

## **THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD RECEIVED**

### **The Examples of Justification**

### **Justification Is by God's Power through Faith Alone (4:16-25)**

- 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).
4. Justification does not come through law (4:13-15).
5. Justification is by God's power through faith alone (4:16-25).
  - a. Abraham simply \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_ (4:16-18).
    - 1) Abraham's faith was anchored in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (4:17).
    - 2) Abraham's faith rested on God's \_\_\_\_\_ (4:18).
  - b. Abraham's faith relied on God's \_\_\_\_\_ (4:19-25).
    - 1) He did not consider by sight human \_\_\_\_\_ (4:19).
    - 2) He did not waver at God's promise but was strengthened in \_\_\_\_\_ (4:20-21).
  - c. Justification by faith results in receiving the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (4:22).
  - d. Justification by faith is given to people of all ages who \_\_\_\_\_ (4:23-25).
  - e. Clarifying the confusion: "Believe in Jesus and ask or invite Him into your heart (life) to be saved".

\* Is this a common response used today?

- 1) The Word of God has \_\_\_\_\_ that say "Ask Jesus into your heart".

\* Why is this important (Isaiah 55:8-11 and Hebrews 4:12)?

\* What is found over and over in the Bible?

\* What will God bless?

2) Using this response reflects either \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ of what God has said

\* What is true of everyone who has believed on Jesus Christ (Galatians 3:26)?

\* What is true of everyone who is a child of God (Galatians 4:6)?

\* Is this just a manner of wording or semantics?

3) This response robs you of the \_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation

4) What about Revelation 3:20?

\* Who is this passage written to?

\* What was their problem?

\* What was Jesus offering them?

\* What does Rev 3:20 not say?

**The clarification:** Jesus Christ comes into your heart when you put your \_\_\_\_\_ , not as a result of asking Him in.

f. Clarifying the confusion: “Come forward to receive Jesus” or “come forward and recite the sinner’s prayer to be saved”

1) There is not one \_\_\_\_\_ of this happening in the Bible.

2) This shifts the spotlight unto the person.

\* What about shy people or extroverts?

3) Why do preachers and churches like to do this?

**The Clarification:** The issue for the lost sinner is to \_\_\_\_\_ by faith and not to \_\_\_\_\_ and pray a prayer.

g. Why it is so important to be clear with the Gospel:

1) When you are not clear you may actually be preaching a message that is \_\_\_\_\_.

2) Clarity of the gospel is connected with \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel.

3) Clarity of the gospel is required of \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord.