

# LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

## Fully Convinced

Romans 4:17-25

**Additional Passages:** Matthew 19:23-26; Galatians 3:1-9, 4:4-7; Romans 8:12-17; Colossians 2:6-7.

**Introduction:** Pastor John noted that Paul finishes Romans 4 by focusing on Abraham's faith. Romans 4:20-21 says that Abraham did not waver in unbelief b/c he was fully convinced that God would be true to His promise.

### Questions

Fully Convinced through Humanly Impossible:

1. Read Matthew 19:23-26 and consider how Jesus says someone can be saved. Is your view of how you are saved and your identity before God based fully on what God has done? Discuss ways you are prone to putting trust in yourself instead of in the God who saves.

Fully convinced, which gives glory to God:

2. How can we strengthen one another's faith in God as a community of people (as a Life Group, as a church)? How can you strengthen your faith in God?

Fully convinced that Christ is the Savior:

Pastor John noted Jesus' words in John 8:56 that Abraham rejoiced that He would see Jesus' day. In Genesis 12, God promised that all the nations of the earth would be blessed in Abraham's seed. Abraham believed that would be the case and he became the father of many nations. Jesus is declaring that He is the seed of Abraham, the fulfillment of Abraham's faith, the Messiah who Abraham trusted in.

3. Galatians 4:4-7 and Romans 8:12-17 explain that as believers today, we live in the era that the Bible describes as the "fullness of time." This is the era that Jesus brought with His first coming and will bring to completion with His second coming. Jesus has established the promised new covenant and 2 Corinthians 1:20 tells us that all the promises of God are fulfilled in Him (find their "Yes" in Him). Talk about the amazing truths that in Christ we are God's sons and daughters, and we have the Holy Spirit living inside us. What impact do these truths, and other related results of the gospel, have on our daily lives?
4. If people took a survey of your life, what would they say your confidence is in? What would they say your life gives testimony to?
5. Colossians 2:6-7 and Galatians 3:1-3 say that growth in Christlikeness comes as we continue to live by faith. What does it look like to continue in faith in Christ? How do we express that faith in our lives?