

Scripture Reference

Week 1 - "All the Places to Go How Will You Know?" by John Ortberg

The Message to the Church in Philadelphia

⁷ "Write this letter to the angel of the church in Philadelphia.

This is the message from the one who is holy and true, the one who has the key of David. What he opens, no one can close; and what he closes, no one can open: ⁸ "I know all the things you do, and I have opened a door for you that no one can close. You have little strength, yet you obeyed my word and did not deny me. Revelation 3:7-8 NLT

The Call of Abram

¹² The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. ² I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. ³ I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."

Genesis 12:1 -3 NLT

⁴ So Abram departed as the LORD had instructed, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he left Haran. Genesis 12:4 NLT

³² "Don't worry about this Philistine," David told Saul. "I'll go fight him!"

³³ "Don't be ridiculous!" Saul replied. "There's no way you can fight this Philistine and possibly win! You're only a boy, and he's been a man of war since his youth."

1 Samuel 17: 32-33 NLT

The Rich Man

¹⁸ Once a religious leader asked Jesus this question: "Good Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?"

¹⁹ "Why do you call me good?" Jesus asked him. "Only God is truly good. ²⁰ But to answer your question, you know the commandments: 'You must not commit adultery. You must not murder. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. Honor your father and mother.'^[a]"

²¹ The man replied, "I've obeyed all these commandments since I was young."

²² When Jesus heard his answer, he said, "There is still one thing you haven't done. Sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

²³ But when the man heard this he became very sad, for he was very rich.

²⁴ When Jesus saw this,^[b] he said, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God! ²⁵ In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!" Luke 18:18-25 NLT

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Genesis 12:1-4 NLT

¹⁴ After Lot had gone, the LORD said to Abram, “Look as far as you can see in every direction—north and south, east and west. ¹⁵ I am giving all this land, as far as you can see, to you and your descendants^[a] as a permanent possession. ¹⁶ And I will give you so many descendants that, like the dust of the earth, they cannot be counted! ¹⁷ Go and walk through the land in every direction, for I am giving it to you.”

Genesis 13:14-17