
Date: March 22, 2026 **Message:** Faith

Series: Romans **Scripture:** Romans 4 (select verses)

The faith to leave behind:

The faith to embrace:

The difference it makes:

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Romans 4 (select verses)

1. Which of these do you tend to rely on for meaning/significance, hope for the future, or to make you feel like you matter: career, relationships, competence, morality, appearance, or something else?
2. How did you begin to have "faith" in them? How has your "faith" in them increased or decreased over the years? Have some been added? Subtracted? How?
3. How can understanding the way we've come to rely on things like career, relationships, competence, or appearance help us understand how to grow in faith in Christ?
4. Out of the differences it makes to trust in Christ (pride, shame, and pressure removed, elevated status and unshakable hope for the future provided), which do you most need today?
5. In what ways do you still feel pressure to prove yourself?
6. What does it mean to have "hope against hope" (Romans 4:18) in your current circumstances?
7. What would it look like for you to live as someone who is truly secure, forgiven, and accepted? Can faith in anything else besides Christ provide that? Why/why not?