

~Listening Guide: Pastor Frank Johnson~
Romans: Good News for the World
The Crisis of True Faith
Romans 4

~Take a closer look~

I. TRUE FAITH IS CONTRARY TO SALVATION BY _____ . vv. 1-8

1. Abraham's experience is an important Old Testament example of the _____-principle.
2. The contrast between a _____-based salvation and a faith-based salvation is clear:
 - a. Salvation based on works is simply receiving one's just _____.
 - b. Salvation based on faith is the receiving of a _____.

II. TRUE FAITH BRINGS SALVATION TO _____ PEOPLE. vv. 9-12

1. The critical _____ in Paul's time was between those who were circumcised and those who were not.
2. Abraham had exercised faith _____ he was circumcised.
3. True faith brings a standing of _____ before God.

III. TRUE FAITH PLACES GOD'S _____ IN ITS PROPER POSITION IN SALVATION HISTORY. vv. 13-17

1. Note the sequence of Abraham's experience:
 - a. God made the *promise* and called Abraham to follow Him as an act of _____.
 - b. Abraham put his _____ in God's promise.
 - c. Abraham's faith was put on the ledger as _____.
2. The lesson is clear: the law cannot _____.

IV. TRUE FAITH IS PLACED IN THE _____ OF GOD. vv. 18-22

1. Abraham believed God beyond _____.
2. His example inspires the following in the person of faith:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. New _____, not on self but on God

~Take it home (applications)~