

**Welcome:** We would like to welcome you here today for our worship service with our sermon series called “Joseph’s Critical Journey.” Our message today is called “God Calls us to a Journey of Faith” as we look at the life of Abram. **Note** the messages each week are also available on podcast from the church web page [www.lightofchristwi.org](http://www.lightofchristwi.org)

### Sermon Outline

1. Our calling in life originates with God and to carry it out we have to obey Him. We are now ready to take the first step of our journey. When did you become aware that the Lord had called you to faith and that you were on a spiritual journey?

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2. What is so significant about being on a journey?

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3. In Ephesians 2:8-10 the Apostle Paul writes, “*For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.*” What is significant about your call? What are some of the good works the Lord has for you that you are aware of?

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4. God not only breaks into our life to call us to a journey of faith, but he breaks into our life along the journey to sustain us along the way giving us hope and encouragement. How has the Lord encouraged you and given you hope along your journey of faith?

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5. What is significant about the stars in our story? Who is called the Bright Morning Star? How would you describe a star? How can you be a light where the Lord has placed you?

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6. Along the journey of faith, the Lord calls us to look up...look up to Him the bright Morning Star. Why does the Lord call us to look up? How has the Lord done that in your life?

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7. Hebrews 12:1-3 says, “*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. <sup>2</sup> We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. \* Because of the joy\* awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God’s throne. What are these verses telling you?*”

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8. Sermon Mediation – What is the Lord telling you today? What is challenging about what the Lord is telling you? Why is it challenging? What would He like you to do about what He has communicated with you today?

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