



The Gospel – Week 3 (Genesis 12:1-9)

Discussion:

1. What was the most important take-away for you from this week's message?
2. What does it mean in general terms that the whole earth is under a curse? How do you see this curse at work in your own life?
3. What does "blessing" mean in the context of Scripture? What does it mean in the context of Genesis 12? How does "blessing" function as the antithesis of "curse"?
4. What's the lesson about humanity that can be drawn from Genesis 4-11? How might each of us see ourselves in light of this?
5. Summarize the Gospel promise of Genesis 12 in your own words. How does this promise confirm and develop the earlier promise of Genesis 3:15? Why do you think God's promise develops this way as Scripture progresses? Why little by little, piece by piece?
6. What's significant about the way that God chooses one specific man to be the recipient of his blessing (and eventually the conduit for his blessing to the world)?

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7. What kind of faith is required in those whom God calls? What kind of faith did Abram (later Abraham) exhibit? How is this type of faith operative in your own life?

8. Describe the relationship between faith and obedience as shown in Scripture. Do you see these as distinct things, or as interconnected? Why?

9. What are some ways that faith and obedience could be better aligned in your own life?

10. Can you summarize the theological message of this text? How would you state the core message in one sentence?