

BELIEVING WITHOUT SEEING

"...Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "so shall your offspring be." Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead - since he was about a hundred years old-and that Sarah's womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had the power to do what he had promised."

--Romans 4:18-21

Abraham, our father by faith modeled a faith that we can live in and walk in today. In fact, God credited his faith to him as righteousness. You too can overcome difficult circumstances to inherit your God given promises just like Abraham did.

God's promise to Abraham became fulfilled for various reasons.

1. Although the circumstances in Abraham's life showed there was no hope, he believed in HOPE against hope because he fixed his gaze on God's promise to him "So shall thy seed be" so he saw multitudes when he did not even have a son.
2. He did not allow his faith to grow weak because he refused to consider the weakness of his body, his age and Sarah's womb that was as good as dead.
3. He did not waver at the promises of God through unbelief. Rather than grow weak in faith, he grew stronger by giving glory to God based on the promises of God to him.
4. His persuasion of the faithfulness of God's nature meant that it was impossible for God to lie. So against staggering odds, Abraham entered into the promises of God and became the father of many nations. If Abraham is our father by faith then I am fully convinced that we too, in this age can enter into the promises of God if we do not consider the weaknesses of our circumstances but give glory to the God who is able to bring life even into dead situations. So, be encouraged, arise with strength and faith in your Spirit to receive what God promised you for He is faithful who has promised! Your faith in God's word will grow as you declare his promises daily, bringing you into a place where you can inherit all of God's promises for your life. He loves you and is watching over his word to perform it in your life!