

Faith Factor
Jumping Hurdles – Part 2
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Hebrews 11:1-2 (ESV) Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

2 Peter 1:4 (ESV) ... he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

Hebrews 11:8 (ESV) By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.

1. Obey God's _____

Genesis 12:1 (ESV) Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

Genesis 12:2 (ESV) And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

Genesis 12:4 (ESV) So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

2. Believe God's _____

Genesis 15:1 (ESV) After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."

Genesis 15:4 (ESV) And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir."

Genesis 15:5-6 (ESV) And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Malachi 3:10 (ESV) Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

3. Walk in _____

Genesis 17:1 (ESV) When Abram was ninety-nine years old the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless,

Genesis 17:5 (ESV) No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations.

Genesis 17:19 (ESV) God said, "No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his offspring after him."

Action Plan for This Week

Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Genesis 12, 15, 17)
 Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

Invite a friend to attend the service next week.

How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. According to Hebrews 11:1-2, how would you define faith in your own words?

Intro. What is the purpose of God's promises in His Word (2 Peter 1:4)?

Intro. How did Abraham's faith impact his life's direction (Hebrews 11:8)?

1A. Why is it difficult to make significant changes in life (Genesis 12:1)?

1B. In what ways has the world been blessed through Abram (Genesis 12:2)?

1C. Why do you think that Abram waited until his father Terah died before leaving Haran for Canaan (Genesis 12:4)?

1D. What promises in God's Word are you claiming by faith?

2A. Why did the Lord appear again to Abram (Genesis 15:1)?

2B. Why did the Lord need to encourage Abram to believe that he would have a son with Sarah (Genesis 15:4)?

2C. What does "counted to him as righteousness" mean in Genesis 15:5-6?

2D. How would you explain the promise regarding tithing in Malachi 3:10?

3A. What does it mean to walk by faith (Genesis 17:1)?

3B. Why did God change Abram's name to Abraham before he had a son (Genesis 17:5)?

3C. What was the significance of God giving the promised son a name even before he was conceived (Genesis 17:19)?

3D. How can you grow in a consistent walk of faith that receives the blessings of God's promises?