# FAITH COUNTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

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# Genesis 15:1-6

<sup>1</sup> After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward. <sup>2</sup> And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus? <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir. <sup>4</sup> And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir. <sup>5</sup> And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. <sup>6</sup> And he believed in the LORD; and He counted it to him for righteousness.

#### WHAT IS FAITH?

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Faith is important to God
Hebrews 11:5-7
Luke 22:31, 32
Peter
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NOT a system of beliefs

"I am of the ( ) faith"

though scripture does occasionally refer to faith in that way
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Faith is trusting God and what God says
Hebrews 11:1-3
2 Peter 3:5

## Examples of faith

Hebrews 11:11 - Sarah Hebrews 11:17-19 - Abraham Hebrews 11:27 - Moses Job 1:22 - Job

#### WHAT IS RIGHTEOUSNESS?

Justification

Righteousness is important to God Psalm 11:7

Righteousness Delivers from Death

Proverbs 11:4

Proverbs 11:19

Romans 5:17-21

We have righteousness through Christ 2 Corinthians 5:21

### WHAT IS IMPUTATION?

To attribute or ascribe

2 Corinthians 5:19 1 Corinthians 13:5

Zechariah 3:1-4

Psalm 32:1, 2

#### ABOUT WHAT DID ABRAHAM BELIEVE GOD?

Genesis 15:5

"And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be."

"Faith is believing God when He speaks"

#### NEW TESTAMENT REFERENCES

Romans 4:1-12
Works don't gain us salvation
For Jews and Gentiles (vss. 11, 12)

Galatians 3:1-9
Works don't keep our salvation
They of faith are children of Abraham (vs.7)

James 2:14-26
Works are an evidence of faith
The proof that we have faith is we act on what God says
The devils believe and tremble (vs. 19)
They don't act – they refused His rule
Faith without works is dead