JOURNEY OF HOPE

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I. Gen 12:1-3

A. 3 Phases of the Journey of Hope

- 1. PROMISE V2
- 2. PROCESS V1
- 3. POSSESSION

II. JOURNEY OF HOPE PROCESS:

- A. LEAVE (DEPART)
- B. LIFT
- C. LOOK

III. 1st STEP - LEAVE - Walk away from these things into something I WILL SHOW YOU!

- A. When God says, GET OUT of something it is an invitation to COME INTO something GREATER!
- B. **Gen 12:4** 4 Abram DEPARTED as the LORD had spoken to him and **Lot went with him**.

IV. 2nd STEP - Gen 13:14 - LIFT

A. LIFT YOUR EYES NOW

- 1. **Ps 121:1-2** 1 I will lift up my eyes to the hills—From whence comes my help? 2 My help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.
- Ps 42:11 11 Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? <u>Hope in God;</u> For I shall yet praise Him, The help of my countenance and my God

V. 3rd STEP - LOOK "FROM" THE PLACE WHERE YOU ARE

A. WHERE WE LOOK "FROM" MATTERS

- From Webster Used as a function word to indicate a starting point of a physical movement
- 2. Can we lift our eyes with hope FROM the place where we are and see what God wants to give us?
- 3. WHAT DO WE SEE? Northward, southward, eastward and westward
 - (1) In life we are surrounded by both problems and possibilities
- 4. Arise and walk Represents what he wanted to Abram to walk into.
 - a) Gal 5:16 16 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

B. WHERE WE LOOK "TO" MATTERS - Gen 15:1-6

- 1. V3 Abram tells God to "LOOK" at his current state of affairs
 - a) "ONE" singular I've got ONE option, ONE hope

- 2. **V5** God tells Abram to "LOOK" now toward heaven
 - a) Heb 11:1 1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen

C. "HOW" WE LOOK MATTERS - Rom 4:17-25

- 1. **Contrary** para Opposed to expectation; opposite of what should be
- 2. According to what was spoken Is our hope in what is seen or spoken?
- 3. Jesus Luke 3 Father says this is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.
- 4. <u>Luke 4:1-2</u> Then Jesus, <u>being filled with the Holy Spirit</u>, returned from the Jordan and was <u>led by the Spirit into the wilderness</u>, 2 being <u>tempted for forty days by</u> the devil
 - a) The devil's objective is always to get our focus onto what is seen and off of what is said
- 5. <u>Luke 4:14</u> 14 Then Jesus <u>returned in the power of the Spirit</u> to Galilee

VI. **APPLICATION**:

- A. Are you willing to leave where you are (feelings, mindsets, etc.) and trust where God wants to take you?
- B. What things do you need to separate from that could be hindering you hearing from God?
- C. Can you lift your eyes and look from where you are to see what God wants to give you?
- D. Do you see possibilities or just problems?

E.	Is your hope in what is seen or what is spoken?