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As God's Chosen People We Are:

- **Chosen and Called**



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1 Peter 2:9 (NLT) — “But you are not like that, for **you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation**, God’s very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.”

As God's Chosen People We Are:

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- **United in Christ**



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Galatians 3:28 (NLT) — “There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

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- **Ambassadors of Reconciliation**



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2 Corinthians 5:20 (NLT) — “So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, ‘Come back to God!’”



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- **Servants of Love**

Galatians 5:13 (NLT) — “For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don’t use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, **use your freedom to serve one another in love.**”



As God's Chosen People We Are:

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- Servants of Love
- **Bringing Hope and Building Lives**



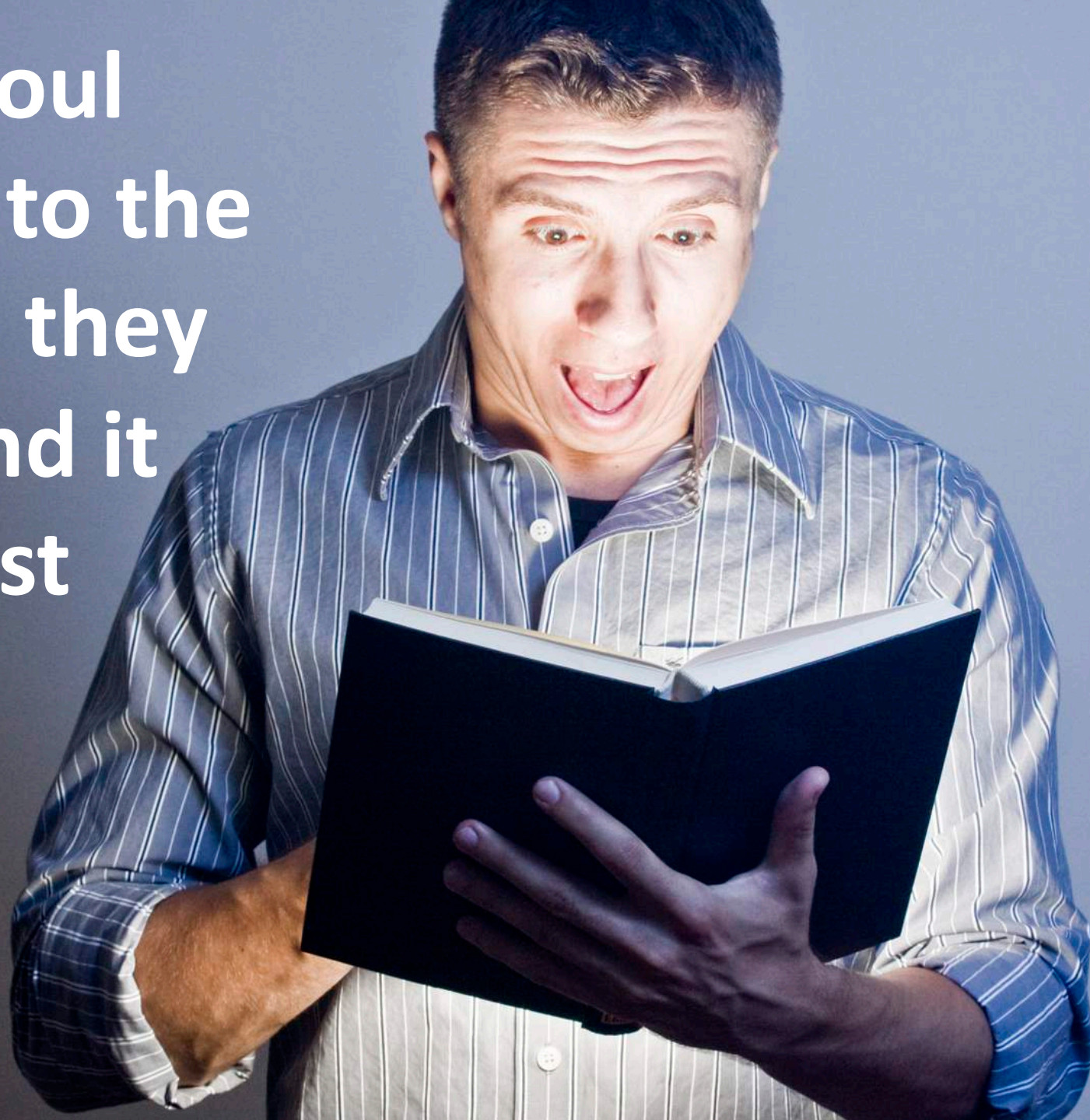
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Bringing Hope. Building Lives.





