

Calvary Church: Coordinated Curriculum 2007-2008

Romans: The Transforming Power of the Righteousness of God

Mark Observations

Record Observations & Questions

Romans 3:21-31

- 21 But now the righteousness of God
has been manifested apart from the law,
although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—
- 22 the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ
for all who believe.
For there is no distinction:
- 23 for all have sinned
and fall short of the glory of God,
24 and are justified by his grace as a gift,
through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,
25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood,
to be received by faith.
- This was to show God's righteousness,
because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.
- 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time,
so that he might be just
and the justifier
of the one who has faith in Jesus.
- 27 Then what becomes of our boasting?
It is excluded.
By what kind of law?
By a law of works?
No, but by the law of faith.
- 28 For we hold that one is justified by faith
apart from works of the law.
- 29 Or is God the God of Jews only?
Is he not the God of Gentiles also?
Yes, of Gentiles also,
30 since God is one.
He will justify
the circumcised by faith
and the uncircumcised through faith.
- 31 Do we then overthrow the law by this faith?
By no means!
On the contrary, we uphold the law. (ESV)

Basic Outline

- Doctrine: Justification—The Righteousness of God Revealed 1:18–11:36
God's Gracious Provision of Righteousness is Acquired by Faith in Jesus Christ
- The Need of It 1:18–3:20 *What a Mess!*
The Righteousness of God Revealed in Condemnation: The Universal Need of Righteousness
The Bad News: All Condemned for Sin—no exceptions
- What It Is 3:21–5:21**
What a God—The Way of Salvation
Justification: The Imputation of Righteousness to all who believe
"But now the righteous of God has been manifested" 3:21

Introduction



Talk about it

Review

God has revealed His righteousness, but mankind has rejected it and they find themselves enslaved to sin. But now the righteousness of God has been manifested. . .



Think about it

Overview

Justification Explanation (Defined) 3:21-31

The Manifestation of Righteousness 3:21-23

Kind of Righteousness 3:21a

History of Righteousness 3:21b

Means of Righteousness 3:22a

Extent of righteousness 3:22b-23

The Provision of Righteousness 3:24-26

The Plan: Justification of sinners 3:24-25c

The context 3:25c-26

The Availability of Justification through Faith Alone 3:27-31

Faith Excludes boasting 3:27-28

Faith Eliminates distinctions 3:29-30

Faith Established the Law: The Law is vindicated 3:31

Key Concepts

Justification _____ Language _____ in Christ

Redemption _____ Language _____ exchange of Christ

Propitiation _____ Language atoning _____ God's holiness
by Christ's blood



What do we learn
About God



Act on it

Worship

Obedience

Sharing

Defend