

What are some things that make you afraid?

What have you found helpful in overcoming fear?

Read Genesis 15

What stood out to you? Was there anything that challenged or confused you?

How is God your shield and very great reward?

If God spoke directly to you and promised to give you something you really wanted, how would you feel? How would you feel 25 years later if nothing had happened yet?

Is it ok to ask or question God for reassurances of his promises?

God makes a one-sided covenant with Abram (v 17 – only God 'walks' between the pieces). Why is this important (Gen 3:15, 12:3)? How might this be relevant to the fact that God gave him the desire of his heart (v 4)?

What does the covenant ritual reveal about the seriousness of the commitment of God toward Abram?

What sacrifice did God make that reflects the seriousness of His commitment to you?

We learn from Abram's example, both God's faithfulness and our responsibility to believe God's Word, even though the promise may seem impossible. God has a timetable to fulfil His promises and we must be patient and keep believing until the answer comes. May each of us learn to live everyday in the promises of God.