

# SEA OF GLASS

*Starting Point by Andy Stanley Week 3  
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## **1. THE STORY OF FAITH HAS A STARTING POINT.**

“I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing” (Genesis 12:2 NIV).

## **2. THE THREE LARGEST FAITH TRADITIONS CLAIM THE SAME STARTING POINT.**

“Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be” (Genesis 15:4-5 NIV).

## **3. RECEIVE THE GIFT OF RIGHT STANDING BY BELIEVING.**

“Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness” (Genesis 15:6 NIV).

## **Questions for Meditation & Conversation**

*From Starting Point: A Conversation About Faith  
(Conversation Guide)*

1. Which of the following reflects your view? Why?
  - God accepts me based upon my birth.
  - God accepts me based upon my behavior.
  - God accepts me based upon my belief.
  - God accepts me based upon some combination of the above.?
2. Have you ever taken a first step in restoring a relationship? If so, what was it like for you?
3. Do you believe adversity is part of God’s plan? Why or why not?
4. When have you seen someone demonstrate great faith despite his or her circumstances?
5. What experiences have you had that have made it difficult to trust God?
6. In what area of your life is God currently calling you to trust him? What is one thing you can do this week to trust him? What can this group do to support you?

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