

“FAITH ONLY”  
NOT IN  
ROMANS 3 & 4

CONTEXT

DISCUSSING  
“WORKS” OF  
THE “LAW”

DEEDS OF  
WHAT LAW?

“therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law. Or is He the God of the **Jews** only?” (Rom. 3:28, 29)



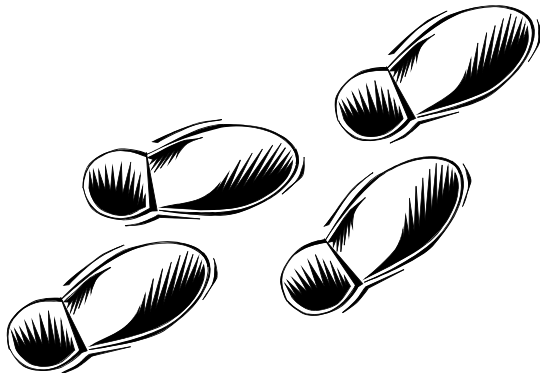
( OF THE JEWS! )

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Abraham had  
“steps” of  
faith, **NOT**  
**FAITH ALONE!**

“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” (4:12)



“STEPS OF FAITH”  
INVOLVED  
**OBEDIENCE!**



“BY **FAITH** ABRAHAM

**OBEYED**

WHEN HE WAS CALLED TO GO OUT TO THE  
PLACE WHICH HE WOULD RECEIVE AS AN  
INHERITANCE. AND HE WENT OUT, NOT  
KNOWING WHERE HE WAS GOING”

**HEBREWS 11:6**

“STEPS OF FAITH”  
INVOLVED  
**ENDURANCE!**



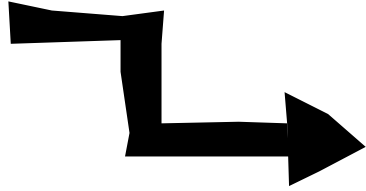
“And so, after he had patiently

**ENDURED,**

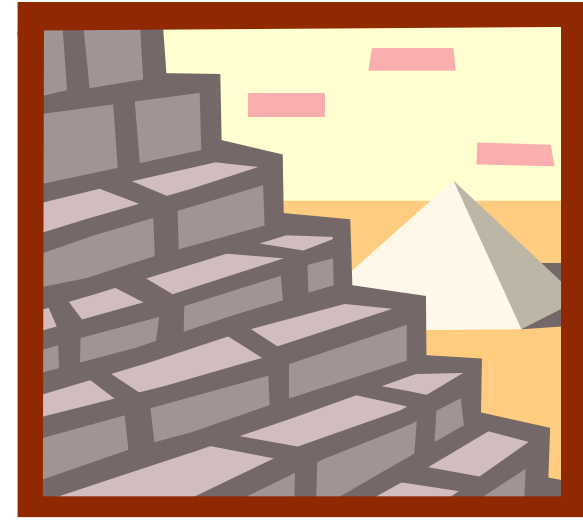
he obtained the promise.”

**HEBREWS 6:15**

“STEPS OF FAITH”  
INVOLVED



**WORKS!**



“IF YOU WERE ABRAHAM’S CHILDREN,  
YOU WOULD DO THE

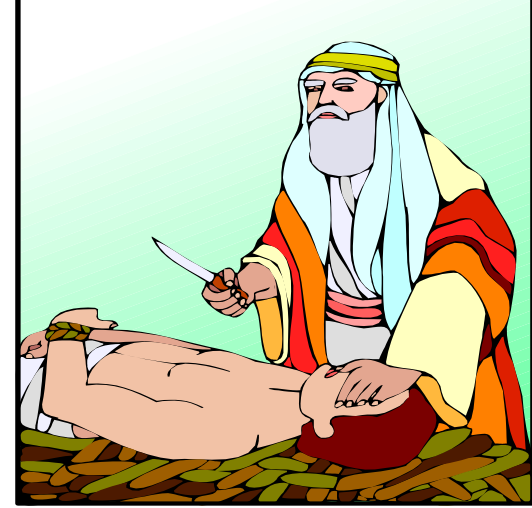
**WORKS**

OF ABRAHAM”

**JOHN 8:39**

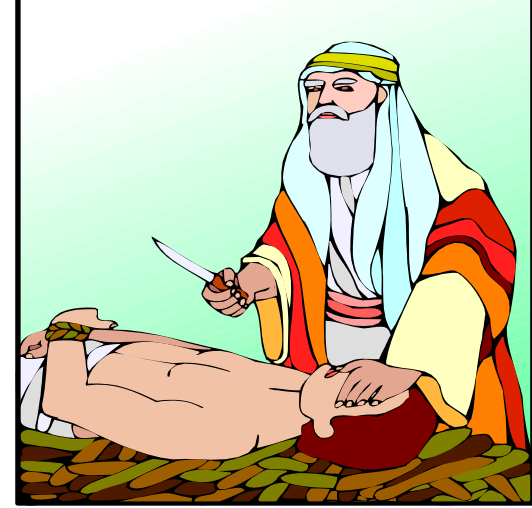
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INVOLVED

WORKS OF  
FAITH!



**“DO YOU SEE THAT FAITH WAS WORKING TOGETHER WITH HIS WORKS, AND BY WORKS FAITH WAS MADE PERFECT? AND THE SCRIPTURE WAS FULFILLED WHICH SAYS, ‘ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS ACCOUNTED TO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS.’ AND HE WAS CALLED THE FRIEND OF GOD.”**

# AN APPLICATION OF ABRAHAM'S EXAMPLE



“YOU SEE THEN THAT A MAN IS  
JUSTIFIED BY

**WORKS,**

AND NOT BY

**FAITH ONLY”**

**JAMES 2:24**

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**"But to him who  
does not work but  
believes on Him who  
justifies the ungodly,  
his faith is accounted  
for righteousness"**

**(ROM. 4:5)**

**"You see then that a  
man is justified by  
works, and not by  
faith only"**

**(JAS. 2:24)**

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**ONLY ‘WORKS’  
OF ‘FAITH’  
JUSTIFY!**

**FAITH  
WITHOUT  
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NOT JUSTIFY!**

# IF PAUL TAUGHT “JUSTIFICATION” BY *FAITH ALONE:*

- **HE CONTRADICTED HIMSELF**

*“Who ‘will render to each one according to his deeds’: eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good. . .but to those who . . .obey unrighteousness—indignation. . .” (Rom. 2:6-8).*

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*“Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling”  
(Phil. 2:12)*

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*“remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father” (1 Thess. 1:3)*