DISCUSSION GUIDE

MAY 2/3, 2020 WHEN GOD CALLS – NOW WHAT? GENESIS 12:1-9

Note to Leaders: Every group is different, please choose the questions that relate best to your particular group.

FOR STARTERS

- 1. Check in with everyone to see how they're doing and give them a virtual hug.
- 2. Discuss a time in your life when you received a call from someone and the response you had was, "now what?"

DIGGING IN

- 1. Read Genesis 12:1-9.
 - a. What could have been Abram's response to God's call? Discuss the adverse effects it would have had on God's plan.
 - b. Abram's name means "Father of the Nations." How does that fit into God's promise to Abram?
 - c. Abram built altars in several places he temporarily settled. What is the altar symbolizing in Abram's commitment to God?
 - d. How might you react to a promise from God that currently had someone else occupying it?
- 2. Read Genesis 12:10-20.
 - a. Abram temporarily went down to Egypt during a famine. Would this unexpected crisis have discouraged you in following God's plan?
 - b. How is your faith during a crisis?
 - c. How is your mental health during a crisis?

d. How did Abram demonstrate his lack of trust in God when he went to Egypt with Sarai?

- 3. Read Matthew 16:24-26.
 - a. How was Abram demonstrating the gospel message in this passage of Scripture?
 - b. What did Abram lose and what did Abram gain?

BRINGING IT HOME

- 1. What can you do to become more obedient to God's call on your life?
- 2. What things are you leaving in order to follow God's plan for your life?
- 3. Does God choose us, or do we choose Him?
- 4. Does God ever reconsider His calling on your life? (Romans 11:29)

GOING DEEPER

- 1. This week pray for those who have left the comforts of their homes, family and community to care for those in need.
- 2. Read, meditate on and memorize this Scripture: "for God's gifts and His call are irrevocable." Romans 11:29

PRAYER REQUESTS

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