

Mission Possible
Hebrews 11:8-12

8 **By faith** Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was going. 9 **By faith** he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise; 10 for he was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. 11 **By faith** even Sarah herself received ability to conceive, even beyond the proper time of life, since she considered Him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore there was born even of one man, and him as good as dead at that, as many descendants AS THE STARS OF HEAVEN IN NUMBER, AND INNUMERABLE AS THE SAND WHICH IS BY THE SEASHORE.

1. God does the impossible for the **bewildered**. (Mark 9:23)

“All things are possible to him who believes.”

2. God does the impossible for the **barren**. (Luke 1:37)

“Nothing will be impossible with God.”

3. God does the impossible for the **bankrupt**. (Matt 19:26)

“With God all things are possible.”

- I. By Faith Abraham **listened** to God. (v.8)

By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was going.

1. Abraham was clearly **called** by God.

By faith Abraham, ***when he was called,***

2. Abraham willingly **obeyed** God.

By faith Abraham, when he was called, ***obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance;***

3. Abraham carefully **followed** God.

By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; ***and he went out, not knowing where he was going.***

- II. By faith Abraham **lived** for God. (v.9-10)

By faith he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise; for he was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

1. Abraham moved to the land of promise. (v.9a)

By faith he lived as an alien *in the land of promise*, as in a foreign land,

2. Abraham dwelled in the tents of promise.

By faith he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, *dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob*, fellow heirs of the same promise;

3. Abraham looked for the city of promise.

By faith [Abraham] was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

- III. By faith Abraham learned from God. (v.11-12)

11 **By faith even Sarah herself received ability to conceive**, even beyond the proper time of life, since she considered Him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore there was born even of one man, and him as good as dead at that, as many descendants **AS THE STARS OF HEAVEN IN NUMBER, AND INNUMERABLE AS THE SAND WHICH IS BY THE SEASHORE.**

1. Abraham learned about the faithfulness of God. (v.11)

“She considered Him faithful who had promised.”

2. Abraham learned about the fruitfulness of God. (v.12)

Therefore **there was born even of one man**, and him as good as dead at that, as **many descendants AS THE STARS OF HEAVEN IN NUMBER, AND INNUMERABLE AS THE SAND WHICH IS BY THE SEASHORE.**

