



Trust

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Introduction:

- Everything has a starting point
- The “story” of faith has a starting point

1. Humanity restart - Abraham

¹ The LORD had said to Abram, “Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father’s family, and go to the land that I will show you. ² I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. ³ I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you.”
Genesis 12:1-3 NLT

2. Three promises

- Great nation
- Famous
- Everyone blessed because of Abraham

⁴ Then the LORD said to him, “No, your servant will not be your heir, for you will have a son of your own who will be your heir.” ⁵ Then the LORD took Abram outside and said to him, “Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That’s how many descendants you will have!” ⁶ And Abram believed the LORD, and the LORD counted him as righteous because of his faith.
Genesis 15:4-6 NLT

3. Being “right” with God

- Judaism - birth
- Islam - behavior
- Christianity - belief

4. The starting point for a relationship with God is trust

Two Questions:

1. Which of the following best reflects my view?
God accepts me based upon...
 - my birth
 - my behavior
 - my belief
 - some combination of these
2. Why?

Next Steps:

- ☐ I will answer the “Two Questions” as I review my personal faith journey this week
- ☐ I have trouble trusting God with _____, pray for me
- ☐ Trust in God as I walk by faith
- ☐ Attend or listen to all of this message series
- ☐ _____