

Romans Series

Lesson #33

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The Epistle to the ROMANS



II. God's gracious gift of perfect righteousness through faith alone in Christ alone, 1:18–11:36

A. God's righteousness condemns all members of the human race, which demonstrates the need for every human being to acquire God's righteousness, 1:18–3:20

- 1. God's condemnation of the human race is based on the rejection of God by the human race which leads to God delivering man over to his own desires, 1:18–32**
- 2. The second direction humans move toward is emphasizing their own morality which is another manifestation of arrogance, 2:1–5**
- 3. The universality of human failure will be demonstrate when God judges everyone on the basis of works: all will fail, 2:6–16.**
- 4. God also condemns the Jew because of his trust in religious externals and human effort rather than God's grace alone to provide righteousness, 2:17–3:8**

5. Therefore all are under sin, both Gentile and Jew, 3:9–18

6. Conclusion: 3D. The application of the law (Scripture) is that all the world is guilty before God and that the Law is not the source for justification but the means for the full knowledge of sin 3:19-20

B. The Fact of Justification: Justification defined and explained. Justification is the imputation of God's righteousness that is acquired by all who believe in Jesus Christ. 3:21-5:21

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φράσσω *phrassō*

aor pass subj 3 sing

“to silence, stop”

**for the purpose that
every mouth be silenced**

νόμος *nomos*

specificity

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Ecclesiastes 7:20, “For there is not a righteous [צַדִּיק *tzaddiq*] man on earth who doeth good and sinneth not.” (JPS, 1917)

Isa. 64:6, “But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses [צַדִּיק *tzaddiq*] are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.”

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<p>πρὸ νόμος <i>ginomai</i> 2aor mid subj 3 sing “to become, be know ...”</p>	<p>for the pul every mou</p>	<p>ὑπόδικος <i>hypodikos</i> nom masc sing a judicial declaration of guilt, the result of a legal process, subject to a legal penalty</p>

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Rom. 3:28, “Therefore we conclude that a man is justified [declared righteous] by faith apart from the deeds of the law.”

Rom. 3:21, “But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,”

Gal. 2:16, “knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.”

Gal. 3:2, “This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?”

Gal. 3:5, “Therefore He who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you, does He do it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?”

John 7:19, “Did not Moses give you the law, yet none of you keeps the law? Why do you seek to kill Me?”

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