

***When His Promises Seem Impossible***  
***Genesis 15:1-6 & 13-16***

Genesis 15 tells us of a time when Abraham, the father of all who have faith, faced a time of \_\_\_\_\_ and how he responded. Up to this point in his life, he had fulfilled his commitment to follow the will of God with \_\_\_\_\_, and God had made good His promises. But one promise was \_\_\_\_\_, and its chance of fulfillment had \_\_\_\_\_. God had not given him and Sarah even one child together, and time and age had made the fulfillment of God's promise an \_\_\_\_\_.

It is often easier to \_\_\_\_\_ about our faith than to \_\_\_\_\_ it. Abraham would agree. The father of faith faced \_\_\_\_\_. Abraham's faith seemed to wane regarding the thing he desired the most: A son. Both he and Sarah were now far too old to produce a child. It seemed impossible. But never forget, impossible is the soil where \_\_\_\_\_ grows. Impossibilities furnish the \_\_\_\_\_ of our God. God's word is replete with impossible promises, the \_\_\_\_\_ of which are yet to be fulfilled.

On one occasion, Jesus taught His disciples, "What is \_\_\_\_\_ for people is \_\_\_\_\_ with God." Abraham had no assurance of a son but God's \_\_\_\_\_. He chose to \_\_\_\_\_, and that made all the difference.

For over fifty years scientists believed in a subatomic particle they had never seen or proven. What they \_\_\_\_\_, however, had convinced them that \_\_\_\_\_.

So it is with Christian faith in the unseen God. We know that he exists because what we \_\_\_\_\_ see reveals his \_\_\_\_\_ and divine \_\_\_\_\_. And because He has been faithful to His promises it is not irrational to put your trust in God, even when \_\_\_\_\_ arises. On the contrary, nothing could be more \_\_\_\_\_.

So, what promise of God seems impossible to you? Whatever it is, may it be said of us: When His promises seemed \_\_\_\_\_, we \_\_\_\_\_ God!