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Genesis 12

Observation questions

- 1. What does God command Abram to do in Genesis 12, and what promise does God attach to that command? [01:55]
- 2. What examples were given of people or ministries acting as funnels—passing God's blessing onward rather than hoarding it? [11:52]
- 3. The sermon listed four purposes for building altars. What are those four purposes and how were they described? [36:39]
- 4. What specific ways did generosity "enlarge the world" in the stories and numbers shared? Name at least two examples. [21:19]

Interpretation Questions

- 1. What does Abram's quick obedience suggest about the relationship between faith and certainty? How does "go and I will show you" reshape expectations about knowing the whole plan before moving? [09:16]
- 2. Why does God place the call to move on us while He promises to carry the outcome? What does this tell us about human responsibility and divine initiative? [10:32]
- 3. How does Simon's attempt to buy spiritual power expose common temptations in giving, leadership, or ministry service? What heart attitudes is this warning addressing? [31:17]
- 4. What does it mean to "build an altar at promise-time" rather than waiting until after a payoff? How does that practice guard against idolatry of outcomes? [36:39]

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Application Questions

- 1. Where is God asking you to "go" right now without a clear map? What one obedient step can you take this week to move in that direction? Be specific about timing and action. [09:16]
- 2. Who in your life might be waiting for God's blessing that needs you to be a funnel (not a lid)? Identify one person and one concrete way you will release time, attention, or resources to them in the next month. [11:52]
- 3. Examine your motives for giving, serving, or leading: are you seeking God's glory or your own recognition? What concrete indicator will you watch for to tell the difference, and how will you correct course if motive drifts? [31:17]
- 4. Which of the four altar-types (relationship, remembrance, repentance, revival) do you most need right now? Name one simple, measurable practice you will begin this week to build that altar (where and when will it happen?). [36:39]
- 5. What time, talent, or treasure can you invest this season to expand others' access to the gospel or practical care? List one specific commitment you will make for the next 30-90 days. [27:44]
- 6. If you decided to begin giving, serving, or going now instead of waiting to "arrive," what first practical step will you take in the next 30 days (who will you contact, what form will it take, how much time/money will you commit)?

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