

Total Commitment to the God of the Impossible
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We believe in the God of the impossible.

Is it wishful thinking? Is it a pipe dream that we are grasping for?

Why do we believe?

God Speaks

God Almighty, El Shaddai, God all sufficient, appears.

“Walk before me and be blameless.” (1 Kings 9:4-5; 2 Kings 20:3)

Blameless means have a wholeness and integrity of relationship.

How do we do that?

‘Follow the drinking gourd’

How does Abram respond to the Word and appearance of his God?
He falls facedown and worships.

God Almighty’s Assured Commitment

I will, I will, I will, I will

Abram, means exalted father.

Notice, this is not a bargaining table.

Abram’s necessary response to God’s irrevocable commitment

Keep my covenant. How do we do that?

What is the relation between faith and the promise? Fireworks at the pond.

Faith, would not be necessary if we understood everything.

A Word about Sarai

The child of promise will come through her but She is past child bearing.

Abraham's Reaction and Request

Abram falls on his face in worship,

Was this a good laugh, or a bad laugh? (Romans 4:16-21; Hebrews 11:11)

“If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!!”

Abraham Total Commitment

On that very day, Abraham obeyed; he kept covenant - circumcision.

Do you believe in the God of the impossible?

Do you know what a pole star is?

God promised to be your God. He expects covenant loyalty in return.