

# Jesus

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In the Kingdom of God, ABUNDANCE is a way of life.

I can expect God to be powerfully present.

## Abram meets God

*"The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."*

*<sup>4</sup> So Abram departed as the Lord had instructed, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he left Haran. <sup>5</sup> He took his wife, Sarai, his nephew Lot, and all his wealth—his livestock and all the people he had taken into his household at Haran—and headed for the land of Canaan. When they arrived in Canaan, <sup>6</sup> Abram traveled through the land as far as Shechem. There he set up camp beside the oak of Moreh. At that time, the area was inhabited by Canaanites.*

*<sup>7</sup> Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "I will give this land to your descendants." And Abram built an altar there and dedicated it to the Lord, who had appeared to him.*

*<sup>8</sup> After that, Abram traveled south and set up camp in the hill country, with Bethel to the west and Ai to the east. There he built another altar and dedicated it to the Lord, and he worshiped the Lord."*

Genesis 12:1–8 (NLT)

## This is what we CANNOT miss!

- Leave (this way of life)
- Embrace (life with me)
- Experience me powerfully present with you.
  - I will bless you.
  - I will bless others through you.

## Challenge #1: Where will we set up camp?

- The place we have been called to leave?
- The new place He desires to show us.

*"After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."*

Genesis 15:1 (ESV)

- God, powerfully present, gives Abram success when he should have failed.
- Abram, from a heart of gratitude, gives God a gift 10% of everything he owns.
- In RESPONSE, God blesses Abram with "Reward and Protection."
- God points to Abram so YOU and I would know what pleases Him.

Challenge #2: What will I give God in the process? \_\_\_\_\_ .