The lost soul
responds to the
Gospel as they
understand it
for the first
time...



**As times goes by, they
begin to lose hope...**



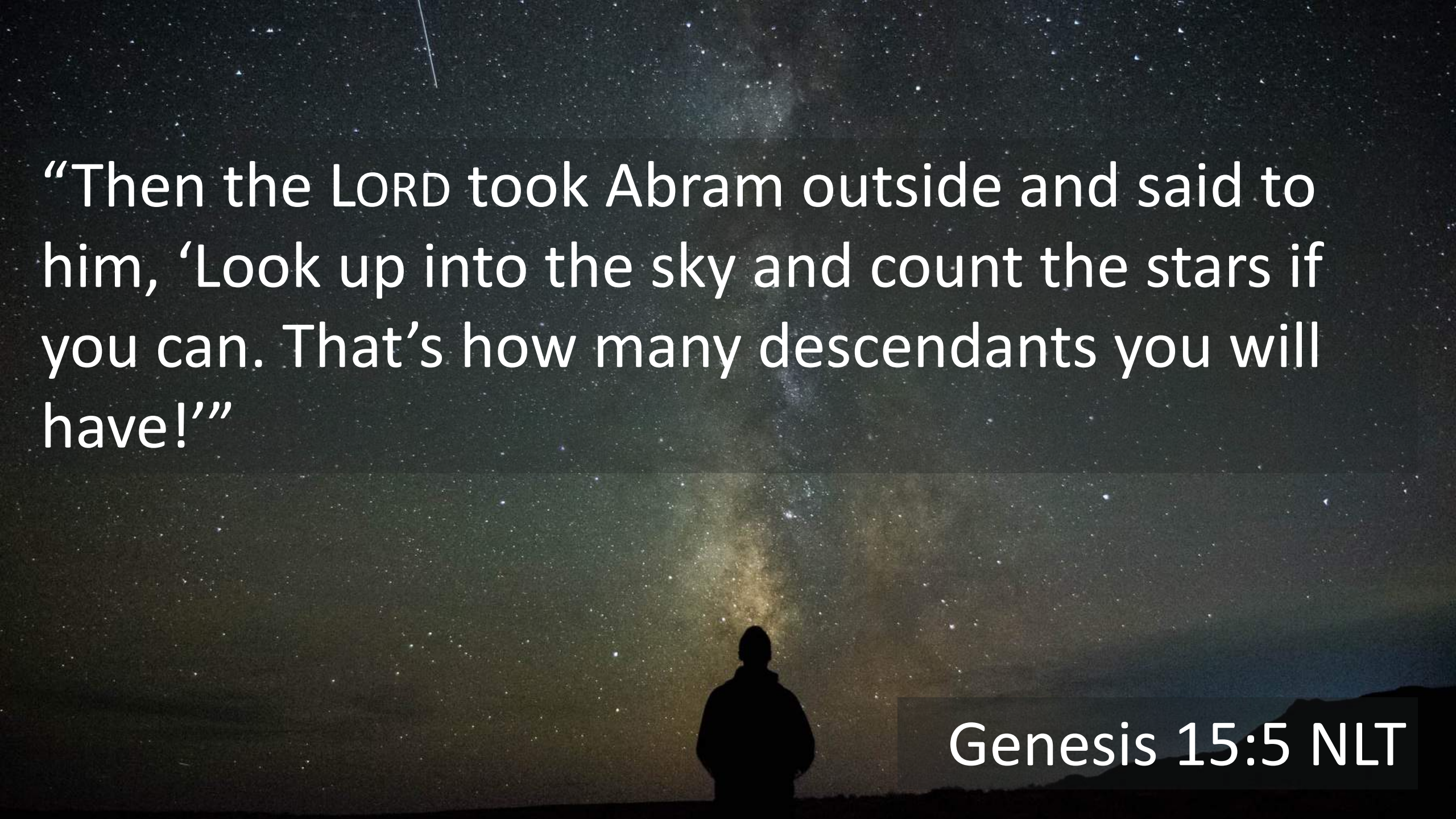
**As water is necessary
for life, hope is
essential for the
human soul**



Genesis 12:1–3 (NLT) — “The LORD had said to Abram, ‘Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father’s family, and go to the land that I will show you. **2** I will make you into a great nation. **I will bless you** and make you famous, **and you will be a blessing to others.** **3** I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. **All the families on earth will be blessed through you.**”

God Blesses
Obedience



A person's silhouette is seen from behind, looking up at a vast night sky filled with stars. The Milky Way galaxy is visible as a bright, hazy band of light stretching across the center of the frame. The background is a deep black with numerous individual stars scattered throughout.

