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Series: The Story

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Message: God Builds a Nation

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BIG IDEA: God Builds a Nation to Reveal Himself and His Plan to Get us Back

I. God's Word leads to Faith

- True Faith originates with God.
- God likes to start small and use unlikely people to accomplish his plans
- A look at the people God chose to build this nation

II. Faith leads to Obedience

- True faith means actively responding to the call and promises of God

III. Obedience leads to Blessing

The Fourfold Plan God reveals for this New Nation

1. God will make the nation great
2. God will make Abram's name great
3. God will bless all who bless Abram and curse all who curse Abram
4. God will bless all the nations of the world through Abram and this new nation

IV. Blessing leads to Testing

- The turbulent beginnings of the new nation
- Abraham's Test of Faith in offering Isaac - Faith is an Expedition
- True Faith has the blessing of others as its goal

Reading Assignment in *The Story* for this week:

Read Chapter 3: "Joseph: From Slave to Deputy"
