

## THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD RECEIVED

### The Examples of Justification Justification Is Not by Rituals (4:9-12)

- I. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD INTRODUCED (Romans 1:1-17)
- II. SIN AND CONDEMNATION: THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REQUIRED (Romans 1:18-3:20)
- III. SALVATION AND JUSTIFICATION: THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD RECEIVED (Romans 3:21-5:11)

#### A. The Explanation of Justification (Romans 3:21-31)

#### B. The Examples of Justification (Romans 4:1-425)

1. Justification comes through faith alone (4:1-3).
2. Justification does not come through works (4:4-8).
3. Justification does not come through rituals (4:9-12).
  - a. Abraham was justified by faith apart from \_\_\_\_\_ (4:9-10)
    - 1) Circumcision was a God-ordained \_\_\_\_\_ (4:9).
    - 2) Abraham's justification took place \_\_\_\_\_ the ritual of circumcision (4:10).
  - b. The ritual of circumcision was a \_\_\_\_\_ of a spiritual reality (4:11-12).
    - 1) The place of rituals always comes after the \_\_\_\_\_
    - 2) Abraham's justification by faith alone stands as an example for believers of all \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - c. Clarifying the confusion: "Believe in Jesus Christ and be baptized to be saved"
    - 1) The Word of God teaches that salvation comes first, then baptism.
      - a) Philip required that the Ethiopian eunuch must be \_\_\_\_\_ before Philip would baptize him (Acts 8:26-40).
        - \* What is the pattern in the book of Acts?
      - b) Peter commanded that Cornelius and the other Gentiles be baptized only \_\_\_\_\_ he had evidence that they were \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 10:43-48).
        - \* Why is it significant that John doesn't command water baptism (John 20:31)?
      - c) What was Paul's emphasis (Romans 1:16; 1 Corinthians 1:17)?  
Baptism ≠ \_\_\_\_\_ !

**The Clarification:** Water baptism is a \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation for believers, not a means of salvation for unbelievers (Acts 8:26-40; Acts 10:43-48).

d. Clarifying the confusion: “Believe in Jesus Christ and confess Him publicly to be saved”

1) Clarifying Romans 10:9

The general context (Romans 9-11)

The intermediate context (Romans 9:33-10:21)

The immediate context (Romans 10:4-10:13)

Verse 4 – Christ is the end of \_\_\_\_\_ for righteousness.

Verse 5 – In order to receive righteousness of the law, you must \_\_\_\_\_.

Verse 6-8 – Paul replaces the concept of “law” with “\_\_\_\_\_”.

Verse 8 – The righteousness of faith is \_\_\_\_\_ so it can be received by faith.

Verse 9 – The desired result of preaching the word of righteousness by faith is for the Jew first and also the Gentile to \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ and that God \_\_\_\_\_ Him from the dead and thereby be saved.

Verse 10 – The order of verse 9 is reversed indicating that for a Jew, any sincere confession of “Jesus as Lord” would require \_\_\_\_\_ in the heart.

Verse 11 – More scripture is quoted demonstrating that the bottom line is \_\_\_\_\_.

Verse 12 – The Lord is rich to all who \_\_\_\_\_ on Him by acknowledging His deity and \_\_\_\_\_ on Him.

Verse 13 – Calling on the Lord means to call upon \_\_\_\_\_ and “Lord” is referring to Jesus Christ.

Verses 14-15 – The logical sequence places \_\_\_\_\_ as the bottom line.

Verses 16-21 – Israel has made no \_\_\_\_\_ because there is no \_\_\_\_\_ though they have \_\_\_\_\_.

2) Other problems with this wrong response

a) The problem of the non-confessing Pharisees (John 12:42)

b) What about a \_\_\_\_\_ ?

c) Forcing this as an action one must do to be saved makes this a \_\_\_\_\_

**The Clarification:** Romans 10 is written for the Jew exhorting them to agree that \_\_\_\_\_ (Yahweh) and approved of God and therefore they should \_\_\_\_\_ on Him for salvation..

e. Clarifying the confusion: “Believe on Jesus Christ and confess your sins to be saved”.

1) The Word of God teaches that confession of sins is for \_\_\_\_\_ .

2) Confession of sin \_\_\_\_\_ the believer to \_\_\_\_\_ with God (1Jo 1:3-10).

3) Sin is not the issue for the unsaved but rather, “What do you think about \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**The Clarification:** Confession of known sin is needed for the believer to have \_\_\_\_\_ with God, not for salvation from hell (1 John 1:3-10).