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DON'T CONSIDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES

We read the story of Abram and Sarai who became Abraham and Sarah in the book of Genesis and in the book of Romans. God had made a covenant with Abram, who was childless, that his seed through Sarai would become a great nation. Sarai believed that God had restrained her from bearing a child. She did not have the faith that Abram had.

In Romans chapter 4 we learn more about their situation. Abraham believed that God would bring the promise to pass that he had given him. The Book of Romans tells us in Romans 4:3 "For what saith the scripture? 'ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS COUNTED UNTO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS."

Then, in Romans 4:17-21 it says, "(As it is written, 'I HAVE MADE THEE A FATHER OF MANY NATIONS',), before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as they were. 18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, 'SO SHALL THY SEED BE' (Genesis 15:5) 19 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: 20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God: 21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."

Abraham's body was not able to reproduce, and neither was Sarah's. Yet, Abraham did not look at those circumstances. He believed God could not lie and trusted that God would make things change.

Each of us will be put into positions where things look "dead" in our lives, even when we have received a promise from God that there would be "fruit." We must not look at the circumstances as being the final authority. We must look to God and his promises just like Abraham did, and "consider not" what we see with the natural eye. We must see with our spiritual eyes. Then, we receive the promise by faith.

It took 14 years for Abraham's promise to unfold with Sarah as the mother of Abraham's seed. Much happened in those 14 years that looked like it would never happen, but it did happen because God cannot lie. Do not let Satan rob your faith with words of doubt. Speak the promises God has given you over your life and expect them to come forth!