Paul’s Letter to the Romans: Pursuing Righteousness from God

“What God Has Promised, God Will Do!”

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Romans 4:20-24

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A. True faith is the willingness and the ability to ________ in what we cannot _____.
B. “For we walk by __________, not by __________.” (2 Cor. 5:7)
C. As Paul makes statements about Abraham’s faith, he is contrasting the faith approach to salvation with other approaches.
   1. In Rom. 4:1-8, Paul shows how Abraham was saved by faith and not by __________.
   2. In Rom. 4:9-12, Paul shows how Abraham was saved by faith and not by __________.
   3. Today, in Romans 4:13-25, Paul shows how Abraham was saved by faith and not by __________.
D. In today’s section, Paul makes three points about the promise to Abraham.
   1. The promise is based on faith, not the __________ (vs. 13-15).
   2. The promise, because it is based on faith, unites Jews and Gentiles in to __________ of God (vs. 16-17).
   3. The faith with which Abraham responded to God’s promise was __________ and __________ (vs. 18-22).
E. In verses 23-25, Paul draws the parallel to the way righteousness was credited to Abraham is the way it is credited to us through our ________ in ________.
F. Paul sketched out three things that would happen if the promise came by keeping the law rather than through faith:
   1. Faith is made __________.
   2. The promise is __________.
   3. Our situation is __________ - the law produces __________.
G. Paul explains there is a difference between sin and transgression - All transgression is __________, but not all sin is __________.
H. The promise has to be by faith, because it has to do with God’s __________.
I. The most important thing about salvation by faith isn’t __________ himself, but the ________ in whom Abraham believed.
J. Abraham believed in a __________ - __________ God.
K. The Cottonpatch Bible Version says: “Abraham kept the faith even when the ________ were __________ against him.”
L. Just as God “credited” Abraham’s faith “for righteousness,” so God does the same thing for us who ________ in ________.
M. The “Righteous” character in Chinese means “__________” over “______.”
N. Do we really believe that what God has __________, God will __________?
O. The African impala will not __________ if they cannot ___ where they will __________.

K. cards, stacked.  L. believe, Jesus.  M. sheep, me.  N. promised, do.  O. jump, see, land.