

### LET GO, LET GOD

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# GENESIS 12:1-5

The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."



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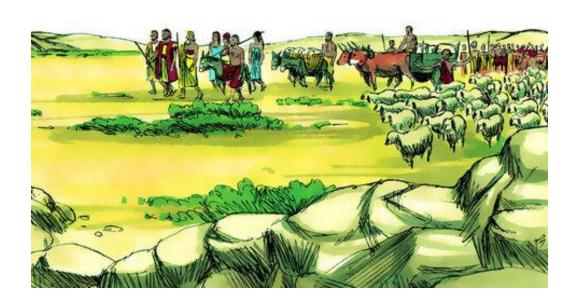
<sup>4</sup>So Abram departed as the LORD had instructed, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he left Haran. <sup>5</sup>He took his wife, Sarai, his nephew Lot, and all his wealth—his livestock and all the people he had taken into his household at Haran—and headed for the land of Canaan.



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- A call to obedience
- A call to walk by faith



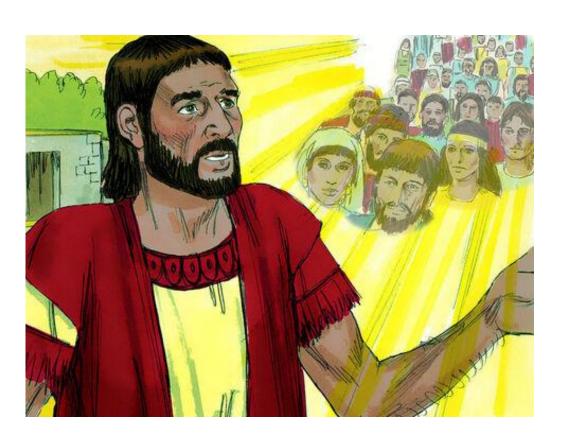




- Genesis 12:1 (NLT) "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you."
- It's not easy to let go of the familiar, the routines, the security...
- Catherine Booth: "To better the future we must disturb the present".
- Max DePree: "We cannot become what we need to be by remaining what we are. If you want to grow, you must be willing to change."



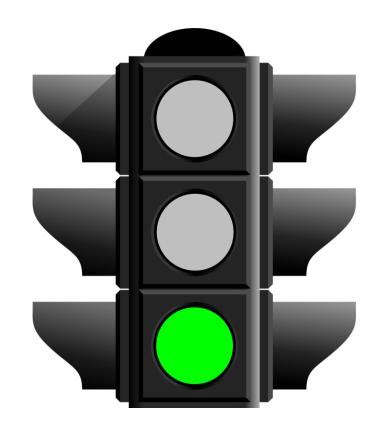
• Do you want to grow?





- Often FEAR stands in the way of obedience
- "You can be so afraid of doing the wrong thing that you never do the right thing. Many of us are waiting for the green light we have already been given".

(UCB 9/9/25 - Deep Thoughts, Jack Handey)





• The enemy of awakening is the good of the past pattern of the church that caused us to settle where we are, and restricts us from stepping into the more God has for us. Jesus is giving his church the opportunity to choose what is better, but to do this we will have to break with the established patterns and church protocols.

(Awaken – The Lord is doing a new thing; Anne Calver & John McGinley)



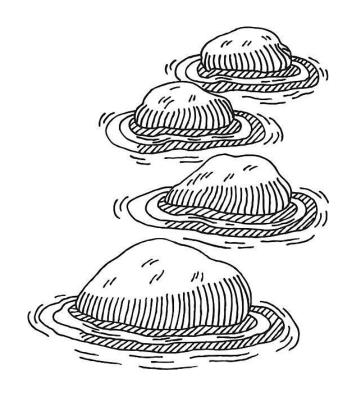
• My personal prayer for NLC: "Lord lead us. As much as I love who we are, what we are, where we are and what we do, God I am willing to trust you and place our lives into your hands"





#### A CALL TO WALK BY FAITH

- Genesis 12:1 ...and go to the land that I will show you.
- "Sometimes the stepping stones don't all appear at once, but you have to step out". (Grace Wheeler at New Wine 2025)
- We are not on our own; God goes with us.





#### A CALL TO WALK BY FAITH

• Exodus 33. <sup>1</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, "Leave this place, you and the people you brought up out of Egypt, and go up to the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob...

14...My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." <sup>15</sup>Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here".



#### FINAL WORDS

- Where is this "Quiet Revival"? We're not seeing evidence of it here, or are we?
- The way God is stirring our hearts towards collaboration and a willingness to let go this is part of the quiet revival.
- God is preparing us and positioning us for "Quiet Revival"



