



Standing On the Promise of God

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TODAY'S READING: Romans 4

Romans 4 is about how Abraham trusted the promise of God. Abraham believed God and did not waver. He was strong in his faith. He gave the glory to God. So, the question in my mind is, How did he give the glory to God? By fully believing God was able to do what He promised. Abraham took God at His word.

So how do we glorify God? We do what Abraham did. When we trust in His promises, we give God glory. This is how we were saved. Paul is making the case in Chapters 3 and 4 of how we are saved by grace, not by works, but by believing on God's promises. That is how we are reconciled. It is not just a one-time faith and trust in Him and then we move on. It is a lifetime event. It is glorifying God day in and day out through believing in His promises and believing God will do what He said He would do. This is where so many get tripped up. They make a commitment to Christ because they got caught, because they are guilty. But it stops there. They made a commitment to get out of trouble, not to have a lifelong relationship with Christ. And we all know those are not real commitments.

So, I would like to end today's devotion in an attitude of prayer:

Lord, keep us from unbelief, help us to be people of faith who believe Your promises, who believe Your Word. Help us grow strong in our faith so You will get the glory. Help us trust Your wisdom. Help us trust the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Help us trust Your words over our thoughts. Father, help us trust You in the middle of darkness, sorrow and sadness, and loneliness. Help us believe that You are good and righteous and will get us through those hard times, and even though we do not see the finished product You will work all things together for the good of those who are called according to Your purpose.

Help us believe You bring peace to all who trust in You. Lord, we pray You will cause us to live lives of faith. This is the foundation on which we stand, this is the rock on which we stand--Your Word, Your promises and faithfulness to them.

Help us grow strong in our faith as we give glory to You. In Jesus' name, amen.

TOMORROW'S READING: Romans 5

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