

THE **BIG** IDEA

We win when we wait on God.

Monday:

It takes a lot of faith to be able to wait on God. Paul explains it so well in Romans 4. After our look at Abraham yesterday, take some time to read that chapter now. There's a lot of wonderful inspiration in that chapter, but I think Romans 4:20-21 say so much. Commit these verses to memory as you draw encouragement this week.

Tuesday:

God promised Abraham a son, but Abe had to wait 25 years to see God's promise come true. What are you waiting for? What is that promise that you keep praying for? Being in God's waiting room often leads to impatience. But you don't want to compromise the blessing God has planned for you by trying to do it your way. Read Mark 9:24. Spend some time praying for more faith—that God would help increase your ability to believe Him for your future.

Wednesday:

Take a look at Genesis 17:1. When God renewed His covenant with Abraham, He asked Abe to "be blameless," to live his life in total allegiance to God's will, being completely aware of God's presence and lordship in every aspect of his life. Sometimes when we feel like God is making us wait, it's because He's asking us to be blameless. There's a part of our life that He wants us to surrender to Him. In your prayer time, ask God to reveal any area of your life where He's calling you to be blameless.

Thursday:

In Genesis 18:19, God shares His call for Abraham. What is God calling you to do? Is it a new ministry venture? A way to get involved in the community? A restored relationship? A victory over sin that you can share with others? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you rise to God's call on *your* life.

Friday:

Abraham had extra incentive in his call from God. His role was to pass his faith to his children and grandchildren (see Genesis 17:5-7). Knowing the influence you have on others, what do you feel you should do to create an awesome lineage for God?

Saturday:

Jehovah-jireh—the LORD has provided! When we are waiting on God, we often miss the blessings He continues to pour into our lives. How has the LORD provided for you? Take time today to thank Him and praise Him for all He does for you!