6. CHANGE

NOW THE LORD SAID TO ABRAM, "GO FROM YOUR COUNTRY AND YOUR KINDRED AND YOUR FATHER'S HOUSE TO THE LAND THAT I WILL SHOW YOU. I WILL MAKE OF YOU A GREAT NATION, AND I WILL BLESS YOU, AND MAKE YOUR NAME GREAT, SO THAT YOU WILL BE A BLESSING. I WILL BLESS THOSE WHO BLESS YOU, AND THE ONE WHO CURSES YOU I WILL CURSE; AND IN YOU ALL THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH SHALL BE BLESSED."

GENESIS 12:1-3

Finding Calling Through Change

God of great promises, across time and space, you never stop assuring your people that you are here. right here, in our midst. In moments of restlessness and loss, in moments of joy and triumph, in the twists and turns of each new day, vou dwell with us. We are never left to face our next steps alone. As you did in this story—and as you did for our father Abraham, you call each of us into a deeper relationship with you and our neighbors. These relationships are cloaked in mystery. We do not often know what changes lay ahead. But through your abundant faithfulness, we can be assured that you will

Exploration Questions

guide and bless each step. In gratitude, we pray, Amen.

- What's one facet of Denise's story of calling in the midst of change that reminds you of your own story, and why?
- When you're experiencing a significant change in your life, do you feel closer to Jesus or further away from Him? Explain.
- Some people believe that God's will is supposed to point us toward the "best" choice in front of us, and others believe that God's will can lead to multiple "best" choices—which kind of person are you, and why?