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- Galatians 3:9 (ESV) 9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

The Gospel and My Faith

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 - Paul emphasizes the importance of the gospel throughout this letter.
 - And shows how interconnected the gospel is with our faith.

The obedience of faith

Romans 1:5

- Romans 1:1-7 (ESV)
 - 1 Paul,
 - a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,
 - Gospel
 - 2 which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures,
 - 3 concerning his Son,
 - who was descended from David according to the flesh
 - 4 and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead,
 - Jesus Christ our Lord,

The obedience of faith

Romans 1:5

- Paul
 - 5 through whom we have received grace and apostleship
- Purpose
 - to bring about the obedience of faith
 - for the sake of his name
 - among all the nations,
 - 6 including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ

The righteous shall live by faith.

Romans 1:17 (from Habakkuk 2:4)

- Romans 1:15-17 (ESV)
 - 15 So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.
 - 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel,
 - for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes,
 - to the Jew first and also to the Greek.
 - 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed
 - from faith for faith,
 - as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

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**the righteousness of God through faith
in Jesus Christ for all who believe**

Romans 3:22

- Romans 3:21 - 5:2 (ESV) 21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.

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redemption ... to be received by faith

Romans 3:24,25

- For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

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**He might be just and the justifier of the
one who has faith in Jesus**

Romans 3:26

- This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Faith is counted as righteousness

Romans 4:5

- Romans 4
- 1 What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh?
- 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God.
- 3 For what does the Scripture say? “**Abraham believed God**, and it was counted to him as righteousness.”
 - descendants as stars (Genesis 15:5)
- 4 Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due.
- 5 And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly,
 - his **faith is counted as righteousness**,

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We have been justified by faith

Romans 5:1

- 1 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith,
 - we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith
 - into this grace in which we stand,
 - and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

With the heart one believes

Romans 10:10

- Romans 10:8 -11
 - But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);
 - 9 because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and
 - believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
 - 10 For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.
 - 11 For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”
- 17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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With the heart one believes

Romans 10:10

- God has determined that the very best way for us to know him and trust him is through hearing the gospel.
- The Gospel is about Jesus coming to save us, promising redemption, forgiveness, eternal life.
- The Gospel teaches us to live righteously by faith.
- But it is a message that must be heard ... not just once, but repeatedly.
- Must make sure His message is in my heart.

Strengthen My Faith

- Since we live by faith, we must not be content with where our faith begins. We must help it to grow.

Strengthen My Faith

Your faith is proclaimed in all the world.

Romans 1:8

- Romans 1:8-17 (ESV)
 - 8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world.
 - 9 For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you 10 always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you.

Strengthen My Faith

**That we may be mutually encouraged by
each other's faith, both yours and mine.**

Romans 1:12

- 11 For I long to see you,
 - that **I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you—**
 - 12 that is, that we may be **mutually encouraged by each other's faith**, both yours and mine.
 - 13 I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. 14 I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish.
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Strengthen My Faith

he grew strong in his faith

Romans 4:20

- Abraham's Faith: Birth of Isaac
- 4:16 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but
- also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all,
 - 17 as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—
 - in the presence of the God in whom he believed,
 - who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Strengthen My Faith

he grew strong in his faith

Romans 4:20

- 18 In hope he believed against hope,
 - that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.”
- 19 **He did not weaken in faith** when he considered his own body,
 - which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old),
 - or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb.

Strengthen My Faith

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Romans 4:20

- 20 **No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God,**
 - but **he grew strong in his faith**
 - as he gave glory to God,
 - 21 **fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.**
 - 22 That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.”

Strengthen My Faith

he grew strong in his faith

Romans 4:20

- Like Abraham, the key to our living by faith is how we think of God and His promises.
- While there are various ways that we can look at our situation and difficulties
 - Must beware of doubt and wavering that fails to consider the faithfulness and power of God.
- So be strong in your faith when you consider God.

Obedient Faith

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The obedience of faith

Romans 1:5

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The obedience of faith

Romans 16:26

- Romans 16:25-27 (ESV) 25 Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages 26 but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, **to bring about the obedience of faith**— 27 to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

Obedient Faith

By faith Abraham

Hebrews 11:8, 17

By faith Sarah

Hebrews 11:11

- Hebrews 11:8: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.
- Hebrews 11:11: By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised.
- Hebrews 11:17: By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son,

Obedient Faith

Who through faith conquered

Hebrews 11:33

- Hebrews 11:32-38 (ESV) 32 And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— 33 who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. 35 Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. 36 Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. 37 They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— 38 of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

Obedient Faith

Who through faith conquered

Hebrews 11:33

- Faith is a dangerous, dirty thing.
 - We like to decorate our walls with “Faith, Hope, and Love” as pretty decorations.
 - Perhaps we are failing to remember that faith is not just a cute decoration for our lives pinned to the wall of our hearts.
- We are too complacent about faith.
- Faith isn’t always pretty. Or tidy. Or neat.
- It doesn’t always look glorious, victorious, grand.

Obedient Faith

Who through faith conquered

Hebrews 11:33

- Faith is bloody, and sweaty, and tired.
- Faith is tears and death and violent.
- Faith is enduring through a lot of nastiness.
- Faith is often doing what must be done.

Obedient Faith

Who through faith conquered

Hebrews 11:33

- Faith is a declaration of war. I am the soldier. (2020 December 5)
- Sin in my own life
- The world
- Satan
- Victory in Gospel (Jesus)

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Hebrews 11:2

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- Go back to the gospel and remember that you are justified and righteous.
- Be strong in the faith: don't let doubts in: God is faithful to his promises. Encourage each other.
- Obey, especially when it's hard.

**We implore you on
behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20

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Faith, Hope, Love

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Faith

Romans

Synopsis: In Romans, Paul emphasizes the importance of faith in our salvation and righteousness. We must hear the gospel and believe in Him, but we must also be strong in our faith and obedient.

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“Let all that you do be done with love.”