



MESSAGES TO PARENTS AND STUDENTS

For Youth:

The following are sample text messages, Tweets, or Facebook statuses you can send to youth in order to promote the meeting and prepare them for it.

- Ever feel hopeless? For the next few weeks, we'll be talking about how God is a God of HOPE.
- Read Genesis 12:1-9. How do you think Abraham found the courage to leave his home for an unknown land?

For Parents:

The following are sample text messages to encourage conversation between parents and youth, along with a follow-up email. The goal is to equip parents to encourage their teens to embrace God's mission in the world.

- For the next several weeks, we will be talking with your teen about the God of HOPE. Please pray for these important conversations.
- This week we are thinking together about what it means to trust God. Relationships deepen over time—pray for your own deepening relationship with God.

Dear Parents,

This week we looked at how the story of God calling Abram (later Abraham) is a story of hope for all creation. God reveals to Abraham that He has a plan for humankind and that He is a God of perfect love. He promises Abraham that He will go with him—always.

Use the following questions to spark conversation with your teen on this topic:

- How do you think Abraham found the courage to do what God asked him to?
- Share with your teen some areas you struggle to trust, then ask them to name some areas where they struggle to trust God.
- Suggest praying for one another throughout the week regarding growing in trust for God.

Let me know if you have any questions as we continue through our series. Thank you for allowing us to invest in the life of your teen.