

*"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us," (Ephesians 3:20)*  
*"For with God nothing shall be impossible." (Luke 1:37)*  
*"Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." (1 Thessalonians 5:24)*

### 3. GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_

- **Abraham's response to God's promise of performance was Faith!**

*"Who against hope believed in hope..." (Romans 4:18a)*

*"And being not weak in faith..." (Romans 4:19a)*

*"...but was strong in faith..." (Romans 4:20b)*

*"And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness." (Romans 4:22)*

#### A. A \_\_\_\_\_ Invitation

*"Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; 24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;" (Romans 4:23-24)*

*"For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." (Acts 2:39)*

*"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." (Revelation 22:17)*

#### B. A \_\_\_\_\_ Instruction

*"...if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; 25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." (Romans 4:24b-25)*

*"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. 3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:" (1 Corinthians 15:1-4)*

### CONCLUSION

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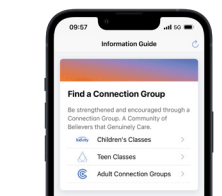
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# AN ABLE PROMISE *Keeper*

JOHN GOETSCH | JANUARY 25, 2026

**Text:** Romans 4:16–25

*“Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, 17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. 18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. 19 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah’s womb: 20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; 21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. 22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. 23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; 24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; 25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.” (Romans 4:16–25)*

## INTRODUCTION

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- **God never promises something He cannot perform!**

*“God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?” (Numbers 23:19)*

*“For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.” (2 Corinthians 1:20)*

*“Blessed be the LORD, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.” (1 Kings 8:56)*

*“And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.” (Romans 4:21)*

## 1. GOD’S \_\_\_\_\_

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of His Character

- **God does not simply proclaim truth; prioritize truth, and practice truth – God IS truth!**

*“He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.” (Deuteronomy 32:4)*

*“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14)*

*“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” (John 14:6)*

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of His Comprehension

*“...and calleth those things which be not as though they were.” (Romans 4:17b)*

*“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.” (Revelation 1:8)*

- **God’s promises are based on the fact that He is already in our future!**

## 2. GOD’S \_\_\_\_\_

A. God’s Unprecedented \_\_\_\_\_

*“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. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. 3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, 4 As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.” (Genesis 17:1–4)*

- **God is passionate about performing His promises in your life!**

*“The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.” (Jeremiah 31:3)*

*“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8)*

*“Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” (1 John 4:10)*

*“He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?” (Romans 8:32)*

B. God’s Ultimate \_\_\_\_\_

*“And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? 14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD?” (Genesis 18:13–14a)*

*“Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee.” (Jeremiah 32:17)*