



## Personal Study

(1) Read Genesis 12:1. God calls Abraham before Abraham does anything to serve Him, just as He rescues us in Christ while we are still sinners. Why is **grace** a better motivator than **guilt** for moving people to take risk? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(2) Read Genesis 12:1-9. Make three observations about what most impresses you about Abraham's choice to leave and follow God: \_\_\_\_\_  
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(3) Read Genesis 15:18-21. Why do you think God promised Abraham a land that was already full of people? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(4) Read Genesis 12:10-20 & 16:1-6. What did Abraham do wrong in these two passages? Why do you think the Bible makes a point of telling us the moral failures of Abraham? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(5) Read Genesis 17:3-14. Of all the possible signs, why do you think God gave Abraham circumcision as a sign of his everlasting covenant? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(6) Read Genesis 22:1-2. If you were in Abraham's shoes, do you think you would have been willing to give up your only son? Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Personal Application

(1) What obstacles keep you from walking across the street to love on those in your neighborhood? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(2) What is valuable to you and keeps you from pursuing what is valuable to God? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(3) Do you find yourself motivated more by grace or by guilt in your relationship with God? Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(4) In what ways does your concern about what others think about you negatively impact your obedience to God? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(5) Read Matthew 28:18-20. Like Abraham, we have a direct call from God to "go." What does "going" look like for you in 2009? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(6) If you follow the call of God to "go," what do you think it may cost you? \_\_\_\_\_  
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(7) What did you learn from studying the life of Abraham that most challenged you in your walk with Jesus Christ? \_\_\_\_\_  
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