

Milestone #2: How Do I Become a Christian?

Lesson 4 - Romans 4:1 - 5:21

Please read the scripture and watch the video first. Then use the questions below to begin your discussion of the message in your group.

Summary:

The God who was faithful to Abraham is the same God who is faithful to save us through Jesus Christ. Sin was brought into the world through the disobedience of Adam; God's gift of grace was brought into the world through the obedience of Jesus. Abraham believed God, and because of that he was made right with God – the same is true for us today.

Definitions:

- **Grace** God's gift of salvation through Jesus Christ.
- Justified declared not guilty and righteous before God.
- **Abraham** The father of the Jewish nation and all believers a man of God used as an example of faith. Read Genesis chapter 15.

Ice Breaker Question:

Which person in your family are you most like?

Discussion Questions:

- Is it easy or difficult to have faith in others? In yourself? In God?
- How did God show his faithfulness to Abraham? How has God shown his faithfulness to us?
- Why did Abraham not waver in his faith? How was his faith strengthened? How does that encourage you?
- How has the faith of someone else been a faith-builder for you?
- How did Abraham receive God's promise? How can we receive God's promise?

Checkpoint #2:

- What does it mean to believe and put your faith in Jesus Christ? Have you done that? If not, talk with your group now. Receive his promise!
- PRAYER: Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and need your forgiveness. Without you I will always
 be separated from God. I believe that you died on the cross for my sins, and I accept your offer
 of forgiveness. I do not want to live in sin any longer. Please come into my heart and change my
 life. I want to trust and follow you as the Lord and Savior of my life. Thank you Jesus for this free
 gift of salvation, for your promise of your Holy Spirit to live within me, and for the hope of eternal
 life with you! In your name I pray. Amen.