

**Sermon Series: *Making A Difference***

**Message Summary:** Today we embark on a new journey, studying the life of Abraham. I'm calling it, *Making A Difference*. Abraham made a difference within the fabric of the three monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. More than that, Scripture exonerates him as being an example of faith. How did he begin his journey of faith? There's one factor that can make all the difference—it's called God's will! To live life according to God's promises and commands, even though difficult at times, will be the most exciting way to make your journey through this life. As we study the life of Abraham, you may find striking parallels to your own spiritual experience.

**Making A Difference –  
Leaving a lasting Impression  
Genesis 12:1-9**

**1. God's Word Leads to Faith (vv. 1-3)**

- A. God's Commands
- B. God's Promises

**2. Faith Leads to Obedience (vv. 4-5)**

- A. Abram Believed
- B. Abram Went

**3. Obedience Leads to Blessing (vv. 6-9)**

- A. Greater Presence
- B. Greater Promises

**LifeGroup Questions:**

**LifeGroup Sign-ups are today. All groups begin January 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**BEGIN IT (5min)** – Time spent in praise and opening prayer.

**OPEN IT (10min)** – When have you been amazed by someone else's faith?

**Explore it (60min)** – Review Sunday's sermon outline together. Stop at each point allowing people in your discussion group to share their additional comments or notes taken while listening to the sermon. Now answer few questions:

1. What did God speak to you while listening to the message?
2. What understanding did you gain by listening to comments of others in your group?
3. How could you affirm the faith of someone who has been an example to you?

**APPLY IT (15min)** – What did God reveal to you in the sermon or among your discussion group? How will you apply this new understanding to your life?