

THIS WEEK

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

events

Join us from 9:30-10 am for a **time of fellowship** before the worship service.

Please sign-in your children for **Nursery and Kids' Church**.

Middle School Youth Group
Wednesdays 6 - 7:30 pm

Catch God's heart for the Philippines with our missionary, **Joe Valentino**, next Sunday in the Hibiscus Room.

Food Drive today.

Our next **Discover Class** is on Sundays **Mar 27 and Apr 3**, 8:30-9:30 in the gazebo.

Spring Equipping Class, **Theology - Knowing God**, starting Wed, Mar 16, 4:30 pm.

Ways to Give:

- Online on our website or app
- Giving box on Sundays
- Mail a check to the church

Giving for Jan - Feb

Budgeted - \$56,667

Actual - \$52,845

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Romans 3:27-31

Big Idea: After making it unmistakably clear how the unrighteous are declared righteous, through faith alone in Jesus, Paul moves on to describe three implications this life-transforming faith has on those of us who treasure Jesus.

- humility
- unity
- confidence

GRACE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The Righteousness of God through Faith for Jews and Gentiles — Romans 3:27-31

1. What is it about the nature of faith that precludes boasting (Rom. 3:27)?
2. How do people today boast about their spirituality or relationship with God, and why is all boasting to be excluded?
3. Name some different ways people try to justify themselves before God. Which ones most accurately apply to the way we live?
4. What is the problem with peoples' hearts and relationships when they boast of their own righteousness, and how can we guard against self-righteousness?
5. What are the various ways people today understand and use the word "faith"?
6. Read Hebrews 11. What are some things these believers' faith caused them to do? Is there something your faith recently prompted you to do?
7. Who are the Gentiles, and why would Jews in Paul's day look down on them? See also Romans 2:17-29.
8. How does the fact that "there is only one God" and one way of salvation compare with how many people think today?
9. What truths from this passage, or these first three chapters of Romans, could help us respond graciously to people who say all religions are true, or say there are many gods, or say there are many ways to God?
10. Paul is clear that salvation comes to us as a gift received by faith, not by works, but at the same time that God's commandments are not abolished. How does justification by faith uphold the law? See also Exodus 20:1-7; Romans 8:3-4; Romans 13:8-10.
11. What goes wrong when people in the church believe they do not need to obey God's commands and they teach others to do the same (this thinking is called "antinomianism")? See also Jude 1:4.
12. If God has justified us through faith, what are some examples of how He encourages and enables us to obey Him. See also Romans 8:12-17, 31-34; Philippians 2:12-13; 1 John 1:5-10.