

# How The South Was Fun

Genesis 11:27-12:20

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#### THE BACKGROUND ON ABRAHAM 11:27-32

- 1. Who do you look up to look up to spiritually? Why?
- 2. Read Joshua 24:2,3. What was so special about Abraham's background that God chose him?
- 3. What in God's choosing Abraham might be an encouragement to you?

## **GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAM 12:1-4**

- 4. What did God command Abram to do?
- 5. These days, what does obeying this command look like in your life?
- 6. What did God promise Abram?
- 7. In what ways do we experience the fulfillment of God's promise in our lives today?

#### ABRAM'S RESPONSE TO GOD 12:4-20

- 8. Abram began well. He obeyed God. He made it to the promised land. He worshipped God there. God even appeared to Abram. All that is evidence of one enviable relationship with God. Then things went really south. What was Abram's response to the famine problem? How well did that work out for him?
- 9. Ultimately, what was the problem with what Abram choose to do?
- 10. How could someone who has such an intimate relationship with God mess up so badly?
- 11. Thinking about how badly Abram messed up (and the times we've messed up/are messing up), is there anything you might learn and apply to your life?

#### PROCESSING ALL THAT...

- 12. What is the great contrast we are shown between what God offers Abram (Genesis 12:1-3) and where Abram ends up (Genesis 12:18-20)? How might that contrast help you to trust God in the next "famine" of your life?
- 13. Read and consider Proverbs 23:18. What does this verse tell us that is consistent with what we've seen in Abram's life? What in this verse is encouraging to you?
- 14. Where is God calling you to trust Him today?

### **EXTRA CREDIT**

- 15. Life Groups are part of how we Love Others at Creekside. How might we as a group help each other through the famines of our lives?
- 16. What will you do this week to put into practice what you've learned from this study?