



I. REVIEW/INTRO

- A. Fruit Loops series part 4
- B. Expectation
 - What you pack reflects your expectation. It's based on where you're going what you expect to do, and your season
 - Biblical hope is a confident and favorable expectation
- C. This is why we've been talking about faith so much
 - Faith is a spirit of expectation, faith establishes an outlook even before you see the outcome

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

- Faith has a source - Rom 10:17
- Faith has a father - Abraham

Hebrews 11:8 (TLB) Abraham trusted God, and when God told him to leave home and go far away to another land that he promised to give him, Abraham obeyed. Away he went, not even knowing where he was going.

- Faith carries a risk because it will ask you to leave something behind for something that's ahead

II. BABY FAITH

- A. We all start with baby faith
- B. The GOAT

Matthew 18:1 (AMP) At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

- C. The plot twist: Be child-like
 - Difference between child-like and immature

Matthew 18:2-4 (AMP) He called a little child and set him before them, and said, "I assure you *and* most solemnly say to you, unless you repent [that is, change your inner self—your old way of thinking, live changed lives] and become like children [trusting, humble, and forgiving], you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

- D. Baby faith has three qualities
 - **Baby faith trusts**
 - Children are born alive to God
 - Children are born ready to believe
 - Children learn to doubt and worry
 - **Baby faith is humble**



Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIRV) Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on your own understanding. In all your ways obey him. Then he will make your paths smooth and straight.

- A child's imagination is unbridled

III. BABY FAITH IS FORGIVING

A. You can't have faith in something or someone you don't believe in

Mark 11:23-25 (NIV) "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins."