

God's Solution for Sin

All About Salvation – Part 7 (Romans 3:20-31)

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Romans 3:20 (NIV) Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.

1. God _____ righteousness

Romans 3:21 (NIV) But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

1A. Righteousness comes through _____

Romans 3:22 (NIV) This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

1B. _____ needs this righteousness

Romans 3:23 (NIV) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

2. God _____ sinners

2A. We are justified by grace through _____

Romans 3:24 (NIV) and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

2B. We are justified by Jesus' sacrifice of _____

Romans 3:25a (NIV) God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood.

2C. We are justified through _____ in Jesus Christ

Romans 3:26 (NIV) he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

3. What should our _____ be?

3A. We must not _____

Romans 3:27 (NIV) Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith.

3B. We must _____ our sin

Romans 3:23 (NIV) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

3C. We must _____ in Jesus

Romans 3:28 (NIV) For we maintain that a man is justified by faith [in Jesus] apart from observing the law.

3D. We must _____ to obey

Romans 3:31 (NIV) Do we, then, nullify the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law.

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Intro. In what ways do you see sin impacting the world around you?

How do you see sin affecting your own life and family?

What does it mean to be righteous?

Why do you think that people believe they can be righteous in God's sight by keeping various rules (Romans 3:20)?

1. Why do we need righteousness from God (Romans 3:21)?

1A. How would you explain to someone how they can receive righteousness from God (Romans 3:22)?

1B. What does it mean to fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23)?

What would you say to a person who felt they were good enough for heaven?

2A. Explain what it means to be justified through Christ's redemption (Romans 3:24)?

2B. What is the Old Testament symbolism of Jesus being called a sacrifice of atonement (Romans 3:25)?

How can God justify sinners who believe in Jesus? Explain as you would to someone who knew little of the Bible.

3A. Why can believers not boast of their good deeds with regard to their relationship with God (Romans 3:27)?

3B. Why do you think that some people have difficulty believing that their sin would actually keep them from heaven and send them to hell (Romans 3:23)?

3C. Why do you think Paul keeps emphasizing the importance of faith in Jesus in order to have a relationship with God (Romans 3:28)?

3D. Why do true believers uphold the law by obeying it (Romans 3:31)?