

The Tsunami Blessing Inside and Out, Part 111 Scriptures

God is the rewarder of your faith as well as your exceeding great reward. From Old and New Testaments scriptures, both distinguish the Lord as your remuneration. He personally vowed to cover every service, loss, suffering, and sacrifice when you live and walk by faith in Him. With that in mind, how can lack anything or be broken in any area? God's surety is always for your good success and His glory. Covenanted with God are your returns on investment from your faith.

Highly regard how Abraham employed his faith to bring about heaven-born possibilities in the earth. Beginning only as one, he trusted God who counted his faith as righteousness, which brought about salvation's benefits. The grace of God abounded toward Abraham that made him the father of many nations. His exponential growth was not only recognized, but also realized as multiplied millions, which includes you.

Abraham simply agreed with what God vowed to him. Every promise he fully believed, he also fully received. When you ignite the faith of God, you can also believe to receive the impossible. The same power to procreate is in you because it is in your supernatural bloodline. Living connected with Jesus Christ, you are Abraham's seed as an heir of the promise. That includes possessing the gates of your enemies.

Recognition of the Blessing through the Faith of God in You

Isaiah 51 The Passion Translation (TPT)

Zion's Restoration

"Listen to me, you who chase after righteousness,^[a]

you who *passionately* pursue the Lord.

Look back to *Abraham*, the rock from which you were cut,
to *Sarah*, the quarry from which you were dug,
and remember what I did for them.

²Yes, look to Abraham your father and to Sarah, who bore you.

For when I called Abraham, he was but one person,
but I blessed him *greatly*^[b] so that one became many.”

³Indeed, Yahweh will comfort Zion, *restore her*,
and comfort all her broken places.

He will transform her wilderness into *the garden of Bliss*,^[c]
her desert into the garden of Yahweh.

Joy and laughter will fill the air^[d]
with thanksgiving and joyous melodies.

⁴“Listen to me, my people;
pay attention to me, my nation.

For I release my teaching to the nations,
and I will cause the light of justice to rest on them.^[e]

⁵My righteousness is coming closer,^[f]
and my salvation has gone out.

My *mighty* arms will govern the people.
The islands will trust in me
and put their hope in the unveiling of my might.^[g]

⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavenly realm
and look at the earth far below.

Though the heavens disappear like smoke,
though the earth wears out like a garment,
and though all the people die like gnats,
my salvation will endure forever
and my righteousness will never end!

⁷So listen to me, you who care for what is right,
who treasure my teaching in your hearts:

Do not fear the insults of others;
do not be troubled when they revile you.

⁸They are nothing for you to fear,

for the moth will eat them up like a shirt
and the worm will consume them like wool,
but my righteousness will last forever
and my salvation from generation to generation.”

Cry Out to God

⁹Awake, God, awake!

Arm of Yahweh, put on your robe of strength!
Awake *and do the works of power* as in ancient days,
as in generations past!

Wasn't it you who smashed the sea monster^[h] to pieces,
who pierced the dragon^[i] in generations long ago?

¹⁰Wasn't it you who dried up the *Red Sea* with its deep waters
and made a path through the sea to rescue^[j] your redeemed?

¹¹Do it again!

Those Yahweh has set free
will return to Zion and come celebrating with songs of joy!
They will be crowned with never-ending joy!
Gladness and joy will overwhelm them;
despair and depression will disappear!

¹²"I, yes I, am the one who comforts you.

All the sons of men will be cut down and fade like grass.
Why then would you be afraid of a mere human being?

¹³You have forgotten that Yahweh, your Maker,
stretched out the skies and laid earth's firm foundation.

But you live each day constantly worrying,^[k]
living in fear of your angry oppressor
who is bent on your destruction.

But their fury cannot touch you!

¹⁴Those who are suffering will soon be released.

They will not die in their *dark* dungeon,
nor will they go hungry.

¹⁵For I am Yahweh, your *faithful* God,
who split the sea with its roaring waves.^[l]

My name is Lord Yahweh, Commander of Angel Armies!

Hidden in the Hollow of His Hand

¹⁶"I have placed my words in your mouth^[m]

and have hidden you in the hollow^[n] of my hand
to establish the heavens and make the earth rock solid.
You will say to Zion, 'You are my people!'"