“Then the LORD took Abram outside and said to him, ‘Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That’s how many descendants you will have!’”

Genesis 15:5 NLT

**For twenty-five
years they
waited...**



“What’s more, I am changing your name. It will no longer be Abram. Instead, **you will be called Abraham, for you will be the father of many nations.** **6** I will make you extremely fruitful. Your descendants will become many nations, and kings will be among them! **7** ‘I will confirm my covenant with you and your descendants after you, from generation to generation. This is the everlasting covenant: I will always be your God and the God of your descendants after you. **8** And I will give the

Genesis 17:5-8 (NLT)

entire land of Canaan, where you now live as a foreigner, to you and your descendants. It will be their possession forever, and I will be their God.””

Genesis 17:5-8 (NLT)

Genesis 17:15–17 (NLT) — “Then God said to Abraham, ‘Regarding Sarai, your wife—her name will no longer be Sarai. **From now on her name will be Sarah.** **16** And I will bless her and give you a son from her! Yes, I will bless her richly, and she will become the mother of many nations. Kings of nations will be among her descendants.’ **17** Then Abraham bowed down to the ground, **but he laughed to himself in disbelief.** ‘How could I become a father at the age of 100?’ he thought. ‘And how can Sarah have a baby when she is ninety years old?’”

“Where is Sarah, your wife?’ the visitors asked. ‘She’s inside the tent,’ Abraham replied. **10** Then one of them said, **‘I will return to you about this time next year, and your wife, Sarah, will have a son!’** Sarah was listening to this conversation from the tent. **11** Abraham and Sarah were both very old by this time, and **Sarah was long past the age of having children.** **12** So she laughed **silently to herself** and said, ‘How could a worn-out woman like me enjoy such pleasure, especially when my

Genesis 18:9-14 (NLT)

master—**my husband—is also so old?**’ **13** Then the LORD said to Abraham, ‘Why did Sarah laugh? Why did she say, “Can an old woman like me have a baby?”’ **14 Is anything too hard for the LORD?** I will return about this time next year, and Sarah will have a son.’”

Genesis 18:9-14 (NLT)



Abram = high father

Abraham = father of a
multitude




Abram = high father

Abraham = father of a
multitude

Sarai = noble lady

Sarah = princess



Abraham &
Sarah Faced a
Hopeless
Situation





A Hopeless Situation is:

- negative circumstance in life which comes your way
- no amount of human effort can change it



Hope

- “elpis” (Greek) = to anticipate, usually with pleasure, expectation, confidence, faith
- “confident expectation”... **with God’s help**

The Antithesis of Hope is Despair



How Can You **BUILD**
Hope When You Have
LOST Hope?

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1. Focus on **GOD**

Jeremiah 17:7–8 (NLT) — **“But blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence. 8** They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.”

If you have lost
HOPE, it's because
you have lost sight
of your **GOD**



Jeremiah 32:17 (NLT) — “O Sovereign LORD! You made the heavens and earth by your strong hand and powerful arm. **Nothing is too hard for you!**”

Luke 1:37 (NKJV) — “For **with God nothing will be impossible.**”

Luke 18:27 (NLT) — “He replied, **‘What is impossible for people is possible with God.’**”



Remember what Peter did?



**We serve the
same God...**



**We serve the
same God...**



**We serve the
same God...**



We serve the same God...

We serve the same God...





We serve the same Jesus...

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2. Focus on **GOD'S WORD**



Ask yourself,
“What does **GOD**
say?”



