

Youth



✔ Prepare in Advance

- Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.
- Retrieve, review, and have ready the videos listed below (links are provided on this session's webpage).

✔ Risk

Play the “Jerry MaGuire” clip.

Use these questions to facilitate discussion.

- Why do you think Dorothy decided to go with Jerry? What was she risking by doing so? Why did everyone else think she was crazy?
- If someone asked you to drop everything and start a new life, what would you need to know? Why?
- Would you be willing to leave everything you know if you felt God leading you to do so? Why or why not? What evidence would you need to know before you trusted that it was God's will?
- Have you ever stepped out on faith without knowing the end result of your actions? Explain.

✔ Response

Read Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67.

- How does Abraham, the servant, and Rebekah each hear from God in these passages? What evidence did they have that God was leading them? Do you find it odd that none of them actually heard God's voice? Why or why not?
- Did any of them know the end result of their actions? Why or why not?
- How difficult do you think it was for each of them faithfully respond?

Watch the *Bible Background Video* for this session.

✔ Faith

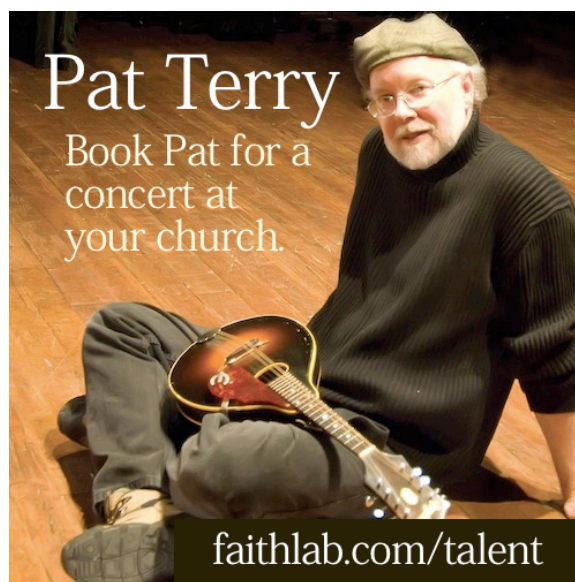
Watch the clip from the movie “The Apostle.”

- How would you describe the retired preacher's reaction to Sonny? Why evidence did Sonny have in this clip that God was leading him?
- How would compare this scene with what read in this week's text?
- How would you respond if someone claimed that God sent him/her to find you? Why would you react that way? How would you know if someone was

really sent from God or not? What criteria would you use to decide whether to trust them?

- Why might we be more untrusting of someone claiming to be from God than they were in Biblical times?
- In your opinion, is faith more about certainty or uncertainty? Explain. How important is trust to our faith?
- What practical tools do you use to discern God's will for your life?

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