

**The Faith Journey—
Studies in the Life of Abraham
Part One**

Genesis 6:5:

“The Lord observed the extent of human wickedness on the earth and He saw that everything they thought or imaged was consistently and totally evil.”

Joshua 24:2:

“Joshua said to the people, ‘Long ago your ancestors, including Terah, the father of Abraham and Nabor, lived beyond the Euphrates and they worshiped other gods.’”

God's call is personal, radical and transformational.

1. God's call is personal.

Genesis 11:27-12:1

1 Thessalonians 2:12:

“Walk in a manner worthy of God Who calls you into His kingdom and glory.”

1 Thessalonians 5:24:

“He Who calls you is faithful.”

Romans 8:30:

“Those God predestined He also called.”

**God doesn't call the qualified,
He qualifies the called.**

Colossians 1:12:

**“He qualifies us to share in the inheritance
of the saints.”**

**How do we know when we've
been called?**

- 1. We hear God's plan of redemption and believe it.**
- 2. We sense a growing desire to know God personally and experientially.**
- 3. We sense a growing willingness in our hearts to do things for God's sake that we would never have considered before.**

Genesis 12:1:
“You, yourself, go!”

John 21:22:
**“If I want him to remain alive until I
return, what is that to you?”**
“You follow Me!”

2. God's call is radical.

Genesis 12:1:

“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.’”

Acts 7:2-3:

“² And Stephen said:

‘Brothers and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, ³ and said to him, “Go out from your land and from your kindred and go into the land that I will show you.”’

Genesis 12:1:

“Go to the land I will show you.”

Matthew 10:34:
**“I have not come to bring peace
but a sword.”**

Genesis 11:31-32:

“³¹ Terah took Abram his son and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram’s wife, and they went forth together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan, but when they came to Haran, they settled there. ³² The days of Terah were 205 years, and Terah died in Haran.”

Genesis 12:4:

“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.”

Acts 7:4:

“ 4 Then he went out from the land of the Chaldeans and lived in Haran. And after his father died, God removed him from there into this land in which you are now living.”

3. God's call is transformational.

“If your feet are going, your faith is growing.”



Two methods of faith-building:

Mystery and Trial

1 Peter 1:6:

“Now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”

