

Receiving Grace by Faith
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Grace is God's overwhelming desire to treat you like sin never happened. Grace opens the door for us to live so fully in God's blessings, it's like sin never even happened. Grace only goes to work in our lives when we receive it. How do we receive it? By Faith!!

Through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. **(Romans 5:2 NKJV)**

For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. **(Ephesians 2:18 NKJV)**

Faith is the secret to walking in God's Grace! That is why the Bible confirms how vital faith is to the life of a believer.

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, **(Ephesians 2:8 NKJV)**

For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith." **(Romans 1:17 NKJV)**

Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. **(Hebrews 10:35 NKJV)**

So then those who are of faith are blessed with believing Abraham. **(Galatians 3:9 NKJV)**

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. **(Galatians 3:13, 14 NKJV)**

Grace redeems us from the curse that's on this world through sin and empowers us to live in the blessing of Abraham. That means when we're living by real bible faith, we can be blessed no matter what's happening around us. What does the Word tell us to do about living by faith? It says we're to be those who walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham had.

And the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham had while still uncircumcised. **(Romans 4:12 NKJV)**

It says, if we function in faith the way Abraham did, we'll be blessed with him.

For the promise that he would be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. **(Romans 4:13 NKJV).**

Therefore it is of faith that it might be according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all (as it is written, "I have made you a father of many nations") in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did; who, contrary to hope, in hope believed, so that he became the father of many nations, according to what was spoken, "So shall your descendants be." And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb. He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform. **(Romans 4:16-21 NKJV)**

Abraham based his faith on the Word of God. Abraham refused to focus on natural conditions and contrary circumstances.

For we walk by faith, not by sight. **(II Corinthians 5:7 NKJV)**