

Matthew 1:1 This is a record of the ancestors of Jesus the Messiah, a descendant of David and of **Abraham**.

Hebrews 11:8 It was **by faith** that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and **go** to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went **without knowing** where he was going.

“Faith is a relationship with God that follows him wherever he leads.”

Hebrews 11:6 It is impossible to please God **without faith**. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.

THREE FOUNDATIONAL PILLARS OF LIVING BY FAITH

I. HEARING

Genesis 12:1 **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.

Genesis 11:27-30 This is the account of Terah’s family. Terah was the father of Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran was the father of Lot. ²⁸ But Haran died in Ur of the Chaldeans, the land of his birth, while his father, Terah, was still living. ²⁹ Meanwhile, Abram and Nahor both married. The name of Abram’s wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor’s wife was Milcah... ³⁰ **But Sarai was unable to become pregnant and had no children.**

Joshua 24:2; Romans 10:17

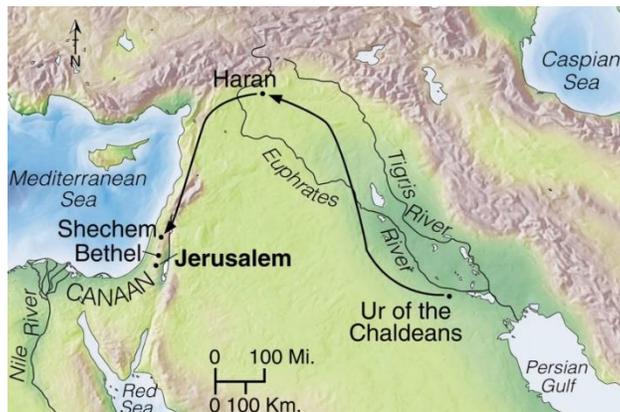
2. BELIEVING

Genesis 12:1-3 “Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father’s family and go to the land that I will show you. ² **I will make you into a great nation.** I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. ³ 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.”

3. GOING

Genesis 12:1 The LORD **had said** to Abram,

Acts 7:2-4 This was Stephen's reply: "Brothers and fathers, listen to me. Our glorious God appeared to our ancestor Abraham in Mesopotamia **before he settled in Haran**.³ God told him, 'Leave your native land and your relatives, and come into the land that I will show you.'⁴ So Abraham left the land of the Chaldeans and lived in Haran until his father died. Then God brought him here to the land where you now live.



James 2:21-22 Don't you remember that our ancestor Abraham was shown to be right with God by his actions when he offered his son Isaac on the altar?²² You see, his faith and his actions worked together.

His actions made his faith complete.