

### Sticky Statement: The Gospel doesn't just judge us, but it justifies us.

Passage: Romans 3:9-26; Isaiah 53:4-5

9What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, 10as it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; 11no one understands; no one seeks for God. 12All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one." 13 "Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive." "The venom of asps is under their lips." 14 "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness." 15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood; 16in their paths are ruin and misery, 17and the way of peace they have not known." 18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes." 19Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. 20For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. The Righteousness of God Through Faith 21But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— 22the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. - Romans 3:9-26

### 1. God's Righteous \_\_\_\_\_

Verses 10-18 can be summed up in verse 23!

Does God love the sinner, but hate the sin?

- Psalm 5:4-6
- Psalm 11:5
- John 3:36

# Without the Righteous Judgement of God the Cross of Christ loses it's power and beauty!

2. God's Righteous \_\_\_\_\_.

### <u>Justified</u>

"to declare, pronounce, one to be just, righteous, or such as he ought to be."

4Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. - Isaiah 53:4-5

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

## Do the Word

25whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. - Romans 3:25

Have you received this by faith? Where are you struggling to walking in this faith?

(worth, anxiety, fear, lust, my job, relationships)