

John 8:39

³⁹ "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham."

Romans 2:28,29

Galatians 3:26-29

"For all the promises of God in Him are Yes..." (2 Cor 1:20)



Not only to have complete assurance but to live one's life in faithful service to God

GODSPROMISES TO ABRAM (AND TO US) Genesis 11:27:12:5

God's Promise to Abram

• The Land Promise (12:1; 17:7-8) Fulfilled: 12:5-7; Joshua 21:43-45; Nehemiah 9:6-8 The Nation Promise (12:2) Fulfilled: Exodus 1:7-10 Secular history establishes the Kingdom of Israel The Seed Promise (12:3)

All Nations (Genesis 18:17-18)

A B R A V **TO** ABRAHAN Genesis 17:1-5



Often, we talk about the three promises to Abraham, but actually, there were many promises (Gen 12:1-3)

- ...to make Abraham a great nation (Deut 26:5)
- ...to bless Abraham (Gen 24:1, 34-35; Isa 51:2)
- ...to make Abraham's name great (Rom 4:16)
- ...that Abraham would be a blessing (Gal 3:6-9)



- ...to bless those who bless him and curse those who curse him (Gen 14:18-20; Num 24:2-10)
- ...that in him all nations of the earth would be blessed (Gen 22:18; Acts 3:25-26; Gal 3:8,16)
- "...for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever." (Gen 13:14-17)



- The borders of the land (Num 34:2,12)
- God showed Moses the land (Deut 34:1-4)
- God's promise was fulfilled (Joshua 23:9; 12-16)
- "...in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed (Gen 22:17-18; Luke 1:67-79; Mat 16:18)

GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

Hebrews 10:23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised.



- Abraham believed God (Heb 11:8-10, 17,18; 6:13)
 It was counted to him for righteousness (Rom 4:3)
- Paul is not discussing the question of what one must do to be saved in this chapter
 - Justification is by means of faith in something other than the law of Moses



- Abraham justified by faith (4:1-8)
- Abraham justified before circumcision (4:9-12)
- Abraham justified before the Law (4:13-17)
- Abraham's example of faith (4:18-22)
- Abraham's Seed justified by faith (4:23-25)

- Saving faith takes God at His word (Rom 4:17-21)
- Saving faith acts (vs 22)
- Saving faith acts because of what God said
- Saving faith acts upon God's will, even when it is difficult
- Saving faith does what God says



"having been justified by faith"

- Faith, as defined in Romans, is the active obedient trust demonstrated by Abraham in the conception of Isaac
- In Romans 3, Paul describes the grace of God as providing the means of our Justification - the Sacrifice of Jesus
- In Romans 4&5, Paul demonstrates the need to respond to that grace

All the promises of God are based on the first promise...

"The seed of the woman will crush the serpents head." Genesis 3:15

"In you, all the families of the earth will be blessed."

Genesís 12:3

God's Promise to Abram We learn what it means to live by faith God always keeps His promise



"You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone." James 2:24

Heaven Bound