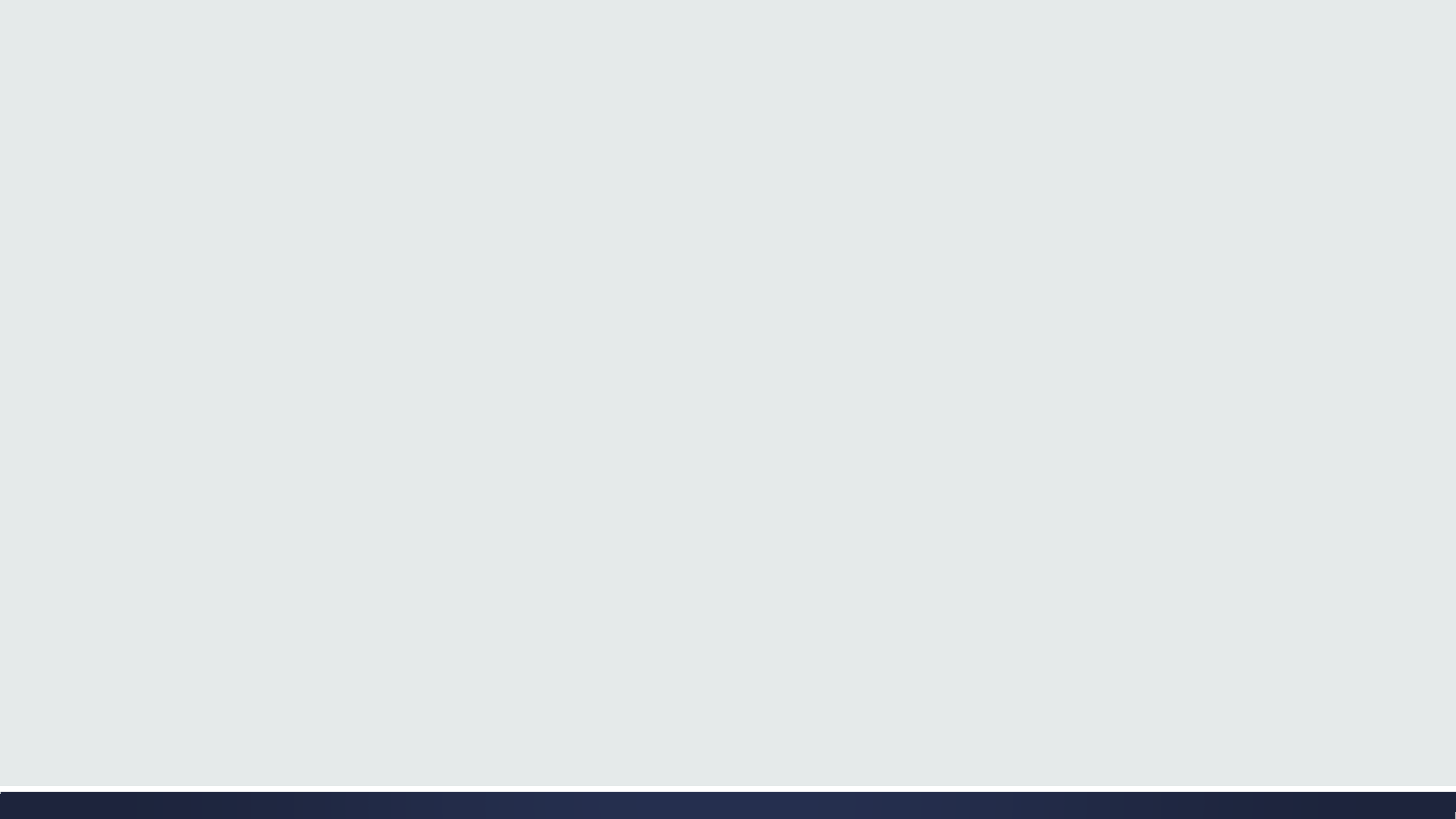




The Call of Abram

Genesis 11:27-12:9



Genesis 11:27-28

²⁷Now these are the generations of Terah. Terah fathered Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran fathered Lot. ²⁸Haran died in the presence of his father Terah in the land of his kindred, in Ur of the Chaldeans.

