



Abraham Our Forefather

Romans 4:1-12

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How Abraham Silences Our Boasting and Superiority

- None of us earns a righteous verdict from God by anything we do. God gives it as a gift to those who trust Him to do what He promises. (4:1-8)
 - Abraham was justified by faith, not by works. (4:1-3)
 - Working relies on your own ability. (4:4)
 - Faith relies on the ability of another. (4:5)
 - Justification involves righteousness being counted to us. (4:3-5)
 - Justification involves sin not being counted to us. (4:6-8)
- None of us earns a righteous verdict from God by who we are. God makes everyone who believes one new family of faith. (4:9-12)
 - Abraham was justified before he was circumcised. (4:9-10)
 - Circumcision identified Abraham as something he already was; it did not make him something he wasn't. (4:11a)
 - The ultimate identifying mark of Abraham's family is not circumcision, but faith. (4:11b-12)

How We Should Respond

- Stop trying to justify yourself by your own works and believe that God justifies the ungodly through Jesus.
- Be humbled by your inability to ever earn a righteous verdict from God – and that He would freely give it to you anyway!
- Be humbled that you are part of the family of faith that will receive the fulfillment of God's promises to Abraham!

Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today and pray that you feel welcome. If you have any questions about our church, the service, sermon or anything else, we would love to talk to you! Stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby or talk to one of the elders. We also encourage you to complete a Visitor Information Card at the Welcome Table or online at crossfellowshipchurch.org/connect.

Order of Service

Call to Worship: Psalm 92:1-4

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Scripture Reading: Psalm 24:3-4; Hebrews 10:19-22

“O Praise the Name”

“Man of Sorrows”

Prayer

Introduction of New Members, Covenant Reading

Sermon: Romans 4:1-12

“By Faith”

Partaking of the Lord’s Supper

Prayer and Benediction

Announcements

Welcome New Church Members

We’re excited to welcome these new members to the CFC family: Andrew Ellis, David Smith, Tracy Smith, Chris VanArsdale, and Layne VanArsdale.

Sunday Lunches for Fusion

Get to know Miriam Sowell’s Fusion team by hosting them for lunch after church. Sign up to host at signupgenius.com/go/5080D4FAAAA2BA7F85-sunday.

Exploring Membership Class

Sundays, Sept. 27 and Oct. 4 / 12-3 p.m. / Chasteens’ House

Are you interested in membership at CFC, or would you simply like to learn more about our church? Sign up at crossfellowshipchurch.org/membership. Today is the last day to register.

Prayer Gathering

Sunday, Oct. 4 / 4-5:30 p.m. / DoubleTree Hotel

Make plans to join us for our church-wide Prayer Gathering. During our time together, we’ll pray for one another and our church, and hear specific testimonies of how God is at work in the lives of some of our members.

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Discipleship Communities

Our Discipleship Communities (DCs) provide leadership, community, encouragement, and accountability as we live as disciples who love God supremely, one another humbly, and the world sacrificially. For more information or to join a DC, visit crossfellowshipchurch.org/dc.

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- Give online or see other giving options at crossfellowshipchurch.org/give.



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