

**OBTAINING LIKE PRECIOUS FAITH
WHY PREACH FAITH?
MESSAGE 5: THE FAITH THAT PLEASES GOD, part 4.
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I. **Abraham Found How to Stand and Act on God's Covenant Words – Promises**

- a. Romans 4:20-22 – Abraham did not stagger at God's Promises
- b. James 1:25

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

- a. Speaks of that that be not as though they were:
 - i. Romans 4:16-17
 - ii. Ephesians 5:1 = follower = imitator
 - iii. 1 Corinthians 1:28
 - iv. 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

III. **Abraham Considered NOT the Natural Circumstances:**

- a. Romans 4:19
- b. 2 Corinthians 4:16 - 18

IV. **Will What Abraham Found Work for Us Today?**

- a. Romans 4:23-25
- b. Galatians 3:7-9
- c. (Romans 4:16) [*Message Bible*] This is why the fulfillment of God's promise depends entirely on trusting God and his way, and then simply embracing him and what he does. God's promise arrives as pure gift. That's the only way everyone can be sure to get in on it, those who keep the religious traditions and those who have never heard of them. For Abraham is father of us all. He is not our racial father—that's reading the story backwards. He is our faith father.
- d. Abraham is not just the Father of Israel; he is the Father of ALL who walk and live by Faith.
- e. James 2:23
 - i. 2 Corinthians 5:21; 6:14-18