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## Getting God's gold medal

Romans 4:1-12

..... **in God.** 4:1-3

I cannot boast because I have ..... 2 "not boast before God"

I boast about my church family. 2 Corinthians 9:2, 2 Thess. 1:4

I boast within my suffering. Romans 5:3, 2 Corinthians 12:9

I boast to myself. 2 Corinthians 10:13

I cannot boast about myself. 1 Corinthians 4:7, Ephesians 2:9

I can boast about Jesus. Galatians 6:14, 1 Corinthians 1:31

I can believe because I gain ..... 3 "accounted to him"

Theological, Accounting, Legal, Philosophy, Maths.

..... **from God.** 4:4-5

..... is rewarded with earnings. 4 "work... wages"

..... is rewarded with righteousness. 5 "faith... righteousness"

God cannot... Romans 11:29, 2 Timothy 2:13

..... **by God.** 4:6-8

I am blessed in what I ..... 6 "God imputes righteousness"

I am blessed in what is ..... 7-8 "sins covered... not impute"

Forgive, cover.

..... **of God.** 4:9-12

When? ..... I reach out in faith. 3, 10-11 "believe"

You are saved by grace... Ephesians 2:8a

When? ..... I do anything of value. 12b "before he was..."

Work your salvation outwardly. Philippians 2:12-13

## My prayer priorities for this week

S 26 Aileen & George. **After church Go Deeper**

M 27 Ray & Helen

T 28 Geoff & Joy

W 29 Steve & Jenni

T 30 Clyde & Connie

F 1 The future of our church

S 2 Stuart & Kaye

S 3 Clarence & Irene. **Lord's Supper**

## Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

1. Verse 4 mentions wages. What was your first job where you received a regular wage, and how much did you earn?
2. Suggest some reasons why the Bible never likens salvation to a wage that we earn or deserve.
3. List some advantages of being accepted by God because we trust Him, rather than needing to work our way to God.
4. How do you think God would feel if we rejected His gift of salvation, and insisted we would work to be deserving of our salvation?
5. What is meant by the term, Abraham is the father of all who believe, v11?
6. How can we be both children of Abraham, and children of God?

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