

Romans Four
God's Example of Being Saved by Faith

Romans 4: 3 & 5

Abraham= God's historical example of a man who was neither Jew nor Gentile, but represents both as an example of how God forgives sin on the basis of Grace thru faith. Definition: Faith= a heart devotion and trust in Christ.

F=forsaking

A= all

I = I

T= trust

H= Him

Oswald Chambers on the faith of Abraham:

1. Living by faith can mean separation from the world & family in order to obey God.

Abraham left Ur & his family to go to a far place Heb. 11: 8-9

We separate mentally & morally from their [world] viewpoints, 1st John 2: 15, 16

2. Living by faith means not knowing in advance where He is leading you! But it does mean knowing Him Who is leading. **Heb. 11:10**

Not a life of reason or understanding.

Abraham was 100 years old when Sarah conceived.

3. Living by faith means we trust in a Person, not in a system that will make us prosperous or successful. **Rom. 4: 15-22**

4. Living by faith is the attainment of Character = as the process of life's struggles is lived by faith, we are being conformed to the image of His Son. **Rom. 4: 20**

Abraham "grew strong in faith, giving glory to God."

Our faith will grow in direct proportion to our willingness to trust Him every day.

5. Living by faith is not a question of Holiness, {Abraham was not holy, just faithful!} Holiness is the result of faithfulness, not the cause! **Rom. 4:3 & 22**

Abraham had "reckoned" righteousness & so do you!

6. Living by faith accesses Grace and therefore justification before God. [**Rom. 5: 1, 2**]

Romans 4: 24-25= Raised for our justification unto life.

Christ's death for our Penalty of Sin

Christ's resurrection for our eternal Position "in Him"