

WEEK 2 GOD IS...

Easter Sunday April 16, 2017

But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,²² even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference;²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,²⁴ being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,²⁵ whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed,²⁶ to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.²⁷ Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith.²⁸ Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.²⁹ Or is He the God of the Jews only? Is He not also the God of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also,³⁰ since there is one God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith.³¹ Do we then make void the law through faith? Certainly not! On the contrary, we establish the law.

Romans 3:21-31 (NKJV)

MAN HAS A DESIRE TO BE RIGHT

He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end.

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NKJV)

GOD IS THE ONLY ONE RIGHT

GOD IS THE STANDARD OF RIGHT

HE HAS GIVEN US THE STANDARD OF RIGHT IN THE LAW

HE IS THE CREATOR OF ALL THINGS AND IT BEHOOVES HIM TO SET THE STANDARD AND DEMAND THE MEETING OF THE STANDARD

HE HAS DECLARED THAT ALL WHO DO NOT LIVE BY THE STANDARD MUST DIE

THERE IS THEN A RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT COMES BY BEHAVING

GOD GAVE US THE LAW TO KEEP FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

THE LAW ATTESTED TO GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS BUT IT EXPOSED MAN'S UNRIGHTEOUSNESS

SINCE WE COULD NOT KEEP THE LAW HE GAVE THE SACRIFICIAL SYSTEM TO COVER (ATONE) FOR SIN

EVEN THE ANNUAL DAY OF ATONEMENT WAS A REMINDER OF SIN WHICH COULD NOT BE FULLY ATONED FOR

But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year.⁴ For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.

Hebrews 10:3-4 (NKJV)

THERE IS A RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT COMES FROM BELIEVING

BELIEVING IS THE METHOD OF GOD FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

HE DECLARED THE BELIEVING ONES TO BE RIGHTEOUS

GOD, IN CHRIST, MET THE RIGHTEOUS DEMANDS OF THE LAW (PROPITIATION)

For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,⁴ that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Romans 8:3-4 (NKJV)

IN THE CROSS GOD ESTABLISHED RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR SINNERS

IN THE RESURRECTION HE VINDICATED JESUS AND GAVE US HIS LIFE

IN THE RESURRECTION GOD VERIFIED JESUS AS THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD

IN THE RESURRECTION GOD GAVE VICTORY TO JESUS AND ALL WHO COME TO HIM