

Your Flourishing Life with His Righteousness

Key Promise: Rom 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is **God's power** for **salvation** to everyone who believes, ¹⁷For the **righteousness of God** is revealed in the gospel from **faith to faith**, just as it is written, "The **righteous by faith**, will **live**."
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How knowing your Righteousness in Christ enables you to experience a great flourishing life

So many people live a life of misery trying to be good in their own strength. They don't understand the power of the Gospel. If only they knew that power, believing and proclaiming they are Righteous in Christ, they would experience great flourishing blessings.

Rom 4:6

... the **blessing** on the man to whom God credits righteousness apart from works. *NASB*

Blessing μακαριζω *makarizō*: Blessedness, fortune, happiness. *Strong's*

I. OF GOD FOR SALVATION FOR EVERYONE

Salvation σωζω *sōzō*: deliverance, release, security, health, well-being, recover, restoration, victory, prosperity

Rom 7:18-19

I want to do what is right, but I can't. ¹⁹I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. *NLT*

Rom 7:24

Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? *NLT*

Rom 8:3-4

For what the law was powerless to do in that it was **weakened** by the sinful nature, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful man to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in sinful man. *NIV*

2 Cor 5:21

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. *NKJV*

What is the basis for us to receive that Righteousness?

Eph 2:8-9

For it is by **grace** you have been saved, through **faith** – and this not from yourselves, it is the **gift** of God—⁹not by works, so that no one can boast.

What is the difference **between grace and mercy**?

II. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REVEALED FROM TO

Rom 1:17

For the righteousness of God is revealed in the gospel from faith to faith. NASB
Reveal ἀποκαλψις *apokalupsis*: uncovering, unveil, lay open, manifest.

How is that Righteousness channeled to us?

Rom 4:5

But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness. *NKJV*

Accounted Imputed λογίζομαι *logizomai*: to count, account, credit, consider, regard

Rom 10:8-9

"The message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart." And that message is the very message about faith that we preach: ⁹If you **confess** with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and **believe** in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. *NLT*

Protestant Latin: *protestatio* declare, proclaim

Protestants are so called after the declaration (*protestatio*) of Martin Luther and his supporters dissenting from the decision of the Diet of Speyer (1529), which reaffirmed the edict of the Diet of Worms against the Reformation. All Protestants reject the authority of the papacy, both religious and political, and find authority in the text of the Bible, made available to all in vernacular translation.

Oxford Dictionary

III. THE RIGHTEOUS BY FAITH, WILL

Rom 1:17b

The righteous by faith, will live.

The righteous - **out of faith** - shall live:

δικαιος - **ΕΚ ΠΙΣΤΕΩΣ** - **ζησεται**

Live ζαω zaō: alive, full vigor, breathe, come back to life, enjoy real life, blessed, endless life.

Rom 4:7-8

"Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

⁸Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord will **never** count against him." *NIV*

Never ου – μη: not at all, by no means - never ever (double negative)

1. LIVE with amazing

What happens when you are under grace?

Rom 6:14

For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace. *NKJV*

Christians that believe they are justified by faith are far more fruitful, far more sincere and solid Christians, far more likely to lead holy lives. *Charles Spurgeon*

Luke 7:47

Luke 19:1-11

⁸Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." *NKJV*

2. LIVE with great skills

Why does receiving grace help you build great relationships?

Rom 15:7

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

2 Cor 12:9-10

Now I am glad to boast about how weak I am; I am glad to be a living demonstration of Christ's power, instead of showing off my own power and abilities. ¹⁰... for when I am weak, then I am strong - the more I depend on him.
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3. LIVE with Bold and Powerful

Why were many of the Pharisees not touched by the power of the Gospel?

Heb 4:16

Let us therefore come **BOLDLY** to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *NKJV*

4. LIVE with the sure of Abraham

Why are the blessings now 'sure'?

Acts 13:34

God raised Jesus from the dead, and he will never go back to the grave and become dust. So God said: 'I will give you the holy and sure blessings that I promised to David.' *NCV*

Acts 13:38-39

³⁹Through him everyone who believes is justified from everything you could not be justified from by the law of **Moses** (Torah).

Heb 6:14

"Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you." *LITV*

Ref: Gen 22:16,17

Gal 3:29; Rom 4:13

Matt 6:33

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. *NKJV*

How do we receive the 'added things'?

Adventure this week:

1. Memorize Rom 1:16-17 and write this verse from memory here:

Every day declare this 5 times:

I am the Righteousness of God in Christ.
I seek to turn away from my own self-centredness to His Righteousness.
As I seek and confess His Righteousness, I shall live and experience the
uncommon and sure blessings of David and Abraham.

2. Write down what you are believing God for, as you continue proclaiming your Righteousness in Christ:

Areas you want to see transformation:

Relationships you want to see restored:

A bold prayer request:

Added things you are believing for:

Today's Article

Questions often asked Part One

1. Who is God - how do we know that He exists?

God is a personal Being with three major aspects to His nature: **omniscience** (all-knowing), **omnipotence** (all-powerful) and **omnipresence** (everywhere present). He is **infinite**, without limitations of any kind. He has always existed and always will.

2. Who is Jesus Christ?

Jesus Christ is described in "biographies" written by His followers. These "biographies" are called the GOSPELS, from an old English word, meaning, 'good news'. Jesus Christ is **unique**. He was born through supernatural circumstances. His coming was prophesied hundreds of years before He was born by at least 300 prophecies in the Old Testament, stating **how**, **where**, **when** He would be born and **how** He would **die**, be **buried** and **rise** again. The chances of all these prophecies being fulfilled in one man is one in tens of millions, like an explosion in a printing shop producing the Oxford Dictionary.

Some say He was the world's greatest living example and a moral teacher of the highest caliber. But more than that, He is **God** in human form. His **main** purpose of coming was **not** to give us great profound teachings but He came to be our **Savior**, to die for our sin. He is the only one who has Risen from the dead. (John 1:1; 4:26; 5:19-25; Matt 16:13-17; Mark 2:3-12; Luke 22:66-70)

3. How do I know the Bible is God's Word?

The Bible was written by many men of God over a period of several centuries. Yet there is a supernatural hand guiding its content. For example, the four Gospels - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John - tell us different aspects of Christ's nature: Christ as both **Root and Seed of David**, the Promised Messiah (Matt, Rev 22:16); **Son of man**, a Servant of man, coming to serve (Mark); **Son of Adam**, a Perfect man (Luke) and **Son of God**, perfect God (John).

The Old and New Testaments consist of 66 books, a library of books, all with a **unity** that **transcends** centuries of **time** and **differences** in cultural backgrounds. **All** of them speak of Jesus Christ. (John 5:39)

God is the Author of the Scriptures. His Spirit "breathed" His own thoughts in the minds of the men who wrote the Bible. (Read 2 Tim 3:16-17)