



ROMANS 4:13-25
COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Read Romans 4:13-25. What did you find helpful or encouraging from this week's passage and message?
2. When it comes to God's promises, do you find it easy or difficult to trust His "character" when circumstances look bleak? Why?
3. God's promise to Abraham was "received and not achieved." How does our culture's focus on "earning" and "achievement" make it difficult for us to accept God's grace as a free gift?
4. The speaker described faith as an "empty hand" that simply receives a gift. What are some "items" we often try to put in our hands to show God we are worthy of His promises?
5. Abraham believed God even when his physical situation seemed like a impossible. Is there a "dead end" situation in your life right now where you need to trust God to bring life out of death?
6. Abraham's faith was "unwavering" not because he was perfect, but because he kept moving in the same direction despite his failures. How does it encourage you to know that "failures of faith" are not the "death of faith"?
7. Verse 21 defines faith as being "fully convinced" that God can do what He promised. What are some specific promises from Scripture that you find yourself needing to be more "fully convinced" of this week?
8. According to Tim Keller, a "weak faith in a strong branch" is better than a "strong faith in a weak branch." How does shifting your focus from the strength of your faith to the object of your faith (Jesus) change your perspective on your salvation?
9. The sermon concluded with the analogy of a credit card "Payment Approved" notification. How does the resurrection of Jesus serve as the final proof that your "debt" of sin has been fully paid and accepted by God?