## **Faith and Patience**

#### Hebrews 6:12

## **Genesis 18:1-15**

## **Dream Thieves**

- Self Doubt--Gideon
- Opposition--Nehemiah
- Relatives--David
- Time--Abraham and Sarah (25 years)

### **Genesis 21:1-7**

#### **Nelson Mandela**

- •July 1918 December 2013
- Lawyer and political activist
- Leader in the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa
- Initially committed to non-violent protest
- Later was arrested and convicted of conspiracy to overthrow the state
- ●1962 was sentenced to life in prison
- Served 27 years and was released in 1990
- Nobel Peace Prize in 1993
- ●1994 became South Africa's first black President
- •Known as Madiba or Tata = Father He is the father of South Africa as George Washington is faith or US.

# Abraham is the Father of Faith--Romans 4:13-21

- He believed God
- ■Knew God "calls things which do not exist as though they do"--Mark 11:23-24
- Did not consider his own body
- In hope believed
- Did not waiver
- Strengthened in faith
- Gave glory to God
- Fully convinced God was able