

## LIFE GROUP MATERIAL ... 29 January 2012

### "The Journey with God"

**WELCOME:** Last week's answer: "Pull the plug!" This week, share with the group the most peaceful place or experience you have had.

**WORSHIP:** Make an origami dove (instructions supplied). Thank God for His gift of peace. Pass your dove to the person on your left and pray for God's peace into their life.

**WITNESS:** Do you know anyone who is facing anxious times? If so pray for them and send them a card/letter from the group to encourage them.

**READING: Gen 12:1-4**

**NOTES:** This is the last in our "Journey with God" studies. Having looked at, The Pilgrims Pursuit (God), Priority (God's Will), Promise (God's Blessing) we finish by looking at the last 2 great principles in Gen 12:1-4, The Pilgrims Peace (God's Plan), Prospect (God's Presence).

The Word questions below are to explore more deeply how God would have us apply these principles in our journey with Him today.

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In heavenly love abiding, no  
change my heart shall fear.  
and safe in such confiding, for  
nothing changes here.  
the storm may roar without me,  
my heart may low be laid,  
but God is round about me,  
and can I be dismayed?

**WORD:** Please SELECT from the questions below those appropriate to your group.

**Q1.** Gen 12:1 God revealed His plan to Abraham which enabled him to face the challenges ahead with calmness. How do we discover God's plan for our lives? Do you know God's plan and if so are you following it?

**Q2.** Phil 4:7 Abraham faced the future with the peace that comes from knowing and obeying God's plan. As Christians we can know an even more profound peace that comes from the Holy Spirit in our lives (Gal 5:23). If you had to choose which would to have: The Holy Spirit's Power for Service or Peace for Living?

**Q3.** Phil 4:7 speaks of peace in our "hearts" and "minds". What is the difference between peace in the "heart" and peace in the "mind"?

**Q4.** Gen 12:1 God didn't tell Abraham where he was to go. Uncertainty is a major cause of anxiety. What "uncertainties" do you think cause most anxiety? About health, money, work, family... What aspects of our faith neutralise anxiety?

**Q5.** Heb 11:10 The old saying is: "Too heavenly minded to be of any earthly use." Is that true? Or is it true that we can be "Too earthly minded to be of heavenly use." Which are we today?

**Q6.** Phil 1:21-23 Are you torn between living or dying? If God told you that this was your last night on earth would you be happy, sad, afraid, ready, apprehensive... (John 14:1-4)