

# **THE HEART OF GOD**

EMBRACE- Part 1

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**Genesis 12:1-3**

## **1. EMBRACE GOD'S PURPOSE.**

### ■ **IN THE OLD TESTAMENT. (Gen. 12:1-3)**

*"I will give you many descendants, and they will become a great nation. I will bless you and make your name famous, so that you will be a blessing... And through you I will bless all the nations." Genesis 12:2-3 (TEV)*

### ■ **IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. (Eph. 3)**

*"And this is the secret plan: The Gentiles have an equal share with the Jews in all the riches inherited by God's children. Both groups have believed the Good News, and both are part of the same body and enjoy together the promise of blessings through Christ Jesus." Ephesians 3:6 (NLT)*

**God's Heart: Create a family from every nation who will love Him and love others.**

*"To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." Colossians 1:27 (NIV)*

## **2. EMBRACE GOD'S PEOPLE.**

*"...I will put together My church, a church so expansive with energy that not even the gates of hell will be able to keep it out..." Matthew 16:18 (Mess)*

*"I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile."  
Romans 1:16 (NIV)*

## **3. EMBRACE GOD'S PLAN.**

*"But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power and will tell people about Me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8 (NLT)*

### **GOD'S STRATEGY**

#### **A. Jerusalem**

*"...in Jerusalem..."*

#### **B. Judea**

*"...throughout Judea..."*

**C. Samaria**

*“...in Samaria...”*

**D. The world**

*“...to the ends of the earth.”*

*“And the Gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.” Matthew 24:14 (NIV)*

*“After I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language.” Revelation 7:9 (NIV)*