

# The Immutability of God's Word (Hebrews 6)

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## Hebrews 6

- VS. 1-8 - THE DANGERS OF APOSTASY
- VS. 7,8 - AN ILLUSTRATION

"As Jesus views the state of His professed followers today, He sees base ingratitude, hollow formalism, hypocritical insincerity, pharisaical pride and apostasy." - *5T 72*

"There is with some a constant danger of becoming unsettled in the faith by the desire for originality. They wish to find some new and strange truth to present, to have a new message to bring to the people; but such a desire is a snare of the enemy to captivate the mind and lead away from the truth." - *RH Aug. 19, 1909*

"There is in human nature a tendency to run to extremes and from one extreme to another entirely opposite. Many are fanatics. They are consumed by a fiery zeal which is mistaken for religion, but character is the true test of discipleship." - *5T 305*

"Fanaticism, once started and left unchecked, is as hard to quench as a fire which has obtained hold of a building." - *2SM 35*

- VS. 9-12 - PERSEVERE & BE DILIGENT UNTO THE END

### Jacob Genesis 32

"Jacob's earnest, persevering wrestling with the angel should be an example for Christians: Jacob prevailed because he was persevering and determined.

"All who desire the blessing of God, as did Jacob, and will lay hold of the promises, as he did, and be as earnest and persevering as he was, will succeed as he succeeded. There is so little exercise of true faith and so little of the weight of truth resting upon many professed believers because they are indolent (*LAZY*) in spiritual things. They are unwilling to make exertions, to deny self, to agonize before God, to pray long and earnestly for the blessing, and therefore they do not obtain it. That faith which will live through the time of trouble must be daily in exercise now. Those who do not make strong efforts now to exercise persevering faith, will be wholly unprepared to exercise that faith which will enable them to stand in the day of trouble." - *SR 99*

- VS. 13-15 - PAUL'S ILLUSTRATION OF ABRAHAM'S FAITH (see chart page 3)

- GEN. 12 - GOD'S CALL TO ABRAM - ABRAM IS 75 YRS. OLD
- GEN. 21 - THE BIRTH OF ISSAC - ABRAHAM IS 100 YRS. OLD
- GEN. 22 - ABRAHAM OFFERS UP ISSAC - ABRAHAM IS 120 YRS. OLD - GEN. 22:11,12,15-18

"Abraham's unquestioning obedience was one of the most striking instances of faith and reliance upon God to be found in the Sacred Record. With only the naked promise that his descendants should possess Canaan, without the least outward evidence, he followed on where God should lead, fully and sincerely complying with the conditions on his part, and confident that the Lord would faithfully perform His word. The patriarch went wherever God indicated his duty; he passed through wildernesses without terror; he went among idolatrous nations, with the one thought: "God has spoken; I am obeying His voice; He will guide, He will protect me." - *4T 524*

"God had called Abraham to be the father of the faithful, and his life was to stand as an example of faith to succeeding generations. But his faith had not been perfect. - *PP 147*

- **VS. 16-20 - THE IMMUTABILITY OF GOD'S COUNCIL - AN ANCHOR OF THE SOUL**

"Are church members building upon the Rock? The storm is coming, the storm that will try every man's faith, of what sort it is. Believers must now be firmly rooted in Christ, or else they will be led astray by some phase of error. Let your faith be substantiated by the Word of God. Grasp firmly the living testimony of truth. Have faith in Christ as a personal Saviour. He has been and ever will be our Rock of Ages." - *RH Aug. 31, 1905*

# ABRAHAM'S FAITH

GEN. 12	GEN. 15	GEN. 16	GEN. 17	GEN. 20	GEN. 21	GEN. 22
GOD CALLS ABRAM	ABRAM'S PLEA FOR AN HEIR	ABRAM'S SIN WITH HAGAR	GOD REAFFIRMS COVENANT WITH ABRAM	ABRAM LIES ABOUT SARAH TO KING ABIMELECH	SARAH GIVES BIRTH TO ISAAC	GOD TESTS ABRAHAM'S FAITH
ABRAM LIES ABOUT SARAH TO PHARAOH	GOD REAFFIRMS COVENANT WITH ABRAM	—	ABRAHAM IS CIRCUMCISED	—	—	GOD'S PROMISE IS FULFILLED 45 YRS. LATER
ABRAM IS 75 YRS. OLD	—	ABRAM IS 86 YRS. OLD	ABRAHAM IS 99 YRS. OLD	ABRAHAM IS 99 / 100 YRS. OLD	ABRAHAM IS 100 YRS. OLD	ABRAHAM IS 120 YRS. OLD

**ABRAHAM'S "FAITH HAD NOT BEEN PERFECT"  
BUT HE HAD A PERSEVERING FAITH**