SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

Start Right

With Jeremy Vasic, Mobilization and Multiplication Catalyst December 27, 2020



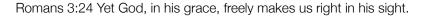
Romans 3:21-26 But now God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago. ²² We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

²³ For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. ²⁴ Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. ²⁵ For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, ²⁶ for he was looking ahead and including them in what he would do in this present time. God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he makes sinners right in his sight when they believe in Jesus.

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What does it mean to be made right with God?

Big Idea: Place your faith in the finished work of Jesus to be made right with God.

What are the implications of this kind of faith?

We are not slaves to our performance.

We are not controlled by our <u>circumstances</u>.

We are free to help others to be made right.

This Week's Missional Challenge: Bring a gift to a neighbour.





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2) How did the message resonate with you? What questions or comments did it raise for you?

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4) Read Romans 3:23. How does God's justice compliment his love? Why can we be confident of perfect justice when we see God's glorious standard?

5) Read Romans 3:24. How do you see the perfect mercy of God in this passage? How do you typically view God in both justice and mercy?

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