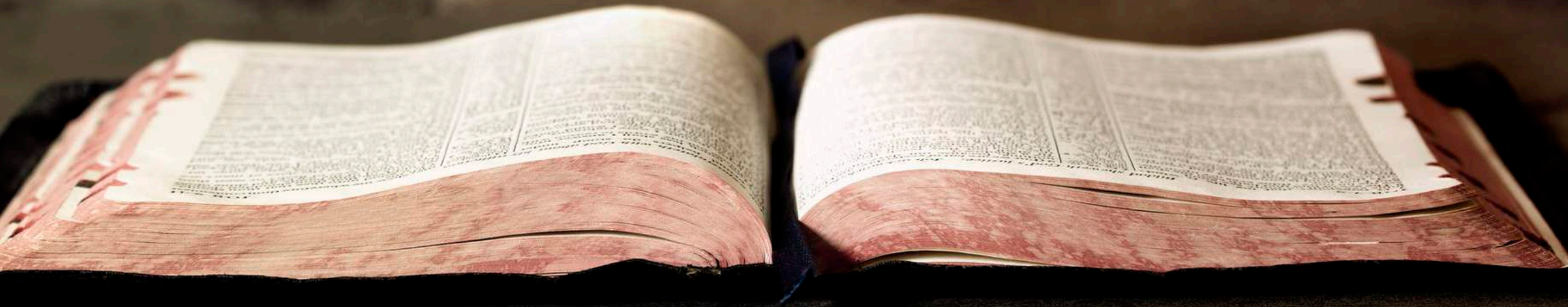
Psalm 138:2 (NLT) — “I bow before your holy Temple as I worship. I praise your name for your unfailing love and faithfulness; **for your promises are backed by all the honor of your name.**”

Psalm 138:2 (NKJV) — “I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; **For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.**”

Romans 15:4 (NLT) — “Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us. And the **Scriptures give us hope** and encouragement as we wait patiently for God’s promises to be fulfilled.”

2 Corinthians 1:20 (NLT) — “For all of God’s promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding ‘Yes!’ And through Christ, our ‘Amen’ (which means “Yes”) ascends to God for his glory.”

**What does God's Word
say about it?**



Psalm 107:20 (NLT) — “**He sent out his word and healed them**, snatching them from the door of death.”

Isaiah 53:5 (NIV) – “But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and **by his wounds we are healed.**”

Proverbs 21:1 (NKJV) — “The king’s heart is in the hand of the LORD, Like the rivers of water; He turns it wherever He wishes.”

Isaiah 61:1 (NKJV) — “The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound”

Philippians 4:13 (NLT) — “For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.”

Philippians 4:19 (NLT) — “And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.”



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3. Focus on **YOUR WORDS**

Hebrews 10:23 (NLT) — “Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise.”

