

summer teaching series

got fruit?

a life never out of season.



1. What does it mean to be faithful?



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE FAITHFUL?

When God is faithful, He cares for us,
He leads us, and He loves us.



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE FAITHFUL?

When we are faithful, we trust His leadership, His care, and we love Him in return.



1. What does it mean to be faithful?
- 2. How does faith grow?**



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

DTR: *define the relationship*



“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. 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. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’”

Genesis 12:1–3



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

Can he trust God and go where he is being called or does he stay and be comfortable?



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

“I promise!”

*“Cross my heart and hope to die.
Stick a needle in my eye.”*



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

*“I’m fearful this is never going to happen,
maybe I made a mistake.”*



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

“I wish I wasn’t called to this cause it’s too painful to watch my wife wait in anticipation for something that may not happen! I mean, we are too old. This is impossible!”



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

*“I was promised, so where is this kid already?
I’m mourning this decision to follow God.”*



“On that very day, Abraham took all those born in his household or bought with his money, every male in his household, and circumcised them, as God told him.”

Genesis 17:23



“I will bless Sarah, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and he shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.’ Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed and said to himself, ‘Shall a child be born to a man who is a hundred years old? Shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child?’”

Genesis 17:17



“The LORD said, ‘I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.’ And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, ‘After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?’”

Genesis 18:10–12



“After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, ‘Abraham!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’”

Genesis 22:1



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

Will Abraham still be faithful, even when he does not understand?



HOW DOES FAITH GROW?

“I know how fearlessly you fear God.”



1. What does it mean to be faithful?
2. How does faith grow?
- 3. Where do we get the strength to be faithful when it is easy to give up?**



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