

Justified by Faith Alone
Genesis 15:6; Romans 4:1-5

1. God justified Abraham by faith alone, without any mixture of good works.

- a. Works might serve as a reason to boast before men, but not before God.**

Romans 4:1-2| 1 What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God.

Ephesians 2:8-9 | 8 For by grace have you been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God, not of works lest any man should boast.

- b. Man appeals to good works for justification, but the Bible affirms it is by faith alone.**

Romans 4:3| ³ For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.”

2. God justifies the sinner, not the saint, because of our faith in Christ alone.

- a. We cannot be justified by any effort of our own.**

Romans 4:4| ⁴ Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due.

- b. We are justified only if we admit our condition as sinners.**

Romans 4:5a| ⁵ And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly,

- c. We are justified only if our faith in Christ is genuine.**

Romans 4:5b| ⁵ his faith is counted as righteousness,

- d. We are justified only because of Christ’s righteousness credited to us.**

Romans 4:5b| ⁵ his faith is counted as righteousness,