Wake Up, Zion

- ¹⁷Wake up! Wake up!^[a] Get up, Jerusalem!
You have drunk enough from the cup Yahweh handed you.
It was the cup of his anger, and you've drained it dry—
the intoxicating bowl that makes men stagger!
- ¹⁸There are none of Zion's children left,
none to guide *her home*^[b] and take her by the hand,
none among all the children she has raised.
- ¹⁹Twin calamities have come upon you,
but who will feel sorry for you?
Disaster and devastation, famine and war,^[c]
but who will comfort you?
- ²⁰Your children have fainted and lie fallen in the streets,
like a gazelle caught in a net.
Yahweh's anger,
the rebuke of your God, has overwhelmed them.
- ²¹So listen, you who are weak and wounded,
who are intoxicated not with wine *but with God's anger*.
- ²²This is what your sovereign ruler,
Lord Yahweh, your God,
the Mighty Defender of his people, says:
"Look! I have removed from your hand
the intoxicating cup that made you stagger.
You will no longer drink from the bowl of my anger.
- ²³Instead, I will put that bowl
in the hands of your tormentors who said to you,
'Lie down so we can walk all over you!'
For your back became like the ground they trample on,
like a street for them to walk on."

Footnotes:

- a. [Isaiah 51:1](#) See Deut. [16:20](#); Prov. [15:9](#); [21:21](#).
- b. [Isaiah 51:2](#) Part of the Abrahamic blessing is the power to procreate, even when Sarah was barren.
- c. [Isaiah 51:3](#) Or "the garden of Eden." See Joel [2:3](#).
- d. [Isaiah 51:3](#) Or "will abide in her."
- e. [Isaiah 51:4](#) Or "I will make my justice a light for the nations." See John [8:12](#).

- f. [Isaiah 51:5](#) See Rom. [14:7](#) with Mark [1:14-15](#). Isa. [51:5](#) gives us three pictures of Jesus Christ: God's righteousness, God's salvation, and God's mighty arms.
- g. [Isaiah 51:5](#) Or "hope for my arm (of power)."
- h. [Isaiah 51:9](#) This is the Hebrew word *rahav* (Rahab), a likely metaphor for Egypt.
- i. [Isaiah 51:9](#) See Ps. [74:13-14](#); Ezek. [29:3](#).
- j. [Isaiah 51:10](#) Or "to cross over."
- k. [Isaiah 51:13](#) Or "trembling."
- l. [Isaiah 51:15](#) See Ps. [74:13](#); Jer. [31:35](#).
- m. [Isaiah 51:16](#) Jesus Christ is the true Prophet who has the words of God in his mouth.
- n. [Isaiah 51:16](#) Or "shadow."
- o. [Isaiah 51:17](#) In v. 9, the people are crying out to God to awaken and arise, but here God is telling the people they are the ones who must wake up and arise.
- p. [Isaiah 51:18](#) The image here is that Zion has been intoxicated by drinking the cup of God's anger (Jer. [49:12](#)) and there is no one there to take her home in that condition. In the culture of that day, it was the responsibility of children to guide a drunken parent home.
- q. [Isaiah 51:19](#) Although there are four listed, this double calamity is seen in two couplets (disaster and devastation, famine and war).

Galatians 3:6-9 King James Version (KJV)

⁶Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

⁷Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

⁸And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

⁹So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

Galatians 3:13-14 King James Version (KJV)

¹³Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

¹⁴That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Galatians 3:16-18 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁶Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.

¹⁷And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

¹⁸For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.

Galatians 3:26-29 King James Version (KJV)

²⁶For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

²⁷For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

²⁹And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Romans 4:13 King James Version (KJV)

¹³For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.

Realization of the Blessing through the Faith of God in You

Genesis 12:1-3 King James Version (KJV)

12 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

²And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

³And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Genesis 12:6-8 King James Version (KJV)

⁶And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.

⁷And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.

⁸And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.

Altars are mentioned often in the Bible. Ancient altars were raised structures that people placed sacrifices on. In the ancient world the altar was almost exclusively built as a monument to remember or commemorate a divine occurrence which took place at a certain location. In ancient Israel altars were very significant, they symbolized communion with the LORD. They were a place of worship and a place to remember His covenant. The "altar" was a place of "approach", a place to call upon the name of the LORD and remember His glorious promises.

Genesis 13:1-2 King James Version (KJV)

13 And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.

²And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

Genesis 13:14-18 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁴And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:

¹⁵For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.

¹⁶And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

¹⁷Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

¹⁸Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

Genesis 14:12-24 King James Version (KJV)

¹²And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

¹³And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

¹⁴And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan.

¹⁵And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus.

¹⁶And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

¹⁷And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.

¹⁸And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

¹⁹And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

²⁰And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

²¹And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself.

²²And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth,

²³That I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich:

²⁴Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.

Genesis 15:1-7 King James Version (KJV)

15 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.

²And Abram said, LORD God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?

³And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.

⁴And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.

⁵And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

⁶And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.

⁷And he said unto him, I am the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it.

Genesis 17:1-9 King James Version (KJV)

17 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

²And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

³And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

⁴As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

⁵Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

⁶And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

⁷And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

⁸And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

⁹And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

Genesis 17:15-19 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁵And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be.

