



I. INTRO

- A. Fruit Loops series
 - What are you packing for?
- B. Everything changes when you know something is coming
 - What are you expecting?

II. FAITH

- A. Faith and its source

Hebrews 11:1 (NKJV) Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

- Faith has a source

Romans 10:17 (NKJV) So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

- B. You have to see it before you'll see it

Hebrews 11:1 (TLB) What is faith? It is the confident assurance that something we want is going to happen. It is the certainty that what we hope for is waiting for us, even though we cannot see it up ahead.

III. THE FATHER OF FAITH

- A. Faith has a father

Genesis 12:1-3 (NLT) The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."

- At this point in his life Abram was polytheistic – He had a god for everything
- Yahweh the uncreated one, pre-existent one, always been and will always be

- B. Have no other gods before me

Psalms 115:1-3 (NLT) Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name goes all the glory for your unfailing love and faithfulness. Why let the nations say, "Where is their God?" Our God is in the heavens, and he does as he wishes.



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Fruit Loops

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See it Before you See it

FRUIT LOOPS



Psalm 115:4-7 (NLT) Their idols are merely things of silver and gold, shaped by human hands. They have mouths but cannot speak, and eyes but cannot see. They have ears but cannot hear, and noses but cannot smell. They have hands but cannot feel, and feet but cannot walk, and throats but cannot make a sound.

Psalm 115:8 (NLT) And those who make idols are just like them, as are all who trust in them.

- You will become like what you worship

C. Hi Abram, I'm God, how do you like me so far?

Genesis 15:1-6 (NLT) Some time later, the Lord spoke to Abram in a vision and said to him, "Do not be afraid, Abram, for I will protect you, and your reward will be great." But Abram replied, "O Sovereign Lord, what good are all your blessings when I don't even have a son? Since you've given me no children, Eliezer of Damascus, a servant in my household, will inherit all my wealth. You have given me no descendants of my own, so one of my servants will be my heir." Then the Lord said to him, "No, your servant will not be your heir, for you will have a son of your own who will be your heir." Then the Lord took Abram outside and said to him, "Look up into the sky and count the stars if you can. That's how many descendants you will have!" And Abram believed the Lord, and the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith.

- D. All God needs is a yes
- You are exactly who God wants to use

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (NIV) Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

- God works IN you, and brings blessing TO you, so that ultimately, he can work THROUGH you

1 Corinthians 1:26-27 (NIV) Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong.

- What are you packing for?
- Everything changes when you know something is coming
- But you'll have to see it before you'll ever see it