



# MESSAGE NOTES

## When God Says “Look Up”

Genesis 15:5-6

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He took him outside and said, “**Look up** at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” **6** Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

#### 1. Faith Begins When We Trust God’s Promise

**Genesis 15:6** “ Abram believed the LORD, and He counted it to him as righteousness.”

- Righteousness is a **relationship** word.
- Being righteous means we are now in right standing with God.

#### 2. Faith Receives What Only God Can Do

- We don’t earn righteousness, we receive it.
- Abram didn’t “work for” God’s promise. He simply believed it.

**Ephesians 2:8** “By grace you have been saved through faith — and not of yourselves, it is the gift of God — ”

- Faith is not payment. Faith is receiving God’s gift.

#### 3. Faith Produces a New Way of Living

Abram’s faith changed how he lived: He followed God, waited on God, and obeyed God.

**Romans 1:17**

Just as it is written: “ **The righteous will live by faith.**”

- Faith makes us righteous, and righteousness shapes our lives.

#### Summary

**Believe** God’s Promise — Faith believes God’s word.

**Receive** God’s Gift — Faith receives righteousness through Jesus.

**Live** God’s Way — Faith changes the way we live.

#### Accounting Report Nov.2025

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