

FRIENDSHIP IS FAITH

Romans 4

- V13 "It is clear, then, that God's promise to give the whole earth to Abraham and his descendents was not based on obedience to God's law but on a new relationship with God that comes by faith."
- **RELATIONSHIP.** Walking through life as the friend of God is the ideal way for a Christian to live. That is what Abraham did that caused God to say that they had a right relationship with each other.
- **For Abraham is the father of all who believe.** Romans 4:16
- **Abraham believed the Lord, and the LORD declared him righteous because of his faith.**" Genesis 15:6
- Relationship is a journey shared with God.
Life focused on Him.
- Religion is obeying God's law.
It is a life focused on what we do.
- Relationship is a way of conducting one's life –doing life the way Jesus does it- making a day-by-day conscious effort to open the eyes of our soul to see the Lord.
- It involves asking Him for direction and help in everything we do and in every relationship. Some sort of singing – praise, thanksgiving, affection directed toward him. Meditation on his Words – the good words of a good friend. It involves waiting for the Master to fulfill his promises in our life.
- It is a carefree, joyful life because of the Lord. Maybe not always happy about what's happening but always full of joy. It will happen that there will be moments when we experience the Lord's presence.
- **Abraham chose to travel with the Lord and it put him under blessing and made him a blessing.**
- "Then the Lord said to Abram, "Leave your country, your relatives, and your father's house, and go to the land that I will show you. I will cause you to become the father of a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and I will make you a blessing to others.
.. So Abram departed as the Lord had instructed him.. Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "I am going to give this land to your offspring...And Abram built an altar there." Genesis 12:1-7