

THE FIRST BOOK GENESIS

CHAPTER I.

God's Covenant With Abraham

2 And the earth was void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. * Ps. 33. 6. † Let there be light, and there was light. * Ps. 33. 9. † And God saw that it was good. * Ps. 33. 9. † And God divided the light from the darkness. † And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven, and let them be for lights between the night. † Ps. 74. 16. & 136. 7. † And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven, and let them be for lights between the night. † Ps. 74. 17. & 104. 19. † And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night, and the stars also. † Heb. for the rule of the day, and the stars also. † Job 38. 7. † And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and the night, and to be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years. † Gen. 1. 5. † And God called the light Day, and the darkness Night. † And there were the evenings and the mornings, one day.



God's Covenant With **Abraham**

The Text • **Genesis 12.1-3**

Now the LORD had said to Abram:

“Get out of your country,

From your family

And from your father's house,

To a land that I will show you.

2 I will make you a great nation;

I will bless you

And make your name great;

And you shall be a blessing.

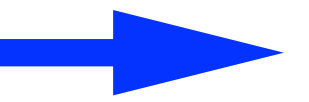
3 I will bless those who bless you,

And I will curse him who curses you;

And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”



The Principles & Promises • Genesis 12.1-3

- Now the LORD had said to Abram • **God spoke to Abraham** • **God reveals his will**
- “Get out of your country • **God commanded Abraham ... to leave his country** • **God expects us ...**
From your family • **... to leave his relatives** • **... to give up anything ...**
And from your father’s house, • **... to leave his immediate family** • **... standing in the way of faith**
To a land that I will show you. • **God promised land** • **A land “visible” only by faith**
- ² I will make you a great nation; • **God promised seed** • **A family “visible” only by faith**
I will bless you • **God promised blessings** • **Favors/grace/mercy “visible” only by faith**
And make your name great; • **God promised reputation** • **Character that would be noticed/reflect...**
And you shall be a blessing. • **God promised influence/impact** • **the character of God**
- ³ I will bless those who bless you, • **God promised blessings beyond** • **Favor/grace/mercy to others**
And I will curse him who curses you; • **God promised protection** • **Favor/grace/mercy that guards**
And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” • **God promised blessings to all** • 



The Principles & Promises • Genesis 12.1-3

Have Not Ended

- Repeated to Abraham: Genesis 15, 17
- Repeated to Isaac: Genesis 26.4ff
- Repeated to Jacob: Genesis 27.27ff, 28.1ff, 28.10ff
- Repeated to Israel: Exodus 2.24ff, 3.7ff
- Fulfilled in Christ: Galatian 3.6ff, 3.15ff, 3.24ff
- Remain in Christ: Acts 2.37ff

