[Narrator] Several times before we've met Abraham. The stories about Abraham and his family are in the book of Genesis, the book of beginnings. Abraham is known as the father of God's people. Today, we are going to hear the earliest story about Abraham. Actually, he isn't even Abraham yet, his name is Abram and he lives in a land called Haran with his wife Sari. While living in Haran, Abram heard God call to him and it made him make changes in his life, changes that lead to the many stories we have and will continue to hear about him. All of these stories started with this story. This is the story of how Abraham started to follow where God led him.

In our story are Abram and his nephew Lot. There are also Abram's servants, as well as their donkeys, sheep, goats, and other animals. Let's say hello to all of them.

[Scene]Abram is supervising as people pack, sheep, goats and Donkey noises are going Lot rushes in and comes up to Abram.

[Lot] Uncle Abram, Everyone in the market is saying that you are leaving Haran. Is that true?

[Abram] Yes Lot, Sarai and I should be gone in a week or so when we have everything tidied up.

[Lot] I don't understand. You are 75 years old. Isn't it a little late in life to be heading out to make a fortune. Aren't you rich enough already?

[Abram] No Lot, it isn't about money or anything like that. I do have plenty, but well, I've heard a new God telling me to leave and I want to follow this God.

[Lot] But Uncle Abram, you'll be giving up so much.

[Abram] No, God told me that if I follow I'll have many descendants. God also told me that I'll be a blessing to everyone. I don't totally understand, but I'm ready to follow.

[Lot] Well, do you think that God would mind if I joined you?

[Narrator] So Abram, Lot, their families, their servants, their Donkey's, their Goats, Their sheep, and all of the other animals and all of their property got together and Left Haran. Eventually they found a place to stay called Canaan. There they found a place to rest, near a big Oak tree that was called Moreh. There, Abram and Lot built an altar to God.

[Scene] Abram and Lot are building altar together.

[Lot] Uncle Abram, it sure is nice to have arrived. I think we are all tired, even the donkeys, and the Goats, and the sheep. It's really nice here and we can worship God together.

[Abram] I agree, it is very nice hear but God may want us to follow some more. You just don't know.

[Narrator] Abram was right, soon after they arrived at the oak of Moreh, God told Abram that it was time to repack everything and move again.

[Abram] Lot, God has told me that it's time for us to leave.

[lot] But Uncle Abram, since we've been here we have even more sheep, and donkeys, and goats. Leaving and moving all of them will be even harder than when we left Haran. Are you sure

[Abram] Yes I'm sure.

[Narrator] So the story was started. As we've seen, Abram kept moving and building alters to God. As time went by God changed his name to Abraham and he became the father of God's people. Because he followed God he blessed us all and taught us how important it is to be like him as people who follow where God leads.