

## Walking with God

### 5. Walking through Doubt

*Genesis 15*

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## Abram's response.....

***Doubt!***

v. 2-3.



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- Sarah in ch. 16

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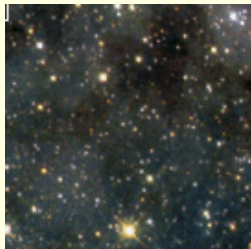
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3. Listen to God's answers
  - Through visions – v. 1
  - Through words – v. 4 + 7
  - Through nature – v. 5
  - Through dreams – v. 12 onwards
  - Through God's actions – v. 17

## Listening to God

1. God speaks through "multimedia"!
  - We need to tune in!
2. God speaks consistently
  - What he says now will be consistent with what He's said before
  - What he says to you will be consistent with, and based on scripture.

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- **Land – v. 7**
- **Worship – v. 8**

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2. Take it to God
3. Listen to God's answers
4. Don't stop worshipping and walking with God



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v. 17**

***“Your sacrifice is accepted.  
With all your struggles,  
I value you and love you”***

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**God walks alone:  
The covenant is established by  
God,  
even when Abraham  
is “in a deep sleep”  
and can contribute nothing to it.**