WHAT WE BELIEVE AND HOW WE BEHAVE—10 "How God Justifies The Ungodly"

Romans 4:1-25

Introduction:_____

I. FIRST, NOTICE HOW HE <u>DEMONSTRATES</u> THAT THE "FAITH PLUS" VIEW IS WRONG (Romans 4:1-12).

- A. First, note how he deals with people who depend on FAITH PLUS ______ for their salvation (4:1-8).
 - 1. First, he uses Israel's _____ as an example (4:1-5)
 - a. First, notice his _____ relating to Abraham's situation (4:1-2).
 - b. Secondly, note his _____ relative to Abraham's salvation (4:3-5).
 - 2. Secondly, he uses Israel's _____ as an example (4:6-8).
 - a. First, salvation is freely _____ (4:6).
 - b. Secondly, confessed sin is forever _____ (4:7-8).
- B. Secondly, notice how he deals with those who declare that FAITH PLUS their _____ or religion is necessary for their salvation (4:9-12).
 - 1. First, notice the _____ for receiving righteousness (4:9).
 - a. First, look at the _____ (4:9).
 - b. Secondly, note the _____(4:9b).
 - 2. Secondly, note the ______ of receiving righteousness (4:10)

This was a big question to the Jewish believers:

- a. First, note their _____ (4:10a).
 - b. Secondly notice Paul's _____ (4:10b).
- 3. Thirdly, consider the _____ of receiving righteousness (4:11-12).

*First, he demonstrates circumcision as a _____. *Secondly, he describes circumcision as a _____.

Now look at the proofs of Bible salvation:

- a. First, it is proven by what we _____ (4:11).
- b. Secondly, it is proven by how we _____ (4:12)
 - (1) First, he believed in God's Word without ever experiencing the fullness of its _____.
 - (2) Secondly, he believed in Jesus Christ without ever seeing Him in _____.
- II. SECONDLY, NOTE HOW HE _____ THE LAW FAILING AND FAITH PREVAILING (Romans 4:13-17).
- A. First, notice the ______ with the Law (4:13-15).
 - 1. First, the Law actually _____ faith (4:15).
 - 2. Secondly, the Law really _____ promises (4:14b).
 - 3. Thirdly, the Law literally ______ sinners (4:15).
- B. Secondly, not the _____ of faith (4:16-17).
 - 1. First, notice how FAITH ALONE ______ the need of grace (4:16a).
 - 2. Secondly, note how FAITH ALONE ______ the soul of salvation (4:16b).

3. Thirdly, consider how FAITH ALONE _____ all who will to be saved (4:17a).

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4. Fourthly, think about how FAITH ALONE ______ the power of God to save (4:17b).

III. THIRDLY, CONSIDER HOW HE HOW FAITH ALONE IS EXPERIENCED AND EXPLAINED (Romans 4:18-25).

A. First, notice how FAITH ALONE is _____ (4:18)

- 1. First, Abraham's faith was in God's _____ (4:18)
- 2. Secondly, his faith was ______ on the Word of God and nothing else.
- 3. Thirdly, his faith was ______ with impossible circumstances (4:19).
- 4. Fourthly, his faith was _____ and unwavering (4:19).
- 5. Fifthly, his faith _____ into action.
- B. Secondly, note how FAITH ALONE is ______(4:23-25).
 - 1. First, notice the _____ of salvation (4:23-24).
 - 2. Secondly, note the _____ of salvation (4:25).

CONCLUSION:

- 1. Faith in Christ brings righteousness that is ______ forever.
- 2. Faith in Christ is _____ by waiting.
- 3. Faith in Christ stands _____ on knowledge.