When Abraham Put God First
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Putting God first can be difficult. In this video, we will explore what we can learn from Abraham that will help us put God first in our lives today.

Abram was 80 years old when he left his rich and prosperous home to travel into the desert. Sounds crazy, doesn’t it? Who in their right mind would do such a thing? But God had called him, and Abram decided to put God first.

A few years later, though, Abram began to lie to save his own life. Why did Abram become so fearful that he stopped putting God first?

The answer is time and connection. Having put God first yesterday, do not automatically means that you will put God first today. Unless we regularly surrender our life to Him by connecting with Him as the first thing every morning, we may stop trusting Him, leaving God in second place. Or worse…

Some of us become disappointed with God because our lives didn’t turn out as expected. When we do not achieve everything we aimed for, it is easy to return to our own desires and fears.

Abram had the courage to challenge God and demand His promises be fulfilled. After all, he was promised a land and descendants. In Genesis 15, he says: “Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus (Gen. 15:2)?”

Images related to text and animation.
You know, sometimes we need to have some serious conversations with God. You don't have to remain silent if you have a few things to say to your heavenly Father. Are you disappointed? Tell Him. Do you feel alone when He promised to be with you? Tell Him as Abram did.

So, God invited Abram to leave his tent and head towards a new direction. It was almost as if the Lord was telling him: “Your tent ceiling isn't large enough to accommodate what I can do if you look upward and put God first.” It was by accepting this promise that his name was changed to Abraham.

And his desire to trust and put God first, led to the first biblical reference to tithing.

Abraham chose to put God first, and his example compels us to do the same. As we return the tithe and Promise, we are challenged to put God first.