

FEBRUARY 13, 2022 / JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH / ROMANS 3:21-26 ONLY IN JESUS CAN WE FIND THE FORGIVENESS OF SIN.

OF ALL THE TERMS USED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT TO DESCRIBE THE WORK OF THE GOSPEL IN THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER, THE GREATEST OF THESE IS JUSTIFICATION. IT DESCRIBES A NEW STANDING ALL BELIEVERS HAVE BEFORE GOD. THIS NEW STANDING DOES NOT COME BECAUSE OF ANYTHING DONE BY US BUT SOLELY BECAUSE OF WHAT CHRIST HAS DONE FOR US IN HIS SACRIFICIAL DEATH.

Read Romans 3:21-26.

- 1. Do you know people—non-believers or believers—who feel God is angry with them?
- 2. Who is the person who justifies (declares or makes one righteous before God) the believer? (Romans 8:33)?
- 3. What is the basis for our justification (Romans 3:25a)?
- 4. Where specifically do the Old Testament prophets testify about the righteousness of God being made known here (Romans 3:21)? (see Isaiah 53:4-6)
- 5. According to this passage, how do we experience justification (Romans 3:22 & 26)? (see Romans 4:5)
- 6. How might a deeper knowledge and appreciation of this core Gospel truth strengthen your faith?

HOLY SPIRIT, HELP ME TO KNOW MORE DEEPLY THE REALITY OF THIS GREAT TRUTH IN MY DAILY EXPERIENCE.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Below are some additional resources to help you deepen your knowledge and experience with the core truth in today's sermon. These resources include book references, articles, videos, podcasts, and RightNow Media material that can use by yourself or with a group. If you are not currently registered for Right Now Media, **click here.** Each resource is hyperlinked below, so you can click it.

- The Crucifixion of Jesus Luke 19-23 by the Bible Project
- ·Sacrifice and Atonement by the Bible Project
- ·Why did Jesus have to die? By Austin Busch in Why God Why Podcast
- • The Cross Changes Everything by Fred Sanders in Christianity Today
- ·The Reason for God "The (True) Story of the Cross" (Chapter 12, pg. 193-208) by Tim Keller