

When God calls, my life needs clarity and 12:1-3

Go from your country;
and go from your people;
and go from your father's household;
and go to the land I will show you.

Put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires...
and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness
and holiness. Ephesians 4:22-24

When God calls, my life needs action and 11:31-32

When God calls, my life needs priorities and 12:4-9

Surely God is good to Israel,
to those who are pure in heart.
But as for me, my feet had almost slipped;
I had nearly lost my foothold.
Because I envied the arrogant
when I saw the prosperity of the wicked...
When I tried to understand all this,
it troubled me deeply
until I entered the sanctuary of God;
then I understood their final destiny.
Psalm 73:1-3,16-17

For personal reflection or group discussion

1. What was the biggest geographical or social move you ever chose to make?
2. God laid down many conditions in order to be blessed (Genesis 12:1). Isn't it God's job to bless everyone?
3. Why does most growth happen in your Discomfort Zone, rather than your Comfort Zone, or the Panic Zone?
4. Read Joshua 24:2-3 to find Abraham's family background. In what ways is your own background similar to, or different from this?
5. Read Genesis 11:31 & 12:5. Why would it be easy for Abram to assume Harran was the destination to which God was calling him?
6. Read Hebrews 12:1-3. Give some examples of good stuff, bad stuff, and people who could hinder your spiritual progress. What advice could you give to someone with hindered spiritual progress?
7. Even though Abram was not yet fully obedient, two important things happened. Identify them in Genesis 12:7. Why is that good news for many of us?