**Sermon Series: Abraham - A Journey of Faith**

**“Can We Have a Chat?”**

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**Introduction:**

A. Years ago, Dr. Seuss published a children’s book entitled “________ hears a ___.”
   1. Dr. Seuss’ character heard a ______ one day that forever ______ his life.

B. In today’s segment from the life of Abraham, we will learn that Abraham heard the “_______ of the _______” and it changed his life.

C. God shared with Abraham vital words concerning his ______, _______ & ______.

D. Today, each one of us need to learn to __________ for God’s voice and hear the Word of God and allow it to _________________ our lives.

**I. The Story**

A. Genesis 15:1
   1. The first two words - “_________ _________” are important.
   2. When God’s first words to Abraham are “Do not be _________” what does this tell us about what Abraham was feeling?
   3. Why shouldn’t Abraham be feeling that way? Because God is his ______ and his great ________.

B. Genesis 15:2-3
   1. What is the concern that Abraham brought to God? “I remain ________.”

C. Genesis 15:4-5
   1. In today’s terms, God might have said, “Abraham, your heir will come from your ________.”
   2. God took Abraham ________ and told him to ________ ______.
   3. How many stars can a person with 20/20 vision see? Too many to ________.

D. Genesis 15:6
   1. The Hebrew term translated “believed” means “to be ________, to ______.”
   2. God declared Abraham to be ________________.
   3. God presents only one way of salvation - the way of ________ (Eph. 2:8-9).
   4. Avoid the mistake of assuming Abraham was a __________ saint who possessed mighty faith far __________ our ability to attain.

E. Genesis 15:7-21
   1. To ease Abraham’s mind, God formalized the ____________.
   2. God appeared in the form of the smoking ______ ____ and blazing _______ putting his signature on the covenant.

**II. The Application**

A. Lessons we learn about our relationship with God.
   1. God ____________ our questions and needs and wants to calm our fears.
   2. God knows when to ________ and when to ________.
   3. God wants us to _____ Him and _______ is most important in our salvation.
   4. God wants to communicate with us, but we must learn to ________ and take what is said to ________.

B. Jeb Harris, famous Broadway producer learned there is a difference between ______ and ________.