

# A Faith That Walks Into the Unknown

**Genesis 12:1-9**

**Student Devotion**

## **Day 1: When God Calls You to Move Before You Understand**

***“Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you.” (Genesis 12:1, ESV)***

### **Think About It**

Abram was not searching for a new story. He was settled. He lived among his people. His future was predictable. Then God spoke.

God told Abram to leave everything familiar. That meant leaving his home, his culture, his inheritance, and the security he had always known. God did not hand him a map. He gave him a simple direction: “Go.” Abram did not have details. He only had a voice.

That is how faith often begins. God steps into ordinary life and calls us forward when we cannot see the full picture. He rarely explains everything ahead of time. He simply calls us to trust Him enough to take the next step.

Courage is not knowing the whole path. Courage is trusting the One who knows it.

### **Pray It**

Lord, help me trust You when I cannot see everything ahead. Give me the faith to take the next step You are calling me to take.

### **Do It**

Identify one area of your life where you feel God asking you to move or obey without full clarity. Write it down and pray over it tonight.

## Day 2: God's Promise Is Stronger Than Your Circumstances

***"I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great."***  
(Genesis 12:2, ESV)

### Think About It

When God promised Abram a great nation, Abram had no child. When God promised him land, the land was already occupied. When God promised to make his name great, Abram was an unknown man from an ordinary family.

None of the circumstances matched the promise, but God's word outweighed everything Abram could see.

This is important. God does not make promises based on what is happening in the moment. He makes promises based on who He is. The builders at Babel tried to make their names great and failed. God promised to make Abram's name great, and He did.

Your circumstances may look small. They may even look impossible. But the promises of God are not shaped by your situation. They are shaped by His character.

### Pray It

Father, help me believe Your promises even when my circumstances feel uncertain. Remind me that Your word is always stronger than what I see.

### Do It

Choose one promise of God in Scripture that encourages you, and keep it in front of you this week.

## Day 3: Faith Walks Even When the Destination Is Hidden

***"So Abram went, as the Lord had told him."*** (Genesis 12:4, ESV)

### Think About It

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Abram did not obey halfway. He did not delay or negotiate. He simply went. Scripture says he went “not knowing where he was going.” That single step became the beginning of a story that still impacts the world today.

Faith is not proven by having all the answers. Faith is proven by obedience. Abram did not walk by strategy. He walked by promise. He stepped into the unknown because he trusted the One who called him.

You may not be called to leave your country, but you will be called to obey God in ways that stretch you. Faith grows when you follow God one step at a time.

### **Pray It**

God, give me the confidence to follow You even when the road is unclear. Strengthen my faith to walk where You lead.

### **Do It**

Take one small step of obedience today. It could be apologizing, serving someone, giving something away, or spending time with God. Move forward in faith.

## **Day 4: Build Altars Before You Build Plans**

**“So he built there an altar to the Lord.” (Genesis 12:7, ESV)**

### **Think About It**

Abram arrived in the land God promised, and it looked nothing like a promise. The Canaanites were already there. The land was claimed by others. Nothing matched the word God had spoken.

Abram did not panic or complain. His first response was worship. He built an altar. He placed God at the center of the land before he ever placed himself in it.

This is one of the secrets of a strong walk with God. Worship fills the gap between God’s promise and your reality. When life feels uncertain, worship steadies the heart. When God feels distant, worship reminds you of His goodness. When you cannot see the next step, worship strengthens trust.

Abram pitched tents for himself, but he built altars for God. Tents are temporary. Altars are declarations.

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### **Pray It**

Lord, teach me to worship even when I do not understand. Help me build altars of trust instead of letting fear take over.

### **Do It**

Choose a moment today to pause and thank God for His faithfulness. Worship Him with a song, a prayer, or by writing down what He has already done for you.

## **Day 5: Faith Moves Forward One Step at a Time**

***“And Abram journeyed on.” (Genesis 12:9, ESV)***

### **Think About It**

Abram did not stop after one moment of obedience or one moment of worship. He kept going. His journey was not a single leap of faith. It was a lifetime of steps.

That is what faith looks like. It is not about dramatic moments. It is the daily decision to trust God in ordinary life. Abram would face trials, delays, mistakes, and seasons of waiting. But he kept walking.

You may not know how your story will unfold. You may not see the next several steps. God is not asking you to. He is asking you to take the next one, and then the next. Faith is a walk, not a sprint.

### **Pray It**

Father, help me keep moving forward with You. Give me strength for today and courage for tomorrow. Make my steps steady as I follow Your lead.

### **Do It**

Think of one area in your life where you have stalled or hesitated. Ask God for the courage to take a step forward this week.

## **Conclusion: God Leads, and Faith Follows**

Genesis 12 teaches a simple and powerful truth: God calls His people to walk with Him even when they cannot see the whole road. Abram stepped out because he trusted the

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God who spoke to him. That single act of faith became the first chapter in the story of redemption.

God still calls His people forward today. He knows the path you cannot see. He holds the future you cannot predict. He leads with wisdom, and He walks with you every step of the way.

Where God calls, He also provides.

Where He leads, He also stays near.

Where He promises, He also fulfills.

Walk with Him. Trust Him. Take the next step...**See you Sunday.**