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### **Scripture**

Romans 3:21-26

- Anyone with Faith in the Lord has the new way to righteousness outside of the law.
- Whether Jew or gentile, all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
- It's by His grace that we are justified. Grace came because of what Jesus did for us.
- Under the law of Moses, if you wanted to be made right, there were sacrifices and traditions that needed to be done for a temporary atonement. It's now Christ's sacrifice for atonement and we receive that through faith in Jesus.
- God gave time for his people (mercy), so he left the prior sins unpunished to show He is just, gracious and righteous.

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## **5 Practical Ways to Stand Firm in Faith and Righteousness**

**Objective:** Equip us as believers with practical strategies to stand firm in our faith, embrace true righteousness and maintain spiritual strength amidst life's trials.

**Key Verse:** Romans 5:1

### **1. Recognize and resist spiritual attacks.**

Scripture: Luke 22:31, Ephesians 6:10-18, 2 Corinthians 2:11

- Satan tries to undermine our faith. Reliance on God's words and our endurance is essential to resisting the schemes of our enemy.
- Notice the increase in anxiety and fear. Then immediately counter it with prayer and scripture declarations.

Action Step:

- Identify an area where you sense spiritual attacks. Strengthen your spiritual defense by affirming related scriptures.

Question:

- Share a moment where spiritual discernment helped you recognize and overcome a spiritual attack with God's wisdom.

### **2. Anchor your life in justification through Christ.**

Scripture: Romans 5:1-2, Titus 3:4-7, Galatians 2:16

- True faith recognizes that justification comes through Christ Jesus. Anchor our life in His finished work, not our own works.
- Turn from guilt and condemnation and embrace the truth that Jesus has justified you.

Action Step:

- Write down 3 truths about your identity in Christ's justification and reflect on them daily this week.

Question:

- Which aspect of justification resonates most deeply with you?

### **3. Cultivate a persistent prayer life.**

Scripture: Luke 18:1, Matthew 7:7-8, Philippians 4:6-7

- Persistence in prayer is important for spiritual breakthrough and our resilience during challenging times.
- Prayer and fasting is how we cultivate this consistent prayer life.

Action Step:

- Commit to a specific daily prayer schedule focused on one particular challenge or need this week.

Question:

- How has your persistent prayer changed your spiritual walk?

### **4. Walk in true righteousness.**

Scripture: Proverbs 21:3, Matthew 5:17-20, Romans 8:28-30

- True righteousness is not earned but received through faith in Christ. It's intentionally living consistently in alignment with God's word, mirroring Jesus' character.

Action Step:

- Choose one specific commandment or principle from scripture to intentionally practice daily this week.

Question:

- What practical step have you recently taken to walk more closely in true righteousness?
  - Example: Choosing forgiveness, not retaliation in a moment when you feel you've been wronged.

### **5. Maintain joy and praise as strength**

Scripture: Psalm 103:1, Nehemiah 8:10, Philippians 4:4

- The joy of the Lord provides believers strength. It empowers us spiritually and emotionally.
- Sing songs of worship and praise, affirming your faith in God's goodness. Singing songs of praise that match our testimony to help us through the waiting period of our challenges.

Action Step:

- Start and end each day this week with a moment of intentional praise and thanksgiving and find a song that sings your testimony.

Question:

- What praise song or scripture has recently brought you encouragement and strength?