

MESSAGE NOTES

“Practical Teaching for Everyday Living”

HOW TO MAKE YOUR FAITH STRONGER

EPIC STORIES

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“Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves.” 2 Cor. 13:5

ABRAHAM - The Principle of _____.

He is the father of us all. Rom. 4:16

What is FAITH?

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Heb. 11:1

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. Heb. 11:6

SO HOW DO YOU MAKE YOUR FAITH STRONGER?

1. _____ **WITHOUT FULLY** _____

The Lord had said to Abram, “Leave your country, your people and your father’s household and go to the land I will show you.” Gen. 12:1

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. Heb. 11:8

2. _____ **WHEN THE ANSWER IS** _____

And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.” Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir.” He took him outside and said, “Look up at the heavens and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” Gen. 15:3-5

Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness. Gen. 15:6

By faith Abraham, even though he was past age—and Sarah herself was barren—was enabled to become a father because he considered him faithful who had made the promise. Heb. 11:11

3. **BE WILLING** _____ **WHAT YOU** _____

Some time later **God tested Abraham.** He said to him, “Abraham!”
“Here I am,” he replied.

Then God said, "**Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love,** and go to the region of Moriah. **Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering** on one of the mountains I will tell you about." Gen. 22:1-2

By faith Abraham, **when God tested him,** offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had received the promises **was about to sacrifice his one and only son,** even though God had said to him, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned."

Abraham **reasoned that God could raise the dead,** and figuratively speaking, he did receive Isaac back from death. Heb. 11:17-19