

THE MOST IMPORTANT BOOK IN THE WORLD!

# ROMANS

**Rom. 4**

**RIGHTEOUSNESS OF FAITH**

# **Replace Our World Viewpoint With God's Heavenly Viewpoint!**

- 1. The BUT NOW Righteousness of God being manifested through the apostleship of Paul explains everything. (Rom. 3:21-22)**
- 2. It explains what God was doing in the past: Overlooking sins in the past while justifying sinners, making them His friends by looking at the Cross (Rom. 3:25).**
- 3. It explains what God is doing today: He is saving and blessing ungodly sinners on enemy status before Him not punishing and destroying them.**
  - a. And He made Paul the prototype. (Rom. 1:18-3:20; 1 Tim. 1:12-16)**
  - b. This answers the question theologians haven't been able to answer in thousands of years: If God is a loving God why doesn't He remove evil from the world?**
  - c. God's Longsuffering Goodness in holding back His wrath and judgment which would fix the world's problems doesn't call into question His Love, it proves His Love!**

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- 4. It explains what God will do in the future.**
  - a. The display of the But Now Righteousness of God will fade into the background.**
  - b. The display of the Righteousness of God in saving His friends and destroying His enemies will come to the forefront, culminating in the physical/material salvation/deliverance from the Tribulation into the Kingdom.**
  
- 5. It explains God's pattern for saving and blessing sinners,**
  - a. In justifying sinners, God declares His Righteousness. (Rom. 3:21-26).**
  - b. In blessing sinners based on grace and faith, God displays His Glory. (Eph. 1-3)**
  
- 6. It explains why God raised up Paul to be His apostle for today!**

# **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 (4:5, 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. 5:17-21)

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

Forgiveness  
Of Sins  
(Rom. 4:7)

SINFUL

HUMANITY

Condemnation  
and Death