

# Justified Through Faith

Last week we highlighted this monumental truth. For the last five hundred years the nature of church has been shaped by it and access to salvation confirmed through it. The Apostle Paul wants this to sink in so much so that he gives a powerful example that no one can refute. The motto today?



“Given, Never Earned”

**Romans 4:1-15**

\* The Father of Faith (vv. 1-5)

“... according to his own efforts?” (v.1)

Abraham was flawed, yet he believed!  
Galatians 3:7-9

Credited = your account is stamped righteous as a gift

\* The Forgiveness of Faith (vv. 6-8)

David was flawed, yet blessed!

Sin was . . .

3) not counted against (best)

2) covered (better)

1) forgiven (good)

\* The Family of Faith (vv. 9-15)

“He is the father of all who believe.” (verse 11)

## Reflective Questions

- 1) Name someone who has been or is a hero in your life. Why? Who are the heroes in our passage (Romans 4:1-8)? Why?
- 2) What do we learn about justification by faith through Abraham? What do we learn about works? How is David an example as well?
- 3) What is the difference between “working” and “believing”? Why is this so important to the Apostle Paul? How might you apply these verses to your life?



**VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED**

# HARVEST PARTY

**OC 29**  **4:00pm**  
**T 2017** **until**  
**FREE** ● **Food** ● **Games** **6:00pm**

**FUN FOR ALL AGES—0-100!**

**Costume Contest**  
Please, no violent or scary costumes

