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11.2 Justification	
Faith that receives and rests on Christ and his	
righteousness is the only instrument of	
justification. ⁶	
Yet it does not occur by itself in the person	
justified, but it is always accompanied by every other saving grace. It is not a dead faith but works through love. ⁷	
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⁶ Romans 3:28. ⁷ Galatians 5:6; James 2:17, 22, 26.	·
11.3 Justification	
By his obedience and death, Christ fully paid the	-
debt of all those who are justified. He endured in their place the penalty they deserved. By this sacrifice of himself in his bloodshed on the cross, he legitimately, really, and fully satisfied	
God's justice on their behalf.8	
Yet their justification is based entirely on free	
grace, because he was given by the Father for	
them, and his obedience and satisfaction were	
accepted in their place. These things were done	
freely, not because of anything in them, ⁹	
so that both the exact justice and the rich grace	
of God would be glorified in the justification of sinners. ¹⁰	
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⁸ Hebrews 10:14; 1 Peter 1:18, 19; Isaiah 53:5, 6.	
⁹ Romans 8:32; 2 Corinthians 5:21. ¹⁰ Romans 3:26; Ephesians 1:6,7; 2:7.	

Scripture Proofs

- ⁶Romans 3:28 For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.
- ⁷Galatians 5:6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything, but only faith working through love.
- James 2:17, 22, 26 So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works; For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.
- ⁸Hebrews 10:14 For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.
- 1 Peter 1:18-19 knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.
- **Isaiah 53:5-6** But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
- **Romans 8:32** He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?
- **2 Corinthians 5:21** For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.
- ¹⁰Romans 3:26 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.
- **Ephesians 1:6-7** to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace...
- **Ephesians 2:7** so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.