Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Genesis 22:4-5 (NIV)

...Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ He said to his servants, Stay here with the donkey while I and the Boy go over there. **we** will Worship and then we WILL come back to you.

Romans 4:20-21 (NLT)

Abraham never wavered in believing God's promise. In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God. ²¹ He was fully **convinced** that God is able to DO whatever he promises.

When TESTED...

Hebrews 11:17-19

Genesis 22:4-5 (NIV)

On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ He said to his servants, Stay here with the donkey while I and **the BOY** go over there. **WE will worship** and then **WE will come back to you**.

→ WE will GO and worship - and WE will COME back

Leviticus 18:21 (NIV)

Do not give any of your children to be sacrificed to Molech, for you must not profane the NAME of your God. I am the LORD.

Deuteronomy 18:10 (NIV) Let no one be found among you who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire...

2 Kings 21:6 (ESV)

And he burned his son as an offering and used fortune-telling and omens and dealt with mediums and with necromancers. He did much evil in the sight of the Lord, provoking Him to anger

→ Human sacrifices were NEVER God's will BBC

In Genesis 12 God called Abraham and Promised...

- > you will become a GREAT
- ►I will **BLESS** you

- > I will make your NAME Great
- > you will BE a Blessing to ALL the Nations

Romans 4:20-21 (NIV)

...he did NOT WAVER through UNBELIEF regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God,

Romans 4:20-21 (NIV)

²¹ being fully persuaded that God had **POWER** to do what He had **PROMISED**.

Though I am powerless, You are powerful, and I will REST in that. I will LIVE not in light of what I can SEE BUT in light of what You have PROMISED. HNTC

Our FAITH in God may be seen when we... LABC

- > Believe that God's FORGIVENESS is Complete
- > Believe that there is life BEYOND this earth
- > Are Convinced that our life has PURPOSE

- Believe that our acts of SERVICE are Meaningful
- Being Confident that our NEEDS will never Exhaust God's LOVE
- Are Convinced that our future is SAFE in God's Hands God's love

Obedience is NOT a momentary option it is a COMMITMENT made ahead of time. NSaint

Romans 12:1 (NIV)

...I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as LIVING SACRIFICES, holy and pleasing to God - this is your spiritual act of worship.

The word **SACRIFICE** - implies that there is a COST

The word **LIVING** - implies an ongoing daily COST

Romans 8:31-32 (NIV)

...If God is for us, who can be against us?

32 He who did not spare His own Son, but gave

Him up FOR US all - how will He not also,
along with Him, graciously give us all things?

Genesis 22:7-8 (NIV)

- ⁷...The **fire** and **wood** are here, Isaac said, but where is **the lamb** for the **burnt offering**?
- ⁸ Abraham answered, **God Himself will provide the LAMB** for the burnt offering, my son...

John 1:29 (NIV)

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, Look, the LAMB of God, who takes away the sin of the world.