Edify Small Group Handout - Sermon October 04, 2026
"Justified By His Grace" (Romans 3:21-24) by John Gomez

1. **SERMON REFLECTION:** ***SOMEONE READS THE PASSAGE FIRST:*** Then Someone gives a brief (5 minute tops) recap/summary of Sunday's sermon

2. **Main Point: God justifies sinners by His grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone.**

   a. **Grand Points of the Text :**
      i. The Action: God's righteousness is revealed in and through *Christ alone*(v. 21)
      ii. The Means: God imputes Christ's righteousness by *faith alone*(v. 22-23)
      iii. The Basis: God justifies through faith alone on the grounds of His *grace alone* (v. 24)

   b. ***"What convicted/impacted you personally about Sunday's sermon?"***

3. **LEARN: What does this section of scripture teach us?**

   Intro: Last week we discussed how no one seeks God. What about justification and righteousness? Does humanity seek justification and righteousness?

   a. (1) The Action: God's righteousnessis revealed in and through *Christ alone*(v. 21)
      i. What does "God's righteousness" mean in this verse?

      ii. How do the Law and Prophets testify to salvation as we now know it?

      iii. Why is *this* righteousness "apart" from the Law?

      iv. What evidence is there that sin and righteousness have been imputed to us?

   b. (2) The Means: God imputes Christ's righteousness by *faith alone*(v. 22-23)
      i. What is the difference between general faith and saving faith?

      ii. What's wrong with cleaning up our lives a little bit so that we can really commit, before coming to Christ?

      iii. Why can't performance/work contribute to faith?

c. (3) The Basis: God justifies through faith alone on the grounds of His *grace alone* (v. 24)

i. What's the difference between justified and pardon/forgiveness?
   - What's the difference between justification and righteousness?

ii. Why is God just handing out free justification?

iii. What benefits come with the grace of justification?
   - How do you exercise those benefits?

iv. Why would God give only one way to salvation?

v. Is there anything in this passage that you don't quite grasp?

4. **Homework/contemplation/meditation**: Question for contemplation, "Despite all that Christ has done for me how am I still seeking self-justification for my existence?"

5. **Closing:** *Praying for one another*