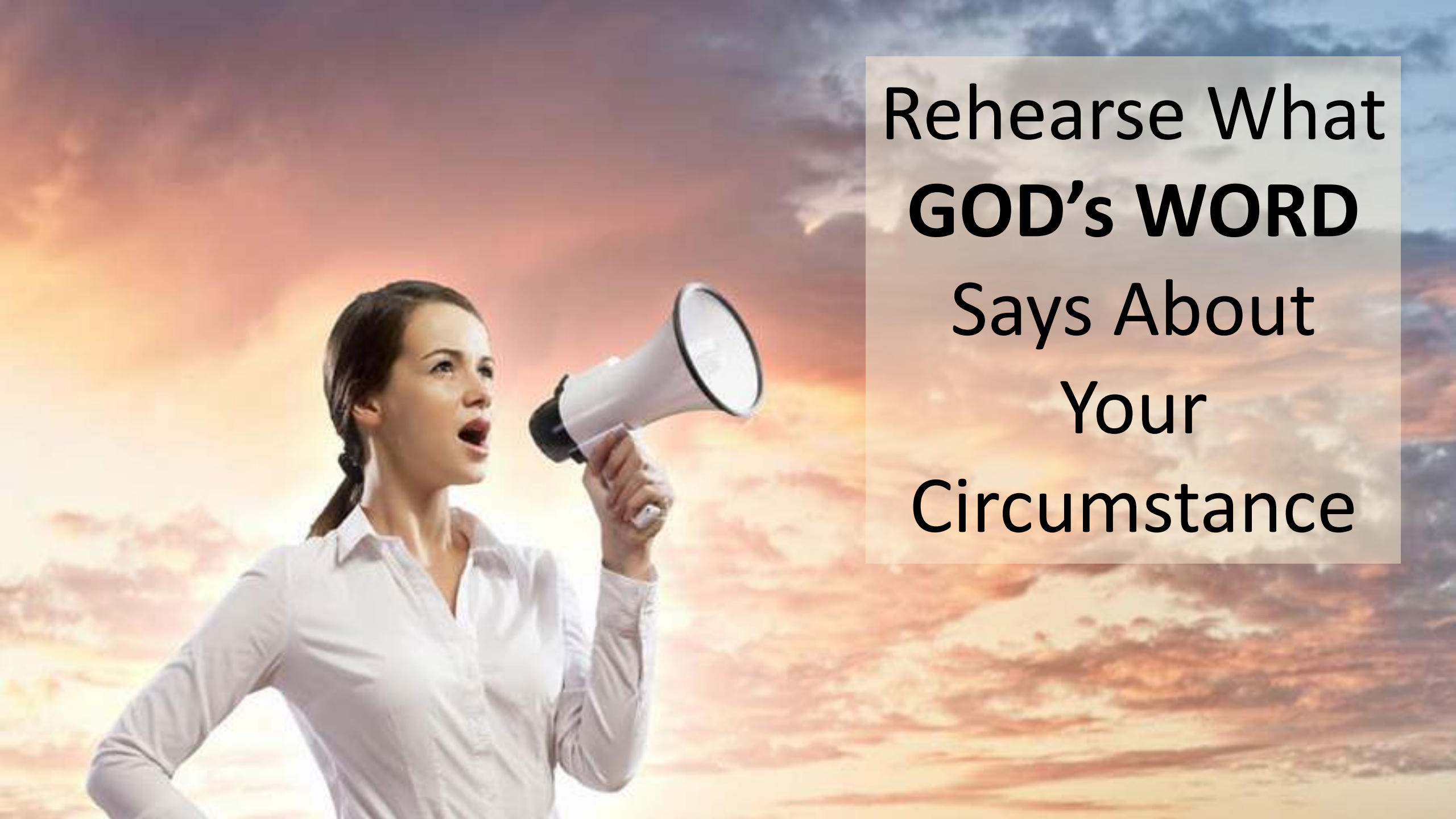


**“Death and life are in
the power of the
tongue, And those
who love it will eat its
fruit.”**

Proverbs 18:21 (NKJV)

Romans 10:8 (NKJV) — “But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith which we preach)”

Romans 10:17 (NKJV) — “So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

A woman with dark hair in a braid, wearing a white long-sleeved button-down shirt, is shouting into a white megaphone. She is positioned on the left side of the frame, looking upwards and to the right. The background is a dramatic sky at sunset or sunrise, with warm orange and yellow tones and scattered clouds. The overall mood is one of urgency and proclamation.

Rehearse What
GOD's WORD
Says About
Your
Circumstance

“So the promise is received by faith. It is given as a free gift. And we are all certain to receive it, whether or not we live according to the law of Moses, **if we have faith like Abraham’s.** For Abraham is the father of all who believe. **17** That is what the Scriptures mean when God told him, ‘I have made you the father of many nations.’ This happened because **Abraham believed in the God** who brings the dead back to life and who **creates new things out of nothing.** **18** Even when there was no

Romans 4:16-21 (NLT)

reason for hope, Abraham kept hoping—believing that he would become the father of many nations. For God had said to him, ‘That’s how many descendants you will have!’ **19** And Abraham’s faith did not weaken, even though, at about 100 years of age, he figured his body was as good as dead—and so was Sarah’s womb. **20** **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.”**

Romans 4:16-21 (NLT)

**The Promise
is Received By
FAITH**



There is a Period of
Time Between Your
BELIEVING and Your
RECEIVING



Romans 4:19 (NLT) — “And Abraham’s faith did not weaken, even though, at about 100 years of age, he figured his body was as good as dead—and so was Sarah’s womb.”



**They Had No HUMAN
Ability to Change Their
Circumstance**

Romans 4:21 (NLT) — “He was fully convinced that God is able to do whatever he promises.”

You may
feel like
things will
never
change...



Mark 9:23 (NLT) — “What do you mean, “If I can’?”
Jesus asked. ‘Anything is possible if a person
believes.’”

A person wearing a yellow helmet and dark clothing is walking a tightrope across a vast, hazy mountain valley. The word "FAITH" is written in large, dark, textured letters across the tightrope. The person is positioned between the 'A' and the 'T'. The background shows a wide expanse of mountains and a valley under a cloudy sky.

FAITH

If you believe, **EVERYTHING** is possible!



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