: but understand this..... 2 Timothy 3: 1-9

7) Application:

- a) We have seen from Scripture that Abram obeyed God and stepped out in faith without knowing the outcome.
- b) Lean on the things we know. The attributes of God, God hears our prayers, and continue to learn by reading the Scriptures and studying God with others.
- c) God has created you as a living breathing and learning creature. He did this for a reason. You are made in His image. Be a thinker.