

I am Justified

Discussion Questions:

We discussed debt, and how we have a sin debt.

- Does this mental picture help or hinder your understanding of your relationship with God?
- How do most people try to pay off the sin debt?
- Why do you think most people think they can pay it off on their own?
- Give an example of when or how you have tried to pay the debt on your own?

Isaiah 64:6-7 says that all our righteousness is like a filthy rag.

- What does it mean to you that our “good stuff” is like a filthy rag?
- What does this mean when so many people say “people are generally good”?
- Can man be good without God?
 - If yes, then what do you do with this verse?
 - If no, then how do you reconcile unbelievers who are very kind and charitable?

Why was it necessary that Jesus physically die? Do you believe Jesus could have provided salvation by another means? Why or why not?

What are some of the ramifications if “sinful” and “debtor” are on our legal account in heaven? What are some of the ramification if we have “righteousness” imputed on our legal account in heaven?

On the cross, Jesus shouted “Tetelestai – paid in full”.

- Do you live like your sin debt is paid in full?
- Do you live like your sin debt still needs to be paid, and it needs to be paid by you?
- Do you live as if you do not have a sin debt?

Under the sacrificial system, sins were covered; under Jesus’ sacrifice, sins are forgiven? What are the distinctions and differences between sins being covered and sins being forgiven?

What elements of “I am justified” are you most thankful for? Why?