

“Heirs of the World by Faith”
Romans 4:13-16

I. Abraham received the promise of Messianic blessings by faith alone (v. 13).

- A. The promise to Abraham was not based on the Mosaic Law.

- B. Man was created to be the king of the earth, but Adam forfeited this rule. Satan usurped this rule.

- C. Jesus Christ is the promised seed of Abraham who regained what Adam lost. He owns the earth. Jesus Christ is the King of the earth.

II. The promise of Messianic blessing would not be realized if it had been given on a law-works basis (vv. 14-15).

- A. If the principle of law-works were the condition for Messianic blessings the character of God would be called into question.

- B. If the principle of law-works were the condition for Messianic blessings, everyone would be shut-out from their enjoyment.

III. The promise of Messianic blessings can be enjoyed only by the grace of God (v. 16).

- A. Grace is the only basis there is for a secure future in Christ.

- B. Believing Jews and Gentiles will enjoy the blessings of God’s covenant with Abraham.