

Romans Part Two

Rom. 1:15 So, for my part, I am eager to preach the gospel [= good news] to you also who are in Rome.

Rom. 1:16 ¶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

Rom. 1:17 For in it *the* righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith [= by faith for faith]; as it is written: “BUT THE RIGHTEOUS ONE WILL LIVE BY FAITH.”

Rom. 1:18 ¶ For **the wrath of God is revealed** from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of people who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

“Salvation” in Romans means _____
towards sinful human beings in that God is handing sinful humans over to a deeper experience of sin.

Even the most moral persons (including Jews living under the Law) are _____ of the same things they condemn in others.

Rom. 3:19 ¶ Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God;

Rom. 3:20 because by the works of the Law **none of mankind will be justified [= pronounced righteous/not guilty] in His sight**; for through the Law *comes* knowledge of sin.



Rom. 3:21 ¶ But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been revealed [= made publicly seen], being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,

Rom. 3:22 but *it is the* righteousness of God **through faith in Jesus Christ** for all those who believe; for there is no distinction,

Rom. 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

Rom. 3:24 being justified [= pronounced righteous] **as a gift by His grace** through the redemption [= acquittal] which is in [= by] Christ Jesus,

Rom. 3:25 whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith [= **made available publicly a Mercy Seat through faith by His blood**]. *This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in God's merciful restraint He let the sins previously committed go unpunished;*

Rom. 3:26 for the demonstration, *that is,* of His righteousness at the present time, so that **He would be just and the justifier of [= the one who pronounces righteous] the one who has faith in Jesus.**

Jesus not only shed His blood for human sin, but Jesus becomes _____
_____ between God and man “through faith.” When people believe in Jesus, their guilt is acquitted so that they are pronounced as not guilty because of Jesus’s blood. In reality all of human sin was paid for at the cross, but Jesus only becomes _____ connecting sinful people to God when people believe in Him as Savior!



The prime example of God's grace in the Old Testament is the hero of faith, Abraham:

Rom. 4:1 ¶ What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, has found?

Rom. 4:2 For if Abraham was **justified [= pronounced righteous] by works**, he has something to boast about; but not before God.

Rom. 4:3 For what does the Scripture say? "ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS CREDITED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS."

Rom. 4:4 Now to the one who works, the wages are not credited as a favor, but as what is due.

Rom. 4:5 But to the one who does not work, but **believes in Him who justifies [= pronounces righteous] the ungodly**, his faith is credited as righteousness,



Rom. 4:19 Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now *as good* as dead since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb;

Rom. 4:20 yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God,

Rom. 4:21 and **being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform.**

Rom. 4:22 Therefore IT WAS ALSO CREDITED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Rom. 4:23 Now not for his sake only was it written that it was credited to him,

Rom. 4:24 but for our sake also, to whom it will be credited, to *us* who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead,

Rom. 4:25 *He* who was delivered over because of our wrongdoings, and was raised because of our justification.

God is completely right in everything that He does; no one can accuse God of being unjust in any way. Jesus's blood, His sacrificial death on the cross, was a visible, public announcement of God's way for sinful humans to be _____ before Him. When sinful people believe in Jesus Christ to make them right with God, Jesus becomes a Mercy Seat for them, connecting them to God. These believers receive a pronouncement of "not guilty" from God as a gift of God's grace. Why? Because _____ is the only "right" way to approach God!

Rom. 5:1 ¶ Therefore, having been justified [= pronounced righteous] by faith, we have peace [= harmony] with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Rom. 5:9 Much more then, having now been justified [= pronounced righteous] by His blood, we shall **be saved from the wrath of God through Him.**

Rom. 5:10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall **be saved by His life.**

If Jesus's death made a way for sinful human beings who were formerly God's enemies to be pronounced _____ before Him *through faith*, then certainly Jesus's resurrection life can make a way for believers to be delivered from _____ *through faith!*