

# Receiving the Promise.

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## Genesis 15

<sup>6</sup> And Abram ***believed the LORD***, and the LORD counted him as righteous because of his faith.

**The Problem:** *Many of us say we're BELIEVERS but we don't know WHAT we believe or HOW to be right with God.*

***"God has clearly shown us how to be right with him by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the free gift of salvation through Jesus alone."***

## Believing.

### Romans 3

<sup>10</sup> No one is righteous - not even one. <sup>20</sup> No one can ever be made right with God by doing what the law commands. The law simply shows us how sinful we are. <sup>21</sup> But now ***God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law.***

<sup>22</sup> We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who **believes**, no matter who we are. <sup>23</sup> For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. <sup>24</sup> Yet God, with undeserved kindness, declares that we are righteous. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty of sins. <sup>25</sup> For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for our sin. ***People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood.***

<sup>26</sup> God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he declares sinners to be right in his sight when they believe in Jesus. <sup>27</sup> Our acquittal is not based on obeying the law. ***It is based on faith.***

## 5 Truths you must BELIEVE to be a Christian.

1. God is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am not.
2. My \_\_\_\_\_ works will never be good enough to make me right with God.
3. My \_\_\_\_\_ works will never be bad enough to keep me from God's Mercy and Kindness.
4. God's \_\_\_\_\_ requires payment for my sin.
5. God's \_\_\_\_\_ provided the full and final payment for my sin through Jesus alone.

***"Salvation is based on  
BELIEF not BEHAVIOR."***

**Q: Which of the 5 truths is EASY for you to believe?**

**Q: Which of the 5 truths is HARD for you to believe?**

*Where are you right now on your Faith journey?*



# Receiving.

## Romans 4

<sup>1</sup> What did Abraham discover about being made right with God? <sup>2</sup> If his good deeds had made him acceptable to God he would have had something to boast about. But that was not God's way. <sup>3</sup> For the scriptures tell us, "*Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith.*"

<sup>4</sup> When people work, their wages are not a gift, but something they have earned. <sup>5</sup> But people are counted as righteous, not because of their work, but because of their faith in God who *forgives sinners*.

<sup>9</sup> We have been saying that Abraham was counted as righteous because of his faith. <sup>10</sup> But how did this happen? Was he counted as righteous only after he was circumcised, or was it before he was circumcised? Clearly, *God accepted Abraham before he was circumcised!*

<sup>11</sup> Circumcision was a sign that Abraham already had faith and that God had already accepted him and declared him righteous - even before he was circumcised.

<sup>16</sup> ***So the promise is received by faith.***

***It is given as a free gift.***

And we are certain to receive it . . . if we have faith like Abraham's. For *Abraham is the father of all who believe*.

## Romans 5

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have *peace with God* because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. <sup>2</sup> Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege, where we now stand, and we *confidently* and *joyfully* look forward to sharing God's glory.

<sup>11</sup> So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us *friends of God*.

## 5 Gifts you RECEIVE the moment you Believe.

1. The gift of \_\_\_\_\_ as the free, full, and final payment for my sin.
2. The gift of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover my past, present, and future sins against God.
3. The gift of \_\_\_\_\_ into God's family.
4. The gift of \_\_\_\_\_ with God as my Heavenly Father and Friend.
5. The gift of \_\_\_\_\_ that fills me with Peace, Hope, and Joy.

***"Salvation isn't something you ACHIEVE  
it's something you RECEIVE."***

**Q: Which one of the 5 Gifts do you RECEIVE  
the moment you Believe in Jesus?**

- Jesus
- Forgiveness
- Adoption
- Relationship
- Faith