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*WEEK OF February 25 – March 3 / GROUP TIME GUIDE*

This guide is given to aid in the facilitation of leading your small group. It is only an aide for you to **experience Christ together.**

**Prayer:** Begin your time in group together by inviting God to be with you. Ask Him to change you as you seek Him and study His Word together. Ask him to use everyone in the group to encourage, challenge, and teach one another.

## **Bible Study:**

1. Pastor Tom's message, out of Genesis 12:1-4, all revolved around God's promise to send a savior to the world through the family of Abraham. This, he taught, was God's plan to restore creation from the curse of sin.
  - a. **How would Abraham bring to completion the promise God had made?**
  - b. **What does this tell us about God?**
2. Out of the big idea that, "In His sovereignty, God promised to send a Savior to the world through the family of Abraham," Pastor Tom gave us three points. The first being, "God's promise deals with our sin."
  - a. **What was the significance of "Now" in verse 1?**
  - b. **How does God's promise deal with our sin?**
3. Secondly, Pastor Tom taught, "God's promise includes the whole world." Out of this statement, we learned that the message of salvation in Christ was to all people.
  - a. **What does this mean for the world? Who is able to be saved?**
  - b. **What does this mean for us and the mission of the church?**
4. Thirdly, Pastor Tom shared with us, "God's promise demands a response." We learned that God sent Jesus to take our punishment for the sin we had, have and will commit (Pastor Tom called this Substitutionary Atonement).
  - a. **What does substitutionary atonement mean? How is this good news for us?**
  - b. **When Pastor Tom says that, "God's promise demands a response," what does that mean for all people?**

**Practical Application:** In light of the last question, how can you share the gospel with someone this week as an individual or group? If God's promise requires a response, who in your life has yet to respond?