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Abounding Grace

Romans: Becoming a Man of God

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Romans 4:1-25 – What it means to truly BELIEVE

"Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"

...Romans 4:3

MAIN POINT

- *There is a big difference between having a belief in the presence or existence of God, and actually believing in God to the point of laying all your faith, hope, and trust in His hands...*
- *Tonight we are going to learn about what it really means to believe in God, through the example of Abraham, and then put our own names in his place and see if it fits!*
- *So what does it mean to believe God, and what will be our response?*

Group Discussion

1. Read *Genesis 15:1-6, Romans 4:1-3, Romans 4:18-22, and James 2:23* together...

- Describe Abraham's situation...
- What did Abraham do to be "counted" or "credited" as righteous according to God?
- What does this tell us about Abraham's relationship and attitude with God?

2. Read *Romans 4:4-17, Ephesians 2:8-9, and Romans 4:18-22* together...

- What was the purpose for the act of circumcision?
(see *Verses 10-11*)
- How do these verses describe God's grace?
(*Romans 4:4-17, Ephesians 2:8-9*)

Group Discussion (cont.)

3. Read *Romans 4:23-25, Romans 4:5, John 1:12, Romans 10:9-10, Romans 5:1-2, 1John 1:3, and Romans 12:1-2* together...
 - What does *Romans 4:23-25, Romans 4:5, and John 1:12* tell us about how WE fit into this story?
 - Describe what *1John 4:9-10, John 3:16-17, Romans 3:25, Romans 10:9-10, Romans 5:1-2, 1John 1:3, and Romans 12:1-2* tells us about what God has done for us...

4. So what is the difference between having a belief in the presence or existence of God, and actually believing in God to the point of laying all your faith, hope, and trust in His hands?

5. Considering all that we've learned from *Romans 4*, how will you respond to God?
 - Will you say that.....

_____ believed God, no matter what, and it was counted to him as righteousness.
 (Your Name)

Prayer

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.
(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

READING PLAN

Wednesday: Romans 4:1-25
 Thursday: Romans 5:1-11
 Friday: Romans 5:12-21

Saturday: Romans 4:1-25
 Sunday: Romans 5:1-11
 Monday: Romans 5:12-21

MEMORY VERSE

*"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved."
 ...Romans 10:9-10*

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?
 Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)