

THE LIFE OF FAITH

OWNING YOUR JOURNEY

Resorting to Trick Plays

Genesis 12:10-20

When faith fails...

1. We often resort to _____.
2. (and _____), we can deceive ourselves.
3. God remains _____ to His promises.

Deception, even for protection, marks a failure in faith.

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My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1) Abram faced a famine in the land of promise. Is it normal for Christians to face hard times even when they are in the will of God? See John 16:33; Acts 14:21-22. Name a time when this has happened to you.
- 2) When faith failed, Abram resorted to deception. Can you think of some ways people deceive themselves or others to make up for a lack of faith?
- 3) God uses imperfect people to accomplish His plans. Look at the great men of the faith like Moses, David and Peter. What were their failures in faith?
- 4) Can you think of a failure that you feel has knocked you out of the race? Have you confessed it to God and repented? Commit to God to let Him rebuild your life into something of meaning and purpose.

Memory Verse
2 Timothy 2:13

“If we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.”