Genesis 11:29-30

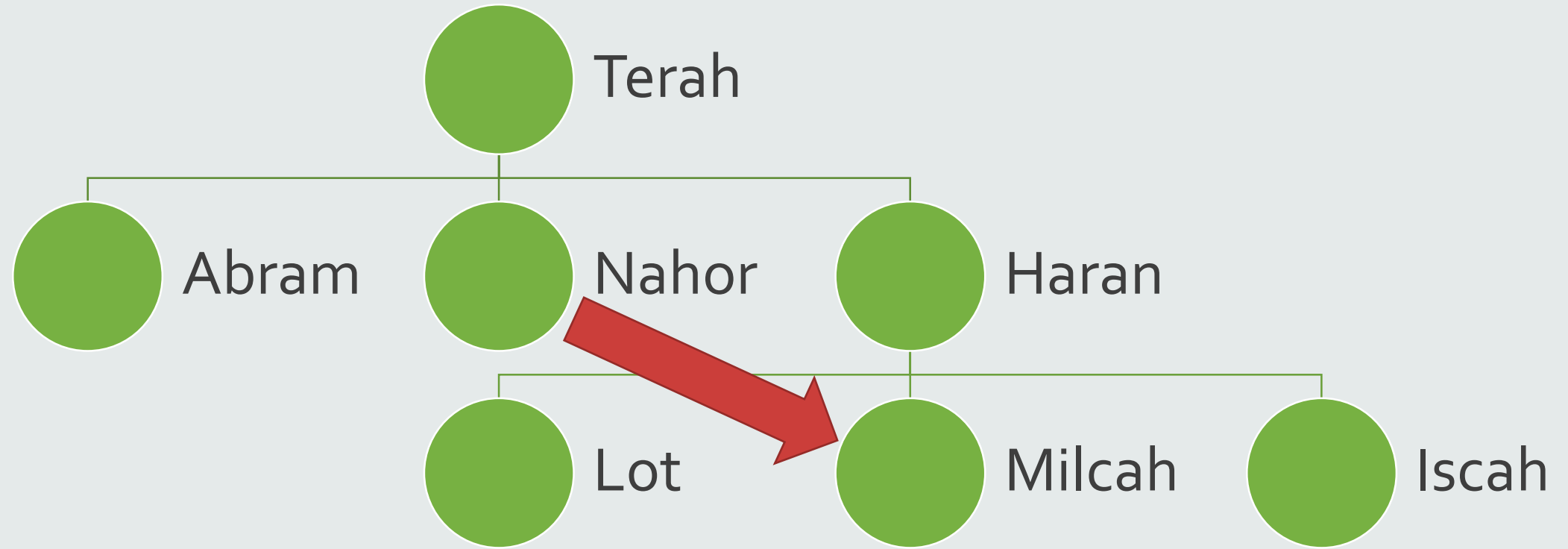
²⁹And Abram and Nahor took wives. The name of Abram's wife was Sarai, and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran the father of Milcah and Iscah. ³⁰Now Sarai was barren; she had no child.

Genesis 11:31

³¹Terah took Abram his son and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife, and they went forth together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan, but when they came to Haran, they settled there.

Genesis 11:32

³²The days of Terah were 205 years, and Terah died in Haran.



Joshua 24:2

²And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, ‘Long ago, your fathers lived beyond the Euphrates, Terah, the father of Abraham and of Nahor; and they served other gods.’”

Genesis 12:1-2

¹Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

Genesis 12:3

3I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

God's 7 Promises to Abram

1. To make him a great nation
2. To bless him
3. To make his name great
4. To make him a blessing
5. To bless those who blessed him
6. To curse those who dishonored him
7. To in him bless all the families of the earth!

Genesis 12:4

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

Two Possible Scenarios

1. Chapter 11:27-32 is an overview of Terah.
 - Terah had all three kids at 70 (or close to it).
 - Terah was closer to 145 years old when Abram left Haran ($70 + 75 = 145$)
2. Chapters 11:27-12:9 read in chronological order.
 - Terah was 70 when he had his first son. (11:26)
 - Terah was 130 when he had Abram. ($225 - 75 = 130$)
 - Abram departed Haran after his father died.

Acts 7:2-3

²And Stephen said:

“Brothers and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran, ³and said to him, ‘Go out from your land and from your kindred and go into the land that I will show you.’

Acts 7:4

4Then he went out from the land of the Chaldeans and lived in Haran. And after his father died, God removed him from there into this land in which you are now living.”

Genesis 12:5

⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan,

Genesis 12:6

⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land.

Genesis 12:7

⁷Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him.

Genesis 12:8-9

⁸From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

Point / Application

- God called Abram out of a life of serving other gods.
- God has called you out of a life of serving other gods too!

Personal Applications

- God called Abram to a new life.
- God is calling you to a new life too!
- Will you believe God?
- Will you trust him?
- Will you obey him?

