

Genesis: The Book That Started It All

Group Guide | October 12

Read this prayer aloud together:

Lord, You are the God who calls.

You called Abram to leave behind what was familiar and to step into Your promise.

You call us to trust You when the next step isn't clear.

Give us courage to "stand in the door" — to listen, to let go, to receive Your blessing, and to be a blessing.

Strengthen our faith to follow You wherever You lead.

Amen.

READ Genesis 12:1-9

Discussion:

What stands out to you from this passage or from the message on Sunday?

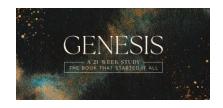
1. God's Call: "Go to the land I will show you."

Abram didn't have a map — just a promise.

- Have you ever sensed God calling you to take a step of faith without knowing the outcome?
- What emotions rise up when you think about stepping out in faith? (Fear, excitement, trust, resistance?)
- Where might God be asking you to "go" right now to step away from comfort or into obedience?

2. God's Promise: "I will bless you ... and you will be a blessing."

 How have you seen God's blessing in your life recently — not as something to keep, but to give away?



- Who has been a blessing to you in this season, and how did their faith encourage your own?
- What might it look like for you to intentionally "bless" someone this week with your words, presence, or actions?

3. God's Purpose: "All peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

God's promise to Abram was about restoring what was wrong, reconciling what was broken, and redeeming the curse.

- Where do you see brokenness in your neighborhood, workplace, or family that needs God's restoring presence?
- How might your group join God's work of reconciliation and renewal in your part of the city?
- What is one step of obedience that could turn your personal blessing into a shared blessing for others?

4. Our Response: "So Abram left ... as the Lord had told him."

Faith always involves risk — stepping before we see the landing.

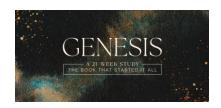
- What helps you trust God when the next step feels uncertain?
- How does your community help you take spiritual risks rather than play it safe?
- What is your "Stand in the Door" moment right now something God is inviting you to do that requires faith?

Pray:

Spend time praying for one another — especially for the courage to take the next step of faith.

Pray that each person would:

- Listen for God's voice
- Let go of fear



- Receive God's blessing
- Be a blessing to others.

Close with this prayer:

God of Abraham, You are still calling people to go.

Teach us to listen and obey, even when we cannot see the whole path.

Thank You for blessing us so that we can bless the world around us.

Give us courage to stand in the door — and faith to jump when You say, "Go."

Amen.