



JUSTIFICATION

QUOTE from “Do You Believe?” by Paul David Tripp

“Those whom God calls, he also freely justifies, by forgiving our sins, and by counting and accepting us as righteous. We are not justified because of anything done in us or done by us, but solely because of what Christ has done for us. ...God justifies us by declaring the obedience of Christ and his payment for our sin by grace count as ours.”

SCRIPTURE ON JUSTIFICATION

Psa 32:5; 51; 89:31-33; 110:1

Isa 53:5-6

Matt 6:12; 26

John 1:12; 6:37; 10:15-16, 28; 17:2, 6-9

Rom 3:24-28; 4:5-8, 22-25; 5:10-19; 8:9, 14, 3-32

1 Cor 1:30-31; 15:25-26

2 Cor 5: 21

Eph 1:7-9; 2:8-10

Phil 3:8, 9

Col 1:21-22; 2:13-15

1 Tim 2:6

Titus 3:4-7

Heb 9:14-15; 10:14

James 2:17, 22, 26

1 Pet 1:2, 18-19

1 John 1:7-9; 5:20

BIBLE STUDIES & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*Justification in the **Old Testament***

- **Consider Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers.** What does the Old Testament sacrificial system teach us about sin and righteousness?
- **Consider Israel vs. Other Nations.** How is the God of Israel different from the gods of the nations?

*Justification in the **New Testament***

- **Read Romans 5:1-2.** What are some of the blessings of justification through Jesus Christ?
- **Read Romans 5:6-11 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-21.** How do these verses describe the relationship between people and God apart from Christ’s saving work? What do these verses say about the relationship between God and believers?

A CASE STUDY & THE CONSEQUENCES OF JUSTIFICATION

Listen to the story of Rick & Maggie

- *Humility (Peacemaking)*
- *Gratitude*
- *Freedom*
- *Identity*
- *Potential*
- *Values*
- *Defense*

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“The doctrine of justification and all the graces that attach to it is the best news sinners in this sin-scarred world could ever hear. What we could never have dreamed would be ours and what we have no capacity whatsoever to earn is now ours in Christ. We stand in the life-giving rain of justifying mercies, an eternal shower that nothing in heaven or on earth can ever stop. What better gift could ever be given than the gift of the person, work, and justifying grace of the Lord Jesus Christ? You should stop reading and celebrate for a moment.”