

(Grace Baptist) Who Has Despised the Day of Small Things?

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We need to have faith in God's promises, even when they seem impossible, and trust in His faithfulness to perform them.

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Description

In this sermon, the speaker begins by discussing the anticipation of summer and the unpredictable weather. He then moves on to the biblical passage of Zechariah 4-10, which talks about despising the day of small things. The speaker reflects on the history of the church and emphasizes the importance of looking forward rather than dwelling on the past. Drawing from the story of Abraham and Sarah, the speaker highlights their unwavering faith in God's promises, despite the seeming impossibility of having children at their age. The sermon concludes with the reminder that just as God fulfilled his promises to Abraham and Sarah, he is also able to fulfill his promises to us.

Transcript

Well, good morning. Are you like me, waiting for summer? This is strange, but I see out in B.C. they're getting warm weather. Maybe we'll have some here before the fall comes.

Maybe not. Who knows? Okay. In Zechariah 4:10, the Bible speaks about those who have despised the day of small things.

You know, there was a time when here at this particular church, the Sunday morning would be full. And, of course, the church has been in existence, I guess, close to 50 years. It has had an up-and-down experience, as most churches have.

But we should never be looking back. We should always be looking forward. When you look at the history of the church as a whole, you know, God made a promise to two people in the Old Testament, Abraham and Sarah.

You see, God took them for a walk under the stars one night, and he said, Can you count the stars? So shall your seed be. Now, he had a problem, because he was around 100 years old, his wife was not far

behind. How in the world could they have thousands of children? In Genesis 15 and Genesis 17, God spoke about this to Abraham, and one thing he did was he changed his name from Abraham to Abraham, which meant the father of a great multitude.

And in Romans 4, Paul reminds us about this, and he says, he didn't stagger at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strong in faith, giving glory to God, being, listen carefully, fully persuaded that what he had promised, he was able also to perform. No doubt, no way he couldn't figure it out. He couldn't sit down with a pencil and paper and figure out some scheme.

He just believed. He didn't stagger at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully persuaded that what he had promised, he was able also to perform. And we need to have that kind of outlook, that kind of uplook that he had back then.

He didn't stagger. He knew, humanly speaking, it was impossible, but he wasn't dealing with human beings. He was dealing with God, and that made all the difference in the world.

And Sarah herself, it says, received strength to conceive seed when she was past age because she judged him faithful who had promised. Abraham and Sarah both had faith in the promises of God. They didn't stagger because a promise seemed impossible of fulfillment.

There's a promise in Isaiah, the last verse of chapter 60. It says, A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one shall become a strong nation. I, the Lord, will hasten it in its time.

Well, we see that today. That our churches were started. Jerry Falwell's church.

I understand.

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