

**OBTAINING LIKE PRECIOUS FAITH
WHY PREACH FAITH?
MESSAGE 2: THE FAITH THAT PLEASURES GOD
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• **FOUNDATION SCRIPTURE:**

- Romans 1:1-7, 15-17
- Hebrews 10:38, 11:6

I. **BEING FULLY PERSUADED DOES NOT COME BY EXPERIENCES IN THE NATURAL REALM**

- a. Romans 10:17
 - i. Hebrews 11:1
- b. The Fully Persuaded Process:
 - i. Hebrews 10:25 = Church Attendance (a good Bible believing Church)
 - ii. 2 Timothy 2:15 = personal study time
 - iii. Meditation in God's Covenant Words:
 - 1. Joshua 1:8
 - 2. Psalm 1:1-3
 - 3. Psalm 119:97
 - a. ***Meditation:*** murmur, mutter, ponder, imagine (build an image), speak, study, talk or utter
 - b. A deep study in God's Covenant Words
 - 4. 1 Timothy 4:15
- c. Being Fully Persuaded: Hebrews 11:17-19
 - i. Carrying out God's assignment, no matter what
- d. Abraham's evidence for God raising Isaac was his Faith in God's Words & Assignment (this has never been done before)

II. **ABRAHAM HOPED AGAINST (NATURAL) HOPE! (ROMANS 4:18)**

- a. Hebrews 11:19 = Abraham received Isaac in a "figure"
 - i. ***Figure*** = vision (he had a vision of God's Promise): Isaac being raised from the dead
- b. Colossians 1:23
 - i. Ephesians 2:12
 - ii. Hebrews 6:18-20
- c. Formula = I hope so + I believe so = I know so
- d. Proverbs 13:12 = hope deferred makes the heart sick

III. **ABRAHAM WAS STRONG IN FAITH (THE PROCESS):**

- a. Putting God's Covenant Words FIRST
- b. Meditation in God's Covenant Words
- c. Acting on God's Covenant Words: James 1:22, 25
 - i. Hebrews 10:23, 35
- d. Decision to Live by Faith: Galatians 3:11
- e. Decision to Walk in Love: Galatians 5:6
- f. Receive Jesus as the Author, Developer & Finisher of our Faith.
 - i. Hebrews 12:1-2

IV. **THE FAITH THAT PLEASES GOD: COLOSSIANS 1:9-10**

- a. Speaks of those things that be not as though they were:
 - i. Romans 4:16-17
 - ii. 1 Corinthians 1:28
 - iii. 2 Corinthians 4:13-18
- b. Consider NOT your own body, nor the surrounding circumstances.
 - i. Romans 4:18-21
- c. Stagger NOT at the Promises God: Romans 4:20-21
- d. Believe God will perform His Word
 - i. Matthew 8:5-10
 - ii. Jeremiah 1:11-12
- e. God's Word has Authority & the Believer has been given the right to the fullness of God's Word in the Name of Jesus
 - i. Matthew 28:18-20
 - ii. Mark 16:14-20