

## “When the World is Not Your Home”

(part 2)

Topic – Abandoning God’s Promises

Text - Genesis 12:1-20; Hebrews 11:8-10

Series – Lessons on Faith From the Life of Abraham

### Review

#### A. God's Directive after the flood (Genesis 9:1, 18-19; 10:31-32)

1. Japheth – He may or may not have been Noah’s eldest son (Gen. 10:21)  
- The father of European nations. [“isles of the Gentiles” – 10:5]
2. Ham – youngest son of Noah and father of African and ancient Middle Eastern nations (10:6-20)
3. Shem - “the father of all the children of Eber [Hebrews]” (10:21-30)

#### B. Man's Defiance of God's directive after the flood (Genesis 11:1-4)

#### C. God's Decision (Genesis 11:5-9)

1. God's Interest – “the Lord came down to see the city and the tower” (11:5)
2. God's Intervention – “confound their language” (11:7)  
- “scattered them abroad” (11:8)
3. God's Instruction to Abram (11:10; 12:1)

### I. Terah's Family: The Generations of Terah (Gen. 11:26-30)

A. Terah was father to three sons.

B. Terah's family was born in Ur, in the land of the Chaldees.

### II. Terah's Failure

A. Terah's Choice - Moved his family from Ur to Haran (Genesis 11:31)

B. Terah's Conflict (note - Joshua 24:2)

C. Terah became a spiritual castaway.

### Conclusion - There may be a place called Haran in your life!

1. Haran is the place where you stop short:  
Short of God's  blessings   
Short of God's  promises
2. Remember: “Terah died in Haran!”