

YELLOW BRICK ROAD

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- **Reflecting on the Past:** The Hebrew word **Qedem** means “looking back to move forward.” Can you think of a time when reflecting on your past helped you make a better decision for your future?
- **Patterns in Our Journey:** In **Genesis 12 and 20**, Abraham repeats the same mistake by lying about Sarah. Why do you think we sometimes fall into the same patterns of sin or fear, even after experiencing God’s faithfulness?
- **God’s Mercy in Our Mistakes:** How do these passages reveal God’s mercy, even when Abraham fails? How have you seen God’s mercy in your own past failures?
- **Fear vs. Faith:** Abraham lied because he feared for his life. When have you let fear dictate your actions instead of faith? What would it look like to trust God in those moments?
- **The Impact of Our Choices:** Abraham’s deception affected not just himself but also Sarah and Abimelech’s household. How do our personal choices—good or bad—impact others around us?
- **God’s Intervention:** In **Genesis 20**, God intervenes in Abimelech’s life to prevent sin. Have you ever experienced a moment where you felt God redirected you away from a harmful decision?
- **Healing and Restoration:** Despite Abraham’s mistakes, God still blesses and restores him. What does this tell us about God’s character? How does this encourage you in your own struggles?
- **Personal Reflection:** If you could go back and give advice to your younger self based on what you know now, what would you say? How might that advice help someone else today?
- **Moving Forward:** What is one practical step you can take this week to learn from your past without being trapped by it? How can we support and encourage each other in this?