

**The Book of Beginnings #4 Counting Stars Text: Genesis 15: 5-6**

**Let's look at three essential qualities that were evident in Abraham's character. If we will pattern our lives in the same way, we'll experience an abundance of God's b\_\_\_\_\_ as well.**

**1. A Pattern of B\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Genesis 15:6, is the heart of the g\_\_\_\_\_. Our righteousness — our r\_\_\_\_\_with God — comes from faith. You will never be good enough to earn God's love, or God's favor. Ref: Ephesians 2:8,9**

**We see, throughout the book of Genesis, how God takes those who are flawed and forms them into men and women of character. This is what he wants to do in your life, as well. His work begins with faith in his promise, faith in his Son Jesus Christ.**

**Because of my sin, I owe a debt I cannot pay. You owe a debt you cannot pay. This is the gospel message: He paid a d\_\_\_\_\_ he did not owe.**

**15:6 And Abram believed the Lord, and the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith.**

**Even when Abraham was busy making mistakes, and even when he lost sight of the promise, he never lost sight of the one who made the promise. He never lost his faith in God.**

**Do you want your life to be filled with blessing? Keep  
b\_\_\_\_\_.** Ref: Hebrews 11:6

**Abraham was blessed and highly favored by God,  
because his life reflected a pattern of belief.**

## **2. A Pattern of W\_\_\_\_\_.**

**The Christian life is about more than merely  
acknowledging God's presence. It's about honoring God's  
presence. And celebrating God's presence.**

**God wants his people to p\_\_\_\_\_ him. Why? Not because  
he needs to hear it, but because we need to say it.**

**If you want your life to be blessed. Let there be a pattern  
of worship.**

## **3. A Pattern of Patient P\_\_\_\_\_.**

**It's not enough to start the race. We need to run with the  
intent to finish the race. Ref: Hebrews 12:1,2**

**If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed,  
and heirs according to the promise. (Galatians 3:29)  
He's saying that God wants to bring his blessing into  
your life, as well.**

**Now, the American in us wants — demands — that the  
promise be fulfilled today. But God says that his promises  
will be fulfilled at the proper time.**

**Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.  
(Galatians 6:9)**

**Are you patterning your life after Abraham?**

**It takes a pattern of F\_\_\_\_\_. A pattern of W\_\_\_\_\_. A  
pattern of P\_\_\_\_\_.**