

Abraham Believed & It Was Reckoned to Him as Righteousness

Romans 4:1-8	Romans 4:9-12	Romans 4:13-17a	Romans 4:17b-22	Romans 4:23-25
<p>Was Abraham justified by <u>works</u> of the flesh? (1-2)</p> <p>What does Scripture say? - Abraham believed God</p> <p>It was reckoned to him as righteousness</p> <p>One who <u>works</u> - wage not reckoned favor, but what was due (4)</p> <p>One who does not <u>work</u> but <u>believes</u></p> <p>Faith is reckoned as righteousness (5)</p> <p>Blessed is the man God <u>reckons righteous</u> apart from <u>works</u> (6)</p> <p>Blessed is the man whose lawless deeds are forgiven, whose sins are covered, whose sins the Lord will not take into account (7,8)</p> <p>NOT RECKONED RIGHTEOUS BECAUSE OF WORKS</p>	<p>Is the blessing on <u>circumcised</u> or the uncircumcised also? (9)</p> <p>Faith was credited to Abraham as righteousness (9)</p> <p>How reckoned? While <u>circumcised</u>? (10)</p> <p>While not <u>circumcised</u> (10)</p> <p>Received the sign of <u>circumcision</u> - a seal of the righteousness of faith while <u>uncircumcised</u> (11)</p> <p>He would become the father of all who believe without being <u>circumcised</u> - righteousness may be credited to them (11)</p> <p>That he might be the <u>father of the circumcised</u> who follow the faith of Abraham when he was <u>uncircumcised</u> (12)</p> <p>NOT RECKONED RIGHTEOUS BECAUSE OF CIRCUMCISION</p>	<p>Promise to Abraham not through the <u>Law</u>, by through righteous of faith (13)</p> <p>If those of the <u>Law</u> are heirs - faith made void, promise nullified (14)</p> <p><u>Law</u> brings wrath Where there is not <u>Law</u> - no violation (15)</p> <p>By faith the promise is to all the descendants - not only to those of the <u>Law</u>, but also those of faith of Abraham - the father of us all (16)</p> <p>NOT RECKONED RIGHTEOUS BECAUSE OF THE LAW</p>	<p>Abraham <u>believed</u> God who gives life to the dead & calls into being that which doesn't exist (17b)</p> <p>In hope against hope he <u>believed</u> that he might be the father of many nations (18)</p> <p>Without being weak in <u>faith</u> he contemplated his own body and Sarah's - as good as dead (19)</p> <p>With respect to the promise - he did not waver in unbelief, but grew strong in <u>faith</u> giving glory to God (20)</p> <p>He was <u>fully assured</u> that what God promised, He would perform (21)</p> <p>Therefore it was credited to him as righteousness (22)</p> <p>RECKONED RIGHTEOUS BECAUSE OF FAITH</p>	<p>Not only for his sake was it reckoned (23)</p> <p>For our sake it will be reckoned as those who believe in God who raised Jesus from the dead. (24)</p> <p>Jesus was delivered for our transgression - was raised for our justification (25)</p> <p>ALL WHO BELIEVE WILL BE RECKONED RIGHTEOUS</p>