

IT IS TIME TO LEAVE ~ Genesis 12:1-9

→ Scripture Reading Hebrews 11:8-9 & Genesis 12:1-3

INTRODUCTION

Genesis 3:15 (NIV) And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; **HE will crush your head, and you will strike HIS heel.**"

FROM UR TO HARAN TO CANAAN? ~ Genesis 11:27-32

[27] This is the account of Terah. Terah became the father of Abram, Nahor and Haran. And Haran became the father of Lot. [28] While his father Terah was still alive, Haran died in Ur of the Chaldeans, in the land of his birth. [29] Abram and Nahor both married. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife was Milcah; she was the daughter of Haran, the father of both Milcah and Iscah. [30] Now Sarai was barren; she had no children. [31] Terah took his son Abram, his grandson Lot son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, the wife of his son Abram, and together they set out FROM UR of the Chaldeans to go TO CANAAN. But when they came to Haran, they settled there. [32] Terah lived 205 years, and he died in Haran.

APPLICATION

Joshua 24:2-3 (NIV) Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'Long ago your forefathers, including Terah the father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the River and worshiped other gods. [3] **But I took your father Abraham from the land beyond the River and led him throughout Canaan and gave him many descendants.**

- Map of UR to Haran
- UR- City Map
- City Painting
- Partially excavated Ruins
- Artist Drawing of Moon God Temple

ABRAM'S OBEDIENCE Preach the Word

- he was a PAGAN
- he was PROSPEROUS and SETTLED
- he was the ONLY one who HEARD God's call
- he RISKED everything to FOLLOW God

GOD CALLS ABRAM (AGAIN?) ~ Genesis 12:1-5

[1] The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. [2] "I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.

TWO QUESTIONS: Constable

- HOW will Abraham obtain the LAND?
- WHO will be Abraham's HEIR?

[3] I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." [4] So Abram left, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Haran. [5] He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Haran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.

APPLICATION

→ MAP

Galatians 3:8 (NIV) The Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to **Abraham: All nations will be blessed through you.**

Lamentations 3:22-23 (HCS) Because of the LORD's faithful love we do not perish, for His mercies never end. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness!

THE PROMISE OF THE LAND ~ Genesis 12:6-9

[6] Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land..

→ MAP

[7] The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he BUILT AN ALTAR there to the LORD, who had appeared to him. [8] From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he BUILT AN ALTAR to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD. [9] Then Abram set out and continued toward the Negev

TAKE AWAY ??

Romans 6:1-2 (NIV) What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer?

Psalms 36:5-7 (NIV) Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. [6] Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your justice like the great deep.