

1. What are some things that you have faith in?
2. What are some things that you struggle to have faith in?

*Genesis 12:10-20 - Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a while because the famine was severe. <sup>11</sup> As he was about to enter Egypt, he said to his wife Sarai, "I know what a beautiful woman you are. <sup>12</sup> When the Egyptians see you, they will say, 'This is his wife.' Then they will kill me but will let you live. <sup>13</sup> Say you are my sister, so that I will be treated well for your sake and my life will be spared because of you." <sup>14</sup> When Abram came to Egypt, the Egyptians saw that Sarai was a very beautiful woman. <sup>15</sup> And when Pharaoh's officials saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh, and she was taken into his palace. <sup>16</sup> He treated Abram well for her sake, and Abram acquired sheep and cattle, male and female donkeys, male and female servants, and camels. <sup>17</sup> But the LORD inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram's wife Sarai. <sup>18</sup> So Pharaoh summoned Abram. "What have you done to me?" he said. "Why didn't you tell me she was your wife? <sup>19</sup> Why did you say, 'She is my sister,' so that I took her to be my wife? Now then, here is your wife. Take her and go!" <sup>20</sup> Then Pharaoh gave orders about Abram to his men, and they sent him on his way, with his wife and everything he had.*

3. Abram was following God, and yet still experienced famine where God had led him. How do you think this might have impacted Abram's faith?
4. In verse 12 we see that Abram was afraid that the Egyptians would kill him, why do you think that Abram forgot God's promise to make him into a great nation? (Genesis 12:2)
5. Abram deceived the Egyptians to protect himself. In what ways are you tempted to not tell the whole truth in order to avoid a negative or gain a positive?
6. Abram benefitted financially from the Egyptians as a result of his deception. How do you think this might have impacted him in the future?
7. Abram trusted God enough to leave his homeland and go where God would send him. Why do you think he was unable to trust God when he went to Egypt?
8. How does not trusting or obeying God make a difference?
  - How does our choice to not trust God impact us and our relationship with God?
  - How does our choice to not trust God impact those closest to us?
  - How does our choice to not trust God impact those around us at work, in our neighborhood, etc.
9. Why do you think that Abram didn't learn from his sin in Genesis 12? (See Genesis 20)
10. What helps you to faith by faith with God?
11. Pastor Bill said that walking by faith means making decision with God. What does that mean?
12. What does making decisions with God look like for you? How do you do it?
13. What areas of life does God give us freedom to choose in?
14. What areas does God give us specific direction?
15. God is always faithful. How does that help you to follow Him?
16. What promise of God is encouraging for you?
17. What area in your life would you like God's direction in?
18. How can you remind yourself to walk by faith and seek God's direction in decisions?