

Out of the Chaos | Genesis 12:10-14:29

2022 Summer - May 29th, 2022

My Story Questions

These questions/activities help the group know one another and transition to deeper discussion. Choose one.

- 1) Can you remember a childhood lie that got you into trouble?
- 2) Can you think of a time you needed rescue or you rescued another? (broken down car, locked out, travel)

Study Questions

These are meant for personal preparation and group discussion. Use all or pick a few to discuss.

Read Genesis 12:1-20

- 1) Abraham was promised he would live to father a great nation. What made him doubt and how did he take matters into his own hands?
- 2) What wrong attitudes are reflected in Abram's actions? See Proverbs 14:12
- 3) Though God's plans aren't thwarted, our mistakes have consequences. Who was hurt by his actions?
- 4) Could the blessings from Pharaoh have caused Abram to think God was pleased with his self effort? When have material blessings clouded your view of right and wrong?
- 5) How did the plague show God's displeasure but also provide protection for Abram and revelation to Egypt?
- 6) God's grace is greater than our sin. Can you think of a time when God's grace covered over my sin?

Read Genesis 13:1-18

- 7) What may indicate struggling faith in Lot? What lessons about God's patience did Abraham learn in Egypt and apply in his dealings with Lot?
- 8) How did Abraham show Lot grace in the dividing of the land. How did God affirm Abram for his generosity (Vs14)?
- 9) Who do I know that is struggling with sin and how can I show God's grace and truth?
- 10) Why do you think Abram's actions in Bethel and Hebron are recorded (4,18)?
- 11) God desires that we seek Him. How is this seeking described in Deuteronomy 4:29 and Jeremiah 29:13?
- 12) What daily rhythms could help you pursue God wholeheartedly? What would it look like to seek Him first? Matt 6:33

Read Genesis 14:1-24 The ultimate rescue is foreshadowed.

- 13) Would you have sacrificed to go rescue Lot? What indications do you have that Lot was less than deserving? How is this a picture of what Jesus did for you?
- 14) Melchizedek is a priest of Salem, who offered bread and wine to commemorate Lot's rescue, and who received worship from Abram. How do those facts also point to Jesus? (see Hebrews 5:10)
- 15) How might God want to use me in your rescue operation for captive people today?

Responding to Jesus

Offer these questions for personal reflection before your group prayer time.

- 1) Lord, Who do I know that is struggling with sin and how can I show God's truth and grace?
- 2) Lord, How have you covered over a specific sin in my life with your grace? Help me worship you.