

**Romans 4:6 - 12** SALVATION APART FROM RELIGIOUS ORDINANCE

Paul brings in another witness to faith alone

- DAVID -  
both agree to salvation by faith alone

note the terms:  
• "forgiven" v 7  
• "covered"  
• "the lord will not reckon" v 8

<sup>6</sup> just as David also speaks of the blessing on the man to

salvation is a "blessing" "reckoned" "apart from works"

whom God credits righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> "BLESSED ARE THOSE WHOSE LAWLESS DEEDS HAVE BEEN FORGIVEN, AND WHOSE SINS HAVE BEEN COVERED.

Psalm 32 is quoted.. from David's darkest day

<sup>8</sup> "BLESSED IS THE MAN WHOSE SIN THE LORD WILL NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT."

<sup>9</sup> Is this blessing then on the circumcised, or on the

is this blessing for all? even the uncircumcised?

uncircumcised also? For we say, "FAITH WAS CREDITED TO ABRAHAM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS." <sup>10</sup> How then was it credited?

Was Abraham circumcised when he was saved? he was declared righteous apart from religious ordinance..

While he was circumcised, or uncircumcised? Not while circumcised, but while uncircumcised; <sup>11</sup> and he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while uncircumcised, so that he might

So what was circumcision for? a sign: of a higher Reality A seal: or a certainty a certainty that the source of man's righteousness would come.

<sup>11</sup> The result: Abraham is the father of salvation to the Gentile... the Christian...

be (the father of all who believe without being circumcised) that righteousness might be credited to them, <sup>12</sup> and the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the

AND <sup>12</sup> the father of the circumcision the law who are not simply circumcised but who follow Abraham in FAITH alone

circumcision, but who also follow in the steps of the faith of our father Abraham which he had while uncircumcised.

this is the path of the saved