

The Centrality of Jesus' Work on the Cross

Rom 1:3-4 TPT **For the gospel is all about God's Son.** As a man he descended from David's royal lineage, (4) but as the mighty Son of God he was raised from the dead and miraculously set apart with a display of triumphant power supplied by the Spirit of Holiness. And now Jesus is our Lord and our Messiah.

Rom 4:5 TPT **But no one earns God's righteousness. It can only be transferred when we no longer rely on our own works, but believe in the one who powerfully declares the ungodly to be righteous in his eyes. It is faith that transfers God's righteousness into your account!**

Rom 4:6-8 TPT Even King David himself speaks to us regarding the **complete wholeness that comes inside a person when God's powerful declaration of righteousness is heard over our life.** Apart from our works, God's work is enough. (7) Here's what David says: **What happy fulfillment is ahead for those whose rebellion has been forgiven and whose sins are covered by blood. (8) What happy progress comes to them when they hear the Lord speak over them, "I will never hold your sins against you!"**

Rom 5:20 MSG All that passing laws against sin did was produce more lawbreakers. But **sin didn't, and doesn't, have a chance in competition with the aggressive forgiveness we call grace. When it's sin versus grace, grace wins hands down.**

Rom 4:24-25 TPT ...but also over us. **For when we believe and embrace the one who brought our Lord Jesus back to life, perfect righteousness will be credited to our account as well. (25) Jesus was handed over to be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins and was raised back to life to prove that he had made us right with God!**

Rom 3:21-24 TPT (21-22) But now, independently of the law, the righteousness of God is tangible and brought to light through Jesus, the Anointed One. This is the righteousness that the Scriptures prophesied would come. **It is God's righteousness made visible through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. And now all who believe in him receive that gift. For there is really no difference between us, (23) for we all have sinned and are in need of the glory of God. (24) Yet through his powerful declaration of acquittal, God freely gives away his righteousness. His gift of love and favor now cascades over us, all because Jesus, the Anointed One, has liberated us from the guilt, punishment, and power of sin!**

Rom 6:12-14 MSG That means **you must not give sin a vote in the way you conduct your lives.** Don't give it the time of day. (13) Don't even run little errands that are connected with that old way of life. **Throw yourselves wholeheartedly and full-time—remember, you've been raised from the dead!—into God's way of doing things. (14) Sin can't tell you how to live. After all, you're not living under that old tyranny any longer. You're living in the freedom of God.**

Heb 9:12 TPT And he has entered once and forever into the Holiest Sanctuary of All, not with the blood of animal sacrifices, but **the sacred blood of his own sacrifice. And he alone has made our salvation secure forever!**

Rom 3:27-28 TPT (27) Where, then, is there room for boasting? **Do our works bring God's acceptance? Not at all! It was not our works of keeping the law but our faith in his finished work that makes us right with God. (28) So our conclusion is this: God's wonderful declaration that we are righteous in his eyes can only come when we put our faith in Christ, and not in keeping the law.**

The Finality of the Cross

Heb 10:14 TPT *And by his one perfect sacrifice he made us perfectly holy and complete for all time!*

Heb 9:26b TPT *But now he has appeared at the fulfillment of the ages to abolish sin once and for all by the sacrifice of himself!*

Heb 10:17-18 TPT *And then he says, "I will not ever again remember their sins and lawless deeds!" (18) So if our sins have been forgiven and forgotten, why would we ever need to offer another sacrifice for sin?*

Heb 10:10 TPT *By God's will we have been purified and made holy **once and for all** through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus, the Messiah!*

The Complete Adequacy of Christ's Shed Blood

Rom 5:9 TPT *And there is still much more to say of his **unfailing love for us!** For through the blood of Jesus we have heard the powerful declaration, "You are now righteous in my sight." And because of the sacrifice of Jesus, you will never experience the wrath of God.*

Heb 9:14 TPT *Yet how much more will the **sacred blood of the Messiah** thoroughly cleanse our consciences! For by the power of the eternal Spirit he has offered himself to God as the **perfect Sacrifice** that now frees us from our dead works to worship and serve the living God.*

1Pe 1:18-19 TPT *For you know that your lives were ransomed once and for all from the empty and futile way of life handed down from generation to generation. It was not a ransom payment of silver and gold, which eventually perishes, (19) but the **precious blood of Christ—who like a spotless, unblemished lamb was sacrificed for us.***

God is After Relationship

Heb 10:22-23 TPT ***we come closer to God and approach him with an open heart, fully convinced by faith that nothing will keep us at a distance from him.** For our hearts have been sprinkled with blood to remove impurity and we have been freed from an accusing conscience and now we are clean, unstained, and presentable to God inside and out! (23) **So now we must cling tightly to the hope that lives within us, knowing that God always keeps his promises!***

Heb 10:19-20 TPT *And now we are brothers and sisters in God's family because of the blood of Jesus, and he welcomes us to come right into the most holy sanctuary in the heavenly realm—boldly and with no hesitation. (20) **For he has dedicated a new, life-giving way for us to approach God.** For just as the veil was torn in two, Jesus' body was torn open **to give us free and fresh access to him!***

Rom 5:10-11 TPT (10) *So if while we were still enemies, God fully reconciled us to himself through the death of his Son, then something greater than friendship is ours. Now that we are at **peace with God**, and because we share in his resurrection life, how much more we will be rescued from sin's dominion! (11) And even more than that, **we overflow with triumphant joy in our new relationship of living in harmony with God—all because of Jesus Christ!***