

**1. Abraham's Imperfect faith Genesis 12-13**

**2. Abraham's Growing faith Genesis 14-17**

**Rom 4:18-21** <sup>18</sup> *In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be."* <sup>19</sup> *He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb.* <sup>20</sup> *No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God,* <sup>21</sup> **fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.**

**3. Abraham's Maturing Faith Genesis 18-25**

**HEB 11: 17-19**

*By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named."  
<sup>19</sup> **He considered that God was able** even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back."*

**"We will go, we will worship and we will return!!! "**

**Rom 8:35-39**

Questions for Reflection:

1. Do you have, or have you had, a recent Mt. Moriah and Isaac ‘moment’ you would be comfortable sharing?
2. Why do we often struggle with the faithfulness of God?
3. How is Abraham’s faith journey from imperfect to growing to mature faith encouraging to you?
4. What does the author of Hebrews mean in 11:19 when it says Abraham “*considered that God was able*”? What is Abraham specifically talking about?
5. What disciplines of grace can you work on to grow in considering Who God is in His character and attributes? Any resources come to mind?
6. Where do we see the gospel in the story of Abraham with regards to being tested and trusting God?

Heroes: By Faith – Series Plan

9/13/2020	Abraham
9/20/2020	Joseph
9/27/2020	Moses
10/4/2020	Joshua (Rahab)
10/11/2020	Gideon
10/18/2020	Ruth
10/25/2020	Samson
11/1/2020	Samuel
11/8/2020	David
11/15/2020	Elijah & Elisha
11/22/2020	Isaiah
11/29/2020	Jeremiah
12/6/2020	Daniel
12/13/2020	Rack Shack and Benny
12/20/2020	Esther (Mordecai)

Questions for Parents and Kids

1. Talk with them about what trust means, and what trust looks like in their lives. (Maybe use the ‘standing on a chair’ example.)
2. Talk about an example of how they trust you, teachers, policeman etc.
3. Talk about the ways they may react when they aren’t trusting you (worry , anxious).
4. Read Hebrews 11:1 and now introduce how faith is trusting someone to do what they say they will do even when they can’t see it.
5. Re-tell the story of Genesis 22 with Abraham and Isaac (Perhaps re-read it).
6. How did Abraham trust God? (*He would provide a sacrifice; even if he hurt Issac, God would heal him back to life; God keeps his promises etc*)
7. God uses parents to teach a child about trust. Talk about how you are preparing them one day to trust God like Abraham.