

## 2008-09 BSP#1 Group Time Discussion

*L – Low, M – Medium, and H – High, indicate the difficulty of a question. Group leaders should select questions that are challenging to their groups but not so difficult that their group members cannot answer.*

(A) **“He Opened to Us the Scriptures” - Questions for Reflection and Discussion (Time available: 15 minutes. Do at least 2 questions.)**

1. [H] Why do you suppose Abram took Lot, his nephew, with him? Review Genesis 11:26-30 and see if you could identify at least 2 possible explanations.
2. [L] Invite 3 or 4 members of your group to describe the relationship between God and Abram in a few words based on Genesis 12:1-9, and explain why.
3. [M] In addition to Abram’s flight to Egypt for safety, name two other figures in the history of Israel who did the same thing.

(B) **“Did Not Our Hearts Burn?” – Question(s) for Group Meditation and Prayer.**  
Select either B1 or B2. (Suggested time: 10 minutes)

B1. Abram and Sarai left home and family in order to receive the gift God promised them. They received much more than they lost. The first step to true conversion is a willingness to leave behind whatever prevents us from belonging entirely to God. Is God calling you to “go out” of, or leave behind, anything today so that He can have you for His own?

B2. Have you ever felt like Abram might have when he obeyed God but faced a difficulty because of it? Were you able to accept it as a test of your faith, or did you see it as a sign of failure? Did you learn from it, or did it become a stumbling block in your relationship with God?