¹⁶And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of people shall be of her.

¹⁷Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?

¹⁸And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee!

¹⁹And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

Genesis 18:1-15 King James Version (KJV)

18 And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;

²And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,

³And said, My LORD, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:

⁴Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

⁵And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.

⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth.

⁷And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

⁸And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.

⁹And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

¹⁰And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him.

¹¹Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

¹²Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?

¹³And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?

¹⁴Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

¹⁵Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

Genesis 18:17-19 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁷And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

¹⁸Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

¹⁹For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

Genesis 18:23-33 King James Version (KJV)

²³And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

²⁴Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein?

²⁵That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

²⁶And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.

²⁷And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the LORD, which am but dust and ashes:

²⁸Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy it.

²⁹And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for forty's sake.

³⁰And he said unto him, Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there.

³¹And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the LORD: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for twenty's sake.

³²And he said, Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten's sake.

³³And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

Genesis 21:1-7 King James Version (KJV)

21 And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken.

²For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

³And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

⁴And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.

⁵And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

⁶And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me.

⁷And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? for I have born him a son in his old age.

Genesis 22:1-18 King James Version (KJV)

22 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

²And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

³And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

⁴Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

⁵And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.

⁷And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?

⁸And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

⁹And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

¹⁰And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

¹¹And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I.

¹²And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

¹⁴And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

¹⁶And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

¹⁷That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

¹⁸And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Reconciliation to the Blessing through the Faith of God in You

Romans 4 Living Bible (TLB)

4 ¹⁻²Abraham was, humanly speaking, the founder of our Jewish nation. What were his experiences concerning this question of being saved by faith? Was it because of his good deeds that God accepted him? If so, then he would have something to boast about. But from God's point of view Abraham had no basis at all for pride. ³For the Scriptures tell us Abraham *believed God*, and that is why God canceled his sins and declared him "not guilty."

⁴⁻⁵But didn't he earn his right to heaven by all the good things he did? No, for being saved is a gift; if a person could earn it by being good, then it wouldn't be free—but it is! It is *given* to those who do *not* work for it. For God declares sinners to be good in his sight if they have faith in Christ to save them from God's wrath.^[a]

⁶King David spoke of this, describing the happiness of an undeserving sinner who is declared "not guilty"^[b] by God. ⁷"Blessed and to be envied," he said, "are those whose sins are forgiven and put out of sight. ⁸Yes, what joy there is for anyone whose sins are no longer counted against him by the Lord."^[c]

⁹Now then, the question: Is this blessing given only to those who have faith in Christ but also keep the Jewish laws, or is the blessing also given to those who do not keep the Jewish rules but only trust in Christ? Well, what about

Abraham? We say that he received these blessings through his faith. Was it by faith alone, or because he also kept the Jewish rules?

¹⁰For the answer to that question, answer this one: *When* did God give this blessing to Abraham? It was *before he became a Jew*—before he went through the Jewish initiation ceremony of circumcision.

¹¹It wasn't until later on, *after* God had promised to bless him *because of his faith*, that he was circumcised. The circumcision ceremony was a sign that Abraham already had faith and that God had already accepted him and declared him just and good in his sight—before the ceremony took place. So Abraham is the spiritual father of those who believe and are saved without obeying Jewish laws. We see, then, that those who do not keep these rules are justified by God through faith. ¹²And Abraham is also the spiritual father of those Jews who have been circumcised. They can see from his example that it is not this ceremony that saves them, for Abraham found favor with God by faith alone *before he was circumcised*.

¹³It is clear, then, that God's promise to give the whole earth to Abraham and his descendants was not because Abraham obeyed God's laws but because he trusted God to keep his promise. ¹⁴So if you still claim that God's blessings go to those who are "good enough," then you are saying that God's promises to those who have faith are meaningless, and faith is foolish. ¹⁵But the fact of the matter is this: when we try to gain God's blessing and salvation by keeping his laws we always end up under his anger, for we always fail to keep them. The only way we can keep from breaking laws is not to have any to break!

¹⁶So God's blessings are given to us by faith, as a free gift; we are certain to get them whether or not we follow Jewish customs if we have faith like Abraham's, for Abraham is the father of us all when it comes to these matters of faith. ¹⁷That is what the Scriptures mean when they say that God made Abraham the father of many nations. God will accept all people in every nation who trust God as Abraham did. And this promise is from God himself, who makes the dead live again and speaks of future events with as much certainty as though they were already past.

¹⁸So, when God told Abraham that he would give him a son who would have many descendants and become a great nation, Abraham believed God even though such a promise just couldn't come to pass! ¹⁹And because his faith was strong, he didn't worry about the fact that he was too old to be a father at the age of one hundred, and that Sarah his wife, at ninety,^[d] was also much too old to have a baby.

