1. If righteousness is to be gained through obedience to the Law, then faith is no longer necessary. But righteousness through obedience to the Law is impossible because we cannot obey the Law perfectly.
2. That is why our salvation in Christ depends on faith, because only through grace can the promises of God be fulfilled for all those who share the faith of Abraham.
3. Faith is having full assurance (trusting completely) that God is willing and able to provide what He promises.
4. No matter what circumstances Abraham faced, he ultimately did not waver in his faith when it came to God’s promises. Knowing the God he trusted in, he grew strong in his faith, totally and completely convinced that God was willing and able to do what He had promised.
5. Anyone who will believe in God who raised Jesus from the dead, delivered Him up for our sins, and raised Him for the sake of our justification, will receive the promises of God in full and the forgiveness of sins.

Application

1. Come to terms with the reality that we cannot obey God’s Law perfectly and instead lean on Christ’s work alone for the righteousness that we need.
2. Examine the power of our God by filling ourselves with the treasures of His Word, both in His promises and His ability to fulfill His promises. Grow strong in our faith that He is willing and able to do as He promises.
3. Lift up to God our thankfulness in prayer for all of His faithfulness in His providence throughout our lives and let our gratitude strengthen our trust in His future grace.