

Believing the Promise.

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Genesis 12

¹ **The LORD had said to Abram**, (later changed to Abraham)

“Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father’s family, and Go to the land that I will show you.”

² *“I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others.”*

³ *“I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. All the families of the earth will be blessed through you.”*

⁴ So **Abram went** as the LORD had commanded . . .

Abram OBEYED because he BELIEVED.

Genesis 15

⁶ And Abram **believed the LORD**, and the LORD counted him as righteous because of his faith.

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Believe: Hebrew verb “aman” means - to trust, to be carried, to be certain, to be sure, to agree.

Q: Are you AGREEING with God?

Q: Are you DOUBTING or BELIEVING?

Nothing is more important than what you BELIEVE about God.

Believe that God IS.

Genesis 15

¹ Some time later, the Lord spoke to Abram in a vision and said to him, *“Do not be afraid, Abram, for I am your shield and your very great reward.”*

⁵ Then the Lord took Abram outside and said to him, *“Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That’s how many descendants you will have!”*

⁶ **And Abram believed the LORD, and the LORD counted him as righteous because of his faith.**

⁷ Then the Lord told him, *“I am the LORD who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as your possession.”*

“God is _____.”

Believe that God WILL.

Genesis 15

⁸ But Abram replied, *“O Sovereign Lord, how can I be sure that I will actually possess it?”*

¹³ Then the Lord said to Abram, *“You can be sure that your descendants will be strangers in a foreign land, where they will be oppressed as slaves for 400 years.”*

¹⁴ *“But I will punish the nation that enslaves them, and in the end they will come away with great wealth.”*

¹⁷ After the sun went down and darkness fell, Abram saw a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch pass between the halves of the carcasses. ¹⁸ So the Lord made a covenant with Abram that day and said,

“I have given this land to your descendants, all the way from the border of Egypt to the great Euphrates River.”

“God will _____.”