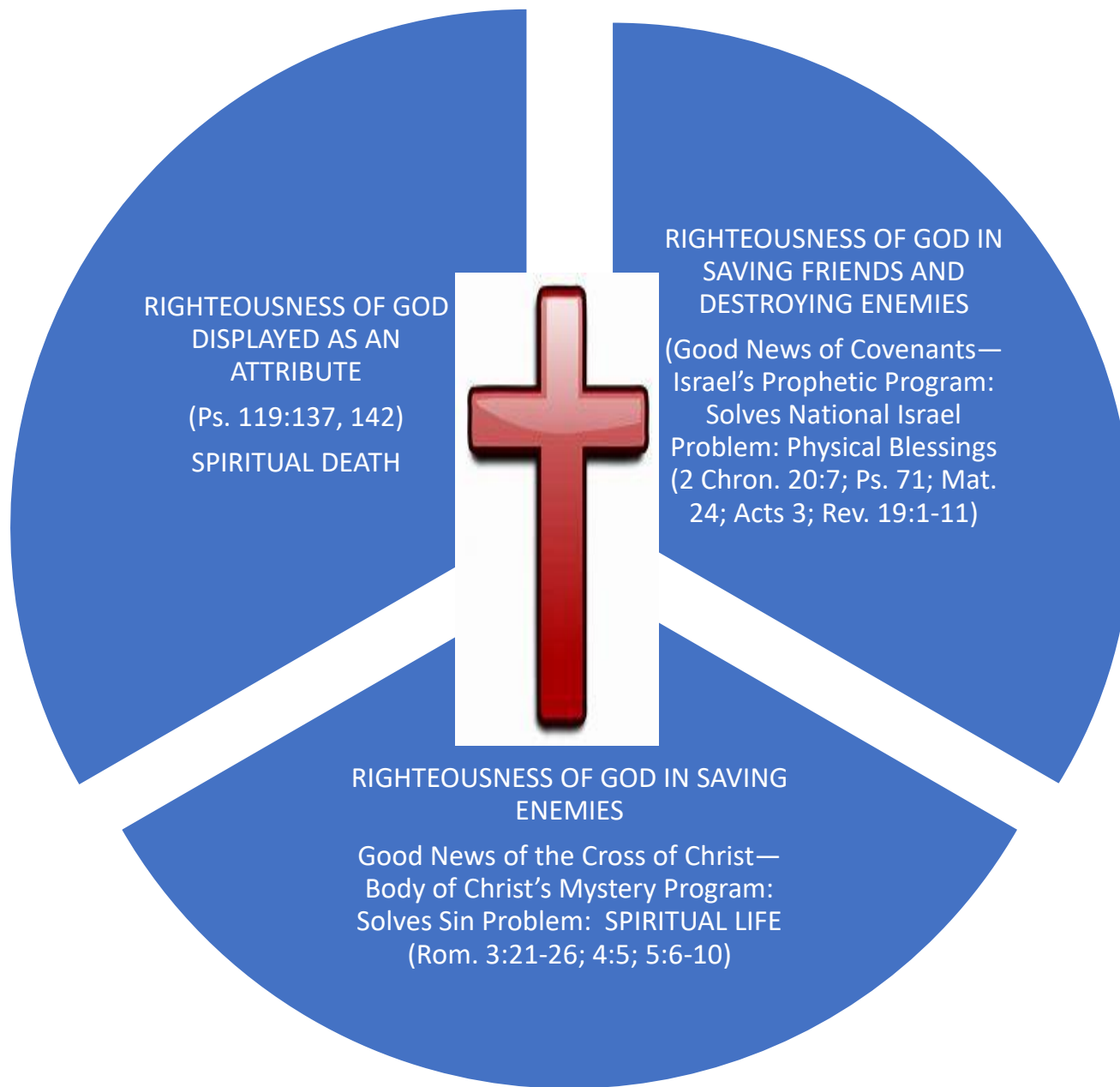


THE MOST IMPORTANT BOOK IN THE WORLD!

ROMANS

Rom. 4

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF FAITH



RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD
DISPLAYED AS AN
ATTRIBUTE
(Ps. 119:137, 142)
SPIRITUAL DEATH

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN
SAVING FRIENDS AND
DESTROYING ENEMIES
(Good News of Covenants—
Israel's Prophetic Program:
Solves National Israel
Problem: Physical Blessings
(2 Chron. 20:7; Ps. 71; Mat.
24; Acts 3; Rev. 19:1-11)

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN SAVING
ENEMIES
Good News of the Cross of Christ—
Body of Christ's Mystery Program:
Solves Sin Problem: SPIRITUAL LIFE
(Rom. 3:21-26; 4:5; 5:6-10)

JUSTIFICATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH: Rom. 3:21-31

- 1. For sinners-Jew and Gentile alike--justification is (Rom. 3:21-26):**
 - a. Based on the Faith of Christ—His Person and Work on the Cross.**
 - b. It is received by faith, believing in that Person and Work, apart from works even the works of the Law (3:19-21).**
 - c. It is accomplished while we are still ungodly sinners on enemy status before God (Rom. 3:23; 4:5; 5:6-10).**
 - d. God does this for sinners freely (not because of anything in them) and by Grace (as a free gift given without regard for our merit or demerit)**

- 2. Therefore, boasting is excluded: Justification is a work of God for those who could do nothing for themselves. (Rom. 3:27)**

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- 3. Therefore, justification is based on a Faith-Grace principle/system NOT a Law-Works principle/system (3:27-28).**
 - a. God saves sinners today by grace through faith in the now Good News of the Cross.**
 - b. God saved sinners by grace through faith in what He told them in the past because He (not the sinner) was looking ahead to the Cross.**
- 4. Therefore, justification is not for the Jews only, but for the Gentiles as well (3:29-30).**
- 5. Justification is all of FAITH: Our Faith in (belief in) the Faith of Christ (His Person and Work on the Cross) which is revealed in The Faith (Paul's Epistles) (3:27, 30)**
- 6. This establishes the Law because it uses the Law properly—for a sinner it cannot bring righteousness and life, it can only bring sin and death. (Rom. 3:20; 31)**

JUSTIFICATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH: Rom. 3:21-31

- 1. Rom. 3: Justifying sinners by grace through faith, DECLARES GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS (3:24-25).**
- 2. Rom. 4: Justifying the ungodly by grace through faith, DISPLAYS GOD'S GLORY (4:19-20)**
- 3. Rom. 5: Justifying enemies by grace through faith, COMMENDS GOD'S LOVE (5:8-10).**

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD

RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN THE CROSSWORK OF CHRIST (Rom. 3:21-26)

THE FAITH/GIFT RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD

GOD'S ATTRIBUTE
Righteous in
Infinite Holiness
(Deut. 32:4; Ps. 145:17)

Seated in Heavens

With Christ
(Eph. 2:4-7)

Participate in
God's Glory in Christ
(Rom. 5:1-2;
8:18; 8:29-30)

Imparted
Life of Christ
(Rom. 5:15-21)

Imputed Faith For
Righteousness
Through Christ
Rom. 4:3-6; 23-25)

Forgiveness
Of Sins
(Rom. 4:7)

SINFUL

HUMANITY

Condemnation
and Death