



Introducing the new four year Graduate Convention (January 12-15, 2007) Logo and Lecture Series...



“Now the Lord said to Abram: ‘Get out of your country, from your family and from your father’s house, to a land that I will show you.’ (Genesis 12:1)

2007

I. Preparing to Climb the Mountains

“But suppose they will not believe me or listen to my voice; suppose they say, ‘The Lord has not appeared to you?’” (Exodus 4:1)

- a) Spiritually: 1) Wholeness, 2) Spiritual Wellness, 3) Sustained through Worship
- b) Emotionally: 1) Self-Examination, 2) Insight into Religious Standing, 3) Acknowledges Readiness for the Journey
- c) Socially: 1) Conduct, 2) Morality, 3) Idealization
- d) Culturally: 1) Present Family Standing, 2) Future Family, 3) Family Placement in Household of God, 4) Heritage: Moses was an Egyptian
- e) Environmentally: 1) Resources, 2) Carrying the Ark, 3) Rope over the Wall, 4) Loud Trumpet Warnings

2008

II. Through the Vast Deserts

“The Lord our God, we will serve and His voice we will obey.” (Joshua 24:24)

- a) Steadfastly: 1) Following the Pillar of Cloud and Fire, 2) Divine Liturgy and Communion, 3) Psalms and Prayers, 4) Happiness and Hymns: Song of Moses
- b) Obediently: 1) Our Burning Bush, 2) Church’s Sacred Staff of Power, 3) Ark of Covenant Today, 4) Conquering Life’s Circumstance
- c) Purposefully: 1) Forsaking the Pleasures of Sin, 2) Choosing to Suffer, 3) Slave and Shepherd, 4) Promise Land Bound, No Looking Back
- d) Without Murmuring: 1) Manna and Quail, 2) Wisdom, 3) Courage, 4) Optimism
- e) Continually Serving: 1) Helping the Helpless, 2) Inspiring Others, 3) Reverence, 4) Likeness of the Lord Jesus Christ

2009

III. Crossing the Jordan into the River Valley

“Israel served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua, who had known all the works of the Lord which He had done for Israel.” (Joshua 24:31)

- a) Humility: 1) Obscurity in a Ravine, 2) Sepulcher Unknown, 3) Feeling for Others More, 4) New Dispensation
- b) Purity of Heart: 1) Aaron to Eleazar, 2) Caused Crumbling of World’s Oldest City, 3) Following the Leader, 4) Leading the Lost
- c) Patience: 1) God will Provide Directions, 2) His Authority First, 3) Fortifying the Camp: Not Forsaking the Assembly, 4) Waiting and Listening, 5) Without Division
- d) Longsuffering: 1) Great Battles and Weary Hands, 2) Keep the Passover, 3) Being the Encourager, 4) Stricken in Years
- e) Giving to God: 1) Dividing the Spoils, 2) Tithing, 3) Our Inheritance, 4) Treasure in Heaven

2010

IV. Glimpses of the Rainbow over the Land of Milk and Honey

“...When Moses went into the Tabernacle of Meeting, he heard the voice of One speaking to him from above the Mercy Seat that was on the Ark of the Testimony, from between the two cherubim...” (Numbers 7:89)

- a) Fervency: 1) Love, 2) Nurturance, 3) Character, 4) Desire
- b) Growing in Knowledge: 1) Biblical, 2) Traditions, 3) Rituals, 4) Doctrine
- c) Faithfulness: 1) Wholly Abiding, 2) Dependent on God, 3) Talents, 4) Gifts
- d) Dedication: 1) Productive, 2) Altruistic, 3) Committed, 4) Continuer
- e) Evangelical: 1) “Slow of Speech,” 2) Sharing of Survival, 3) Saving Souls, 4) Salvation

