## Back to Obedience: The Secret of Living by Faith The Dark Night of the Soul Genesis 15:1-21

We all have those moments when we feel like we are "in the dark." We feel that there are things we don't know yet know. There are decisions to be made, but we feel we do not have enough information to make them. Even more disconcerting are those times when we feel like we are "in the dark" with regard to some family crisis or some workplace changes. It is difficult to be in a circumstance where we feel someone is holding back information that we think we need to know, that we feel might ease our stress and worry.

- 1. God affirmed His promise to protect Abraham.
- 2. God affirmed His promise to give Abraham a son.
- 3. God affirmed His promise to give Abraham the land.

God's promises to Abraham were established and would (and will) be eventually fulfilled. The covenant is unconditional; its fulfillment does not depend on man's faith or faithfulness. What that means for us today is that the new covenant established by Christ and His cross during the dark night of His soul, is dependable and fulfilled whether people accept it or not. Those who put their faith in Christ enter into that covenant and receive eternal salvation, an eternal inheritance, and eternal glory.