Hebrews 11:8-9,13 By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, <u>obeyed</u> and went, even though he did not know where he was going. [9] By faith he made his home in the promised land <u>like a stranger in a foreign country</u>... ...[13] All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance. And they admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. (NIV)

****So many times we read about the faith of Abraham and fail to realize how amazing it really was. He OBEYED God even though he did not have any written form of the scriptures. He believed and acted on that belief by going where God told him to go. He did not have the privilege of opening up the Word of God and hearing from God in a regular ongoing way. Yet he moved his family and all he owned to the place God sent him. Then he lived out his long life as a stranger in the very place God had promised to give him. Yet there is no hint that he complained against God or gave up. Hebrews points him out as a man of faith.

PRAYER: Thank You, Lord, that You are still the God of promises. You guided and protected Abraham and you will guide and protect me. Lord, help me to remember that no matter where I go, no matter where I live, this world is NOT my home. Keep me from putting down roots in this world. Help me to be planted firmly in Your Word. Help me to Trust You and Your promises more than anything this world offers.

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