

Day 3

**Scriptural Background:** Gen 12

"Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you." Gen 12:1

Exile is a constant state of the human condition. Sin and its resultant curse has expelled us from the home for which we were made (Gen 3:24). We feel this cosmic homelessness in every striving and longing of daily life. All the great Hebrew prophets of old speak to this situation of being in a state of wandering (Isa 40:3). So, too, did Abraham, the great father of the faith, begin by being called out to wander (Heb 11:8–10). Let us, like him, go by faith, ultimately trusting the One who likewise left His Father's Land (Matt 8:20), and went out, to bring about a new people and a new land and a new promise.

## **Prayer:**

Lord Jesus, we remember this day that You left Your Father's home to live as a sojourner on earth. Let the fact that You did that for us increase our faith in You, and let the fact of Your going out be a model shaping our expectations for our own lives in this world. For Your Glory we pray. Amen.