



## Faith

**Icebreaker:** If you have military family members, tell your group a little about them.

**Read together:** Romans 4:17-20 (NIV), Genesis 12:2 (NIV), Genesis 12:4 (NIV), Genesis 16:1 (NIV), Genesis 17:17 (NIV), Genesis 22:2 (NIV), Genesis 22:12 (NIV)

**Discuss:**

- Each of us is on a Journey of Faith.
  - We receive the Promise (Abraham got his at Age 75)
  - We each have a choice to respond to what God has said to us.
  - There is almost always a delay in the coming of the promise (Abraham got anxious at Age 86)
  - The Challenge to believe feels impossible.
  - Confusion – Sometimes God will give what we think is the promise and then ask for it back or ask us to give it to someone else. The common response would be “What in the world?”
  - Provision – God does what he says he will do.
- What was the Holy Spirit speaking to you this week as you listened to the message?

**Read Together:** Romans 4:17 (NIV), Luke 18:27 (NIV), Romans 4:18 (NIV), 2 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV), Hebrews 11:17 (NIV)

**Discuss:**

**Maintaining a Faith that endures.**

- Anchor your Faith in God’s ability not yours.
  - What are you looking at that seems impossible?
  - What is God asking you to believe for or in?
- Rehearse the promises of God.
  - Remind yourself of what God has said.
  - With whom can you share the dreams God has spoken to you?

**Read Together:** Romans 4:19-20, Romans 4:20-21 (NIV), Numbers 23:19

**Discuss:**

- Approach the situation with Faith, not denial.
  - Abraham did not pretend that the situation he was in wasn't impossible. He knew it was impossible and still chose to believe what God said.
  
- Remember obedience is our responsibility and the outcome is God's.
  - What is your biggest struggle while trusting God?
  - Do you have a promise you are waiting for?
  - What promise have you stopped hoping for or believing in?

**Pray:**

Take some time to pray together as a group. Ask God to remind you of promises in which you have lost faith. Share encouragement of times when God has been faithful. Pray that faith will come in the places where it has been lost.