



Small Group/ Reflection Notes

	w/c 9 th September 2022	God said GO!
 Start	<input type="checkbox"/> What's been the highlight of your summer?	
 Discuss	<input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever had to make a big move, to a new area? When? Why? How did it go?	
 Read	Genesis 12:1-9	 Catch-up ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch
 Explore	<input type="checkbox"/> Gren.11:31 What would Canaan have represented for Terah, Abram's father? Terah acted on a hunch. Why? What was his aspiration? When have you acted on a hunch? What happened? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.11:31 Why might Terah, instead of pressing on to Canaan, have settled at Harran? How you ever settled for a half-way measure? When? Why? How did it leave you feeling? What were the consequences for the next generations of Terah's decision to compromise/ <i>settle</i> for less? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.12:1 Now no longer a hunch, <u>God said</u> ... Looking back was a 'hunch' you had, God speaking to you? How do we 'hear' (sense) God? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.12:1 God said GO, leave the area, all that's familiar, even move away from family & friends. Have you ever done that? But all God said was. go to where I <u>will</u> show you – no detail, no destination – should go & follow/trust me. What was God wanting from Abram? What would <i>you</i> have done? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.12:2-3 God promises, I <u>will</u> bless you. Who needs to hear that today? What is Abram to do with his blessing? Why is Abram's blessing really about God's desire to bless ALL? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.12:4 Abram obeyed God. Would you? What does Abram's age (75) tell us about following God's lead? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.12:7 Why did Abram build an altar (pile of stones), not a temple? What's the difference between a 'pioneer' and a 'settler'? What's the lesson for us? <input type="checkbox"/> Gen.12:8 Abram built <i>another</i> altar <i>elsewhere</i> . What was he discovering about God's presence?	
 Go further	<input type="checkbox"/> Read Rom.4:1-25. <input type="checkbox"/> Why are <i>you</i> the person (Christ-follower?) you are today because of Abram? <input type="checkbox"/> Mt.28:19-20 Christ's promise to be with us is given in the context of mission.	
 Reflect	<input type="checkbox"/> Which one verse stands out to you? Why do you think it grabs your attention? <input type="checkbox"/> Which verse(s) will you need to think more about? Why? <input type="checkbox"/> Do you feel more a 'pioneer' or a 'settler'? What, if anything, needs to change?	

 Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Consider joining our <i>..And Beyond</i> Team.
 Pray	<p>Father, I abandon myself into Your hands. Do with me what You will, whatever You do, I will thank You. I am ready for all, I accept all. Let only Your will be done in me, as in all Your creatures, and I'll ask nothing else, my Lord.</p> <p>Into Your hands I commend my spirit; I give it to You with all the love of my heart, for I love You, Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into Your hands with a trust beyond all measures, because You are my Father.</p> <p>+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p> <p><i>From our Northumbria Community inspire Healing & Wholeness liturgy.</i></p>
 My questions:	

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