Questions for Reflection Romans 4:13-17

- 1. When you think about your justification by faith, do you tend to view it merely as a doctrine to believe or as a life-changing reality to experience? How might shifting your perspective change the way you face Monday morning?
- 2. Pastor Sam mentioned that "poverty is temporary, and our suffering is momentary" for believers. How does knowing you're an heir of the world change the way you view your current financial struggles or hardships? What specific worry could you release today in light of this eternal inheritance?
- 3. If you truly believed you were destined to rule with Christ over a renewed earth, how would that change the way you treat your current responsibilities whether at work, home, or in your community? Are you practicing faithful stewardship now for greater responsibility later?
- 4. Paul says we already have "every spiritual blessing" available to us right now (Ephesians 1:3). What spiritual blessing do you most need to claim and activate in your life this week? What's preventing you from accessing what's already yours?
- 5. As a "royal priest" called to proclaim God's excellencies (1 Peter 2:9-10), who in your daily life needs to hear about the God who called you from darkness to light? How can you naturally share this hope with them?
- 6. Paul emphasized that the promise rests on God's grace, not our merit. Where in your life are you still trying to earn what God has already freely given? How would accepting grace in this area bring you freedom?
- 7. Abraham believed in a God who "gives life to the dead and calls into existence things that do not exist." What "dead" situation in your life needs resurrection power? What impossible dream might God be calling into existence for you?
- 8. How would living as an "heir of the world" rather than a "spiritual pauper" change your generosity toward others? If you knew unlimited resources were coming, what would you give away today?
- 9. Pastor Sam ended by calling us to be "steadfast, immovable, and always abounding" in God's work. Which of these three qualities is most lacking in your spiritual life right now, and what practical step could you take this week to grow in that area?
- 10. If your future inheritance is guaranteed by God's power and promise, not your performance, how does that free you to take risks for the Kingdom? What bold step of faith have you been hesitating to take that this promise empowers you to pursue?