

I. The Religious Identification of Circumcision. (4:9-12)

1. Abraham was declared righteous before circumcision.
2. Circumcision served as a sign and seal.
3. Abraham is the father of both the circumcised and the uncircumcised.

II. The Religious Works of the Law (4:13-17)

1. The promise given to Abraham did not depend on the law.
2. The added requirements of the law would invalidate the promise.
3. For the promise to be applicable to all, it cannot be by the law but by faith.
4. The promise guaranteed that Abraham would be the father of many nations.

Truths to Remember

- No religious membership, ceremony or works can ever make a person right with God.
- God's promise was and is to bless the nations.

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