

6/25/23 "Abraham: A Case Study In Faith"

Romans 4:9-25 (NIV)

Worship Center Bible - p. 913

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Abrahamic Covenant - 3 Things God Promised Abraham

- 1. Offspring
- 2. Land
- 3. Blessing Relationship

3 Reminders

- 1. Religious works do not save you (vv. 9-12)
- 2. The law does not save you (vv. 13-15)
- 3. You are saved by grace through faith (vv. 16-17)

4 Lessons

- 1. Abraham believed when circumstances seemed hopeless. (v. 18)
 - "Faith is not opposed to reason, but it is sometimes opposed to feelings and appearances. Abraham looked at his body and it looked hopeless. But he didn't go on appearances. This shows us that faith is not simply an optimism about life in general, nor is it faith in oneself. It is the opposite. Faith begins with a kind of death to self-trust. Faith is going on something despite our weakness, despite our feelings and perceptions." (Tim Keller)
- 2. Abraham endured in faith (vv. 19-20a)
- 3. Abraham gave glory to God with his faith (vv. 20b-21)
 - From the Westminster Catechism:
 - Ouestion What is the chief end of man?
 - Answer Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever
 - "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31)
- 4. Faith leads to righteousness (vv. 22-25)

This Week @ Crossview

Sun 6/25	8:00am – Prayer Meeting
	8:45am & 10:30am – Worship Services
	6:30-7:30pm – APEX Summer Bible Study Course
Fri 6/30	12:30pm - APEX Laredo Mission Team Departs
Sun 7/2	8:00am – Prayer Meeting
	8:45am & 10:30am – Worship Services (Nursery ONLY – 2 nd Service)

Coming Soon

Wed 7/12	Men's Ministry Rafter's Game (5:00pm Food / 6:35pm First Pitch)
Thu 7/20	9:00-10:00am – Senior Fellowship
Sun 7/23	12:30pm – APEX Duluth Mission Team Departs
Mon 8/7	9:00-11:30am – Vacation Bible School Begins

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