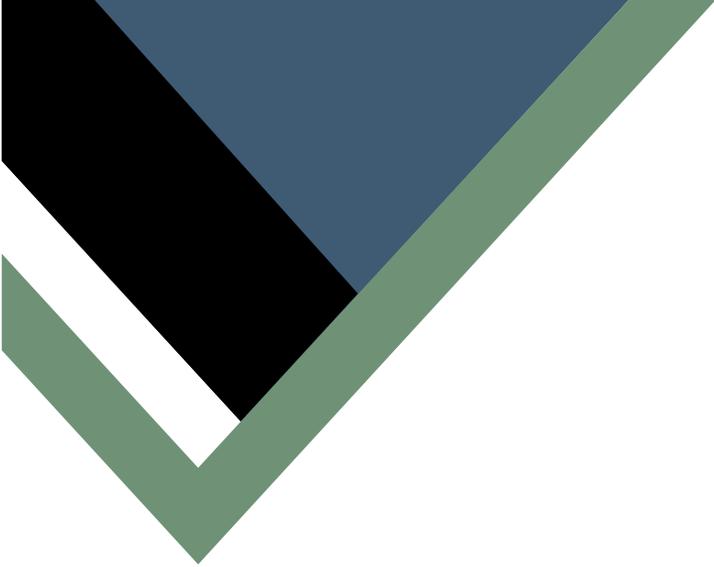




 Concord Baptist Church

WEEKLY *Genesis 13* **DEVOTIONAL**

A 5-DAY BIBLE READING PLAN AND
DEVOTIONAL GUIDE BASED ON THE
THEMES FROM THIS WEEK'S
CORRESPONDING SERMON

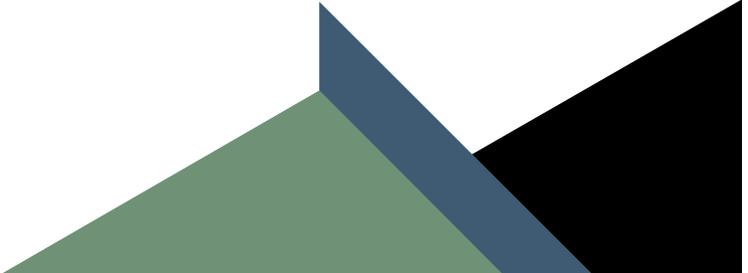


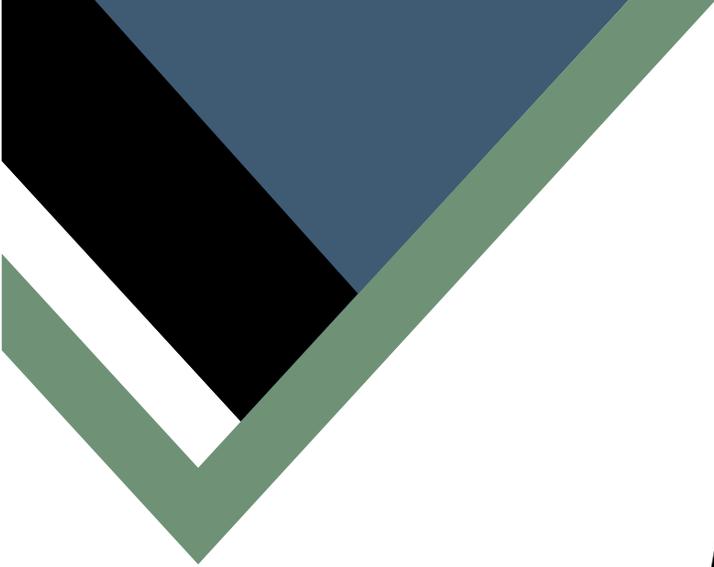
DAY 1: CHOOSING GOD'S PATH

Reading: Genesis 13:1-18

Abram and Lot stood at a crossroads, each facing a pivotal decision. Lot chose based on what looked appealing to his eyes, gravitating towards the seemingly lush plains near Sodom. Abram, however, trusted God's guidance. In our daily lives, we often face similar crossroads - moments where we must choose between following our own desires or God's will. Reflect on a recent decision you've made. Did you, like Abram, seek God's direction? Or did you, like Lot, make choices based solely on what seemed attractive?

Remember, the path that appears most appealing isn't always the best one. Today, commit to seeking God's wisdom in your decisions, big and small. Ask Him to guide your steps and give you discernment to choose His way, even when it's not the most obvious or easy path.





