Abraham: JOURNEY OF FAITH

Daily Devotions Feb. 4-8 Doubt and Fear | Genesis 15

Feb. 4 Read Genesis 15:1-3

It must have been frustrating to Abraham to receive these great promises from God yet seemingly watch them grow further and further out of reach as the years passed. As the chapter opens, God's promise to Abraham opens up his concerns and issues surrounding this promise. It wasn't making sense. What are you looking at in your life that God alone can do?

Feb. 5 Read Genesis 15:3-6

God was good for his word – that's what Abraham settled on, God would make it happen! Verse 6 has been repeated in the New Testament 4 times. Note Romans 4:3 & 22, Galatians 3:6, and James 2:23. Do you believe that God is true to his word, even if...it's hard to see how things are going to be good?

Feb. 6 Read Genesis 15:7-8

Abraham is being stretched and he's looking for help. He turns to God for an answer, God gave him a ceremony. In this oath it involves a ceremony of self-curse if not fulfilled. God will become like the dead animals if he does not keep his word. How does knowing God never lies make a difference today?

Feb. 7 Read Genesis 15:12-16

Why do you think God told Abraham about his yet to be born future family spending time as slaves in Egypt? (See Exodus 12:35-36) Does knowing something will happen in the future help you?

Feb. 8 Read Genesis 15:17-20

This is a covenant, a ceremony that formally binds two parties together with consequences for keeping or breaking the commitment. In this instance who made the covenant? God or Abraham? Are Abraham's doubts shrinking? What shrinks your doubts?