²⁰But Abraham never doubted. He believed God, for his faith and trust grew ever stronger, and he praised God for this blessing even before it happened. ²¹He was completely sure that God was well able to do anything he promised. ²²And because of Abraham's faith God forgave his sins and declared him "not guilty."

²³Now this wonderful statement—that he was accepted and approved through his faith—wasn't just for Abraham's benefit. ²⁴It was for us, too, assuring us that God will accept us in the same way he accepted Abraham—when we believe the promises of God who brought back Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵He died for our sins and rose again to make us right with God,^[e] filling us with God's goodness.

Footnotes:

- a. [Romans 4:4](#) *if they have faith in Christ to save them from God's wrath*, literally, "faith is reckoned for righteousness."
- b. [Romans 4:6](#) "*not guilty*," literally "righteous."
- c. [Romans 4:8](#) See [Psalm 32:1-2](#).
- d. [Romans 4:19](#) See [Genesis 17:17](#).
- e. [Romans 4:25](#) *rose again to make us right with God*, literally, "was raised for our justification."

Remuneration from the Blessing through the Faith of God in You

Hebrews 11:6 King James Version (KJV)

⁶But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Rewarder **REMUNERATION**, *noun*

1. Reward; recompense; the act of paying an equivalent for services, loss or sacrifices. **2.** The equivalent given for services, loss or sufferings.

Hebrews 11:8-20 Living Bible (TLB)

⁸Abraham trusted God, and when God told him to leave home and go far away to another land that he promised to give him, Abraham obeyed. Away he went, not even knowing where he was going. ⁹And even when he reached God's promised land, he lived in tents like a mere visitor as did Isaac and Jacob, to whom God gave the same promise. ¹⁰Abraham did this because he was confidently waiting for God to bring him to that strong heavenly city whose designer and builder is God.

¹¹Sarah, too, had faith, and because of this she was able to become a mother in spite of her old age, for she realized that God, who gave her his promise, would certainly do what he said. ¹²And so a whole nation came from Abraham, who was too old to have even one child—a nation with so many millions of people that, like the stars of the sky and the sand on the ocean shores, there is no way to count them.

¹³These men of faith I have mentioned died without ever receiving all that God had promised them; but they saw it all awaiting them on ahead and were glad, for they agreed that this earth was not their real home but that they were just strangers visiting down here. ¹⁴And quite obviously when they talked like that, they were looking forward to their real home in heaven.

¹⁵If they had wanted to, they could have gone back to the good things of this world. ¹⁶But they didn't want to. They were living for heaven. And now God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has made a heavenly city for them.

¹⁷While God was testing him, Abraham still trusted in God and his promises, and so he offered up his son Isaac and was ready to slay him on the altar of sacrifice; ¹⁸yes, to slay even Isaac, through whom God had promised to give Abraham a whole nation of descendants!

¹⁹He believed that if Isaac died God would bring him back to life again; and that is just about what happened, for as far as Abraham was concerned, Isaac was doomed to death, but he came back again alive! ²⁰It was by faith that Isaac knew God would give future blessings to his two sons, Jacob and Esau.

Hebrews 11:1 King James Version (KJV)

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1-2 Amplified Bible (AMP)

The Triumphs of Faith

Now faith is the assurance (title deed, confirmation) of things hoped for (divinely guaranteed), and the evidence of things not seen [the conviction of their reality—faith comprehends as fact what cannot be experienced by the physical senses]. ²For by this [kind of] faith the ^[a]men of old gained [divine] approval.

Footnotes:

- a. [Hebrews 11:2](#) I.e. those men and women who were faithful to God before the old covenant and those faithful to God after its establishment, those mentioned in this chapter.

Hebrews 11:1-2 The Passion Translation (TPT)

The Power of Bold Faith

Now faith brings our hopes into reality and becomes the foundation needed to acquire the things we long for. It is all the evidence required to prove what is still unseen. ²This testimony of faith is what previous generations^[a] were commended for.

Hebrews 1:1-4 King James Version (KJV)

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

²Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

³Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:

⁴Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

Romans 10:17 The Passion Translation (TPT)

¹⁷Faith, then, is birthed in a heart that responds to God's anointed utterance of the Anointed One. [rhema Word]

Acts 10:38 The Passion Translation (TPT)

³⁸"Jesus of Nazareth was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit and with great power [dunamis]. He did wonderful things for others and divinely healed all who were under the tyranny of the devil,^[a] for God had anointed him.

Footnotes:

- a. [Acts 10:38](#) The Greek word for "devil" can also be translated "slanderer-liar."

Matthew 8:7-10 King James Version (KJV)

⁷And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him.

⁸The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.

⁹For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

¹⁰When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.