

“True Faith”
Romans 4:17-25

I. True faith is focused upon a life-giving God (v. 17).

- Faith is not true faith unless it is placed in the right object.
- Faith is to be centered on God’s character, not merely on God’s existence.

II. True faith is undaunted in the face of impossible situations (vv. 18-19).

- Abraham was impotent. Sarah was barren.
- Weak faith is intimidated by difficulties.

III. True faith keeps its eye on what God has said (vv. 20-21).

- Abraham was sure he was not taking a chance.

- Life situations become the opportunity for faith to swing into action.

IV. True faith receives the greatest gift of all (vv. 22).

- Saving faith is from God, in God, and based on God’s Word.

V. True faith is a resurrection kind of faith (vv. 23-25).

- Abraham’s faith is an example to us.
- God wants the kind of faith from us that believes in Him who raises the dead.
- Christ was raised in order to accomplish our justification.

Conclusion/summary

How then should we live?