

## It's Always Been by Faith

Romans 4:1-8

Question: How was Abraham saved?

(Paul answers this question two ways.)

1. He was not saved by works. (v. 1,2)

Question: What happens when we try to gain self-worth on the basis of our performance?

Answer: We become performance addicts.

2. He was saved by faith. (v.3)

“Credited”: It means” to credit to one’s account.”

What is grace? Grace is something God gives to us that we don’t deserve.

*Grace is a gift.*

What is a wage? A wage is something earned or at least received through negotiation in compensation for some work done.

What is a gift? A gift is something someone freely gives and is completely unrelated to one’s performance.

Question: What are three things that happen to your sin when you place your faith and trust in Jesus Christ?

1. Your sin is forgiven. (v.7a)
2. Your sin is covered. (v. 7b)
3. Your sin will not be counted against you. (v.8)