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Genesis 12:10-13:18

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SERMON NOTES

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE (Year 1, Week 11)

Phil. 4:6-7 (Anxiety)

6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read
Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you
Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
Prayer that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

Conversation Questions

Getting to Know Me: How have fear and faith intersected in your life in the past?

Notes on the Reading: This week we begin reading through the story of Abram. If you are unfamiliar with Abraham and his place in the Bible, a great introductory resource is this video from The Bible Project: https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/torah-genesis-2/ - or go to bibleproject.com, and search for "Genesis 12-50"

Read Genesis 12:10-13:18 - As you read, pay attention to the movement in the passage—both in Abraham's journey and in God's unfolding promise.

- **S** What do you love most about what you just read? What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read these scriptures? Is anything jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- **O** What do Abram's decisions to leave the Promised Land and then to lie to Pharaoh (12:10-20) reveal about his faith?
 - How does God respond to Abram's lie? Does this challenge, comfort or confuse you? Why?
- **O** How does Abram's handling of the conflict with Lot (13:5-13) contrast with his actions in Egypt? What do his choices show about his trust in God?
- **O** Why do you think God reaffirms His promise to Abram after Lot leaves (13:14-18)? What are you learning about the character of God in this story?
- **A** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- A What are you learning about God's faithfulness in the midst of our failure? What would it mean to relate to God on the basis of his faithfulness, rather than your own this week? Be as specific as you can.
- **P** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.