

IV. GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS WAS FULLY REVEALED IN THE SACRIFICE OF HIS _____

- A. He showed that His patience with sinners was not a condoning of sin.

This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, ROMANS 3:25b-26a

- B. He showed He is just, in character.

...so that He would be just... ROMANS 3:26b

- C. He showed He is justifier, through Jesus Christ.

...and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ROMANS 3:26c

V. GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS IS ONLY AVAILABLE THROUGH _____, NOT WORKS

Where then is boasting? It is excluded by what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith. For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is He not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since indeed God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith is one. ROMANS 3:27-30

- A. The law of faith excludes boasting.
B. The law of faith extends to all.

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Sermon Notes

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SERIES ON THE BOOK OF ROMANS
“THE ROMAN’S ROAD TO
VICTORY IN CHRIST”

THEME: THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD

Romans reveals how God can be just and still a justifier of sinners.

KEY VERSES: *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH.”* ROMANS 1:16-17

REVIEW

Section #1 Sin: Righteousness Needed (Romans 1:18-3:20)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, ROMANS 1:18

What then? Are we better than they? Not at all; for we have already charged that both Jews and Greeks are all under sin; as it is written, “THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE; THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD;” ROMANS 3:9-11

PREVIEW

Section #2 Salvation: Righteousness Provided

- Justification (made right with God) by faith explained (Romans 3:21-31)
- Justification (made right with God) by faith expressed (Romans 4:1-25)
- Justification (made right with God) by faith experienced (Romans 5:1-21)

Message #5

Justification by Faith Explained

ROMANS 3:21-31

Key Terms

1. “Righteousness” in reference to God means “the state of being perfect and holy.”
2. “Righteousness” in reference to man it means “the state of being right or guilt free before God.”
3. “Justification” refers to “the act by which sinners under God’s wrath are made right and free of guilt before God.”
4. “Propitiation” is a sacrifice that satisfies the just wrath and judgment of God against sin.

I. GOD’S RIGHTEOUSNESS IS NOW FOUND _____ FROM THE LAW

But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,

ROMANS 3:21

- A. The law bore witness to God’s righteousness.
- B. The prophets bore witness to God’s righteousness.

II. GOD’S RIGHTEOUSNESS IS _____ THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST ROMANS 3:22-24b

A. Righteousness comes through faith.

...even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; ROMANS 3:22a

B. Righteousness is available to all.

...for there is no distinction; ROMANS 3:22b

C. Righteousness is needed by all.

...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ROMANS 3:23

D. Righteousness is unearned.

...being justified (made righteous) as a gift (Set free from God’s wrath.) ROMANS 3:24a

E. Righteousness is undeserved.

...by His grace ROMANS 3:24b

III. GOD’S RIGHTEOUSNESS WAS MADE _____ THROUGH THE FATHER’S SACRIFICE OF HIS SON ROMANS 3:24-25

A. Jesus paid for our freedom from sin’s penalty.

... through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ROMANS 3:24c

B. Jesus was sacrificed by His Father to satisfy our sin’s punishment. “propitiatory offering”

...whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. ROMANS 3:25a

Hebrews 9:5 “the mercy seat”