



**Complacent or Courageous? February 5, 2012**

## **Courageous Living Means:**

### **1. We don't settle for \_\_\_\_\_**

Terah took his son Abram, his grandson Lot son of Haran, and his daughter-in-law Sarai, the wife of his son Abram, and together they set out from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to Canaan. But when they came to Harran, they settled there.

Genesis 11:31 (NIV2011)

- Complacent Christians say, “\_\_\_\_\_”
- Courageous Christians say. “I want to be God’s \_\_\_\_\_ man or woman.”

### **2. We follow God into the \_\_\_\_\_**

The LORD had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses

you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.” So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. Genesis 12:1-4 (NIV2011)

- Complacent Christians say, “Stick to the \_\_\_\_\_.”
- Courageous Christians say, “Grab your stuff and let’s \_\_\_\_\_!”

### **3. We trust in God’s \_\_\_\_\_ against the \_\_\_\_\_**

Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. The LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

Genesis 12:6-7 (NIV2011)

- Complacent Christians say, “It \_\_\_\_\_ be done.”
- Courageous Christians say, “With God \_\_\_\_\_ things are \_\_\_\_\_.”

4. We \_\_\_\_\_ follow God's \_\_\_\_\_.

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

Hebrews 11:8-10 (NIV2011)

- Complacent Christians say, "It's about \_\_\_\_\_ and it's about \_\_\_\_\_."
- Courageous Christians say, "It's about the \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_."

What does Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness." Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness.

Romans 4:3-5 (NIV2011)

**My Next Step Today Is To:**

- Trust myself into God's hands by receiving Jesus into my life.
- Commit to follow God where ever He leads me, even when the path seems impossible.
- Not settle for "good enough" but to whole heartedly follow God's plan.
- Meditate on and/or memorize Hebrews 11:8
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