

How to Grow Strong in Your Faith (10/20/24)

Main Verses: Romans 4:20-21

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'Takeaway': Even tho there were many reasons to doubt, Abraham's faith in God's promises grew strong as he remembered God's ability & pursued God's glory.



Getting Started: Have you ever tried to build muscles or get stronger? How did you do it?

READ Romans 4:20-21 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses:

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- As the God who made all things, & can even make dead things alive (v. 17), Abraham knew "God was able to do what he had promised": to give a very old couple a very new baby.
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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

Toddler: Talk to God. Thank him for his Word which teaches us about him, & the faithful who have come before us. Ask God to help you grow in your faith this week, giving all glory to him because he alone makes all the difference in our lives.

Elementary: Talk to God. Thank him for his Word which teaches us about him, & the faithful who have come before us. Ask God to help you grow in your faith this week, giving all glory to him because he alone makes all the difference in our lives. Thank him that thru faith in Christ, we can have a right-standing before God.