

Right with God by Grace through Faith in Christ Alone - Romans 3:21-26

Romans 3:19-20 – 19b that every mouth may be closed, and all the world may become accountable to God; 20 because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.

Psalm 130:3-4 - 3 If You, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? 4 But there is forgiveness with You, That You may be feared. NASU

In today's text, **Romans 3:21-26**, Paul now clearly proclaims the **Gospel**. That God is offering all **ungodly people** who have **sinned** and fallen short of His **glory**, to be made **right with God** by **Grace** through **Faith** in **Christ Alone**, apart from any **works!** Through Christ **God vindicates** His own **Justice**, and **justifies** ungodly sinners. This is **Good News** indeed! The Gospel shows us that **faith in Christ alone** is the way a **sinner** comes into **right standing** with **God**. **Christ** Himself is the manifested **Righteousness of God** and we receive Him as a **gift** by **Grace** through **Faith**, for all who **believe**.

In today's text **Romans 3:21-26** we will see

- **3:21-25a – The Nature of God's Righteousness**
 - **9 Qualifiers of God's Righteousness**
- **3:25b-26 - The Demonstration of God's Righteousness**

The **9 Qualifiers or Conditions of God's Righteousness** are;

1. God's **Righteousness** has been revealed or **manifested** in **Christ** v-21
2. The **Old Testament** is a **witness** to this **Righteousness** of God v-21
3. This **Righteousness** comes to us through **faith** in **Jesus Christ** v-22
4. This **Righteousness** is **available** to **all people** who **believe** v-22
5. **All people** have fallen short of **God's standard** in the **Law** and need to be **justified** being **ungodly sinners** v-23
6. **God** gives this **Righteousness** as a **gift** by His **Grace** v-24
7. This **Righteousness** comes **through** the work of **Redemption** accomplished by **Christ** v-24
8. God **displayed** this **Righteousness publicly** for all people to **witness** v-25
9. This **Righteousness** is a **propitiation** or **satisfaction** of God's **requirement** for sins according to His **Justice** which was paid by **Christ's** perfect **life** and **death** v-25

John 6:28-29 - 28 They said therefore to Him, "**What shall we do, that we may work the works of God?**"
29 Jesus answered and said to them, "**This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent.**" NASB

Ephesians 2:8-10 - 8 For **by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.** NASU

Romans 6:23 - 23 For **the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.** NASU

Ephesians 1:7-9 - 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, 8 which He lavished upon us. In all wisdom and insight NASB

1 John 4:10 - 10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and **sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.** NASB

Isaiah 53:4-6 - 4 Surely **our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried**; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But He **was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.** 6 All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the **LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.** NASB

Galatians 4:4 – 4 But when the fulness of the time came, **God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law,** NASB

Matthew 11:28-30 - 28 **"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest.** 29 **"Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart; and you shall find rest for your souls.** 30 **"For My yoke is easy, and My load is light."** NASB

Psalm 98:1-6 - 1 **O Sing to the Lord a new song, For He has done wonderful things,** His right hand and His holy arm have gained the victory for Him. 2 The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. 3 He has remembered His lovingkindness and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. 4 **Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; Break forth and sing for joy and sing praises.** 5 Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre; With the lyre and the sound of melody. 6 With trumpets and the sound of the horn Shout joyfully before the King, the Lord. NASB