

Naked Faith 1

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Faith does not initiate action from God.

It is critical to know that faith responds to the accomplishments of Christ's redemption.

Galatians 3:13-14,29 - ¹³ Christ **HAS ALREADY** redeemed us **FROM THE CURSE OF THE LAW**, being made a curse **FOR US**. For it is written, Cursed is everyone that hangs on a tree. ¹⁴ So that **THE BLESSING OF ABRAHAM** might come on the gentiles, through Jesus Christ. That we might **RECEIVE THE PROMISE** of the Spirit **THROUGH FAITH**.

²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Faith can only act to receive from God, where the will of God is known.

God's Word is His will.

HOW DOES FAITH ACTUALLY FUNCTION

Romans 4:12,16-21

¹² 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.

¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷(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 already existed**; ¹⁸ who, **contrary to hope, in hope believed**, so that he **might become** the father of many nations, **according to what was spoken**, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ 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**. ²⁰ He did not **waver or stagger at the promise of God through unbelief**, but was **strong in faith**, giving glory to God, ²¹ and being **fully convinced and persuaded** that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

Genesis 17:1-5, 15-16 – ¹ When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless. ² And I will make My covenant between Me and you, and **will multiply you exceedingly.**" ³ Then Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying: ⁴ "As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you **shall be a father of many nations.** ⁵ No longer shall your name be **called Abram**, but your name shall be **called Abraham**; for **I have made you a father of many nations.**

¹⁵ Then God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not **call her name Sarai**, but **Sarah shall be her name called.** ¹⁶ And I will bless her and also give you a son by her; then I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall be from her."