

Gems From Jeremiah

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“For the time is coming,” says the LORD, “when I will raise up a righteous descendant from King David’s line. He will be a King who rules with wisdom. He will do what is just and right throughout the land. And this will be his name: ‘The LORD Is Our Righteousness.’”

– Jeremiah 23:5-6 (NLT)

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

– 2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV)

“When Good Is Not Good Enough”

Righteousness means “right-ness” before God.

Five Kinds Of Self-Righteousness:

_____ Righteousness – We’re not as bad as THEM!

_____ Righteousness – I follow the RULES!

_____ Righteousness – I do NICE things!

_____ Righteousness – I go through the right ceremonies!

_____ Righteousness – I don’t do anything REALLY wrong!

Self-Righteousness makes us SEEM right to ourselves, but it doesn’t change ANYTHING with God!

How do we embrace Christ’s righteousness?

It takes _____ because we can’t _____ it!

For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

– Romans 1:17 (NIV)

It takes _____ because we can’t _____ it!

When people work, their wages are not a gift, but something they have earned. But people are counted as righteous, not because of their work, but because of their faith in God who forgives sinners.

– Romans 4:4-5 (NLT)

It takes _____ on Christ, because we can’t _____ !

My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. – Galatians 2:20 (NLT)