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### The Spirit Of Expectation

**ex·pec·ta·tion** (ek-spek-tey-shuhn) -noun  
The state or act of looking forward or \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### Romans 4:16-22

<sup>16</sup>For this reason **it is by faith**, in order that it may be in accordance with grace, so that the promise will be guaranteed to all the descendants, not only to those who are of the Law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>(as it is written, "A father of many nations have I made you") in the presence of Him whom he believed, even God, who gives life to the dead and calls into being that which does not exist. <sup>18</sup>**In hope against hope he believed**, so that he might become a father of many nations according to that which had been spoken, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup>Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb; <sup>20</sup>yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, <sup>21</sup>and **being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform.** <sup>22</sup>Therefore it was also credited to him as righteousness.

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### The Spirit Of Expectation:

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#### Hebrews 11:1

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

#### Hebrews 11:6

<sup>6</sup>And without faith it is impossible to please God.

- Cultivating Faith

#### Romans 10:17

<sup>17</sup>So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

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2. A \_\_\_\_\_ heart

#### Proverbs 4:23

<sup>23</sup>Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.

- Guard your heart  
Guarding your heart creates the right \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### 2 Chronicles 16:9

<sup>9</sup>The eyes of the Lord search the whole earth in order to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

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### My Next Step Today Is...

- Memorize Proverbs 4:23
- Pray for a spirit of expectation
- Sign up for Newcomers