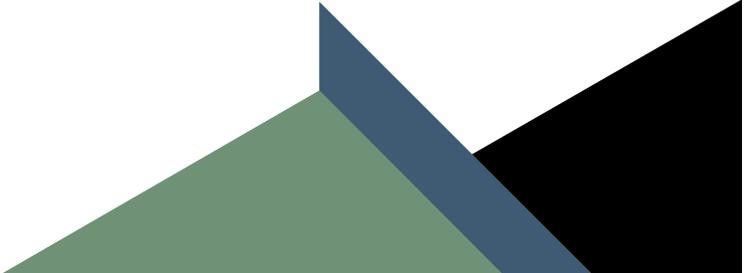
DAY 2: LIVING ON GOD'S MISSION

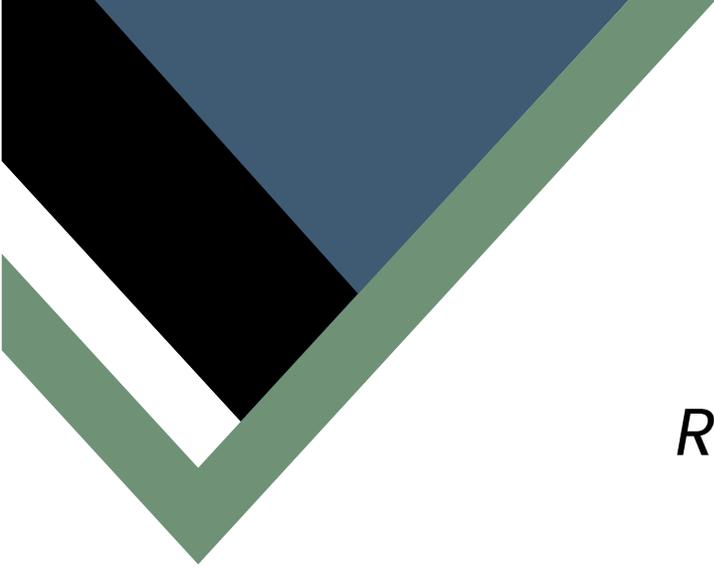
Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

God gave Abram a specific mission - to be the father of many nations and a blessing to all peoples. Similarly, Jesus has given us, His followers, a clear mission: to make disciples of all nations. This Great Commission isn't just for pastors or missionaries; it's for every believer. How are you actively participating in God's mission?

It might seem daunting, but remember that God equips those He calls.

Think about your sphere of influence - your family, workplace, neighborhood. How can you share God's love and truth in these areas? It could be through acts of kindness, sharing your testimony, or inviting someone to church. Today, pray for opportunities to be a part of God's mission, and for the courage to step out in faith when those opportunities arise.





DAY 3: TRUSTING GOD'S PROVISION

Reading: Philippians 4:10-20

God promised Abram land and descendants at a time when Abram had neither. This required immense trust on Abram's part. Paul, writing to the Philippians, expresses a similar trust in God's provision, declaring that he has learned to be content in all circumstances. In our lives, we often worry about our needs – financial, relational, or spiritual. But God promises to provide all we need according to His riches in glory. Reflect on areas where you struggle to trust God's provision. Are you holding onto control instead of surrendering to His care?

Today, practice releasing your worries to God. Make a list of ways He has provided for you in the past, and let this bolster your faith for the future. Remember, God always provides exactly what is needed to accomplish His mission on earth.





DAY 4: FAITH, TRUST, AND OBEDIENCE

Reading: Hebrews 11:1-16

Abram's life was characterized by faith, trust, and obedience - three interconnected aspects of a vibrant relationship with God. Hebrews 11 celebrates the faith of Old Testament heroes, including Abraham. Their stories remind us that faith isn't just believing, but acting on that belief.

How does your faith manifest in your daily life?

Are there areas where God is calling you to step out in obedience, even if you can't see the full picture?

Trust often grows through experience. Today, identify one area where you can practice "faith in action." It might be forgiving someone, being generous, or sharing your faith. As you obey, watch how God strengthens your trust in Him.





DAY 5: WORSHIP AS A LIFESTYLE

Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Throughout his journey, Abram consistently built altars to worship God. This wasn't just a religious ritual; it was a lifestyle of acknowledging God's presence and sovereignty. Paul urges us to present our bodies as living sacrifices, describing this as our "spiritual worship." Worship isn't confined to Sunday services or singing; it's a daily offering of our lives to God. How can you cultivate a lifestyle of worship? It might involve starting your day with praise, seeing your work as service to God, or responding to challenges with trust instead of complaint.

Today, consciously offer each part of your day as worship to God. Let every action, thought, and word be an expression of love and devotion to Him. As you do, you'll find your mind being renewed and your life increasingly aligning with God's good, pleasing, and perfect will.

