

**In the Direction of Faithfulness**  
**Genesis 12:1-4**  
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Thesis: I want to show the direction of faithfulness; as revealed in the Bible.

Intro: 1.  
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- I. The direction of faithfulness....
  - A. begins with obedience (**Rom 10:17; Heb 5:9**)
    1. We cannot (should not) claim to be a faithful person of God if we are not obedient.
    2. Obedience to His Word, saves souls (**James 1:21**)
  - B. is maintained in obedience (**Mt 13:20-21; Rev 2:10**)
    1. Faithfulness is a continual action, not a one time event or decision.
    2. **James 1:25**
  - C. is on the path of trust in God. (**Gen 12:4**)
    1. Many “claim” faith in God.
    2. Few however truly trust in God – (**Psalm 9:10**)
- II. Abram is an example of true faith.
  - A. The decision affected the entire family. (**Gen 12:5**)
    1. Abram went because God told him – plain & simple.
    2. The Bible records no hesitation by Abram.
  - B. Destination unknown, endless possibilities. (**Gen 12:1**)
    1. His actions showed his faith.
    2. Any in-action, would also show his faith.
- III. Are you following in the direction of faithfulness?
  - A. The direction of faithfulness leads to the Heavenly home
    1. **John 14:1-2**
    - 2.
  - B. How do you know which direction you are going?
    1. **John 14:15**
    2. **1 John 2:6**

Application & Conclusion:

1. If there is a direction in life that leads a man to faithfulness; then their likewise must be a direction in life that leads to unfaithfulness.
2. **Proverbs 3:13-15**
3. Full Invitation

God’s plan for the alien sinner

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Luke 13:3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4  
Live faithfully – Rev 2:10,

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9