

It's Time to Move On
My Life. I'm in Control. - Part 7
Genesis 12:1-5 (NIV)
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The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you.

² “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. ⁵ He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there. Genesis 12:1-5 (NIV)

I. WHY IS IT HARD TO MOVE FORWARD?

Fear Changes How We Receive God’s Message.

- God said: ***“Go from your country...”***
 - Fear says: “I’m losing my comfort.”
- God said: ***“Go from...your people”***
 - Fear says: “I’m losing my way of life.”
- God said: ***“Go from...your father’s household”***
 - Fear says: “I’m losing my support system.”

II. HOW CAN I MOVE FORWARD?

1.) Take the Next Step of Obedience

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him... (v. 4)

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
Psalm 119:105 (ESV)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

2.) Take What Has Helped You Grow

You have permission to bring with you:

- a) The THINGS That Add Value to Your Life

He took...all the possessions they had accumulated... (v. 5)

- b) The PEOPLE Who Add Value to Your Life
He took...the people they had acquired... (v. 5)

III. WHY SHOULD I MOVE FORWARD?

- 1) God’s Vision Is Beyond What I Can See

“I will make you into a great nation...” (v. 2)

- 2) God’s Blessings Serve A Greater Purpose

“I will bless you...and you will be a blessing.” (v. 2)

- 3) God’s Impact reaches Beyond My Life

“...all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.” (v.3)