Illogical Faith

You promised to make Abraham the father of a great nation.

But when he was ninety-nine and his wife eighty-nine,

they still had no child.

Yet he trusted You.

Then after the miracle child was born,

His one, dearly-loved, irreplaceable son,

You asked Abraham to offer him as a burnt sacrifice.

Yet He obeyed without question.

He believed that You were the God who

gives life to the dead and calls into being that which does not exist...He did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully assured that what God has promised, He was able also to perform" (Romans 4:17, 20-21, NASB).

For Abraham, not even death itself was a barrier to faith.

During a lifetime bearing the curse of childlessness,

did Abraham have any anxious moments about Your promises? Probably.

When the only thing between us and impossible need is the promises of God,

will we have any anxious moments? Probably.

But the question is this:

during those times, will we continue to trust Him and obey Him?

When His promises seem unbelievable and

His provision is nowhere in sight,

will we continue to

praise Him, love Him, rejoice in Him, and depend on Him? Will He continue to be

our joy, our confidence, and our deep-settled peace?

When we face the impossible,

when trusting God seems naïve and illogical, consider

the obedient, triumphant, eternally-fruitful faith of Abraham.

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