

Gone Camping: Tents, Altars and Famine

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- Following Jesus is a call to go camping and live in a tent.

Read Genesis 12:1

- Until you obey, you haven't believed.

Read Genesis 12:4–8

The tent and the altar were symbols of Abram's commitment to God.

- the altar marked him as a worshipper of the Lord
- the tent marked him as a foreigner in the land

Read 1 Peter 2:11-12

- Obedience brings blessing.

Read Genesis 12:9-10

- Between the mountain tops of blessing there can be valleys of testing.

Why do we experience famine?

- **we live in a broken world**

Read Romans 8:22

- **we have an enemy who wants to destroy us**

Read 1 Peter 5:8 (NLT)

- **we make poor choices**

Read Psalm 51:4; John 16:33

- God uses the tough circumstances of life to build the muscles of your faith.
- God uses the tough circumstances of life to reveal the condition of your heart

Read Genesis 12:10

You may be going down to Egypt if:

1. Old habits and lifestyle resurface.
2. You're making decisions based on fear.

**When we act out of fear,
we are not acting out of faith.**

3. You move from trusting to scheming.

Read Genesis 12:11–13

Faith is living without scheming.

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**God will never lead you
where his grace cannot keep you.**

Read 2 Corinthians 12:9; Genesis 13:1–4

