

## Romans 4

### The Series

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#### Introduction

- Paul consistently pushes us back into the landscape of \_\_\_\_\_ and reminds us that all of our self-salvation projects are destined to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Salvation always \_\_\_\_\_ those who think they can earn it; to those who receive it for what it is—pure, unadulterated gift—it \_\_\_\_\_ everything.
- In Romans, Paul is amplifying the \_\_\_\_\_ that when we choose to \_\_\_\_\_ God, when we fail to acknowledge him, we are reckless and self-destructive; it's all downhill after that.

#### The Faith of Abraham

1. If you think that you are somehow outside the reach of God's \_\_\_\_\_, think again. If God can pluck a nobody like Abram out of obscurity and establish his \_\_\_\_\_ with him, then there's \_\_\_\_\_ for us all.
2. The only thing that differentiated Abraham from anyone else is that he \_\_\_\_\_ God (v. 3). And that belief, that \_\_\_\_\_, was what changed the course of his life (v. 18).
3. If \_\_\_\_\_ has a linchpin—one thing that matters above all else—it's \_\_\_\_\_.
4. God \_\_\_\_\_ himself *not* to the one who lives a morally superior life, *not* to the one who thinks that God owes him a place at the table, but to the one who is \_\_\_\_\_ enough to \_\_\_\_\_.