



Hebrews 11:8 (HCSB)

"By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed and went out to a place he was going to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was going."

Walking By Faith – What to Expect
Genesis 12

Genesis 12:1-5 (HCSB)

The Lord said to Abram: Go out from your land, your relatives, and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make you into a great nation, I will bless you, I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, I will curse those who treat you with contempt, and all the peoples on earth will be blessed through you. So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was 75 years old when he left. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated, and the people he had acquired, and they set out for the land of Canaan.

I. We Face *Uncertain Plans*

Genesis 12:1, 7 (CSB)

"Go from your land, your relatives, and your father's house to the land that I will show you. The Lord said, 'I will give this land to your offspring.'"

Romans 4:19-21 (NIV)

Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead — since he was about a hundred years old — and that Sarah's womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness."

II. We Encounter *Unidentified Problems*

- The Famine
- The Failure
- The Fighting
- The Family
- The Future

III. We Receive *Unexpected Provision*

Genesis 22:5-8 (HCSB)

Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey. The boy and I will go over there to worship; then we’ll come back to you.” Then Isaac spoke to his father Abraham and said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?” Abraham answered, “God Himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.”

IV. We Discover *Unburdened Praises*

Genesis 12:7-8 (NIV)

“The Lord said, ‘To your offspring I will give this land.’ So he built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 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.”